

# FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 31, 2021

## Mass Intentions

<i>Tues.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Louise Lorke <i>The Presentation of the Lord</i>
<i>Wed.</i>	6:30 A.M.	John Christopher Cortez <i>St. Blaise, Bishop &amp; Martyr</i>
	8:15 A.M.	Special Intention
<i>Thurs.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Bonifacio & Otilia Gomez
<i>Fri.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Agnes & Gussie Honc & Sister Euphrosine <i>St. Agatha, Virgin &amp; Martyr</i>
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Ernest Gomez, Jr.
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Bessie Immenhauser
	9 A.M.	Sam & Dorothy Sykora
	11 A.M.	Parish Family <i>Pro Populo</i>

## Sanctuary Candle Intention

St. Joseph Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in memory of John & Myron Patek.

St. Ann Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in memory of Alfred "Sonnie" Baros.

## Prayer List

Contact Theresa Bordovsky at 293-3124 or  
Ann Marie Bludau at 798-2959.

## This Sunday's Holy Scriptures

Dt 18:15-20; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28

## Your Gift to God: January 24<sup>th</sup>

St. Joseph Parish Support	\$3,114
Online Giving Parish Support	\$1,473
Building Fund	\$62
St. Ann Parish Support	\$773
Online Giving	\$30
St. Ann Building Fund	\$60

*May God reward your generosity!*

## Please Note: Confessions

Wednesday confessions will be heard from 5 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. On Saturdays confessions are available from 4 p.m. to 4:40 p.m.

## Annual Contribution Statement

Those who would like a statement of their 2020 envelope support contributions should call the parish office at 293-3518.

## Liturgical Assignments

### Lectors

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Rocki Grubert
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Nancy McNease
	9 A.M.	Susan Kelley
	11 A.M.	Gabriel Espinosa

### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Bea Welfl
<i>Sun.</i>	11 A.M.	Virginia Amaro

### Ushers/Hospitality

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Charlie Proschko, Bill Lopez, Ernest Miller, Debbie Caka
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Bruce Chilek, Tom Chilek
	9 A.M.	Alan Migl, Robbie Hagan, Glenn & Darlene Renken
	11 A.M.	Guillermo & Maria Vigna Jose Martinez, Raquel Gomez

### Servers

<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Hunter Mischer, Wyatt Wiederhold
	9 A.M.	Grace & Aaron Migl
	11 A.M.	Jovanny Gutierrez, Samantha Arredondo

## Reminder

Altar Servers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, and Ushers should wear masks when assigned. Ushers should also wear gloves. Masks are available in the Sacristy if needed. If you are one who has helped with these ministries in the past prior to the onset of the pandemic – and are ready to resume being scheduled – please notify the parish office.



### CDA Raffle Deadline

All CDA raffle tickets must be dropped off at the Family Center today (January 31<sup>st</sup>) between 10:00 – 11:30 A.M. The drawing will be held at NOON. Dues may also be remitted at this time.

Sincerest appreciation is extended to everyone who supported the raffle through donations and ticket sales. May God Bless You!

### CDA Meeting

The Catholic Daughters will hold their regular monthly meeting on Monday, February 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 P.M. in the Family Center.

### St. Joseph School

#### Endowment Fund Stew Supper

The St. Joseph School Endowment Fund Stew Supper will be held **Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the Family Center.** Containers will be provided. The entire Family Center will be open to provide ample space. Social Distancing is required.

### KC Super Bowl BBQ

The Yoakum Knights of Columbus, Council 1582, are sponsoring their annual Super Bowl BBQ on **Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup>.** Pork steaks with trimmings will be served from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Yoakum Community Center. **Plates-to-go only.** Tickets are \$10.00 and may be purchased at Crossroads Bank, Yoakum National Bank, St. Joseph Pastoral Center or from any KC member. Proceeds benefit the Knights of Columbus charities.

### Holy Water

For those who would like to refill their holy water bottles--or who would simply like to bring a small container to take some holy water home--the receptacle with holy water can be found in the Altar Server Sacristy to the right of the Altar (crucifix side of sanctuary). It is directly behind the sacristy door. Use the spigot on the front of the tank. The Pastoral Center does have small bottles available labeled "Holy Water" if you need one to fill.

### CCD Faith Formation Materials:

#### Ready for Pickup!

The 3<sup>rd</sup> round of materials for those who registered for the pandemic home-based CCD Faith Formation have arrived. Pickup will be Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6:00 P.M. to 7:30 P.M. at the **school awning facing the playground.** Just simply stop by and they'll be ready.

### Adoracion del Santissimo

Este Jueves vamos a tener nuestra hora de adoracion y devocion en espanol en el Salon Parroquial desde las 8:00 P.M. a las 9:00 P.M. Todos estan invitados a compartir su fe durante esta hora de alabanza y oracion

### 24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration

We will have our monthly 24 hours of Eucharistic Adoration beginning this Thursday after the 6:30 A.M. Mass in the Meeting Room (**door combination 1-3-5**).

### Adoration...Devotional Hour

During the 24 hours of Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday there will be a "special" devotional hour from 3:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. This will include the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Rosary and other prayers combined with time for private reflection.

### First Friday Devotions

This Friday at 6:10 A.M. we will have traditional devotions in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, concluding with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

### Feast of St. Blaise – February 3<sup>rd</sup>

The blessing of throats will be observed at both Masses on February 3<sup>rd</sup> but as has been instructed by the Diocese due to the pandemic--it will be one blessing given to the entire assembly.

### Ash Wednesday – February 17<sup>th</sup>

This year the ashes will be sprinkled on top of individual's heads and not imposed as a cross on the forehead. Interestingly enough, the sprinkling on top of the head is the way many places around the world observe the imposition of ashes. The schedule for Ash Wednesday will be 6:30 a.m. Mass & 8:15 a.m. Mass. There is simply no way to accommodate the regular evening Mass crowd with pandemic restrictions. So as to still have an observance and uphold our restricted seating capacity and social distancing--a simple Liturgy of the Word and Imposition of Ashes will occur at 5:15 p.m. and 6 p.m. Ash Wednesday is not a holy day of obligation.

**A Note from  
Principal Mooney**

**January 31<sup>st</sup> – February 5<sup>th</sup>  
*Catholic Schools Week***

**Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Mass – 8:15 A.M.

Endowment Fund Stew Supper – 5–7 P.M.

**Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup>**

Early Release – 1 P.M. – Faculty Meeting

**2021 St. Joseph Yoakum**

**Catholic Schools Week**

**January 31<sup>st</sup> -February 5<sup>th</sup> 2021**

**Theme: Catholic Schools –  
Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed.**

**Sunday, Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed: In Our Parish**

The St. Joseph school family celebrates a special Liturgy at 9:00 a.m. with the school choir singing and the St. Joseph School students leading in the parts of the Mass. Due to COVID-19 there will be no SJS open House.

**Monday, Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed: In our**

**Community** – For the community of Yoakum, students organize a “Thank You for Your Service” project. Student Council and their Sponsor will distribute pre-wrapped snacks in the Yoakum Community to different departments that support St. Joseph School and the local community. HEB bags will be decorated by the students and distributed to the Yoakum community by HEB to express gratitude for the services they render.

**Tuesday, Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed: In Our**

**Students** – Students are awarded for their high academic standards and achievements. Students will take a break from their academics and participate in a “Catholic Knowledge” version of Bingo.

**Wednesday, Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed: In Our**

**Nation** – A special prayer for our nation will be read aloud during daily announcements. Teachers will be asked to stick a push pin into each state they have visited on a large US map hanging in the hallway of the school. Discussions will follow about our great nation. The St. Joseph School Endowment Fund Stew Supper will be held at the Family Center from 5-7 p.m. Containers will be provided.

**Thursday, Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed: In Our**

**Vocations** – St. Joseph School will open with a prayer for vocations in the morning announcements. Appreciation for the vocational leaders of St. Joseph Parish and School and a memorial service will be held in the Church with beautiful Gregorian Chant.

**Friday, Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed: In Our Faculty,**

**Staff and Volunteers** – 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will take the role of a teacher for a half a day. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Class will show their appreciation by providing a luncheon for the faculty. Small gifts of appreciation will also be given to the faculty and staff.

*“If today you hear his voice,  
harden not your hearts.”*



YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED  
TO THE 20TH ANNUAL  
ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL PTC

**KENTUCKY  
DERBY  
GALA**



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2021  
5:30 PM TO 12 MIDNIGHT  
YOAKUM COMMUNITY CENTER

**\$75 Per Ticket  
Only 300 Tickets Sold**

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE SCHOOL AND PARISH OFFICES

COCKTAIL HOUR & DINNER  
LUCKY HORSESHOE CHANCE  
LIVE AUCTION  
SILENT AUCTION



TEXAS HOLD 'EM  
BLACKJACK

52 CARD GUN DRAW  
DANCING WITH SOUTHPAW

All proceeds directly benefit SJS

## Teacher's Prayer

I believe that each of my students is Your child.  
I believe that they are a reflection of Your love.

I believe that each child possesses special gifts and talents,  
that you are entrusting me to help them discover their gifts  
and nurture their talents.

I believe that each child is trying to find You, and that I  
can be a model of how to look, how to live, how to pray.

I believe that my job is actually a mission, a ministry;  
that you have chosen me in this time and in this place  
to be there for these children.

I believe that there is nothing haphazard about my day,  
about my experiences with my students or with their  
parents. It is all part of your plan.

I believe that you have chosen me, Lord. I believe.

St John Bosco, Pray For Us.

## Student's Prayer For Teachers

Lord Jesus, giver of all wisdom, greatest of all Teachers,  
look upon our teachers with love.

Grant them the resolve to nurture our eager minds and to  
never give up on those who fall behind.

Bless their hearts, for they rejoice when we succeed and  
encourage us when we fall.

Endow them with gentle patience, for the path of learning  
is never easy.

Kindle a spirit of passion in them; it is the flame that ignites  
the love of learning in us.

Help them to see the potential in every student; their  
belief in us means much more than the grade we make.

Instill in them a commitment to keep on learning; it shows  
us never to fear new knowledge and experiences.

Inspire them to touch the future; they influence how big a  
dream we dream for ourselves.

Bless our teachers of the past, for their work endures to  
this day.

Lord Jesus, let the light of your example shine upon all  
teachers, to encourage us with their words, to love us with  
their minds and to share with their hearts. Amen.

(Catholic Bishops Conference of the Philippines – Circular  
18-09)

*All children need a little help,  
a little hope and  
someone who believes in them.*

## The Transforming Word

“Therefore, we read the Scriptures because they “read us”.  
And it is a grace to be able to recognize oneself in this  
passage or that character, in this or that situation. The Bible  
was not written for a generic humanity, but for us, for me,  
for you, for men and women in flesh and blood, men and  
women who have a name and a surname, like me, like you.  
And the Word of God, infused with the Holy Spirit, when  
it is received with an open heart, does not leave things as  
they were before: never. Something changes. And this is  
the grace and the strength of the Word of God.”

Pope Francis, Wednesday Audience, 1/27/21

## A Prayer for Candlemas Day (February 2)

LORD Jesus Christ, You are the true Light  
enlightening every soul born into this world. Today  
we celebrate the feast of Candlemas. Before Holy  
Mass, the priest blesses the candles, whose wax is the  
humming summer's work of countless bees. The  
flames of these candles will shed their light upon the  
altar at the Holy Sacrifice.

Help us to realize, this day and every day, that our  
own humdrum daily work, if it is done for love of  
You, and in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass,  
will be a supernatural work, and will shine brightly  
before You for all eternity. Help us realize, too, each  
time we see the blessed candles at Holy Mass, or at  
the bedside of the sick, that they are a symbol of  
Yourself, the Light shining in the darkness of this  
world.

Help us to live in that Light, to make it our own, and  
to kindle it in the souls of others, increasing the area  
Of light and lessening the darkness in the World This,  
dear Lord, help us do, through the merits of Your  
own dear mother, Mary, who did everything for love  
of You, from the moment she brought You into this  
world till the day she joined You in the realms of light  
at her death. Then we, too, working for You, shall be  
light-bearers who will help to spread Your kingdom  
on earth, and increase the number of those who dwell  
in heaven, the city of eternal light.

Amen.

*“The people who sit in darkness have  
seen a great light; on those dwelling  
in a land overshadowed by death,  
light has arisen.”*