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To learn anew the Gospel: The Good News that God loves us—Then to live it and share it.



From the Deacon's Bench

Brothers and Sisters,

Pope Francis declared that this is the Year of St. Joseph. When it began on December 8, 2020, we set up a shrine for him in the back of church. We shared a few prayers. But just like in the scripture, St. Joseph seemed to fade into the background. So, this Sunday, let's bring St. Joseph back into focus.

St. Joseph continues to be a bit of a mystery for many Christians. Is he just the older saint that stands behind Mary and Jesus in most Christian art, or a familiar statue to place in our Nativity sets at Christmas, or simply a pious devotional figure for more "traditional Catholics"?

Pope Francis invites us to consider that personal conversion and reconciliation goes hand in hand with carrying out works of justice and mercy in our society. St. Joseph is a great model for this, as he blends both reflection and action.

He is a man of action, not words. St. Joseph doesn't speak a single word in the Gospels. He only appears in two of the four Gospels: Matthew and Luke. The Gospel of Mark doesn't mention his name at all, and the Gospel of John makes only two references to Jesus as the "the son of Joseph" But his life, his silence, is his statement. He is the perfect example of the phrase: "Actions speak louder than words." He wasn't worried about seeking credit or announcing to the world everything he did. He wasn't worried about his position in the community or his legacy. He was simply concerned with carrying out God's will.

Is it surprising then, that growing up with the example of love and humility set by his earthly father, Joseph, that Jesus teaches his disciples that "whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the servant of all"? The saying: "Like father, like son" seems to apply to Jesus at both an earthly and divine level.

St. Joseph, pray for us!

Peace, Dcn. Kerry

Please remember the following in your prayers...

Lynn Allen (Vivian Allen's daughter)

Vivian Allen

Fred Arnold

Thea Barrett

Ollie Benberry (Gracie Benberry's husband)

Phil Bradshaw (Peggy O'Connor-Campbell's

brother-in-law)

Roscoe Campbell (Jerria Jones' nephew)

Brenda Chaney

Morgan Craig (Diane & Charlie's granddaughter)

Mynelle Gardner

Morris Gardner

Carla Gerton

Catherine Hall (Gloria Ellis' mother)

Andrea Hill (Jerria Jones' sister)

Flossie Hill

Betty Jones

Beverley Jones

Gwendolyn King

Mary Martin (Myrle Dulaney & Myrna Martin's sister)

Martha Mayes (Thelma Mayes' mother)

Cherie Owens (Daughter of Jerria Jones)

Ray Owens (Marie Owens' husband)

James Patton (Karen Martin's father)

Adolph Peterson (Evelyn Peterson's husband)

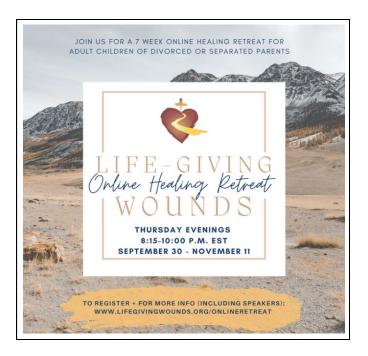
Rita Prince (Lorenza Prince's sister)

Jim (Rookie) Reynolds (Terri Cuellar's brother)

Stanley Young (Wanda Barrett's brother)

Please contact Deacon Kerry if you would like to add or remove someone from this Prayer List.







It's no secret that when someone takes on the role of caregiver they take on stress, exhaustion, and frustrations. As a result, caregivers often report declining health, emotional fatigue, depression and even spiritual depletion. In this state, purpose and meaning can be easily lost.

Our program is designed to provide the tools and resources to build a caregiver's resilience by supporting their practical, emotional and spiritual needs so that they can experience the many blessings that come with caregiving. https://nourishforcaregivers.com/

Nourish for Caregivers is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit. Their mission is to support and empower caregivers through the gift of faith.

National Migration Week 2021 "Towards an Ever Wider 'We'"

National Migration Week will take place September 20-26 and will culminate with the Vatican's celebration of the World Day of Migrants and Refugees on September 26.

National Migration Week has been celebrated for nearly half a century as an opportunity to reflect on the circumstances confronting migrants, which includes immigrants, refugees, children, and victims and survivors of human trafficking.

This year's theme is "Towards an ever wider 'we," which comes from Pope Francis, who emphasized that "this focus calls on us to ensure that 'after all this, we will think no longer in terms of 'them' and 'those,' but only 'us" (Fratelli Tutti, no 35).

Please Visit <u>www.Archindy.org</u> (under Featured Items) to learn more about the following three Archindy Migration Week events:

September 20, 2021 – 5:45 PM Bilingual Mass w/ Archbishop Thompson Our Lady of Greenwood Church

September 22, 2021 – 12:00 PM Virtual Prayer Service for Migrants and Refugees

Please register at https://national migrationweek.everbrite.com

September 26, 2021 – 5:30 PM

Ecumenical Prayer Service for Migrants and Refugees

St. Bartholomew Church, Columbus IN





Schedule of Events

Sunday, September 19

10:30 Mass

Wednesday, September 22

8:30 Communion Service

Sunday, September 26

10:30 Mass

Sunday, October 24

10:30 75th Anniversary Celebration Mass (with Archbishop Thompson)

11:30 Brunch

Ministers in Service - September 26

Ushers: Jack Shields (c), Gigi Benbow

Lectors: Diane Murdock, Deidre Kelly

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, September 19

10:30 am: Connie Koskinen (d)

by Charles Schisla

Sunday, September 26

10:30 am: Homer & Ann Lane (d) by Michael & Marie Beason

Festival of Faiths

The Center for Interfaith Cooperation in Indianapolis will host its 9th annual Festival of Faiths from 2-4 p.m. on September 26. The theme of this year's festival is "Sharing Gifts of Faith: Compassion, Resilience and Hope." Because of the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, the festival will be held online this year on the virtual meeting platform Hopin. Those interested in taking part in the festival can register at no cost at www.indycic.org/festival-of-faiths.

Representatives of faith traditions from around the world who have settled in the Indianapolis area and formed communities will have virtual booths in the festival's online exhibit hall. Some will include video recordings from faith communities. Others will be interactive in which visitors can have conversations with people from various faith traditions.

Father Rick Ginther, Director of the archdiocesan Office of Ecumenism and Interreligious Affairs (and a son of St. Andrew Parish), has taken part in the festival in the past and is looking forward to representing the Church during this year's online event. Father Ginther encourages Catholics in central and southern Indiana to take part in this year's festival.



