
St. Joseph Church

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Confession

Saturday 4:00-4:30 PM

Prayer Chain

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Pastoral Council

Susan Clark, Chair,

Billy Dallas,

Sharon Smart V. Chair,

David Clemons,

Tim Nelson

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Finance Council

Charles Corbett. Beverly Harrison, Ben Hodges, Chair

Masses: March 24-March 29

Tuesday 12:05 pm Everett Mattingly

Wednesday 7:30 am Ethel Alvey Miller +

Thursday 12:05 pm Amelia Thompson

Friday 7:30 am Gary Novak

Saturday 5:00 pm Edwin & Mary Clark +

Sunday 10:00 am Robert Shaughnessy +

March 28, 5:00 PM

Lector – Narrator: Ann Marshall

Voice: Kim Smith

Server- Jacob Smith

Communion - C) Jim Marshall

C) Joanne Johnson

H) Judy Warren

Ushers – Tony Rishkofski, /Barbara Allen

Greeters – Mary Decker/Joyce Green

Gifts –Monica/David Riley Family

Music – Meredyth Lee

March 29, 10:00 AM

Lector – Narrator: Catherine Corbett

Voice: Melanie Crawford

Server – Sarah Young, Lydia Mudd

Communion - C) Carolyn Thomason

C) Linda Borland

H) Linda Clark

Ushers – LaMont Miller, Scott Samuels

Greeters- Linda Cripps, Debby Graham

Gifts – Schlosser Family

Music – Annette Cannon

Stewardship of Finance

Last Sunday's Collection \$ 3921.00

Catholic Relief \$ 662.00

Easter Flowers \$ 928.00

Children \$ 7.00

Money Counter next week: Betty Miller

St. John Church

430 St. John Church Rd.
Sunfish, KY 42210

Website: stjohnch.org

St. John's Prayer List

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

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

*The Thrift Store will be closed on
Saturday, April 4, 2015 for Easter.

Holy Week at St. John:

Holy Thursday	4 pm	Confessions
	5 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper
Good Friday	4 pm	Confessions
	5 pm	Good Friday Service
Easter Sunday	8 am	Easter Sunday Mass
	9 am	Easter Egg Hunt

Pastoral Council

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

March 29, 2015, 8:00 AM

Lector- John Gay
Server- Dick Dyche
Communion- Betty Jennings, Chris Wolfe,
Peggy Hayes
Usher- Jim Sims, Glen Logsdon
Gifts- Paula Wilson, Steve Durbin
Music – Jeremiah Bush-Barbara Fitzhugh

Wednesday, 03/25/2015-Bob Clark
Sunday 3/29/2015-Stsl John & Joseph Parishes

Last Sunday's Collection	\$ 790.06
Catholic Relief	\$ 112.00
Easter Flower Collection	\$ 177.00

This Week at St. John:

Wed	5:00 pm	Mass
	5:45 pm	Decision Point
Fri	5:00 pm	Stations of the Cross
Sun	8:00 am	Palm Sunday
	9:00 am	5th Sunday Breakfast

Please keep the family of Margie Durbin in your prayers. Margie, a devoted parishioner of St. John, died this week.

Message: To be announced

Homework: To be announced

This Week at St. Joseph:

Sun 11:00 am Brunch for St. Paul's School
4:00 pm Youth Group

Tue 3:00 pm Divine Mercy Devotion
6:00 pm Penance Service at St.
Augustine

Wed 5:30 pm Religious Ed

Thu 5:00 pm Stations of the Cross
6:00 pm Pastoral Council

Fri 4:30 pm K of C Fish Fry

Sun 10:00 am Palm Sunday
2:00 pm Penance Service at
St. Joseph

March:

31 6:30 pm Chrism Mass

April:

2 7:00 pm Holy Thursday Mass
3 7:00 pm Good Friday Service
4 8:00 pm Easter Vigil
5 10:00 am Easter Sunday Mass

Holy Week at St. Joseph:

Palm Sunday 2 pm Penance Service
Holy Thursday 7 pm Mass of the Lord's
Supper
Good Friday 7 pm Good Friday Service
Holy Saturday 8 pm Easter Vigil
Easter Sunday 10am Easter Sunday Mass

Second Collection: Virginia "Dee" Stony a parishioner from St. Joseph Parish died and was buried in our cemetery on March 17. She had no means to pay for her funeral so the parish paid the \$3,243.00 bill. We are asking our parishioners to help us in the corporal work of mercy. Next weekend, March 28-29, we will be taking up a second collection to help offset the cost.

Jamie Dennis: Congratulations to Jamie Dennis, from St. Joseph Parish, who will be ordained as a transitional deacon on Saturday, August 8. The time and location will be announced soon.



Order Your St. Joseph T-Shirt

TODAY! Only \$10

We are taking order for a new blue t-shirt for our parish. We will only be taking orders up to April 15. All sizes are \$10 and payment is due at the time you place your order. We hope that everyone will wear them for our picnic, June 6th.

St. Joseph Prayer List

Delores Alvey, Nellie Alvey, Wayne Alvey, Abby Beeler, Margaret Beckner, Art. Bitsky, Arlene Bitsky, Jim & Jean Charbonneau, 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., Cecil Higdon, Sr. Rose Karen, Rachel Kiper, Darlene Kolter, Bobby McDaniel, Bruce Meredith, Margie Meredith, Homer Milliner, Wanda Pierce, Glen Schofield, Betty Stone, John J. Sweigert, All law enforcement and emergency responders. For those serving in the military. Corey Clark,

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

Let us keep the family of "**Red**" **Russell** in our prayers. He died this week in Louisville. Red and Lucille and their two daughters were parishioners of St. Joseph for many years. May he rest in peace.

BIRTHDAYS

Andi Critchelow	3/23
Eva Kemp	3/23
Kenneth Minton	3/23
Luke Critchelow	3/25
LaMont Miller	3/25
Nellie Stevenson	3/25
Morgan Kannapel	3/26
Mary Thompson	3/26
Danielle Stone	3/28
Molly Critchelow	3/29
Will Johnston	3/30
Callie Schlosser	3/31

The Annunciation of the Lord: The Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord is this Wednesday, March 25. This solemnity recalls the announcement to Mary by the angel Gabriel that she has found favor with God and will bear the Son of God. Their exchange is found in Luke chapter 1, verses 26-38. When Mary asks how this is to happen, the angel tells her the Holy Spirit will come upon her and cites the unexpected pregnancy of her cousin, Elizabeth, in her old age, as a sign that nothing will be impossible for God. This feast is celebrated each year exactly nine months before Christmas.

REFLECTIONS ON TODAY'S READINGS:

Jeremiah 31:31-34: Have you ever heard the expression, "It's not carved in stone"? We sometimes use this expression to refer to a decision or a rule that is not as definite as the Ten Commandments which were written on two stone tablets. In the first reading, the prophet Jeremiah promises the Israelites that God will give them a new covenant even though they have not been faithful to the old covenant. This new law will be written on their hearts. It will not be something outside the people but inside where they will know they are God's people.

The full meaning of this new covenant will be made clear in the New Testament, a term that means "new covenant." In Jesus, God's people will see how he forgives their evildoing and remembers their sin no more.

Hebrews 5:7-9: The word "obedience" is not very appealing to young people who are in the process of becoming more independent. However, this reading reminds us that even Jesus himself had to learn obedience from what he suffered. When he knew that his enemies wanted to do away with him, Jesus prayed that God would save him from death. But he ended his prayer in the garden of Gethsemane by saying, "Not my will but yours be done." Jesus shared our human fear of suffering and death. Yet by accepting God's will completely, he saved us all.

John 12:20-33: Here Jesus compares his life and ours with a grain of wheat. If the grain falls into the earth and dies, it then rises as a stalk of wheat that gives life by feeding others. Like the grain of wheat, we must be willing to lose our lives in order to gain eternal life. Jesus knows that the hour of his death when he will be lifted up on the cross is coming soon. But he also knows that when he is lifted up, he will draw everyone, Jews and Greeks and all the world's people, to himself.

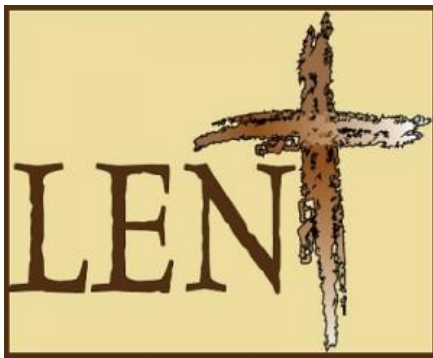
Daily Prayer: "This is the prayer we need to pray every day, every day: Holy Spirit, may my heart be open to the Word of God, may my heart be open to good, may my heart be open to the beauty of God, every day." – Pope Francis

An Open Church: "The Church is called to be the house of the Father, with doors always wide open and where there is a place for everyone with all their problems." - Pope Francis

The Bread of Life: The Eucharist is astonishing. God himself wants to nourish us. God himself wants to feed us spiritually. God wants to dwell in you.

St. Thérèse of Lisieux: "Our Lord does not come down from Heaven every day to lie in a golden ciborium. He comes to find another heaven which is infinitely dearer to him—the heaven of our souls, created in His Image, the living temples of the Adorable Trinity."

A Thought for the Week: Nothing is more practical than finding God, than falling in love in a quite absolute way. What you are in love with, what seizes your imagination, will affect everything. It will decide what will get you out of bed in the morning, what you do with your evenings, how you spend your weekends, what you read, whom you know, what breaks your heart, and what amazes you with joy and gratitude. Fall in love, stay in love, and it will decide everything.



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).

Chrism Mass: The annual Diocesan Mass for the Blessings of the Holy Oils will be Tuesday, March 31 at 6:30 pm at the Owensboro Sports Center. If you will be attending please let Fr. Tony know. Thank you!

Communal Penance Services: This year our Lenten Communal Penance services will be held on Tuesday, March 24 at 6:00 pm at St. Augustine and on Sunday, March 29 at 2:00 pm here at St. Joseph. Lent is the best time to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Community Cross Walk: On Good Friday, April 3, you are invited to join other Christians as we journey around the court square in Leitchfield. We will begin at 11:30 am at the United Methodist Church. Come join us as we witness to our faith.

Local Catholic Holy Week Services

Holy Thursday-Mass of the Lord's Supper

St. John	5:00 PM
St. Benedict	6:00 PM
St. Paul	6:00 PM
St. Joseph	7:00 PM

Good Friday Service

St. Elizabeth	3:00 PM
St. Anthony	3:00 PM
St. John	5:00 pm
St. Paul	6:00 PM
St. Augustine	6:00 PM
St. Joseph	7:00 PM

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil

St. Augustine	8:00 PM
St. Elizabeth	8:00 PM
St. Joseph	8:00 PM

Easter Sunday Mass

St. Elizabeth	8:00 AM
St. John	8:00 AM
St. Joseph	10:00 AM