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MARCH 22 - FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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—$6,316.00
Poor Box—$27.66
Catholic Relief Services Collection—$226.00

March 15, 2026

May we open our hearts to see God's active presence in our daily lives and become "partakers of the divine nature."

RECORD OF OUR FAITHFULNESS

5:00PM—55
11:00AM—87
Total—142

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, David Morgan, Betty Petrus, Dewayne Petrus, Robert & Therese Riddle, Margie Ross, Ann Smith, Heather Smith, David Taylor, Don Walters, Mary Winkley, Elaine Woodyard, Carol Wooten, 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. 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!

St. Joseph's needs your help! Volunteers are needed to sing in the choir during our Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday Masses (especially the Holy Saturday Mass). Just two Sunday afternoons before Easter are required. Please show up if you can help.

Easter Music Rehearsals
Sunday, March 22 - 4:00PM*
Sunday, March 29 - 4:00PM*
Sunday, April 5 - 9:00AM in the church
***in the Music Room back left corner of the gym**

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.

U.S. CITIZENSHIP CLASSES - Presented by Catholic Charities of Arkansas - Tuesdays 6-7PM - April 14-July 14 - Diocese of Little Rock, 2415 N Tyler St, Little Rock, AR. **Practice with English reading and writing. *Prepare for the N-400 Citizenship Test. *Practice interviews for the N-400 Citizenship Test are available at no cost.* To sign up contact: Heather Owens at Catholic Charities of Arkansas howens@olr.org or (501) 664-0340 ext 315. Seating is limited. They would love to welcome YOU!

LENTEN WEEKEND WITH KATHLEEN BECKMAN - Join us for a Lenten Weekend of prayer, teaching, and encouragement with international evangelist and author Kathleen Beckman at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Conway Friday, March 27 and Saturday, March 28. The weekend begins Friday at 5:30PM with Stations of the Cross, followed by Kathleen's presentation at 6 p.m., "Divine Mercy: Forgiveness Sets Us Free." On Saturday, the day begins at 9AM with a Vianney Cenacle Holy Hour and Rosary praying for priests, followed by a 10AM talk called "How and Why Saints Prayed for Priests." At 11AM, women and men are invited to the Magnificat Meal featuring Kathleen as the keynote speaker. Tickets are $20 and must be purchased in advance before March 23 at https://tinyurl.com/58wwttw3). The afternoon continues with a 2PM presentation, "Blessed Conchita: Wife, Mother, Model of Prayer," and concludes with the 4PM Vigil Mass for Palm Sunday. All are welcome to attend these inspiring Lenten events. Contact Jennifer Tucker at jennifer.tucker.cpa@gmail.com or text her at 501-940-1156.

HOLY WEEK RETREAT - the Olivetan Benedictine Sisters of Jonesboro are hosting a Holy Week Retreat April 2-4, for single Catholic women ages 19-35. For more information, email formation@oliveben or call 870-450-0341.

Catholic Arkansas Sharing Appeal

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.

This week in our parish

Sun Mar 22 ***FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT***
9:30AM No P.R.E. (Spring Break)
11:00AM ***✝St Joseph Parishioners*** **(Church)**
12:00PM St Joseph Day Potluck Lunch (G Hall)
CDA Meeting following lunch (G Hall)

Mon Mar 23 St Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop
8:00AM ***Int Deacon Brad Brown*** **(Church)**

Tue Mar 24
8:00AM ***No Daily Mass***
10:30AM Domino Group (Ed Bldg)

Wed Mar 25 THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD
5:30PM ***Int Mary Winkley*** **(Church)**

Thu Mar 26
8:00AM ***✝Catherine Wynn*** **(Church)**
6:00PM ***Mass at St Mary Church, Plum Bayou***
✝Mary Louise Richardson

Fri Mar 27
Day of Abstinence
8:00AM ***Int Shannon Bass*** **(Church)**
5-7PM Last KC Lenten Fish Fry this year (G Hall)
6:00PM Stations of the Cross (Church)

Sat Mar 28
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 ***✝St Joseph Parishioners*** **(Church)**

Sun Mar 29 ***PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD***
9:30AM No P.R.E. (Spring Break)
11:00AM ***✝Billie Gene Miller*** **(Church)**

"Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?'" ~John 11:40

Many of us say that we believe in God. We attend Sunday Mass and participate in parish events. But when life gets hard and the pressure is on, when things aren't going our way, do we really believe? Do we really put our trust in the Lord? When we live a life of gratitude, recognizing all that we have been given, we really do see that God is providing for our needs. Living a grateful and generous life allows us to see God's active presence in our daily lives and we become "partakers of the divine nature."

Catholic Daughters will provide cakes for the weekly Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Fry. Many cakes are needed! If you would like to help, have questions, or need additional information regarding this, please contact Gretchen Zell at 870-718-5371.

There will be a short Catholic Daughters meeting in Gallagher Hall immediately following the potluck Sunday, March 22.

Don't forget the Mass at St. Mary Catholic Church, Plum Bayou, Thursday, March 26 at 6:00PM

Please remember to send in your Easter Flower Memorials and Honorariums by the deadline (Tuesday, March 31). We want our church to look as beautiful as always for our Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday masses.