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SEPTEMBER 27, 2026 - TWENTY-SIXTH 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	**September 20, 2026**	**RECORD OF OUR FAITHFULNESS**
Offertory—$3,272.00		5:00PM—59
Poor Box—$25.00	**May we realize we are not**	11:00AM—90
CCD Sunday	**only responsible for our lives,**	**Total—149**
Collection—$405.00	**but for the lives of others.**	

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: *Sherry Adair, Eileen Badovick, Channa Barfield, Shannon Fikes Bass, Delbert Bateman, Anna Batzos, Breckin Birge, Lisa Boccarossa, Connie Boutwell, Tim Boutwell, Deacon Bud Bryant, Michael Calvert, Mike Cash (Rison), Bernadine Corbitt, Janie Culpepper, Ronnie Ford, Greg Gustek, Julie Dial Habelmann, Rena Harrison, Anna Marie Jacks, Mary Ann Kizer, Scott McGeorge, Patrick McKenney, Bill Miskell, Mary Ellen Miskell, Dewayne Petrus, Robert & Therese Riddle, Margie Ross, Heather Smith, David Taylor, Don Walters, Mary Kay Wilbern, 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. 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!

Parents, Parish Religious Education began September 13th. P.R.E. meets in the Education Building for 9:30-10:40AM most Sundays. You are reminded that you have a serious obligation to ensure your children are baptized, raised in the Catholic faith, and are prepared to receive the Sacraments.

Catholic Daughters will meet Sunday, September 27th at 12:15PM in the School Conference Room. This is their annual Salad meeting. Please bring your favorite salad to share and a Catholic female friend to enjoy some wonderful Unity and Charity with fellow Catholic sisters. All members and any interested Catholic women are encouraged to attend. For more information you may contact Regent Donna Smith, 870-718-5659.

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR is asking St. Joseph parishioners to contribute 100 cans of SWEET POTATOES for their Thanksgiving baskets by October 31st. Baskets go out starting November 1st. 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.

Special Note: To help feed the needy in Jefferson County, the Knights of Columbus are asking parishioners to bring at least one canned good or non-perishable food item every weekend. Donation baskets are located on the stairs in front of church and in the narthex. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

THANK YOU for the donations to the Annual Summer Diaper Drive for Birthright! 47 bags/boxes were collected. This totaled 3,293 individual diapers. Baby shampoo, wipes, and diaper cream were also donated. Monetary donations totaled $170. There will be a lot of dry bottoms and happy moms. Thank you again! Please continue to pray for the Birthright staff, the moms, and the babies.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES GOLF TOURNAMENT, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9TH AT REBSAMEN GOLF COURSE IN LITTLE ROCK

Support Catholic Charities of Arkansas by being a sponsor or playing in this year's golf tournament. Proceeds will go towards the purchase of a pick-up truck to handle donation items and food deliveries. A hole sponsor is $500. A priest sponsor is $150. A four-person team is $600. Players will enjoy a fun round of golf with on course contests, complimentary refreshments, and food served before and after play. Tee time is 1 p.m. for a shotgun start and a scramble format. Online registration and sponsorship options are available at birdease.com/ccagolf. For more information about supporting Catholic Charities of Arkansas through its annual golf tournament, contact Megan Moore at mmoore@dolr.org or by calling (501) 664-0340, ext. 379. We look forward to hearing from you.

CAREGIVER RETREAT - The Faith and Health Ministry at Our Lady of Good Council Church in Little Rock invited all caregivers to its annual retreat on Saturday, November 7th, from 8:00AM until 3:00PM. The cost to attend is $20 and there are limited scholarships available. To register, visit bit.ly/caregiver-retreat or contact Debbie Meiklejohn at 501-666-5073.

This week in our parish

Sun Sep 27 TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9:30AM-10:40AM P.R.E. (K thru 12th Grades) (Ed Bldg)
11:00AM ✞*St Joseph Parishioners* (Church)
12:15PM CDA Meeting (School Conference Room)

Mon Sep 28 St Wenceslaus, Martyr
St Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs
7:00AM Cut-up Slaw & Mix Slaw (G Hall)
8:00AM ✞*Father Norman McFall* (Church)
6:00PM Knights of Columbus Meeting (KC Hall)

Tue Sep 29 STS MICHAEL, GABRIEL AND RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS
7:30AM Cup Slaw (Gym)
8:00AM *No Daily Mass*
10:30AM No Domino Group

Wed Sep 30 ST JEROME, PRIEST AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH
5:30PM ✞*Betty Petrus* (Church)

Thu Oct 1 ST THÉRÈSE OF THE CHILD JESUS, VIRGIN AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH
7:00AM Chop Onions (G Hall)
8:00AM ✞*Helen Pascale* (Church)

Fri Oct 2 THE HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS
8:00AM ✞*Betty Petrus* (Church)

Sat Oct 3
9:00AM *First Saturday Mass* (Chapel)
✞*Mary & Charles Henning*
11:00AM Blessing of Animals (East Parking Lot)
10:30AM-12:00PM O.C.I.A. Class (Ed Bldg
4-4:45PM Confessions Heard (Church)
5:00PM ✞*St Joseph Parishioners* (Church)

Sun Oct 4 TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9:30AM-10:40AM P.R.E. (K thru 12th Grades) Ed Bldg
11:00AM ✞*Deceased Magnini Family Members* (Church)

"Do nothing out of selfishness; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves…" ~Philippians 2:3

Pride and ego are hard things to control. We see how others act or dress and think we are superior to them. We idolize our own self-image. But, if we truly believe everything is a gift from God, we recognize all the people that God has put in our lives as gifts! We are grateful for how they enrich our lives. Pray every day for the people in your life: your family, your friends and those who make you angry.

Due to the Spaghetti Supper, the Knights of Columbus' October Meeting will be MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 at 6:00PM at KC Hall. Members, please adjust your calendars and make plans to attend.

This is the last weekend you can get tickets for the "Jimmy Akin Event" at the discounted rate. The event is Saturday, November 7 at 6:30PM in Gallagher Hall. Tickets go up to $45 each on Monday, September 28th.

Don't forget the First Saturday Mass, October 3rd at 9:00AM in the Chapel.

Blessing of the Animals will be held Saturday, October 3rd at 11AM on the Walnut Street parking lot of the church. Refreshments for owners and pets will be served. For the safety of the pets and owners, animals should be secured by leashes or in carriers.

<u>Many</u> hands are needed to make our Spaghetti Supper fundraiser a success. Help is needed <u>every</u> work day and Spaghetti Supper Days. PLEASE, come when you can for as long as you can. Also, sell, sell, SELL tickets!

The beautiful flowers in front of the Altar of Sacrifice this weekend were placed there in loving Memory of Mary Pearson by her daughter Rena Harrison.