St. Joseph Catholic Church
Newsletter

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June Mass Readings

June 07
Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
Dt 8:2-3, 14-16
1 Cor 10:16-17
John 6:51-58

June 14
Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ex 19:2-6
Rom 5:6-11
Matt 9:36-10:8

June 21
Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jer 20:10-13
Rom 5:12-15
Matt 10:26-33

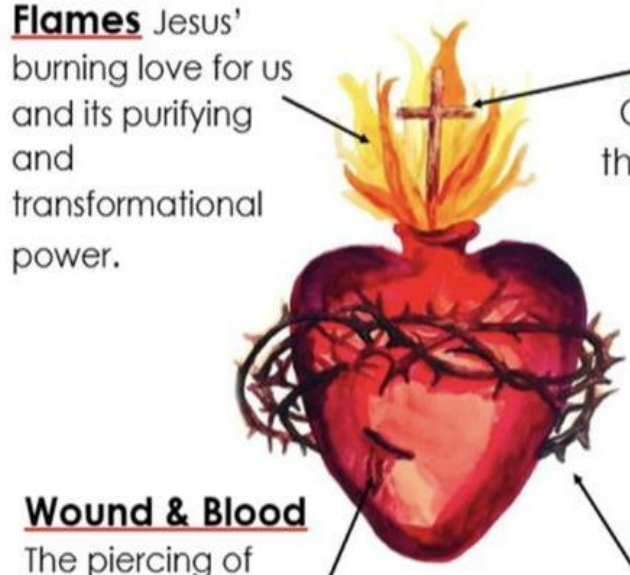
June 28
Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16
Rom 6:3-4, 8-11
Matt 10:37-42

JUNE: Sacred Heart of Jesus The month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Did you know there is also the Sacred Heart of Mary and St Joseph. Each of the hearts have significant meaning and devotion.

Daily Devotion to the Sacred Heart

O most holy heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing, I adore You, I love You, and with lively sorrow for my sins I offer You this poor heart of mine. Make me humble, patient, pure and wholly obedient to Your will. Grant, good Jesus, that I may live in You and for You.

Sacred Heart of Jesus



Flames Jesus' burning love for us and its purifying and transformational power.

Cross The Crucifixion, the ultimate sacrifice.

Wound & Blood The piercing of Jesus' side during This crucifixion. His precious blood spilled for our redemption.

Crown of Thorns Jesus' suffering and agony of the cross, which He willingly endured for our sake.

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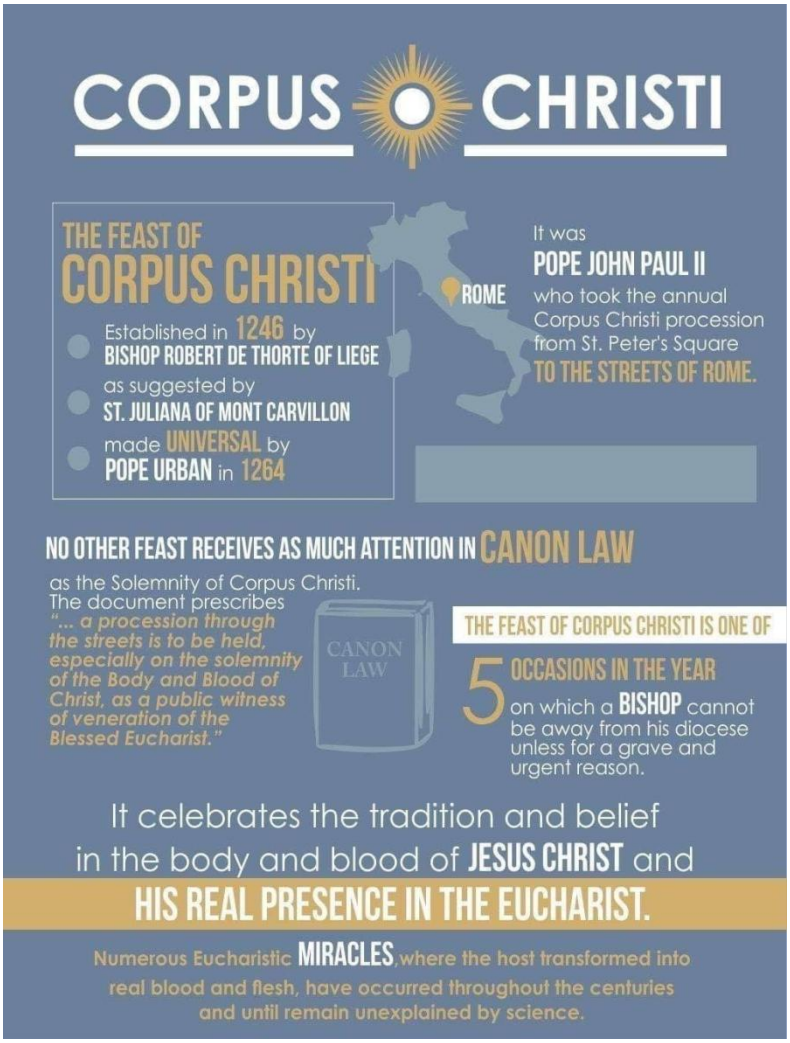
ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

Financial Report

APRIL 2026

RECEIPTS:	
Collections	19,519.00
Second Collections	5,503.00
Fund Raisers	- 0 -
Cemeteries Funds	305.00
Other Income	11,115.91
TOTAL RECEIPTS	$36,442.91
DISBURSEMENTS:	
Salaries & Benefits	23,548.79
Rectory, Church & Offices	11,053.83
Budgeted Committees	2,310.00
Contributions/Aid	1,500.00
Scholarships	- 0 -
Second Collections	5,385.00
Cemeteries Expenses	785.47
Other Expenses	41.01
Diocesan Assessment	2,224.83
Parish Support-Seminarians	377.10
Capital Expenditures	- 0 -
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES:	$47,226.03
EXCESS RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS:	($10,783.12)

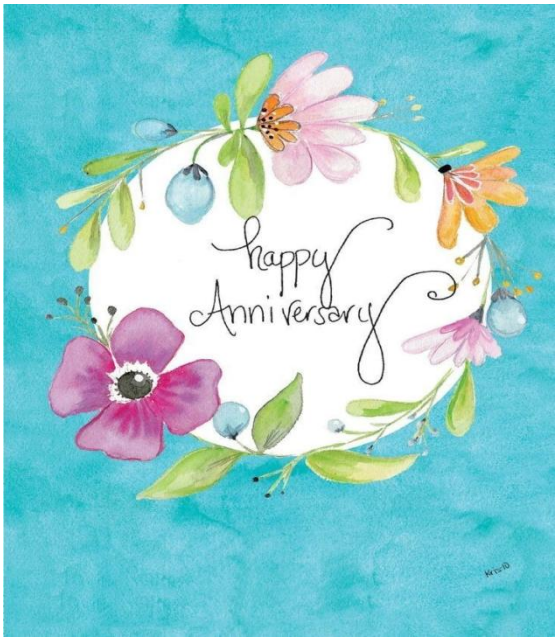


Remember, this is our parish newsletter and our way to connect with each other. If you have news you would like to share, please email me at stjosephnews14@gmail.com.

01	Mary Stahara
03	Elaine Felsman
04	Leticia Armstrong
04	Mary Ann Kizer
07	Kay Burleigh
09	Jacob Pham
09	Jackie Stringer
11	Richard Beger
11	Kevin Marbella
12	David Taylor
14	Amy Dean
15	Carolyn Strode
16	Dorothy Soto
16	Sofia Velazquez
17	Skip Capshaw
17	Loretta Sanchez
19	Dannette Petrus
20	Joanne Landron
20	Daniel Valazquez
20	Mia Valazquez
22	Bryan Raymundo
22	Jim Rinchuso
23	Lawrence Mayer
27	Christopher Ernst
27	Rafael Jacinto
28	Alejandra Camarillo
29	Jannah Via
30	Madison Lim
30	Bernadine Corbitt
30	Mary Kay Wilbern

June Anniversaries

02	Gary & Regina Bunting
13	Eric & Ann Smith
14	Rowland & Dorothy Barthet
15	Bryan & Melissa Raymundo
17	Franklin & Lela Murray
21	Lawrence & Mary Shannon Fikes
25	Mike & Karen Cash



Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Court Our Lady of Victory, #564
April 26, 2026

Meeting was called to order by Regent Connie Boutwell. Silent roll call of officers. Elizabeth Rinchuso sat in as Recording Secretary. A quorum was present. Angelique Ford made the motion to approve the minutes from previous meeting as e-mailed. The motion passed unanimously.

- **Local Correspondence:** A card from Judy Erstine was read.
- **National Correspondence**: Kathryn Brickey reminded everyone of the upcoming National Convention in Coralville Iowa in July 2026. There is a membership contest continuing for courts getting new members.

Circle of Love:

- Spiritual: Judy Erstine recently has knee replacement surgery but sent St. Christopher medals and cards.
- Education/ Youth: It is time to begin accepting scholarship applications. The deadline will be the same as it has been in the past- July 31 at 4 PM. (We will discuss changes to the Standing Rules under New Business.)

Unfinished Business:

- Made 66 dozen Tamales. After expenses we should clear approximately $317.

New Business:

1. Nominating Committee (Judy Erstine Chairman, Kathryn Brickey and Wendy Ruggeri) presented the 2026-2028 Slate of Officers. Because Judy Erstine was absent, Kathryn Brickey presented the slate as follows. Treasurer Donna Smith made a motion to accept the slate of officers as presented. The motion passed unanimously. Elections of new Officers will be held at the May 2026 meeting.
    - ❖ Regent: Donna Smith
    - ❖ Vice Regent: Mary Ann Kizer
    - ❖ Recording Secretary: Connie Boutwell
    - ❖ Financial Secretary: Rena Harrison
    - ❖ Treasurer: Elizabeth Rinchuso
2. Regent Boutwell passed the gavel to Vice Regent Brickey when the changes to the Standing Rules came up on the agenda. In October 2025 we changed the Standing Rules to include St. Peter under the Scholarships. But the reading wasn't clear. After discussion #1 Regent Boutwell made the motion to change #1 of the Scholarships to read "The annual court Our Lady of Victory five-hundred dollar ($500) Scholarship(s) will be awarded to a Catholic from St. Joseph, St. Peter, St. Raphael, Holy Cross and/or Good Shepherd Mission Churches working on their post-secondary degrees based on eligibility determined by application." The motion passed unanimously. Then Wendy Ruggeri said we needed to remove St. Joseph from #2. After discussion, Regent Boutwell made the motion to remove "St. Joseph" and have that last section read "and information about participation in their Catholic Church." The motion passed unanimously. The next item Vice Regent Brickey had to discuss in the Standing Rules was whether to add purchasing an ad in the National Convention program for each Biennial Convention. After discussion, Elizabeth Rinchuso made a motion to add "For each Biennial National Convention, Court Our Lady of Victory will purchase a quarter page ad in the National Convention program. The motion passed unanimously.
3. The June Award Banquet will be June 13. Discussion is ongoing to find a Catering Company.
4. The Bake Sale has been moved to May 16-17.
5. National Convention: At this time Connie Boutwell is attending as Immediate Past State Regent and Elizabeth Rinchuso. At the May meeting we will discuss funds after we see how much the State is paying for Connie.

National Director Report: Rosie Stockwell won the trip to the "Grand Ole Lady"/National Office.

Announcements:

- First Communion May 3
- Confirmation May 10
- Award Banquet

Closing Prayer. Next meeting is on May 17, 2026, after 11 AM Mass in Gallagher Hall. Meeting adjourned.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Court Our Lady of Victory, #564
May 17, 2026

Meeting was called to order by Regent Connie Boutwell. Silent roll call of officers. The court does not have a Recording Secretary. The Financial Secretary was available by phone. A quorum was present. Angelique Ford made the motion to approve the minutes from previous meeting as e-mailed. The motion passed unanimously.

Local Correspondence: Cards from the Malvin "JJ" Jones family and the Knights of Columbus were read.

Circle of Love:

- Family: The Diaper Drive is beginning Memorial Weekend and end Labor Day weekend September 7. Most diaper size needed is 8-10 pounds. Collection boxes and baskets will be placed around the church. Monetary donations are also accepted.
- Education/ Youth: Scholarship applications are in the St. Joseph Church office and Chairman Wendy Ruggeri is working to get applications to the other churches. The deadline will be the same as it has been in the past- July 31 at 4 PM.

Unfinished Business:

- We have only 3 dozen Tamales left. They have been a big success!
- Bake sale figures are not in yet, but all items have been sold this weekend.
- Regent Boutwell reported she is still searching for a caterer for our banquet.
- Discussion begam last month about expenses for National Convention attendees. Connie and Elizabeth Rinchuso plan to attend. Mary Ann Kizer made the motion to give the budgeted $1200 to Connie and Elizabeth to attend the National Convention. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

- The National Projects payment check will be mailed according to the Standing Rules for $100.
  Elections of Court Our Lady of Victor #564 for the 2026-2028 term was held. The slate nominated is below. Regent Boutwell asked for nominations from the floor twice. Hearing none, Regent Boutwell declared nominations for the offices for Court Our Lady of Victory closed. Newly elected officers were asked to stand and be recognized.
  - Regent: Donna Smith
  - Vice Regent: Mary Ann Kizer
  - Recording Secretary: Connie Boutwell
  - Financial Secretary: Rena Harrison
  - Treasurer: Elizabeth Rinchuso
- The election of the CDA Woman of the Year was conducted by the current Woman of the Year, Wendy Ruggeri and Immediate Past WOY, Angelique Ford. Winner will be announced at the Award Banquet June 13.

National Director Report: Rosie Stockwell, who won the trip to the "Grand Ole Lady"/National Office lost her son the day after she returned from her trip to the "Grand Ole Lady".

Announcements:

- June 13 Award Banquet
- Scholarship deadline is July 31

Closing Prayer. Next meeting is on June 13, 2026, after 5 PM Mass in Gallagher Hall. Meeting adjourned.

St. Joseph Catholic Church
Pastoral Council Minutes
May 13, 2026

Chairman Don Stringer called the meeting to order and began the meeting with the Hail Mary prayer. Secretary Connie Boutwell did a silent roll call and a quorum was present. Gail Bryant was introduced as our guest. Lynn Castleberry made the motion to approve the April minutes and the motion passed unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Community Life:

- Chairman Greg Turchi reported **Altar Society** had no report. **Catholic Daughters** is selling tamales and will have a bake sale on May 16-17. Their annual Awards Banquet is June 13. **Knights of Columbus** said the rosary at 11 AM Mass on April 26 and had a Pancake breakfast on May 3.

Gail Bryant gave the Financial Report.

Unfinished Business:

- Parish Pastoral and Finance Council Training continue
- Lauren Bland and Alyson Gamble have not had any success in getting any help to create a committee to create a new Parish Directory at this time.
- Details are being worked out for the Jimmy Akin Presentation on Saturday, November 7. More information to come later.
- The search is on the find a new AED machine.

New Business:

- Parish Scholarships will have a deadline of July 31, 2026.

Dates to Remember:

- November 7 Jimmy Akin Presentation

The next meeting will be June 10, 2026, at 6:15 PM. Meeting concluded with a prayer lead by Father Joe Marconi.

Connie Boutwell, Secretary

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

COUNCIL 1153

Our May meeting was held on May 4th at the KC Hall. Eleven members were present.

Larry Miller, our Community Director, reported that he along with brother Knights David Smith, Greg Turchi, Leonard Zell, Tom Kauffman, and David Henning served lunch to over 400 participants, family members, teachers, and helpers at the Region 9 Special Olympics Field Day on April 9th. We enjoyed the beautiful day, and the enthusiasm of the participants and the Special Olympics organizers were glad to have us help out again this year. Larry also reported that he will begin scheduling ice cream socials at Trinity Village and will advise members by text of upcoming dates.

Don Stringer, our Deputy Grand Knight and Faith Director, reported that our next monthly KC rosary will be Saturday, May 30th before the 5:00 pm mass. The rosary will start at 4:25 and KC members will serve as lector, Eucharistic ministers, and gift bearers at the mass. Please come and join us for this time of prayer. Our June rosary and mass will be on Sunday, June 28th at the 11:00 am mass.

Adam Smith, our Program Director, reported that we will be taking a break from the First Sunday breakfasts during the summer since most of our attendees are PRE students and their families. We currently plan to resume the breakfasts in September but would like to encourage more people to attend and enjoy the breakfasts and fellowship. Please watch the bulletin after school starts for the dates.

Mike Turchi, our Family Director, reported that he would like to look at hosting monthly social events at the KC Hall for members and their families. Ideas discussed were dinners, bingo, or other events to allow fellowship and involve our families. Our first event may coincide with the installation of officers in June, so watch the bulletin for more details.

Speaking of elections, the new slate of officers for 2026-2207 Fraternal year for our council will be:

Grand Knight - Richard Burleigh	Deputy Grand Knight - Don Stringer	Financial Secretary - Leonard Zell
Chancellor - David Smith	Recorder – David Henning	Treasurer - Mike Turchi
Advocate - Bruce Bellefeuille	Warden - Chris Coody	Inside Guard - Tom Kauffman
Outside Guard - Erasmo Camarillo	One Year Trustee - Greg Turchi	Two Year Trustee - Adam Smith
Three Year Trustee - Gordon Reese		

Thank you Brothers for agreeing to serve the council as officers and we look forward to a great year ahead!

Our next meeting will be Monday, June1st at 6:00 pm in the KC Hall. The regular council meeting will be followed by a 4th Degree Assembly meeting.

Upcoming Events:

- KC Rosary and Mass, Saturday May 30th at 4:25 pm (members arrive by 4:20 pm)
- 3rd Degree Council Meeting, Monday, June 1st at 6:00 pm.
- KC Rosary and Mass, Sunday June 28th at 10:25 am (members arrive by 10:20)

All Catholic men are encouraged to consider membership in the Knights of Columbus. Together we are empowering Catholic men to live their faith at home, in the parish, at work, and in the community.

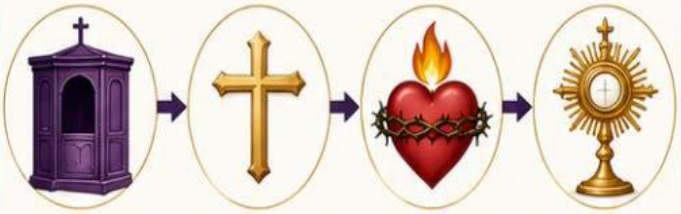
Sincerely,
David Henning, Recorder

INDULGENCES EXPLAINED

HISTORY, TYPES & HOW TO OBTAIN THEM

1 WHAT IS AN INDULGENCE?

An indulgence is the remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven.



SIN CONFESSED	GUILT FORGIVEN (ETERNAL PUNISHMENT REMOVED)	TEMPORAL PUNISHMENT REMAINING	INDULGENCE HELPS REMOVE THIS THROUGH CHRIST'S GRACE

CATHOLIC DAILIES ONLINE — BE PRAYERFUL. BE INSPIRED

2. TYPES OF INDULGENCES

PARTIAL INDULGENCE

Removes part of the temporal punishment.

- Prayer
- Acts of Charity
- Reading Scripture
- Sacrifices
- Works of Mercy
- Faithful daily duties done with love for God

REMOVES PART

VS

PLENARY INDULGENCE

Removes all temporal punishment.

- Sacramental Confession
- Holy Communion
- Prayer for the intentions of the Pope
- Complete detachment from all sin, even venial sin
- Perform the indulgenced act

REMOVES ALL

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3 EXAMPLES OF INDULGENCED ACTS

(Plenary or Partial)

Eucharistic Adoration	Praying the Rosary	Reading Sacred Scripture	Stations of the Cross	Works of Mercy	Jubilee Practices

INDULGENCES HELP US GROW IN HOLINESS, HEAL THE EFFECTS OF SIN, AND DRAW CLOSER TO CHRIST THROUGH HIS MERCY.

GOD'S MERCY TRANSFORMS • THE CHURCH PRAYS • WE GROW IN GRACE

4 IMPORTANT REMINDER

INDULGENCES ARE NOT:

- Buying salvation
- Permission to sin
- Magical guarantees
- A replacement for repentance

SALVATION COMES ONLY THROUGH JESUS CHRIST.

> "God's mercy does not only forgive the sinner… it also heals the wounds left behind by sin.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
COUNCIL 1153

Although we have not had a newsletter article since January, the Knights of Columbus Council 1153 has been hard at work. During this time frame we welcomed two new members, Tom Kauffman and Justin Webb. Tom is a long-time parishioner at St. Joseph and was recently elected to the Parish Council. Justin is a student at UAPB and a parishioner at St. Peter. Join us in welcoming these gentlemen to our order.

We, along with the parish, were saddened by the tragic death of our Brother Malvin Jones in January. The 4th Degree Honor Guard from Little Rock participated in Malvin's funeral at St. Peters. In addition, the Council, with the assistance of the State Council, was able to provide a monetary gift to assist Corina, Malvin's widow, in getting back on her feet following Malvin's death and the loss of her home. Please keep Corina and her family in your prayers.

Our March meeting was held on March 2nd at the KC Hall. Fourteen members and three guests were present: our new field insurance agent, Joshua Barham, our District Deputy, Greg Mattics, and our State Deputy, Tim Malloy.
Grand Knight Richard Burleigh provided an update on our fish fry's to date. We are very happy to report that each event so far this year has topped over 230 tickets sold, which is our best Lent since before Covid in 2024. Richard thanked everyone, particularly our new members, for their help each week and we thank our fellow parishioners, the parishioners of St. Peters, friends, and community members for their support this Lent. These fish fry's are the councils main fundraising efforts. The proceeds from these events support our sponsorship of seminarians, our annual purchase of coats for the needy of the community, donations to Pro-Life groups and groups supporting new mothers, our efforts to support Special Olympics, our outreach for the shut-ins and nursing home residents of the parish, providing main courses at some of the 5th Sunday lunches, funding scholarships for parishioners at St. Josephs and St. Peters, and our donations to help parishioners in need. Your support at our fish fry's makes all of these efforts possible and our Council thanks you all for your support.

Financial Secretary Leonard Zell reported that second renewal notices have been sent out to ten members who have not paid their dues yet. If you have received the letter from Leonard, please respond in a timely manner so that we can update our records.

Adam Smith, Program Director, reported that we did not hold the first Sunday Pancake Breakfasts during February and March due to bad weather and the fish fry's. Due to Easter falling on the first Sunday of April, we will move our April Pancake Breakfast to Sunday, April 12th. We will serve pancakes, eggs, juice and coffee from 9:00 am to 10 am in Gallagher Hall. Please come and join us for fellowship and a good breakfast!

Larry Miller, our Community Director, reported that he is waiting on information about upcoming Special Olympic events (normally held in April). The Knights participate in the field day events by assisting in various contests and serving lunch to the participants, their families, and helpers. More details will be provided at our next council meeting and in the bulletin.

Grand Knight Richard Burleigh reported that a matching gift donation from the Knight's Supreme Council was presented to Hope of the Delta as part of our pro-life activities.

Josh Barham, our new field insurance agent, presented a fraternal benefits update on annuities, life insurance, and long-term care insurance. All Knights are encouraged to reach out to Josh to have their policies reviewed to see what changes would be beneficial as we move through our family life stages. Josh can be reached at 870-250-1571 or at josh.barham@kofc.org.

Our monthly KC rosary was held on Saturday, February 28th. We thank the Knights and parishioners who participated in this event. Due to the last Sunday of March being Palm Sunday, our next mass and rosary will be Sunday, April 26th before the 11:00 am mass. The rosary will start at 10:25 and KC members will serve as lector, Eucharistic ministers, and gift bearers at the mass. Please come and join us for this time of prayer. Due to the first Monday of April being Easter Monday, our next meeting will be Monday, March 30th at 6:00 pm in the KC Hall. The regular council meeting will be followed by a 4th Degree Assembly meeting.

Upcoming Events:

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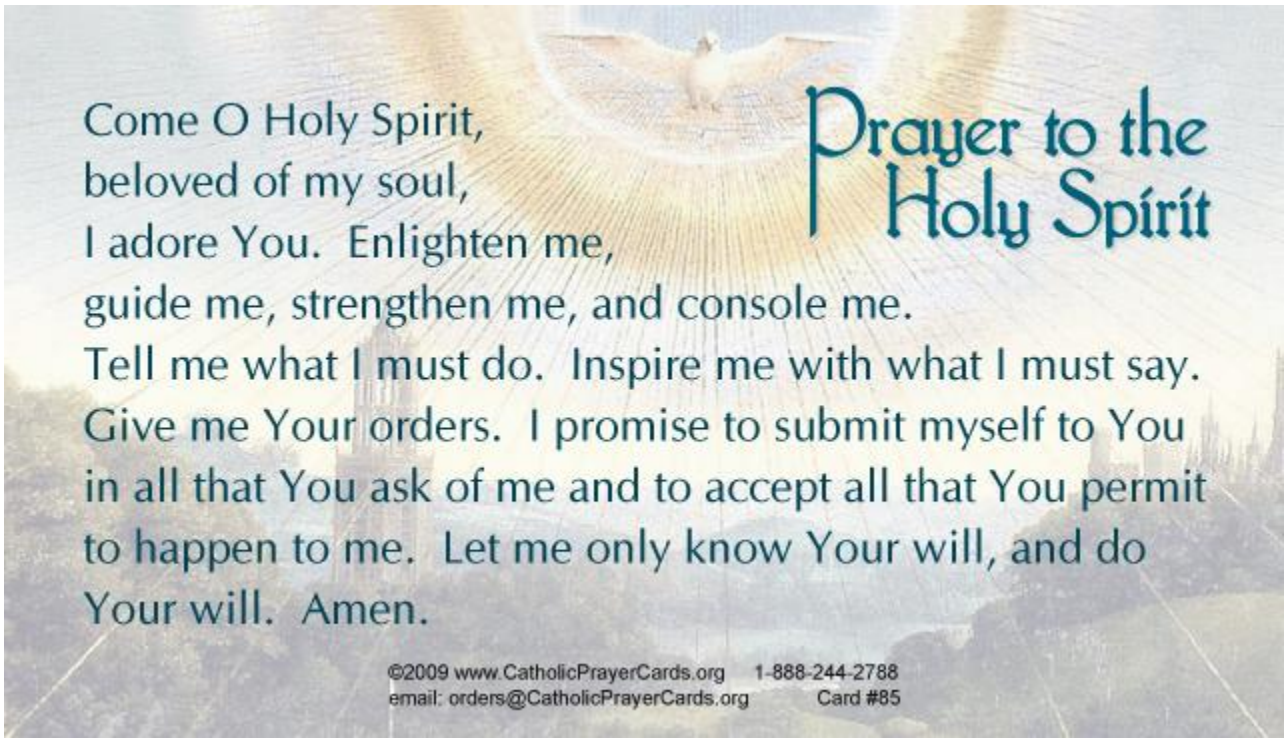

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Father Joe's Jubilee (25th) Ordination Anniversary as a Priest is June 23, 2026.

We (his parish family, his family, and his friends) will be celebrating this very special occasion with Father Joe on Saturday, June 20 following the 5:00PM Mass in Gallagher Hall.

Please make plans so you can come celebrate with him.

Also, there is a Giving Tree located at the back of the church for love offerings and cards.