THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

O God, you are my God whom I seek; for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water.
Psalm 63:2

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Hours:
Monday - Thursday
8:30 am - Noon & 1:00 - 4:30 pm
Friday 8:30 am - Noon

Mass Schedule
SATURDAY at 4:30 p.m.
SUNDAY at 9:30 a.m.
MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY at 7:00 am*
WEDNESDAY at 5:30 p.m. *
(*If there is a Funeral, Daily Mass is Cancelled.)
RECONCILIATION - SATURDAY from 3:15-4:00 p.m.
HOLY DAYS will be announced in the bulletin and on the website.
**Sacraments**

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:** Contact Sr. Mary Ellen Backes, O.S.U., for information on Inquiry Sessions and RCIA process.

**Baptism of Children under eight years old:** Contact Deacon Larry to attend a pre-baptismal class. Baptisms are usually celebrated during the weekend Masses, except for Advent and Lent.

**Reconciliation:** Saturday 3:15-4:00 pm or by appointment.

**Marriage:** Arrangements are to be made six months in advance. Call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.

**Sacrament of the Sick:** Call the Parish Office for Fr. Manny.

**Communion for the Homebound:** Notify the parish office to arrange for Communion to the sick and elderly.

**New Parishioners**
St. Joseph welcomes all visitors to our Church. If you would like to register, please request a Parish Registration Form from the Parish Office.

**Assisted Listening System**
Personal listening instruments are available to complement our audio system. These are located in the Vesting Sacristy.

**Bulletin Announcements**
Announcements are due, by email, at the Parish Office by 9:00 am on Tuesdays. The bulletin is published weekly on our parish website: [http://stjoseph.dio.org](http://stjoseph.dio.org).

**Catholic Faith Formation**
The Catholic Faith Formation program provides religious instruction for St. Joseph Parishioners who do not attend Catholic schools for grades K-8. Classes meet Monday evenings from 6:30 pm-7:30 pm September - May.

**Hospitalized Parishioners**
Families and friends are asked to please keep the parish staff informed regarding parishioners who are hospitalized.

**Prayer Requests**
St. Joseph Prayer Chain is composed of members of the parish who pray for the needs of fellow parishioners and their families and friends. Please call or email Linda at 481-4320, linda.medlock@comcast.net or the Parish Office. All requests are confidential.

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**Vision Statement**
St. Joseph Parish is a diverse, welcoming, Catholic Community committed to discipleship and stewardship.

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**Mission Statement**
The Mission of St. Joseph Church is to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ by word and deed, to build a Christian community of faith within and beyond the parish, to serve the people of God both near and far, and to celebrate the presence of the Risen Lord among us.

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**Pastoral Council**
The St. Joseph Parish Pastoral Council is called by the parish to serve as consultant to the Pastor in assuring that all aspects of parish life reflect the mission and ministry of Jesus in accordance with norms determined by the diocesan Bishop.

**Members**
Joe Rolens (Chair), Gary Schmidt (Vice Chair), Tim Kennedy (Secretary), Beth Cartwright, Linda Medlock, David Cooper

**Standing Committees**
- Community Builders
- Faith Formation/Evangelization
- Health and Wellness
- Liturgy
- Social Concerns
- Stewardship

**Finance Council**
The Parish Finance Council is an advisory body to assist the Pastor in the administration and management of the temporal goods of the parish.

**Members**
Tom Hyde (Chair), Deacon Larry Day, Rita Havrilka, Tom Niedzielski

**Choir**
**Director:** Deanna Kettelkamp

**P.E.P. (People Enjoying People) Club**
The PEP Club is a social group for “seniors” that meets monthly for lunch and fellowship.

**Chair:** Gary Schmidt
Worship Schedule & Mass Intentions

Mass Intentions
Nov. 7 - Nov. 8, 2020
Sat. 4:30 pm †Charles Gallenbach
†Patrick Schaddel
Sun. 9:30 am †Francesco Porrovecchio
†Don Workman

Masss for this Week
Nov. 9 - Nov. 15, 2020
Mon. 7:00 am †Norman Fred Rovey II
Tue. 7:00 am †Dorothy Atteberry
Wed. 5:30 pm †Angie Tait
Thu. 7:00 am People of St. Joseph
Sat. 4:30 pm †Fred Wiessing
†Bob Brown
†Harold & Elizabeth Gillard
Sun. 9:30 am †David Paul Lucchesi
†Don Workman

From the Administrator’s Desk…..!

“Stay awake,
for you do not know the day
nor the hour.”

The Responsorial Psalm expresses well the theme of our readings for this Sunday – longing for God. A good and wise person knows that this present world cannot offer anything which we consider truly lasting and valuable. As disciples of Christ, we believe that the only true and valuable treasure in life is God, to be with Him, and to be counted among the Blessed Ones.

Brother and sisters, I think it is also wise on our part to remember that somehow someways, we will all die and those of us who have remained faithful will, at the resurrection of the dead, rise to meet the Lord Jesus face to face. The ten virgins in the Gospel represent us. We could either be wise or foolish virgins! The wise virgins are vigilant and watchful. The wise person waits patiently with great longing, for the advent of the Bridegroom, our Lord.

The early Church prayer “Maranatha” – which means “Come Lord Jesus!” – is a prayer for those who long for God, ever watchful, like the many Saints who always long for communion with God. St. Augustine said, we must pray for “our hearts are restless until they rest in you.” Let us also remain vigilant as we await Jesus’ return.

Our challenge from this day on, is to consider: Am I looking forward to the time when I shall be with all the Saints in heaven or have I become so contented with life in this present world that I have forgotten my eternal destiny? To put it in a simple question: Do I long for God? Or do we live each day as if we were to meet God at any moment?

God bless us all.

Fr. Manny

This Week in Our Parish

Monday, Nov. 9
6:30 pm CFF

Wednesday, Nov. 11
Parish Office Closed
6:15 pm Social Concerns

Veterans Day

Thursday, Nov. 12
5:15 pm Holy Hour of Adoration

Saturday, Nov. 14
3:15-4:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sunday, Nov. 15
8:45 am Music Practice

Please refer to the calendar on our website for updates & future events (www.stjoseph.dio.org).
Well done, my good and faithful servant!

Next Sunday's Gospel reading reminds us not to bury the gifts that God has given us. To do so is to be a "wicked, lazy servant!"

Ouch.

We all have at least one buried talent. There's more we could be doing for the kingdom of God, but we think: "Not me. I'm not gifted enough" or "Someone else can do it better than I can" or "God can't be telling me to do that" or "I don't have the time, the financial resources, the know-how, or good enough health" or "I'm retired now and I've been waiting a long time to finally focus on my own desires."

There's no holy excuse for wasting anything good that God has given us, but sadly it happens quite often, because we don't realize how necessary our talents are for the Church and our joint mission of spreading Christ's influence upon the world.

What's pushing your gifts and talents aside? What's interfering with your usefulness to the kingdom of God? Now is the time to open wide your potential and release your talents into God's plans!

We are all gifted "enough" to make a difference for God's kingdom, because our abilities come from him. We're his servants, and it's up to him, not us, to decide what we're capable of doing. Even the homebound and the bedridden have a divine purpose that can be accomplished in their circumstances and sufferings. Often, these precious people are very powerful prayer warriors and have some of the soundest wisdom on earth.

Have you ever been challenged by the question: "If God is so good, why does he allow evil to happen?" The answer is: It's not God that allows it. It's we who allow it! We are the Body of Christ on earth. We are his hands and feet and vocal chords and embracing arms. Jesus truly wants to make our world more heavenly, but too many of us have seemingly good reasons to bury the gifts that could make a difference. Indeed, this is wicked laziness!

Questions for Personal Reflection:
What good have you done? Hear God assuring you: "Well done, my good and faithful servant! Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you greater responsibilities. Come, share your Master's joy!" What "greater responsibilities" can you say yes to by offering the gifts that he's provided to you? What's stopping you from saying yes?

Questions for Community Faith Sharing:
How would you recommend, based on your own experiences, that Christians invest the gifts of God? How do you identify (1) your giftedness and (2) God's purpose for it?
THANKSGIVING BASKETS

Thank you to everyone who has brought in non-perishable foods or made a monetary donation. The committee will continue our collection through Sunday Mass on November 22nd. Please place your donated food items in the baskets located near each entrance of the church. Monetary donations can be placed in an envelope marked “Thanksgiving Baskets” and dropped into the collection basket. Thank you again for your generous support.

The collection of names of individuals and families will continue through Tuesday, November 17th. If you feel you know someone in need who would benefit from receiving a basket, please contact Pam in the parish office with their pertinent details and she will add them to our list.

In regard to packing and delivering the baskets, we will be taking additional precautions this year due to COVID-19. We will be limiting the number of volunteers packing the baskets to 8 individuals. In doing this and adjusting how the food items will be laid out, we hope to socially distance better and minimize contact. We will be set up indoors, so we will ask these volunteers to wear masks and gloves during the process. If you feel comfortable with this set up and wish to help pack the baskets, please contact Pam or Matt to be added to that list. If you would like to volunteer to deliver a basket, we won’t be setting a limit on those volunteers. We will also ask these volunteers to wear masks at the time of delivery. If you wish to help deliver a basket, please contact Pam or Matt to be added to that list. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Matt Power via phone at (217) 415-3227 or email at mattpower1@yahoo.com.

UPCOMING BULLETIN DEADLINES:
Friday, November 20 bulletin for November 29th due;
Friday, December 11 bulletin for December 20th due;
Thursday, December 17 bulletin for December 27th due;
Wednesday, December 23 bulletin for January 2nd due.
All articles are due by 9 a.m.

CORRECTED
Dick & Dorothy Atteberry
Bartolomucci & Kuchar Families
Glenn Edward Beechler
Bob Binetsch
Simon R. Cory
Simon S. & Helen Cory
Ed & Eddie Dahlkamp
Wes & Ellen Dahlkamp
Wayne & Ada Davenport
Dominican Sisters Davenport Members
Patricia Evanich
Ike & Evelyn Fanale
Gillard & Schmidt Families
Malcolm & Mary Grant
Hubert & Dorothy Iocca
George Jirgal, Jr.
George & Lucille Jirgal
Keefner Family
Earl & Theresa Kern
Kevin Knowski
John Don Kolaz
Mary Fran Lavin
David & Mary Lazzeri
Gary Leming
Hazel Madonia
Brenda Milleville
Pieper Family
Paul Puckel
Jerry Sams
Joseph & Lois Shaughnessy
Don Staten
Eleanore Sturm
Timoney & Carter Families
Margaret & Joseph Usalis
Virginia Vose
Fred & Alvera Wiessing
John & Eleanora Yuskavich

St. Joseph Society
Fall
PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

FISCAL YEAR 2020
July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020

Regular Parish Income from Sunday and Holy Day collections and the 5th Sunday envelopes was $49,268 under projections due to the lost Sunday collections because of the 11-week mandated shutdown for the coronavirus pandemic. Rental income of $23,000 is from Mercy Communities. Parish income was $45,298 less than budgeted. Overall, parish income was $26,952 less than expenses.

In addition to the financial support for the Parish, $10,333 was contributed to Diocesan Special Collections.

Regular Parish Expenses Most expenses were kept within budget limits. Overall regular expenses were $38,570 under budget.

The Annual Catholic Services Appeal assessment for St. Joseph Parish to fund the operations of the Diocese for Fiscal Year 2020 was $50,585. Parishioners donated $13,849 to the Diocese, with the difference, $36,736, made up from regular parish income.

The parish provided $1,500 for Tuition Assistance for two St. Joseph families who are sending their children to parochial elementary and high schools.

Bequests The Marx Family Endowment provides $36,000 annually thru the Land of Lincoln Community Foundation. This year’s disbursement was $40,300.00 with the increase noted as Extraordinary Income.

The final Extraordinary Expenses for the church and parish hall remodeling totaled $33,412 for the 2020 fiscal year and was paid from the parish building fund savings account.

Building Fund The Building Fund started with a balance of $365,416 and ends with a balance of $335,642, for a net loss of $29,774.

Current Fiscal Year
The coronavirus pandemic has had a negative impact on most organizations dependent on donations. The 2020 fiscal year deficit was $22,652. Fortunately, the diocese recommended all parishes apply for the federal government’s payroll protection program. St. Joseph Church was fortunate to receive $26,290 thru this program which more than made up for what would have been a loss of $22,652. Thru three months of the 2021 fiscal year (July/August/September) regular Sunday parish income is down $16,612. Projected over a full year, this will result in a deficit of $66,448 which will need to be made up from parish savings in the building fund.

Everyone should be pleased and grateful for the consistent generous financial support provided to the Parish during the coronavirus shutdown to allow us to meet our ongoing expenses. With the reduction in regular church income experienced this year, we ask everyone to reflect on their tithing to the parish and consider an increase in their gift to the church.

Finance Council: Fr. Manny Cuizon, Tom Hyde, Chair, Deacon Larry Day, Rita Havrilka, Tom Niedzielski
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