
St. Joseph Church

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Confession

Saturday 3:00-3:30 PM

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Pastoral Council

Susan Clark, Chair,

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David Clemons,

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Masses: March 3-March 8

Tuesday 12:05 pm Judy Warren

Wednesday 7:30 am Jerry Mattingly

Thursday 12:05 pm Stella McClure

Friday 7:30 am J.B. & Eva Lee Newton

Saturday 4:00 pm Stella Clemons McClure

Sunday 10:00 am Jerry Mattingly +

March 7, 4:00 PM

Lector – Jim Cecil

Server- Ethan Pierce

Communion - C) Jim Marshall

C) Rosemary Meredith

H) Sharon Smart

Ushers – Jerry Clemons, Ernie Johnston

Greeters – Danny /Barbara Allen

Gifts –Libby/Steve Vincent

Music – Meredyth Lee

March 8, 10:00 AM

Lector – Eddie Clemons

Server – Gabriel Mudd, Nate Pennington

Communion - C) Melanie Crawford

C) Linda Cripps

H) Linda Clark

Ushers – David Clemons, LaMont Miller

Greeters –Wade & Robin Lashley

Gifts – Joan /Estille Dobson

Music – Annette Cannon

Stewardship of Finance

Last Sunday's Collection \$ 2960.78

Cemetery Income \$ 200.00

Diocesan Administration \$ 231.00

Diocese of Mandeville \$ 275.00

SVdP \$ 445.00

St. John Church

430 St. John Church Rd.
Sunfish, KY 42210

Website: stjohnch.org

St. John's Prayer List

Lyla Abel, Audrey Burke, **Bob Clark**,
Margaret Clark, Jack Coop, Judy Dombrowski,
Anna Durbin, James Durbin, Kenny Durbin,
Margie Durbin, Catherine Duvall, Leonard Duvall,
Kevin Hayes, Pamela Hughes, Betty Jennings,
Juanita Logsdon, James Pierce, Olen Raymer,
Leonard Simon, **Linda Simon**, Maggie Simon,
Ann Vincent

<u>BIRTHDAYS</u>	
John Durbin II	3/09

Stations of the Cross:

Friday 5:00 PM St. John

Decision Point Small Groups:

All adults in our parish are encouraged to participate in one of our Decision Point small groups. Groups will meet for the six weeks of Lent. These one hour sessions are a great way to strengthen your faith during Lent.

Decision Point Sessions:

Sundays 9:15 am
Wednesdays 5:45 pm

Online Giving: Now you can contribute to the parish online. **It's Simple! It's Secure! It's Convenient!** To get started go to stjohnch.org and click on the Home button.

Pastoral Council

Margaret Clark, Chair Dick Dyche
Nancy Farmer, Secretary Joe Durbin
Barbara Fitzhugh Margie Durbin
Tom Pohlman, V. Chair

March 8, 2015, 8:00 AM

Lector- Dick Dyche
Server- Dwayne Fitzhugh
Communion- Sue Kalbfleisch, Peggy Hayes,
Chris Wolfe
Usher- John Gay & Tom Pohlman
Gifts- Jim Sims & Chris Wolfe
Music – Jeremiah Bush-Barbara Fitzhugh

Wednesday, 03/04/2015-Jerome (Jake) McClure
Sunday 3/08/2015-Sts. John & Joseph Parishes

Last Sunday's Collection	\$ 307.00
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This Week at St. John:

Sun 9:00 am Coffee & Donuts
Wed 5:00 pm Mass
5:45 pm Decision Point
Fri 5:00 pm Stations of the Cross

2014 Sacraments at St. John:

1 Baptism
3 Deaths

Serving the Poor: St. John's Thrift Store in Brownsville could use your help. We are looking for volunteers to assist in hanging clothes. If you could work one morning (9 am – 12 pm) or one afternoon (12 pm – 3pm) a week it would be a great help. The store is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. For more information contact Barbara Fitzhugh at 270-286-0091.

Message: You cannot listen and multitask.

Homework: Spend 10 minutes in silence for 7 days.

This Week at St. Joseph:

Sun	10:00 am	Friend Sunday
Mon	5:30 pm	Bunco in Parish Hall
Tue	12:05 pm	Mass
	3:00 pm	Divine Mercy Devotion
Wed	7:30 am	Mass
	5:30 pm	Religious Ed
Thu	12:05 pm	Mass
	12:00 pm	Community Lenten Service
	5:00 pm	Stations of the Cross
Fri	7:30 am	Mass
	8:00 am	1st Friday Eucharistic Adoration
	4:00 pm	Benediction
	4:30 pm	K of C Fish Fry
Sat	7:00 am	Men's Breakfast at Farmer's
Sun	11:15 am	First Reconciliation
<u>March:</u>		
10	5:30 pm	Fellowship Café
	6:00 pm	Maintenance Committee
14	9:30 am	Altar Society
	5:00 pm	Saturday Mass Returns to 5:00 PM
17	6:00 pm	Picnic Meeting

LENTEN ACTIVITIES:

Weekday Masses: Tuesday and Thursday at 12:05 pm; Wednesday and Friday at 7:30 am; and (Wednesday at 5:00 pm at St. John's).

Stations of the Cross: Thursday at 5:00 pm and (Friday at 5:00 pm at St. John's).

Sacrament of Reconciliation: (commit to going to confession sometime before Easter).

Community Lenten Services: Thursday at 12:00 noon at Leitchfield United Methodist Church.

Blessed Sacrament Visit: St. Joseph Church is unlocked and open on most days from 6:00 am until 6:00 pm.

Abstinence: No meat on all Fridays during Lent (age 14+).

Little Black Books: Our daily devotional book for Lent are in the back of church for you to pick up.



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St. Joseph Prayer List

Delores Alvey, Nellie Alvey, Wayne Alvey, Abby Beeler, Margaret Beckner, Art. Bitsky, Arlene Bitsky, Jim & Jean Charbonneau, Corey Clark, Edmund Collard, Owen Cottrell, Anna Critchelow, Mary Decker, Donald and Mary Lou Durham, Delbert and Rose Durham, Jenny Ann Alvey-Edmonds, Draven Fentress, Maureen Gatto Sr., Margaret Hudson, Sr. Rose Karen, Rachel Kiper, Darlene Kolter, , Bobby McDaniel, Bruce Meredith, Margie Meredith, Homer Milliner, Wanda Pierce, Betty Stone, **Virginia “Dee: Stoney”**, John J. Sweigert, All law enforcement and emergency responders. For those serving in the military.

HOMEBOUND LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Nursing Home	SCHEDULE	Homebound
Jim Marshall	3/8-3/14	Delores Alvey
Kim Smith	3/15-3/21	Jim Alvey
Mike Boone	3/22-3/28	Susie & Jed
Alice Begay	3/29-4/4	Jed Johnston

St. John's Thrift Store:

301 N Main St. in Brownsville
Open 9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Closed Sunday and Wednesday
270-286-0091



IT'S always hard to say good-bye to a member of our church family. Charles and Alice Bruce are moving to be closer to their family. Next weekend will be their final mass at St. Joseph. Farewell and best of luck.

BIRTHDAYS

Danielle Spilman	3/03
Judy Warren	3/04
Stella McClure	3/05
Debra Durbin	3/07
Stacey Roberts	3/07
Veronica Taylor	3/07
Anna Critchelow	3/08
Ernie Johnston	3/08

St. Paul School Open House: There will be an open house for all students and parents who are interested in finding out more about St. Paul school on Monday, March 16 from 8 am until noon and from 5:30 - 7:30 pm. Take some time to consider a Catholic education for your children. St. Paul School now serves pre-school through 8th grade. For more information, call the school at 242-7483.

Bunco Anyone? You are invited to come and play Bunco in the parish hall this Monday, March 2 from 5:30 pm until 8:00 pm. For more information contact Brittany Mattingly 230-6973.

2014 Sacraments at St. Joseph:

<u>8</u>	<u>Baptisms</u>
<u>12</u>	<u>First Communions</u>
<u>9</u>	<u>Confirmations</u>
<u>1</u>	<u>Marriage</u>
<u>9</u>	<u>Deaths</u>

Friend Sunday: A special welcome to those who are here today at the invitation of one of our members. We are so glad you are here with us today. We hope that you can feel at home and we look forward to seeing you again.

REFLECTIONS ON TODAY'S READINGS:

Genesis 22:1-2.9A. 10-13.15-18: The story of Abraham and his willingness to sacrifice his only son Isaac is one of the most dramatic stories in the entire Bible. Why Abraham felt that God was asking him to sacrifice his son we not know. The practice was common in the pagan world and even among some ancient kings of Israel. However, the point of the story is that Abraham trusted God completely. Before Abraham could harm his son, God stopped him. He commended Abraham's complete devotion and promised to reward him with countless descendants who would be richly blessed throughout the earth. Through Jesus, we know that God is love and never desires the death of any person.

Romans 8:31B-34: This second reading is easily compared with the first. We recall that Abraham was willing to sacrifice his only beloved son because he thought God asked it. For his faith and trust, Abraham received God's finest blessings. In his letter to the Romans, Paul speaks of another Father who "did not spare his own Son but handed him over for the sake of us all." That Son, Jesus Christ, now raised from the dead, intercedes with the Father for us. And how can God refuse Jesus anything he asks for us? As Paul insists, "If God is for us, who can be against us?"

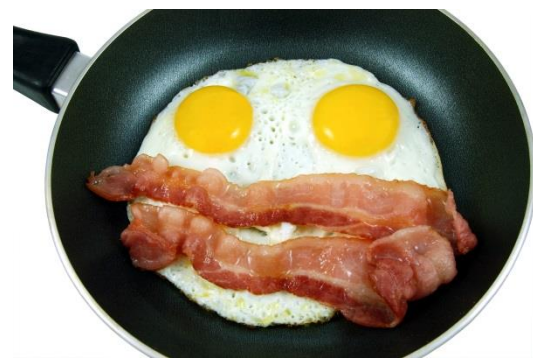
Mark 9:2-10: The story of Jesus' Transfiguration on the mountain is a preview of great things to come. With his amazed disciples looking on, Jesus is suddenly dressed in dazzling white and his face shines like the sun. He is speaking with the long-dead prophets Moses and Elijah. These two Old Testament figures represent the Law and the Prophets. They are interrupted by a majestic voice from a cloud. And the voice says that Jesus is God's beloved Son. The bedazzled disciples are told to "Listen to him." Like us, Peter, James, and John could not understand everything about Jesus overnight. It was only after his death and resurrection that they understood the meaning of his Transfiguration. Only then did they realize what it meant for the Son of Man to rise from the dead.

Only In God: Only In God will we ever find rest and complete happiness.

Saint John Chrysostom He reminds us that, "no act of virtue can be great if it is not followed by advantage for others. So, no matter how much time you spend fasting, no matter how much you sleep on a hard floor and eat ashes and sigh continually, if you do no good to others, you do nothing great."



Eucharistic Adoration: This Friday, March 6 we will be having Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following the 7:30 am Mass and concluding with Benediction at 4:00.



Men's Breakfast: All the men of St. Joseph and St. John are invited to join Father Tony for breakfast on Saturday, March at 7:00 am at The Farmer's Feed Mill.



Calling All Youth: All St. Joseph youth are invited to a get-to-gather on Friday, March 6 at 6:00 pm at the home of the Falcons. For more information call Dee Dee Johnston 723-2740 or Nora Falcon 287-0872.

Women's Retreat: We are planning a retreat for the women of St. Joseph for Saturday, March 21 from 1:00 pm until 4:30 pm (Mass will be at 5 pm). The retreat will be held in the parish hall and will be led by Melaney Sreenan, a new parishioner who lives at Rough River. Dr. Melaney Sreenan has a Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology and is a good friend of Cathy Corbett.

Welcome: Pope Francis reminds us that the Catholic Church must become more open and welcoming of others. He said that for Jesus, what matters above all is reaching out and restoring everyone to God's family. As Catholics we must reach out more to the poor and outcasts. Serving others is our hallmark, it alone is our title of honor.

Big Brothers Big Sisters: Big Brothers Big Sisters matches adult mentors with children who need extra encouragement, support and positive relationships. There are currently nearly 400 children on the waiting list. We hope that you will consider sharing a little of your time to become a 'Big. Please contact me at 502-587-0494 or kelly.wells@bbbsky.org for additional information.

Parents with Young Children: Have you considered a Catholic school education for your children? There will be a presentation after both Masses on March 7 and 8 regarding St. Paul School. All parents are invited to stay in church after mass for an informational session. Here, you will hear parents of St. Paul students give information about the school, answer questions, show a display, and give out literature. St. Paul now serves pre-school through 8th grade. For further information, call the school at 224-7483.

Decision Point: After a late start because of the weather our groups have begun meeting. It is never too late to attend even if it is just for one week. We are especially encouraging additional participants for the **Monday morning and Wednesday evening** groups.

<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Leaders</u>	<u>Location</u>
Mon	10 am	Joanne Deweese	Joanne's
Tue	3 pm	Judy Warren	Parish Hall
Tue	6 pm	Linda Clark	Linda's
Wed	6 pm	Dr. Joe Lee	Parish Hall
Thu	10 am	Sharon Smart	Sharon's
Thu	6 pm	T. J. Dennison	Parish Hall
Sat	5 pm	Melaney Sreenan	Parish Hall

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