

## A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear St. Joseph Parish Family,

This Monday, the 10th, I'm traveling for Jerusalem where I'll lead a pilgrimage group. I've never been to the Holy Land before and I'm excited to see the places where Jesus lived and preached and won our salvation. I will keep all of you in my prayers during the pilgrimage!

Please keep St. Joe's in your prayers as we finish our capital campaign and the repairs to the exterior of our church building. If you haven't given yet, now is the time- we have a matching donation that will double anything you donate. This campaign will allow us to build a new parish hall, McGuire Hall, that will be a foundation for the growth of our parish.

I will see you all shortly!

In Christ,

*Fr. Boniface Endorf, O.P*

### Mass Tidbits:

After the procession and the incensing of the altar the priest goes to his chair. Traditionally, the priest's chair was to the side of the altar and faced the altar, signifying that the priest is a servant of the altar. God is present in the center in the tabernacle because God is the focus of all liturgies- all are forms of worship to God, and the priest is only a servant of that worship. From the chair the priest starts with the source of our unity, of what brings us together: "In the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

The priest then says "The Lord be with you" and the congregation replies "**And with your spirit.**" There are a couple other greetings the priest can say, all from St. Paul, but the reply from the congregation is the same. What a strange response! It does not mean simply "and also with you," as in normal greetings we sometimes say "and you too." Something deeper is happening. The reply refers back to St. Paul's insights (see Galatians 6:18; Philippians 4:23; 2 Timothy 4:22).

But there is more at work within the setting of the Mass than even St. Paul's use of 'with your spirit.' The sacrament of Holy Orders alters a man's soul, marking it eternally with a sacramental character that enables a man to act as a priest. Baptism and Confirmation also endow the recipients with an eternal mark on their soul, a sacramental character, that conforms them to Christ and fills them with grace. Holy Orders does so in another way, through conforming one to Christ as high priest and allowing Christ to use the priest in the sacraments- making the priest a servant of the altar. This change in the priest's soul means that when he speaks on behalf of Christ in the sacraments, such as when he says "I absolve you from your sins" or "this is my body," then the penitent's sins are actually forgiven, and the bread actually becomes the Body of Christ. That happens because the priest has been altered through the sacrament of Holy Orders. So when the congregation says "with your spirit" they are referring to the special way in which the Holy Spirit is operating within the priest's soul- praying to God working through the priest will bring the prayers and sacrifice of the Mass to fruition.

# Weekly Collection

February 1<sup>st</sup> and February 2<sup>nd</sup>

Masses Total -----	\$5,179
WeShare-----	\$420
Faith Street-----	\$371
<b>Grand Total-----</b>	<b>\$5,970</b>

**You are the salt of the earth**



## PRAYER REQUEST



**Please pray for:**

Jill Biddick  
Antonio Crispino  
Caroline Crosby  
Zirka Derlycia  
Erika Gladstone  
Marisa McGordy  
Elizabeth O'Brien  
Zoila Vallo



If you would like to include someone on our prayer list, please call the church office to submit their names. Names on the prayer list will remain for four (4) weeks. If you wish to leave them on longer, please call the church office, weekdays 9am - 5pm.



# @Mass Intentions

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8

*Saint Jerome Emiliani; Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin; BVM*

12:10 pm Vincent Matera

5:30 pm

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

9:00 am Paul A. Kennedy

11:30 am Robert Red McKinney

6:00 pm People of the Parish

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10

*Saint Scholastica, Virgin*

12:10 pm

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

*Our Lady of Lourdes*

12:10 pm *Mary G. McKeveny (living)*

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

12:10 pm

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

12:10 pm

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

*Saints Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop*

12:10 pm Colleen Carney

## RECTORY OFFICE

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## ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN



Gifts large and small will have an impact on our parish and beyond. The cumulative power of giving will allow us to further our ministries. We humbly ask you to consider supporting the St. Joe's Capital Campaign.

### Our goal is to raise \$700,000 in pledges

We have received **103 pledges** for a total of  
**\$349,290**

## Moms' Night Out Group

Please join other St. Joseph's mothers for fellowship and refreshment, as we build community together!

*We meet the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month.*

For more information, please visit:  
[www.meetup.com/NYC-Catholic-Moms-downtown](http://www.meetup.com/NYC-Catholic-Moms-downtown)



## Second Collection

### Peters Pence works for the Holy Father February 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>

Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the charitable works of Pope Francis.

Funds from this collection help victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters.

Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous in your donations.

### Divine Mercy and Mary Young Adult Group ages 18-39

**1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of the month at 7:30pm** join fellow St. Joseph parishioners as we trace Mary's role in Divine Mercy.

For more information contact Gene Zannetti  
[zspiritualstrength@gmail.com](mailto:zspiritualstrength@gmail.com)

### Catholic NYC Holy Hour at St. Joseph Wednesday February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020 @ 7:00PM

Spend an hour with Jesus and with other young adults of the Archdiocese of New York. Confessions will be available. A social will follow after at Oppa.

### Flame of Love Rosary and Prayers Group

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month. 7:30pm-8:30pm

Please join us for the Flame of Love Rosary and prayers group.  
*The next meeting is on March 12<sup>th</sup>.*

*"Blessed Mother spread the effect of grace of thy Flame of Love over all of humanity."*

For more information contact Robert Phillips  
[raphillips@gmail.com](mailto:raphillips@gmail.com)

### 2020 New York Encounter February 14-16

The **2020 NEW YORK ENCOUNTER** themed *Crossing the Divide*, will take place at the Metropolitan Pavilion, 125 West 18th Street in Manhattan.

Join us for the 12<sup>th</sup> Edition of New York Encounter with Chris Arnade, Christina Picciolini, Dana Gioia, The Sisters of Life, Patrick Deneen and many more.

All events are free and no registration is required.

These events and many others can be found  
at [newyorkencounter.org](http://newyorkencounter.org)

## FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### First Reading: Isaiah 58:7-10

This reading is a vigorous exhortation from the prophet Isaiah to lead lives of active charity and generosity. He promises that the Lord will be our “dawn,” our “rear guard,” our “light” if we share our bread, shelter the homeless, and clothe the naked.

### Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

Paul tells the Corinthians that he and they must not rely on the so-called “wisdom” of secular teaching and philosophy but on the power of the Spirit.

### Gospel: Matthew 5:13-16

Jesus reminds the disciples and all Christians that they carry special responsibilities to be “the salt of the earth.” They must not hide their light but show their goodness to all.

## FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME DAILY READINGS

### Sunday

Is 58:7-10; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

### Monday

1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Mk 6:53-56

### Tuesday

1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Mk 7:1-13

### Wednesday

1 Kgs 10:1-10; Mk 7:14-23

### Thursday

1 Kgs 11:4-13; Mk 7:24-30

### Friday

1 Kgs 11:29-32, 12:19; Mk 7:31-37

### Saturday

1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Mk 8:1-10

## FORMED

### *Bernadette*

The Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes is on February 11, and to celebrate we invite you to join us in watching the film “*Bernadette*” on [formed.org](http://formed.org). St. Bernadette was one of the small children Our Lady appeared to many times in Lourdes, France and this film retells the epic story.

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## PICK OF THE WEEK

### Bernadette

St. Bernadette and the Apparitions  
of Our Lady of Lourdes



Shot on location in France, this film is highly recommended by the Vatican as a “sensitive portrayal of a very moving story that deserves a wide audience,” and was chosen to be shown daily at the shrine in Lourdes to retell the epic story.

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