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MAY 14, 2023 - 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 7, 2023

RECORD OF OUR FAITHFULNESS

Offertory—\$5,040.00

Poor Box—\$29.00

May we recognize that things
don't always go the way we plan
and God has a better plan in
store for us.

5:00PM—54

11:00AM—90

Total—144

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. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord...

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION –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.

SEARCH #152 RETREAT - Registrations are now being accepted for Search #152, a retreat to help juniors and seniors in high school get to know themselves better, deepen their friendship with Christ, and find support in living out their faith. The summer Search is open to in-coming juniors, seniors and recently graduated seniors. Search #152 will be held at St. John Center, Little Rock, over the dates of June 23-25, 2023. The fee is \$145.00. For more information and registration forms visit our website at: <https://www.dolr.org/sites/default/files/documents/search-152.pdf>

Partial scholarships are available by using the following form:

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

Please return your Rice Bowls at your earliest convenience. They may be placed in the boxes around the church or brought to the parish office. Deadline to turn in Rice Bowls is Wednesday, May 31.

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, May 25 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*, mhargett@dolr.org or call (501) 664-0125.

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.campjoshuaar.com Scholarships are available. Sponsored by Arkansas Right to Life 501-663-4237 artl@artl.org

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS AND COLLEGE STUDENTS

Applications for scholarships from St. Joseph Parish and the Knights of Columbus can be picked up in the parish office or downloaded from our parish website. Scholarship application deadline for each is 4:00PM Friday, July 21, 2022.

Applications for the Catholic Daughters scholarship (awarded to St. Joseph parishioner who is a 2023 graduating high school senior) can also be picked up in the parish office or downloaded from our parish website. Scholarship application deadline is also 4:00PM Friday, July 21, 2022.

This week in our parish

Sun May 14 *SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER*

MOTHER'S DAY

9:30-10:40AM P.R.E. (K thru 12th grades)

11:00AM *#Mary Wilbert* (Church)

Mon May 15 St Isidore

8:00AM *#Dorothy Gilbert* (Church)

Tue May 16

8:00AM *No Daily Mass*

9:30AM Scripture Study (Ed Bldg)

Wed May 17

5:30PM *#Betty Mathews* (Church)

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

Thu May 18 St John I, Pope and Martyr

8:00AM *Int Fr Frank DuPreez* (Church)

Fri May 19

8:00AM *Int Joe Turchi* (Church)

Sat May 20 St Bernardine of Siena, Priest

11AM-12PM Confessions Heard (Church)

5:00PM *Int Gail Bryant* (Church)

Sun May 21 *THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD*

GRADUATES' MASS

9:30-10:40AM P.R.E. (Last Class this year)

11:00AM *#St Joseph Parishioners* (Church)

"For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be God's will, than for doing evil." ~1 Peter 3:17

The old line says "if you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans." Many of us are diligent in our planning and making sure things are progressing smoothly. Then disaster strikes, we don't get the result we anticipated or an unforeseen problem arises. Many times we may respond negatively and ask, "Why me? I did everything right!" Here's the thing – adversity humbles us and reminds us of our dependence on God and not on our own self-reliance. Rest assured, God has a better plan in store for you.

To All Mothers... May the peace of the Lord be with you always and guide you in all that you do!

ATTENTION 2023 GRADUATES

St. Joseph Parish Annual Graduates' Mass and Luncheon



SUNDAY MAY 21, 2023



Please wear your cap & gown and line up at the back of church by 10:50AM to process in for Mass.

Lunch (for all parish high school or college graduates and their immediate family) following our Mass. RESERVATIONS ARE MANDATORY!

Please call the parish office (534-4701) to make reservations.

Reservation deadline is Wednesday, May 17