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FEBRUARY 8 - FIFTH 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

Offertory—\$7,560.00
 Poor Box—\$124.00
 Black & Indian Collection—\$155.00
 Building Fund—\$205.00

February 1, 2026

May we let our light
 shine before others
 and be a bold
 witness of our faith!

RECORD OF OUR FAITHFULNESS

5:00PM—45
 11:00AM—68
Total—113

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: *Eileen Badovick, Shannon Fikes Bass, Anna Batzos, Breckin Birge, Lisa Boccarossa, Tim Boutwell, Michael Calvert, Mike & Evelyn Cash (Rison), Janie Culpepper, Ronnie Ford, Greg Gustek, Julie Dial Habelmann, Anna Marie Jacks, Mary Ann Kizer, Scott McGeorge, Bill Miskell, Mary Ellen Miskell, Betty Petrus, Dewayne Petrus, Robert & Therese Riddle, Margie Ross, Heather Smith, David Taylor, Don Walters, Mary Winkley, Elaine Woodyard, and Joseph Wynn.* 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 Willie Morehead, Jr, brother of Emma Lafitte. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord...

EUCCHARISTIC 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!

Join us in celebrating National Marriage Week from February 7 to 14! World Marriage Sunday will be celebrated February 8th. National Marriage Week is a special time to reflect on the beautiful gift of the sacrament of matrimony. This year's theme from the USCCB is "Man and Woman, He Created Them: Together with Purpose", inviting couples to recognize their unique gifts and how they might use them to build one another up in joy and complementarity.

Prayer to St. Valentine

Dear Saint and glorious martyr, teach us to love unselfishly and to find great joy in giving. Enable all true lovers to bring out the best in each other. Let them love each other in God and in God in each other. Amen.

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR is asking St. Joseph parishioners to contribute non-perishable foods 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. Cuts to their USDA programs have left their shelves empty. They depend now more than ever on donations from churches and the community to help fill more than 900 bags each month.

A new Time Capsule, to be opened in 2075, will be interred at St. Peter's Cemetery, New Gascony sometime in January, weather permitting. If you, or a parish organization, have something you would like to place in the capsule, please contact Kathryn Brickey (501) 580-4529 or Jimmy Rinchuso (870) 550-5896 for details on size and packaging.

SUMMER INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY WITH ARKANSAS CATHOLIC - *Arkansas Catholic* is accepting applications for a Summer Journalism & Communications Intern. This paid 10-week internship offers hands-on experience in Catholic communications, including writing bylined articles, photography, website updates and video projects for a statewide publication. Applicants must be at least 18 years old, Catholic and currently pursuing a degree related to journalism, communications, marketing or media. The intern must be available 12-15 hours per week and able to work on-site at St. John Center in Little Rock. A valid driver's license is required. After the summer, the intern will have published work and professional references from *Arkansas Catholic*. To apply, submit a resume and writing or media samples (if available) tomhargett@dolr.org. Questions may be directed to editor Malea Hargett at (501) 664-0125 or by text at (501) 554-9595. Application deadline is April 10.

PHOTO CONTEST - Any Arkansas photographer, 18 or older, can enter their photo of a local Catholic church or institution for a chance to be featured on the cover of the 2027 Diocese of Little Rock directory. *Arkansas Catholic* sponsors the annual cover photo contest. The contest entry deadline is March 18. Complete rules and how to enter are available at <https://arkansas-catholic.org/photo-contest>. For more information, contact Debbie Kelly at dkelly@dolr.org. or (501) 664-0125.

There will no Pastoral Council elections next weekend. Please see the enclosed flyer or the February Newsletter with the explanation of why and short bios of our nine (9) new Pastoral Council members.

This week in our parish

Sun Feb 8 *Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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

11:00AM #St Joseph Parishioners (Church)

12:00PM CDA Souper Bowl Fundraiser (G Hall)

12:00PM Catholic Daughters Meeting (G Hall)

Mon Feb 9

8:00AM *Int Richard & Kay Burleigh* (Church)

Tue Feb 10 ST SCHOLASTICA, VIRGIN

8:00AM *No Daily Mass*

9:30AM *No Scripture Study until further notice*

10:30AM *Domino Group* (Ed Bldg)

Wed Feb 11 *Our Lady of Lourdes*

5:30PM #Catherine Wynn (Church)

Thu Feb 12

8:00AM #Billie & Chris Brown (Church)

Fri Feb 13

8:00AM #Jeffrey Kizer (Church)

Sat Feb 14 *Sts. Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop*

St Valentine's Day

8:00AM *Men's Holy Hour* (Chapel)

10:00-11:30AM *O.C.I.A.* (Ed Bldg)

10:00AM *Grief Support Group* (Ed Bldg)

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

5:00PM #Jack Castleberry (Church)

Sun Feb 15 *Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

9:30 *No P.R.E.* (Presidents' Day Holiday)

11:00AM #St Joseph Parishioners (Church)

"Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." ~Matthew 5:16

The generosity of being a good steward of your gifts has a positive effect on people, and it is contagious! Good works encourages more good works. Generosity is a by-product of a grateful lifestyle. The more we recognize God's gifts, the more we want to share them. Good stewards recognize that God is working through them, and they don't put themselves above the people they have been called to help.

Men, don't forget the Holy Hour for Men, Saturday, February 14 at 8:00AM in Annunciation Chapel. Come spend a quiet hours with our Lord.

GRIEF SUPPORT CLASS: *A New Day* began Saturday, February 7th. It's not too late to join. They meet Saturday mornings at 10:00AM in the Education Bldg. Please contact Lisa Boccarossa 870-718-8081 to register.

Due to illness and cold weather, Scripture Study has been postponed until spring. We will let you know when it resumes.



CATHOLIC ARKANSAS SHARING APPEAL (CASA) 2026
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.