



Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church

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Schedule of Holy Mass

Saturday: 8:00am, 4:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday
Sunday: 7:30am, 9:30am
Weekdays: 8:00am, in church

Weekly Devotions and Prayers

Eucharistic Adoration:

Monday 8:30am until Friday 11:00am, St. Joseph Chapel

Rosary:

Prior to Saturday evening 4pm Mass

Perpetual Help Devotions:

Tuesdays following 8am Mass

Respect Life Prayers:

Thursday following 8am Mass

First Saturday of the Month Devotions

8am Mass, Rosary, 15 minutes of meditation

Sacraments

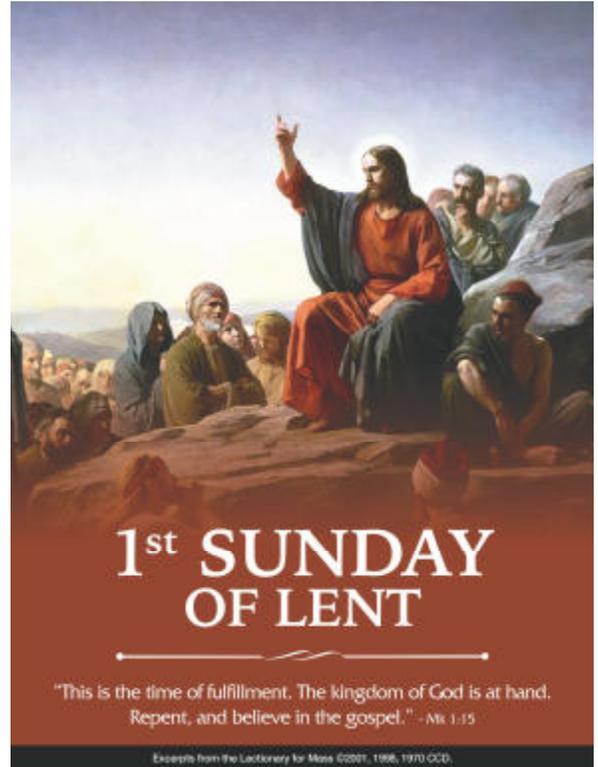
Reconciliation: Wednesday in church, 7pm
Saturday following 8am Mass

Marriage: Contact the parish office
at least six months prior to the wedding

Baptism: Contact the parish office
to register for class and to arrange date

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:
Contact Shawn Mueller in the parish office

February 21, 2021



Deeper Understanding of Scripture

The Church, as a voice of the Gospel, proclaims the sacredness of all human life. Everyone created by God is fashioned in God's image and has Divine DNA at the center of their soul. God never leaves what God creates but always remains intimately bound to what he has given form. Everyone has a place and because they have received the gift of Divine Blessing, nobody deserves to feel inferior, unworthy, unwanted, unclean or marginalized. Even the most broken of souls has a place. We, the Body of Christ, have the privilege and responsibility to give voice to the voiceless. The cries of the little one in his or her mother's womb are just as sacred as the cries of one who is homeless and hungry. The migrant deserves our attention as much as the forgotten elderly and even the prisoner, with a heart hardened by anger and resentment, deserves respect and dignity.

The Gospel of Life is often hard to swallow, and we would rather keep those we con-

sider unclean, different or unfixable in a place by themselves. It is hard to see them with us, but they deserve to be. There is far too much violence in this world and the result of that violence is the assault on human life. Many are forced to leave the place they call home in search of safer ground, finding few if any along the way who will help them. How different today's Gospel story would be if Jesus gave in to what was politically correct at that time. The leper would have been turned away and a soul, already beaten down by disease and fear, would have experienced an even deeper wound. Jesus wouldn't have captured much attention from anyone, nor would he have mirrored the Father's compassion and love.

Where do we stand with all of this? Do we at least understand that God's vision is often in conflict with the vision put forth in our world and even the one we advance ourselves? There is no doubt that it is incredibly

challenging to find a place for everyone at the table. This challenge is compounded when the systems of operation and structure that are so ingrained in us affirm power and privilege rather than inclusivity and justice. Everything really goes askew when the powerful begin to control who is entitled to wholeness and inclusion, and greed becomes a driving force. Prejudice and entitlement raise their ugly heads and we find ourselves with quite a mess. It's time to admit that things have been a mess for a very long time. The mess needs to be healed, not by erasing it but by allowing God to touch it and make it whole. We need to bring God back to the center of life where God belongs. There are no easy solutions to the world's dilemmas. But, knowing that wholeness, healing, and dignity are worthy pursuits, we can more confidently labor to achieve God's vision.

Welcome! Immaculate Heart of Mary: *Informed—Hospitable—Missionary*

Parish Staff

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Shawn Mueller, Director

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Parish School of Religion
Grades 1 thru 8, September thru May, 6-7:30pm, Wednesdays
Confirmation Preparation
8th Grade—September thru May, 6-7:30pm, Wednesdays
Children's Liturgy of the Word
September thru May, during the 9:30am Sunday Mass
Adult Education
Wednesdays at 8:45am and 6:10pm, September thru May
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults—contact Shawn for schedule

Quick Contacts Directory

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Janet Hespen 314-369-6521
Young Adults
Julie Lassiter 636-357-0121

Campaign of Christian Service

Dear Parishioners:

As we enter into Lent the Church urges us to make it a season of service and sacrifice for God and neighbor. All of our Lenten disciplines should free us to love God and neighbor with greater joy and zeal. May our fasting and abstinence increase our hunger for God. May our prayer challenge and encourage us to seek God always. May our almsgiving make us more aware of God's bountiful blessings to us. These common Lenten disciplines are meant to make God the center of our lives and the focal point of our desires. They are to deepen our love of neighbor and ourselves.

Any Lenten practices that make us less patient, more irritable, and more prone to a general "Lenten crabbiness" are dumb and pointless. The readings on Ash Wednesday invite us to do such Lenten disciplines with an attitude of humility and gratitude. Spiritual exercises, privations of diet or leisure ought to discernably make us more generous and charitable in our daily interactions with our neighbors. If not, we are better off dispensing with them and finding something else to do for Lent. If you do nothing extra or deny yourself nothing during Lent, expect to find even less at Easter.

One of the greatest things about being Catholic is the immense spiritual treasury that lies under our proverbial feet. In a world that is constantly inviting us to embrace the new and rush blindly onto the "next big thing" the Church humbly beckons us to pause, discern and receive from Her vast treasury of teaching and spirituality. Here is a prayer that I



shared a few years ago and its worth repeating as we enter into this holy season.

Dear Lord, we are now in the holy season of Lent. We begin to realize anew that these are the days of salvation, these are the acceptable days. We know that we are all sinners. We know that in many things we have all offended Your infinite majesty. We know that sin destroys Your life in us as a drought withers the leaves and chokes the life from the land, leaving an arid, dusty desert. Help us now, Lord, in our feeble attempts to make up for past sin. Bless our efforts with the rich blessing of Your grace. Make us realize ever more our need of penance and of mortification. Help us to see, in our ordinary difficulties and duties, in the trials and temptations of every day, the best opportunity of making up for past infidelities. Every day we are so often reminded in field and wood, in sky and stream, of Your own boundless generosity to us. Help us to realize that You are never outdone in generosity, and that the least thing we do for You will be rewarded, full measure, pressed down, shaken together, and flowing over. Then we shall see, in our own souls, how the desert can blossom, and the dry and wasted land can bring forth the rich, useful fruit that was expected of it from the beginning. Amen.

Peace,

Fa. Tom

**LENTEN CONFESSIONS:
Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday
7:00 – 8:30pm**

1st Sunday of Lent—Year B

Jesus went to Galilee and preached the Good News from God. "The right time has come," he said, "and the Kingdom of God is near! Turn from your sins and believe the Good News." (Mark 1:14-15)

The movie *An Officer and a Gentleman* concerns a selfish young man who wants to be a naval flight officer. He is totally self-centered. A tough drill sergeant sees through him and makes it a point to challenge him with every test and ordeal in the books. In the process of meeting these tests, the young man discovers his soul and undergoes a change of heart. He graduates from boot camp not only an officer but also a gentleman. It is this kind of discovery of soul and change of heart that Jesus invites people to make in today's reading.

What does it mean to find one's soul?

Conscience is the walkie-talkie set by which God speaks to us. (James J. Metcalf)

Mark Link S.J. *Mission*

Ministry Schedule

February 20—4pm

EM: Deacon Chris, Josh Deters, Ann Zaleuke, Pat Roche
Lec: Richard & Kathy Lalonde
Serv: Izzy Scheer
Music: Bryan & cantor
Ush: Wally & Jan Karase, Tom Zaleuke
Proj: Elizabeth Jaeckle

February 21—7:30am

EM: Josh Deters, Jan Kardasz, Dianne Dickherber, Kris Jenkins
Lec: Chuck Kettler, Bob Leeker
Serv: Janie Becker
Music: Verdi & cantor
Ush: Ron Jacob, Gary Potter, Tom Meczowski
Proj: Leah Becker

February 21—9:30am

EM: Aaron Waldeck, Janet Hespen, Sharon Smith, Chris Richter
Lec: Grant Smith, Bill Winters
Serv: William Lassiter
Music: Bryan & cantor
Ush: Larry Smith, Alan Raymond, Ron Simpson
Proj: Sophia Simon

Ministry Schedule

February 27—4pm

EM: Deacon Chris, Josh Deters, Bryan Potter, Karen Wilson
Lec: Sharon Hagan, Pat Barnard
Serv: Zoey Panus
Music: Bryan & cantor
Ush: Larry Graves, Ed Etkorn, Bill Pollihan
Proj: Kathy Lalonde

February 28—7:30am

EM: Deacon Chris, Aaron Waldeck, Dianne Dickherber, Jan Kardasz
Lec: Chuck Kettler, Bob Leeker
Serv: Sydney Jaeckle
Music: Verdi & cantor
Ush: Dave London, Tom Meczowski, Ron Jacob
Proj: Margie Vandeven

February 28—9:30am

EM: Deacon Chris, Josh Deters, Chris & Kat Menne
Lec: Nancy Ast, Donna Hecht
Serv: Izzy Czuchna
Music: Bryan & cantor
Ush: Joe Weber, Bob Hutchcraft, Gary Struckhoff
Proj: Josephine Simon

✠ Rest in Peace ✠

Jim Brittingham
uncle of Al & Kat Brittingham
Lee Margaret Hannig
mother of Norm & Mary Hannig
Arthur Aguado
brother of Adrienne Collins
Chris Wilson
son-in-law of Larry & Rita Bendel
Ken Miller
husband of Becky Miller
May they and all the faithful departed
rest in the eternal peace of Christ.

Heavenly Duster Schedule

Week of February 21: Nancy Neske
Week of February 28: Ann Zaleuke

Purificators

Month of February: Mary Stassi

Pope's Intentions for February: Violence Against Women

We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.



Please pray for all the sick and suffering:

Phyllis Zerr, Mike & Pat Ryan, Fran Bussen, Nancy Hollenstein, Deacon Tony, Amy Robbins, Betty Boyd, Don Schmidt, Betty Heppermann, Joyce Brakensiek, Carl Wolff, Gary Potter, Terry Hagan, Richard & Doris Berhorst

Lisa Debold (daughter of Dave & Pam DeBold), Leon Burkemper (son of Carol Rabbitt), Doris Eisenbath (mother of Judy Molitor), Janet Piel (sister of Joni Marren-Slaughter), Loren & Evelyn Brandon (parents of Marty & Peggy Dupree), Pat Finan (daughter of Fran Bussen), Charlie Grady (grandson of John & Carol Grady), Marlene Hegemeier (sister of Pat Roche), Steve Wengerski (family friend of Mandy Daub), Sophia Hartsfield (granddaughter of Ed & Marcia Etkorn), Keith Langford (son of Rita & brother of Valerie Langford), Red Brockmeyer (cousin of Kay & Ray Cherry), Karla Sitzes (daughter of Sophia Bax), Karen Windler (sister of John Wappelhorst), Michael Speir (son-in-law of Jackie & Steve Dunn), Marietta Mueller (mother of Chris and Joe Faron)

Hospitalization: If you are hospitalized, please let us know. Please call the office or ask a friend to call for you if necessary.

Communion Calls: If you would like to receive Communion but are unable to get to Mass because of illness or disability, please contact the parish office: 636-398-5270.

Prayer Requests: Brenda Hutchcraft at 636-248-8493 or email brhutchcraft@centurytel.net

Mass Intentions

Monday, February 22	
8:00am	All Souls Gerard Wehrle +
Tuesday, February 23	
8:00am	Leo Partl +
Wednesday, February 24	
8:00am	Sam Modica +
Thursday, February 25	
8:00am	Jim Brittingham +
Friday, February 26	
8:00am	Peter A. Schepis +
Saturday, February 27	
8:00am	intention of Janet Hesper Iris Bader +
4:00pm	Bob Cova (1st ann.) +
Sunday, February 28	
7:30am	People of the Parish Martha Almeling +
9:30am	Vickie Brink + Mary Glissman +

This Week at Home

social distancing recommended at all events



Saturday/Sunday, February 20/21	<u>Blest Art</u> with Holy Land carvings will be in Weber Hall this weekend
Monday, February 22	St. Joseph study, Grand Hall, 9am Scouts, Founders Hall, 6:30pm Reconciliation, 7-8:30pm
Tuesday, February 23	Fitness, Grand Hall, 9am Reconciliation, 7-8:30pm
Wednesday, February 24	Sunday readings study, Weber Hall, 8:45am Bible Study, Grand Hall, 6:15pm Reconciliation, 7-8:30pm
Thursday, February 25	Fitness, Grand Hall, 9am RCIA, Weber Hall, 6:30pm Event in Grand Hall 6:30pm
Friday, February 26	Quilting, Weber Hall, 8:30am—noon Fish Fry, carryouts & inside dining 3:30—7:30pm Stations of the Cross, church, 7pm
Saturday, February 27	Reconciliation, 8:45am

Contributions, February 6/7

General Offertory:	\$6,749.91
Online—General Offertory:	\$3,904.75
TOTAL:	\$10,654.66

*“After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee
proclaiming the gospel of God...”*

~~ Mark 1:14~~

Do you ever think about how difficult it must have been for Jesus to come into Galilee, knowing that John had just been arrested for teaching the same message that Jesus was proclaiming. It must have taken great love and trust for Jesus to do what the Father had sent Him here on earth to do. In the same way, following a life of stewardship takes great love and trust from us. We must be willing to surrender completely to God, trusting that God will always give us all that we need to fulfill His plan for us.

We pray: that we may place our lives in God’s hands and have the strength to carry out His unique plan for each of us.

Needed at the Pantry

UPDATED LIST:

Ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise, assorted salad dressing flavors, body wash, lotion, shaving lotion (men’s and ladies) razors, dish soap, all purpose cleaner



Please hold your plastic bags—we have plenty!!

In today’s Gospel, Jesus overcomes the temptations to wealth, power and esteem. As we begin Lent, may we open our hearts to the grace of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Your almsgiving in the St. Vincent de Paul collection will help the poor to celebrate the grace of God’s love this Easter.

SVDP 24-hour Helpline

St. Vincent dePaul has a 24 hour helpline for anyone in crisis, including the homeless, by dialing 2-1-1. Our coordinated entry team will respond to their needs.

As of February 8 there were 42+ homeless individuals in hotels near the I-70 corridor during these frigid temperatures. Our NW District came to the aid of the emergency weather response team offering donations to be put toward the hotel expenses. IHM-St. Vincent dePaul conference quickly donated \$4000, which was added to the donations from the other conferences in the NW District.

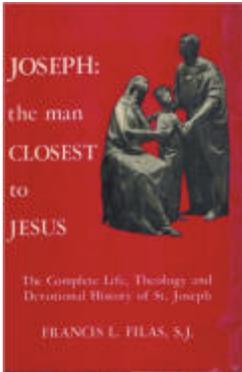
God bless you all for your continued support. Please join us in prayer for the homeless and all who are in crisis!

Please call Peggy in the parish office if you need help in obtaining your 2020 Contribution Statement

St. Paul Library | Lighthouse CD Resources

Items from the Lighthouse CD rack are located in the Narthex

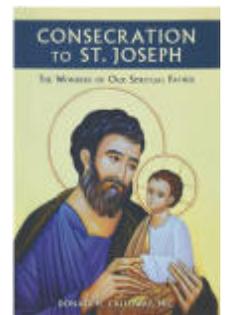
Located in St. Joseph Chapel: Year of St. Joseph



Never before has all this wealth of intensely interesting and little known facts about St. Joseph been compiled into a single book. This can truly be called a little Summa of St. Joseph, as the only survey existing in any language of the complete life, theology, and devotional history of St. Joseph. Four previous books of Father Filas are the basis for the present Joseph: The Man Closest to Jesus. Complete revision, expansion of all material that needed updating, and the re-issuance of earlier sections of permanent value make it possible to offer this full thesaurus of facts (sometimes published here for the first time in English) about St. Joseph.

The present book is composed of six units. The first analyzes the source material for our knowledge of St. Joseph, the second develops what we can know about St. Joseph's ancestry, his relationship to other biblical figures, his trade, and his age when he married Our Lady. The third unit is completely devoted to questions concerning his marriage, such as the question of its genuineness, and St. Joseph's doubt over Mary. In the fourth unit, we are presented with Father Filas' comprehensive survey of Joseph's fatherly relationship to Jesus. The fifth section takes up the topic of Joseph's dignity, holiness, supernatural privileges, patronage, and possible advancement in the liturgy. The concluding section surveys the complete history of the devotion to St. Joseph, from the earliest years of the Church to the present, and quotes (with accompanying commentary) all modern papal pronouncements concerning St. Joseph. An appendix offers a new translation of all indulgences and other new prayers honoring St. Joseph. Fully indexed for handy reference.

Drawing on the wealth of the Church's living tradition, Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC, calls on all of us to turn to St. Joseph, entrust ourselves, our Church, and our world to our spiritual father's loving care, and then watch for wonders when the Universal Patron of the Church opens the floodgates of Heaven to pour out graces into our lives today. Definitely a book for our time, Consecration to St. Joseph is dedicated to meeting the challenges of the present moment and restoring order to our Church and our world, all through the potent paternal intercession and care of St. Joseph. This book has everything you need to take your love and devotion to St. Joseph to a whole different level: the first comprehensive 33-day program of consecration to St. Joseph; information on the 10 wonders of St. Joseph; and prayers and devotions to St. Joseph. Accessible, motivating, this book will kick off a great movement of consecration to our spiritual father and change the world.



Reconciliation

Mon/Tue/Wed 7-8:30pm
Saturdays, 8:30am

Stations of the Cross

Fridays, 7pm

Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, March 13, Grand Hall, 8:30am

Anointing of the Sick

after Masses March 20/21

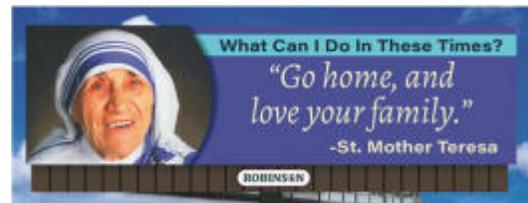
Holy Week begins March 28

Easter Sunday April 4



PSR Corner

Did you know that the months of the year have been given a devotional "focus" in Church tradition? February is dedicated to the Holy Family. Here is a recent billboard that members of the parish and beyond have supported to put up in the St. Charles County area to encourage family life.



Oremus: A Guide to Catholic Prayer

The *Oremus* study program teaches participants the essentials of an effective and fruitful prayer life. Over the course of the study, participants will discover how God speaks to them, even in the smallest encounters. We have a group that meets Tuesday mornings after Mass. Contact the parish office or Kelly Meyer (636) 634-1577 to register or for more info.



Advancing the Dignity of Christians in the Holy Land

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

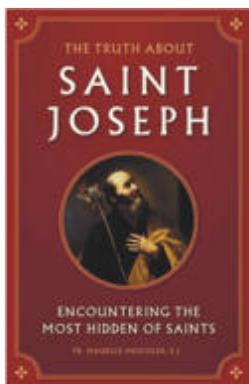
Blest Art will be visiting your parish on behalf of the Christian families in Bethlehem, Palestine. Our mission is to support those families in the Holy Land. When Blest Art visits your parish, we will have hand-carved nativity sets, statues, crosses, rosaries, and many other pieces of beautiful olive wood art.

We gladly accept cash, checks, and all major credit cards.

Please visit our display in Weber Hall this weekend,



Year of St. Joseph

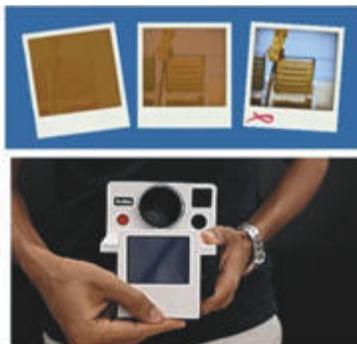


Pope Francis declared a Year of St. Joseph through December 8th 2021 on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of St. Joseph being proclaimed as Patron of the Universal Church by Pope Pius IX in 1870. Throughout this special year we will include various insights, past and present about St. Joseph.

In *Patris Corde (With a Father's Heart)* Pope Francis stated his desire to speak about Joseph increased during the pandemic when he saw all the hidden, unnoticed people who were helping in this time of crisis. "My desire to do so increased during these months of pandemic, when we experienced, amid the crisis, how "our lives are woven together and sustained by ordinary people, people often overlooked. People who do not appear in newspaper and magazine headlines, or on the latest television show, yet in these very days are surely shaping the decisive events of our history. Doctors, nurses, storekeepers and supermarket workers, cleaning personnel, caregivers, transport workers, men and women working to provide essential services and public safety, volunteers, priests, men and women religious, and so very many others."

How many fathers, mothers, grandparents and teachers are showing our children, in small everyday ways, how to accept and deal with a crisis by adjusting their routines, looking ahead and encouraging the practice of prayer. How many are praying, making sacrifices and interceding for the good of all". Each of us can discover in Joseph – the man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and hidden presence – an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble. Saint Joseph reminds us that those who appear hidden or in the shadows can play an incomparable role in the history of salvation.

St. Joseph might be said to be the "hidden member" of the Holy Family, just as the Holy Spirit has been called the hidden member of the Holy Trinity. They are the ones "behind the scenes" if you will. In recent times in the history of the Church, however, really only in the last 150 years, we see the Polaroid Picture (speaking of photos) of the Holy Family developing, and in particular, we see the earthly father of Jesus, St. Joseph, coming into clearer focus.



It seems as if in our day the Lord wants to direct our heart, families, parishes, dioceses and Church to St. Joseph in a major way. This action of the Holy Spirit in the life of the Church has been gaining momentum for a very long time.

What's Your Catholic Catechism IQ?

"The Catechism of the Catholic Church is a statement of the Church's faith and of Catholic doctrine, attested to or illumined by Sacred Scripture, the Apostolic Tradition and the Church's Magisterium. I declare it to be a sure norm for teaching the faith." (Pope St. John Paul II)

- Every practice that reduces persons to nothing more than a means of _____ enslaves man, leads to idolizing money, and contributes to the spread of atheism.
a. mission b. profit
c. humanity d. dignity
- Economic life is not meant solely to multiply goods produced and increase profit or power; it is ordered first of all to the service of _____.
a. one's job b. persons
c. the parish d. state
- By enduring the hardship of work in union with Jesus, man collaborates in a certain fashion with the Son of God in His _____ work.
a. carpentry b. laborious
c. difficult d. redemptive
- Everyone should be able to draw from work the means of _____ for his life and that of his family, and of serving the human community.
a. running b. grasping
c. struggling d. providing
- Access to employment and to professions must be open to all without unjust _____: men and women, healthy and disabled, natives and immigrants.
a. occupation b. preparation
c. discrimination d. education
- A just _____ is the legitimate fruit of work; to refuse or withhold it can be a grave injustice.
a. person b. law
c. wage d. war
- On the international level, _____ of resources and economic capability is such that it creates a real gap between nations.
a. equality b. inequality
c. gathering d. diversity
- There must be _____ among nations which are already politically interdependent.
a. intimidation b. solidarity
c. antipathy d. unrest
- Rich nations have a grave moral _____ toward those which are unable to ensure the means of their development.
a. contract b. attitude
c. food drive d. responsibility
- Direct aid is an appropriate response to immediate, extraordinary needs caused by natural _____, epidemics, and the like.
a. law b. catastrophes
c. foods d. relationships

Answer Key: 1. b (2424) 2. b (2426) 3. d (2427) 4. d (2428) 5. c (2433) 6. c (2434) 7. b (2437) 8. b (2438) 9. d (2439) 10. b (2440)

Guidebook Book & Directory Advertising Opportunity

We are in the process of updating our annual Guide Book & Directory for our parish. This book will contain everything pertinent to our parish: the various ministries, organizations, committees, activities, functions and events plus a complete directory of all members. This book is being provided and direct-mailed to each family at no cost to our church, and it is again being subsidized by local businesses that advertised. If you own or manage and business and would like to find out about advertising in our book, please call the church office by February 15.

Recent survey results by Guide Book Publishing show that 92.1% of families would rather patronize a Guide Book & Directory advertiser over a non-advertiser. It "will pay" to advertise in our new Guide Book & Directory.



Update Member Information

Does our parish database have YOUR family membership record correct?

Here is your change to update YOUR record for our annual Guide Book & Directory (if you haven't already done so).

It is time for us to update our database with any changes, additions, or deletions that may have occurred in YOUR family over the past year.

Have you changed your phone number? Have you moved? Are you preparing to move soon?

Are all of your children still at home and are they all included in your membership record? Do you want your record published?

If you have not already informed the church office about changes to your record, please let us know now so that the information in the Guide Book & Directory is correct.

Attention Ministry & Organization Heads:

If there are any changes to your group description or contact information in the Guidebook, please let us know ASAP!



A Lenten Journey with St. Joseph

Please mark your calendars for our
Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, March 13



Janet Hespen, Youth Minister,
314-369-6521

- March 11: 40 Day Decisions
- March 18: Youth Group, 6:30-8pm
- March 25: Our faith and the media. Come with your favorite Christian song or YouTube video.
- April 10/11: Luke 18

Please pray for our troops:

- Ian Bagby—U.S. Army
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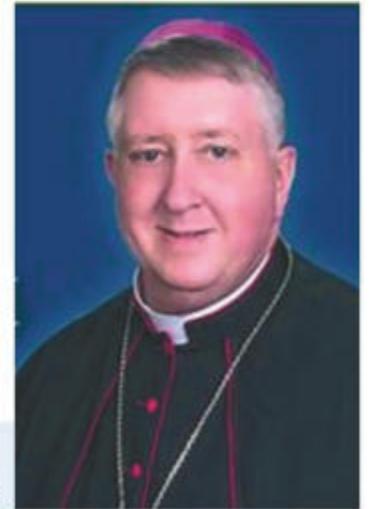
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun: Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 10]/1 Pt 3:18-22/
Mk 1:12-15
Mon: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6 [1]/Mt 16:13-19
Tue: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19 [18b]/Mt 6:7-15
Wed: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 [19b]/Lk 11:29-32
Thu: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [3a]/
Mt 7:7-12
Fri: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8 [3]/Mt 5:20-26
Sat: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 [1b]/Mt 5:43-48

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