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APRIL 2, 2023 - PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

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 26, 2023

RECORD OF OUR FAITHFULNESS

Offertory—\$5,436.00
 Poor Box—\$30.00

**May we learn to put
 other's needs before our
 own and help our
 neighbor "carry his**

6:00PM—56
 11:00AM—89
Total—145

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 deceased, especially Mary Reed, mother of Lisa Boccarossa. 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.

A Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be said on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 16, in Annunciation Chapel at 3:00PM. Pamphlets will be placed in the pews in church on Good Friday. Please come and join us!

ARKANSAS' ONLY PRO-LIFE CAMP JOSHUA 2023 - July 28-30th! If you know a teen who has an interest in making a difference for life, Camp Joshua is the place where they will spend a weekend learning how to be an advocate for the issues of abortion, euthanasia, infanticide and embryonic stem cell research while enjoying Cross Heirs Lodge, eating great food, and meeting new friends from around the state who share their love for life! Cost per student is \$100. Registration is now open. To register or for more information visit www.campjoshuar.com Scholarships are available. Sponsored by Arkansas Right to Life 501-663-4237 artl@artl.org

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, April 27 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.

The Holy Thursday Collection for Seminarians was started in 2009 to give everyone the opportunity to help support the education of our seminarians. Your donation supports the education of the future priest of our diocese. Every gift is an expression of faith. Please give generously.

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Through the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land as a witness of peace, supporting Catholics there in parishes and schools, maintaining Christian shrines and caring for refugees in the Holy Land. Please be generous!

RETREAT - "*The Lord's Supper: A Eucharistic Revival*" will be hosted by John Michael Talbot at Little Portion Hermitage and Monastery 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://troubadourforthelord.net/store/ols/categories/little-portion-retreats-with-john-michael-talbot>

This week in our parish

Sun Apr 2 *PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION
OF THE LORD*

9:30-10:40AM P.R.E. Today (K thru 12th grades)
11:00AM †Bill Wilbert (Church)

Mon Apr 3

8:00AM †Edna Bryant (Church)
5:30PM Knight of Columbus Mtg (KC Hall)
5:30PM Chrism Mass (Cathedral, LR)

Tue Apr 4

8:00AM *No Daily Mass*
9:30AM Scripture Study (Ed Bldg)

Wed Apr 5

4-5:15PM Confessions Heard (Church)
5:30PM †Mike Lambert (Church)
6:00PM R.C.I.A. (Office Kitchen)

Thu Apr 6 *HOLY THURSDAY*

6:00PM †Mike Lambert (Church)

Fri Apr 7 *GOOD FRIDAY*

Day of Fast & Abstinence 

PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

12:15PM Stations of the Cross (Church)
6:00PM Good Friday Service (Church)

Sat Apr 8 *HOLY SATURDAY*

8:00AM No Men's Holy Hour Today
11AM No Confessions Heard Today
8:00PM †St Joseph Parishioners (Church)

Sun Apr 9 *EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION
OF THE LORD*

9:30AM No P.R.E. Today (Easter Break)
11:00AM †Mike Lambert (Church)

“As they were marching out, they came upon a man of Cyrene, Simon by name; this man they pressed into service to carry his cross.” ~Matthew 27:32

The Lord calls us to love God and to love our neighbor. Every day we are presented with opportunities to love our neighbor and help him “carry his cross.” These opportunities aren’t usually big events, they are usually ordinary occurrences like helping someone carry their groceries or holding the door open for them. The key is putting the other person’s needs before our own and not expecting anything in return.

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>.

No Men's Holy Hour Saturday, April 8 due to observance of the Easter Triduum.