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OCTOBER 8, 2023 - TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

October 1, 2023

RECORD OF OUR FAITHFULNESS

Offertory—5,025.00
 Poor Box—\$0.00
 Bldg Fund—\$490.00
 Cemetery Fund—\$80.00

**May we not be afraid
 of living our Faith
 because of fear of being
 “rejected” by others.**

5:00PM—55
 11:00AM—101
Total—156

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, Shannon Fikes Bass, Breckin Birge, Tim Boutwell, Barbara Boyd, Irene Christian, Lee Cole, Anna Crawford, Janie Culpepper, John Golden, Karen Gossett, Julie Dial Habelmann, Denise Haber, Shirley Hartwick, Carol Hastings, Anna Marie Jacks, David Jackson, Mary Ann Kizer, Joseph & Jean Lucas, Scott McGeorge, Pat McKenney, Mary Ellen Miskell, Betty Petrus, Margie Ross, Laurie Stanfield, 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 Patrick Bogy.
 Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord...***

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION –Please contact Angelique Ford (870-489-0563) 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!

R. C. I. A. Classes meet on Mondays at 6:00PM in the kitchen by the parish offices. Anyone interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic faith is welcome to attend.

We need one (1) Catechist (teacher/helper) for Parish Religious Education in the K-1 class. If interested, please contact Deacon Garry or the parish office.

During the month of October, please consider making a monetary donation or providing needed items to the Animal Shelter. Items needed include dog treats, canned puppy food, canned cat food, and towels/smaller blankets.

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR is requesting 100 cans of SWEET POTATOES by October 31 for their Thanksgiving baskets, which go out starting November 1. Any canned goods and other non-perishable food items are also welcomed for their pantry. Monetary donations are also accepted. Make checks payable to Neighbor to Neighbor. Please give what you are able as the need is great. Last month, N2N gave out 883 bags of food and served 1,576 hot meals, and these numbers continue to grow each month.

Father Joe will say Mass at St. Mary Catholic Church, Plum Bayou Thursday, October 26 at 6:00PM. Please make plans to attend.

PILGRIMAGE TO IRELAND - *Arkansas Catholic* is hosting a 10-day pilgrimage to Ireland September 11-20, 2024, with vicar general Father John Connell. Immerse yourself in the saints, culture and faith of Ireland with visits to Dublin, Galway and Knock, one of the world's most well-known Marian apparition sites. The land portion costs \$3,788 per person, including eight nights' accommodations, breakfast and dinner daily, deluxe motor coach transportation, a professional tour escort and entrance fees to scheduled sites. A \$500 deposit is due at the time of registration. A \$100 discount will be offered to those who register by December 15.

To learn more, an informational meeting will be held Sunday, September 24 at 4:30 p.m. at St. John Center in Little Rock. RSVP at 2024pilgrimage.eventbrite.com. For more information, contact Kathy Primm of Sue Smith Vacations at (501) 771-0987 or kathy@suesmithvacations.com.

There are many dates in 2023, starting with October 26th, 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.

The next Grief Support session of 'A New Day' will begin Saturday, October 21st. We will meet for 9 Saturdays, from 10:30 until noon in the education building room 214. Class is limited to 10 participants. Contact Lisa Boccarossa to register. Call or text 870-718-8081. Email: chickpeathree@msn.com

This week in our parish

Sun Oct 8 *TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

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

11:00AM #Bill Wilbert (Church)

Mon Oct 9 St Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs

St John Leonardi, Priest

8:00AM Int Evan Bryant (Church)

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

Tue Oct 10

8:00AM No Daily Mass

9:30AM Scripture Study (Ed Bldg)

10:30AM Domino Group (Ed Bldg)

Wed Oct 11 St John XXIII, Pope

5:30PM Int Susan Buckner (Church)

6:15PM Pastoral Council Meeting (Office Kitchen)

Thu Oct 12

8:00AM Int Jill Healey (Church)

Fri Oct 13

8:00AM #Frances Moore (Church)

Sat Oct 14 St Callistus I, Pope and Martyr

8-9AM Men's Holy Hour (Chapel)

12:00PM Hispanic Mass (Church)

4-4:45PM Confessions Heard Today (Church)

5:00PM #Quyên Do (Church)

Sun Oct 15 *TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

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

10:15AM Rosary at Grotto (West Side Parking Lot)

11:00AM #St Joseph Parishioners (Church)

The stone that the builders rejected has become the corner stone..."

~Matthew 21:42

Jesus was rejected by the religious and political leaders of his day, as well as ordinary citizens, but he was still obedient to God, the Father. Similarly, living a stewardship lifestyle may cause you to be "rejected" by others, but we, too are called to be obedient. Saying grace before a meal in a restaurant may attract some strange looks from some. But to others it is a sign that God is alive and well!

Men, don't forget the Holy Hour for Men Saturday, October 14 at 8:00AM in Annunciation Chapel.

Attention P.R.E. parents/guardians. October 22nd and 29th, we will have the "Circle of Grace" presented to each class. A letter will be mailed to you explaining the program and also the consent/opt out forms. If you have questions, Please contact Deacon Boccarossa 870 692-8658.

St. Joseph Church needs someone to take over managing our website. Don Puddephatt has graciously done this for many years, even after moving to Hot Springs and we are very grateful. However, due to health issues and computer problems, he feels it is time to pass on the job to a younger member of our parish. If interested, call Gail Bryant in the parish office 534-4701.

A great big THANKS to all the parishioners and volunteers who worked relentlessly on the Spaghetti Supper.

Without YOU it would not have been the great success it was!

The unofficial count is 3051 dinners served.