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**MAY 9, 2021 - SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - MOTHER'S DAY**

**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**

**May 2, 2021**

**RECORD OF OUR FAITHFULNESS**

Offertory—\$7,416.07  
 Poor Box—\$15.00  
 Building Fund—\$285.00  
*Blessed Thanks!*

**May we show our love for  
 God by the way we use our  
 time, talent and treasure.**

6:00PM— 44  
 11:00AM— 71  
**Total—115**



**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, Gloria Aureli, Gia Blanchard, Brandie Castleberry, Sybil Cope, Mary Davis, Shelley Dedman, Theresa Failla, Jim Gross, Julie Dial Habelmann, Shirley Hartwick, Carol Hastings, Gene Hastings, Scott Howell, Anna Marie Jacks, David Jackson, Mary Ann Kizer, Mike Lambert, Anthony***

***Mayer, Scott McGeorge, Mary Ellen Miskell, Franklin Murray, Thomas Oster, Claudia Rainey, Judy Reese, Rose Mary Smith, Vince Smith, and Laurie Stanfield.* 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. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord...*

**EUCHARISTIC 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.**

**NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR is requesting canned goods and any other non-perishable food items for their pantry. They are experiencing a tremendous increase in those from Jefferson County needing assistance with food. Thank you!**

**Glory on the Grounds youth festival will be held outside at St. John's Catholic Center in Little Rock on Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup> from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Bring your lawn chairs for a day filled with music by Steve Angrisano, food trucks for lunch and plenty of fun! At the end of the day we will close with an outdoor Mass. The cost is \$25 per person. All youth, Junior High and High School are invited. Registration is through your parish youth ministry program. This event is sponsored by the Diocesan Youth Office. For more information and the registration visit our website at:**

**<https://www.dolr.org/sites/default/files/documents/outdoor-youth-rally-registration-21.pdf>**

**Partial scholarships are available by using the following form:**

**<https://www.dolr.org/sites/default/files/documents/diocesanscholarshipapplication.pdf>**



*Please remember, during this temporary time of changes to our parish Mass and activities schedules, that we must still pay our bills. Your continued Stewardship is very important. Please place in the box in church or mail to the parish office. A BIG thanks to those sending in their Stewardship.*

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION DURING THE PANDEMIC

- Bishop Taylor lifted the dispensation from the Sunday Mass obligation effective Oct 1. **ALL HEALTHY CATHOLICS SHOULD NOW ATTEND SUNDAY MASS.**
- **SUNDAY MASS TIMES:** Saturday Vigil-6PM, Sunday Mass-11AM
- Daily Masses are Mondays, Thursdays, & Fridays at 8AM and Wednesdays at 5:30PM
- Everyone over 10 years of age **MUST** wear a mask at all times.
- Confessions will be heard from 4-5PM on Wednesdays and anytime by request (behind the screen **ONLY**).

Our Facebook page is *St. Joseph Catholic Church-Pine Bluff, AR*. Our 6PM Saturday Masses will be live streamed there. Additional information available, also.

Our website is [www.stjosephpinebluff.org](http://www.stjosephpinebluff.org) where you can get the latest bulletin and other important parish information.

### NEW CHANGES EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY!

- Holy water has been returned to fonts and hymnals to pews;
- Processional and Recessional resumed;
- All doors to church unlocked (**ONLY** west door will have hand sanitizers);
- Eucharistic Ministers may help distribute the Eucharist - **ONLY IF** they have been vaccinated.

**EFFECTIVE APRIL 1 - No more social distancing; however,  
MASKS WILL BE REQUIRED until May 12.**

**We prayed, fasted and gave alms—and we rejoiced because Christ has risen! Our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl challenged us as we began the Easter season to share the joy of having a loving God that is alive and accompanies us always. Let's do the same by being present to our global family by caring for their material and spiritual needs. It's time to start returning your Rice Bowls in the boxes around church. Deadline to return Rice Bowls is Sunday May 30, 2021.**



Catholic Arkansas  
Sharing Appeal

**CATHOLIC ARKANSAS SHARING APPEAL (CASA) 2021**  
Prayerfully welcome this opportunity to give in support of  
the overall needs of the Church in our area of the Diocese.

**OUR GOAL IS \$14,700.00**

*Please return your CASA Gift/Pledge as soon as possible.*

# *This week in our parish*

Sun May 9 *SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER*

*MOTHERS DAY*

9:30AM Digital P.R.E.

11:00AM † St Joseph Parishioners (Church)

Mon May 10 St Damien de Veuster, Priest

8:00AM †Hazel Turchi (Church)

Tue May 11

8:00AM No Daily Mass

Wed May 12 Sts Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs

St Pancras, Martyr

4-5PM Confessions Heard (Church)

5:30PM †Ryan Renfro (Church)

Thu May 13 Our Lady of Fatima

8:00AM †Hazel Turchi (Church)

Fri May 14 ST MATTHIAS, APOSTLE

8:00AM †Bill Bryant (Church)

Sat May 15 St Isidore

6:00PM †Dorothy Gilbert (Church)

*(6PM Mass will be live-streamed  
on Facebook)*

Sun May 16 *THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD*

*FIRST HOLY COMMUNION*

9:30AM Digital P.R.E.

11:00AM † St Joseph Parishioners (Church)



*“This is my  
commandment:  
love one another as  
I love you. No one  
has greater love  
than this, to lay  
down one’s life for  
one’s friends”*

*~John 15:12-13*

**Do you love Jesus? Do you consider Him your friend? Jesus says that if we love Him we would be willing to offer whatever we have to Him, not because we want praise and glory, but simply because we love Him. Does your giving seem mechanical out of obligation or do you share freely out of love?**

The Diocese of Little Rock has an opening for an Administrative Assistant in the Chancery Office to provide administrative support for the Chancellor for Canonical Affairs. The job requirements include being Catholic, having administrative support experience and strong computer skills, and the ability to maintain confidentiality. This full-time position offers competitive pay and excellent benefits. To apply, please submit a cover letter and resume to Paula Lattanzi, HR Specialist, at [plattanzi@dolr.org](mailto:plattanzi@dolr.org). Inquiries for more information about the position are also welcome.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!** St. Joseph Altar Society will have a Bingo fund raiser in conjunction with their annual picnic Saturday, June 5 after the 6:00PM Mass. Please plan to attend. Additional details are forthcoming.

*Life doesn’t come with a manual. It comes with a mother!*  
**HAPPY MOTHER’S DAY!**