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MAY 21, 2023 - THE ASCENSION 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

May 14, 2023

RECORD OF OUR FAITHFULNESS

Offertory—\$10,418.00
 Poor Box—\$39.25
 Building Fund—\$275.00
 Cemetery Fund—\$220.00

May we learn to pray not only in
 bad times, but also in good times.
 Pray for family, friends and
 those that may not treat us well.

5:00PM—60
 11:00AM—101
 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, Barbara Boyd, 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.



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.

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

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>

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.

Today's second collection is for the Catholic Communication Campaign. Half of your donation will stay in the diocese and makes it possible for 7,300 free *Arkansas Catholic* digital subscriptions to be given to readers. Your donation also supports the diocesan website, www.dolr.org. Thank you for your support.

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

Saint John Newman University Parish in Jonesboro seeks a Director of Catholic Campus Ministry to lead, manage and sustain an active campus ministry at Arkansas State University. The ministry includes planning and implementing worship, gatherings and retreats, and assisting with annual fundraising. This is a flexible 40 hour a week position with competitive pay and benefits, including health insurance and a retirement plan. Requirements include a strong Catholic faith; excellent communication, computer and social media skills; and a bachelor's degree in education, theology, pastoral ministry or related field and/or a strong background and experience in Catholic campus or youth ministry. A job description is available upon request. To inquire for more information or to apply by e-mailing a cover letter and resume, contact Liz Tingquist, Diocesan Director of Catholic Campus Ministry, at ltingquist@dolr.org.

This week in our parish

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)

Mon May 22 St Rita of Cascia, Religious

8:00AM †*Tom Wewers* (Church)

Tue May 23

8:00AM *No Daily Mass*

9:30AM Scripture Study (Ed Bldg)

Wed May 24

5:30PM †*Don Ruggeri* (Church)

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

Thu May 25 St Bede the Venerable, Priest
and Doctor of the Church

St Gregory VII, Pope

St Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi, Virgin

8:00AM †*Russell Benning* (Church)

6:00PM Mass at St. Mary Church, Plum Bayou
†*Mary Louise Richardson*

Fri May 26 ST PHILIP NERI, PRIEST

8:00AM †*Charles LeSieur* (Church)

Sat May 27 St Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop

11AM-12PM Confessions Heard (Church)

5:00PM †*St Joseph Parishioners* (Church)

Sun May 28 *PENTECOST SUNDAY*

11:00AM †*Mike Lambert* (Church)

"I am praying for them..."

~John 17:9

Prayer is the foundation of our Faith and the foundation of Stewardship. Prayer is always the first best option in any situation - not just our last resort. Pray for friends and family, and especially for those that don't treat you very well. Pray to give praise, to thank, and to ask God for help. Pray to see what God wants you to do with the gifts He has given you. Teach others how to pray. It has been said that teaching someone how to pray is the best gift you can give someone.

Don't forget the Mass at St. Mary Church, Plum Bayou Thursday, May 25 at 6:00PM.

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, 2023.

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, 2023.

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.