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MARCH 19, 2023 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Hello and Welcome to St. Joseph Parish!

Thank you for joining us today. Blessings! May you have a beautiful day. The St. Joseph Parish family extends a warm welcome to our visitors and new families. We are delighted to have you! If you are a new parishioner, ask one of the ushers for a parish census/registration form. Please complete and drop in the collections basket or bring by the church office during business hours. If we can be of any assistance to you, please let us know. We hope you will find a true home at St. Joseph Church!

RECORD OF OUR STEWARDSHIP

March 12, 2023

RECORD OF OUR FAITHFULNESS

Offertory—\$2,801.00

Poor Box—\$38.00

**May we be less concerned
 about our outward appearance
 and more concerned with our
 interior conversion of heart.**

6:00PM—65

11:00AM—96

Total—161

Blessed Thanks!



Please pray for our sick, shut-ins, those listed in our book of intentions, parishioners residing in nursing homes, and others who have asked for prayers: *Gino Aureli, Breckin Birge, Tim Boutwell, Irene Christian, Lee Cole, Anna Crawford, Janie Culpepper, Judy Ellison, John Golden, Karen Gossett, Julie Dial Habelmann, Denise Haber, Shirley Hartwick, Carol Hastings, Anna Marie Jacks, David Jackson, Mary Ann Kizer, Scott McGeorge, Mary Ellen Miskell, Thomas Oster, Betty Petrus, Claudia Rainey, Margie Ross, Laurie Stanfield, Claude Wilbern, Judy Wilbert, and Mary Winkley.* Please keep them in your prayers in their time of need... And all others in need of our healing prayers. Also, remember the caregivers of the ill.

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In your prayers, also remember the decease, especially Mitch DeMint, son-in-law of Linda DeMint; Riley Catherine Miskell, granddaughter of Mary Miskell; former parishioner, Larry Levine; and Keith Cochran, husband of Deborah Boyd Cochran. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord...

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – Adoration Chapel is now open. Please contact Mark or Mary Ives (870-489-4404) if you would like to spend a quiet hour with our Lord on a Tuesday or Wednesday.

VOLUNTEER AT JUNKTIQUE - Support Catholic High by volunteering for the annual Junktique sale and get early shopping perks. You can sign up at <https://signup.com/go/rRFHfve>. Daily shifts through April 1 are available. Junktique will be held from 8AM to 2PM, Saturday, April 1. All proceeds will be used for physical improvements to the school and for keeping tuition affordable.

Please prayerfully consider making a donation or memorial for the upkeep and maintenance of our three cemeteries, St. Joseph - Pine Bluff, St. Peter - New Gascony, and St. Patrick - Sulphur Springs. With your help we can keep them looking as beautiful as possible.

There are many dates in 2023, starting with April 13, open for Mass Intentions. You can have a mass said for persons living or deceased, Catholic or non-Catholic. Makes a great birthday or anniversary gift for only \$10.00 per mass. Please contact the parish office for additional information or to schedule a mass.

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR is requesting canned goods and any other non-perishable food items for their pantry. Monetary donations are also accepted. Make checks payable to Neighbor to Neighbor. Please give what you are able.

Father Joe will say Mass at St. Mary Catholic Church, Plum Bayou Thursday, March 30 at 6:00PM. Please make plans to attend.

Please notify the parish office when you or relatives are admitted to Jefferson Regional Medical Center. WE CARE!

ASSOCIATE EDITOR FOR ARKANSAS CATHOLIC - The Diocese of Little Rock has an opening for an Associate Editor for *Arkansas Catholic*. Requirements include a bachelor's degree in journalism/ communications or equivalent experience and two years of writing and editing experience. This is a full-time position at St. John Catholic Center in Little Rock with competitive pay and benefits including retirement plan. To inquire or apply by submitting a cover letter, resume and portfolio, email Malea Hargett, Editor, *Arkansas Catholic*, at mhargett@dolr.org or call (501) 664-0125.

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RETREAT - "*The Lord's Supper: A Eucharistic Revival*" will be hosted by John Michael Talbot at Little Portion Hermitage and Monastery March 24-26, June 2-4 and June 16-18. Jesus Christ invites us to return to the source and summit of our faith: a personal encounter with Jesus Christ through his Real Presence in the Eucharist. John Michael is supporting the National Eucharistic Revival happening today to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery here in the United States. (During this retreat - guided by his new book, [The Lord's Supper ~ A Eucharistic Revival](#), John Michael will accompany you through the Mass into a life-changing appreciation of Jesus Christ fully present in every Eucharist.) It is a true Eucharistic revival and you are invited! For complete details and to register visit: <https://troubadourforthe lord.net/store/ols/categories/little-portion-retreats-with-john-michael-talbot>

This week in our parish

Sun Mar 19 *FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT*

9:30AM No P.R.E. Today (Spring Break)

11:00AM †Judy Reese (Church)

12:00PM St Joseph Day Potluck (G Hall)

Mon Mar 20 ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8:00AM †Mary Belvedresi (Church)

Tue Mar 21

8:00AM *No Daily Mass*

9:30AM Scripture Study (Ed Bldg)

Wed Mar 22

5:30PM *Int Carol Ann Hastings* (Church)

6:00PM R.C.I.A. (Office Kitchen)

Thu Mar 23 St Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

8:00AM †Wilson & Mary Paule Dildy (Church)

Fri Mar 24



Day of Abstinence

8:00AM †Billie Gene Miller (Church)

5-7PM Lenten Fish Fry (G Hall)

6:00PM Stations of the Cross (Church)

Sat Mar 25 THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

10:30AM -12:00PM GRIEF SUPPORT (RM 230)

11AM-12PM Confessions Heard (Church)

6:00PM †St Joseph Parishioners (Church)

Sun Mar 26 *FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT*

9:30AM No P.R.E. Today (Spring Break)

11:00AM †Bill Wilbert (Church)

12:00PM Catholic Daughters Mtg (G Hall)

“Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the Lord looks into the heart.” ~1 Samuel 16:7

How often do we invest our time, talent and treasure in creating an appearance that does not matter at all to God? We strive to impress with our clothing, home, career, possessions, car and other marks of distinction. But none of these illusions of greatness will impress God. Instead, He will look into our hearts to see how much we loved Him, how much we loved others and how we showed that love by the way we used our time, talent and treasure here on earth.

There will be a Lenten Penance Service following 5:30PM Mass on Wednesday, April 22 in the church. Please make plans to attend.

Due to Holy Week, the St. Joseph Altar Society meeting will be held on Thursday, April 13 at 5:30PM in Gallagher Hall. All members are encouraged to attend.

Catholic Charities of Arkansas is hosting a four-day Faith Community Course. It is open to licensed, registered nurses who want to practice holistic health for individuals and the community using nursing knowledge combined with spiritual care. Parishes that want to start a faith community nursing ministry are encouraged to send at least one representative to the training. The course will be held April 21-22 and May 5-6 in the Biltz Room in St. John Center's Morris Hall in Little Rock. The course is free. For more information, contact Sister Iliana Aponte, DC, at (501) 664-0340 or iaponte@dolr.org.

Register at <https://www.dolr.org/events/faith-community-nursing-course>.

The beautiful flowers in front of the Altar of Sacrifice this weekend were placed there in loving memory of Jamie Suzanne Batzos by her mother, Sue Batzos, and family.