All Soul's Day

November 2nd, 2025

St. Joseph

parish.

Can you help us financially?

Thank you for your generous support to St. Joseph. Your donation helps us to pay the bills. Without you, what will we do? Please attend mass and help us with your offering. Now you can make your weekly offering to St. Joseph by mail or place it in our side door rectory drop box. You are all in my prayers and masses. God Bless You! Fr. Joe

OCIA Program

St. Joseph's Church is inviting the people to OCIA program. Catholics who have been baptized but not received the sac-

The story of Saint Maria Goretti is retold in this beautifully made film from Italy. It explains the plight of the poor laborers of the time, struggling to survive in a swampy area with ram-



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pant malaria and extreme poverty. Luigi and Assunta Goretti keep their faith despite the hardship, and they instill in their children a deep love for God. Their daughter Maria is especially devout. But tragedy strikes more than once: sickness and death affect the Goretti family, and then their young neighbor Alessandro does the unthinkable. This film, made on location and filled with authentic detail, stars Martina Pinto as Maria, Flavio Insinna (Saint John Bosco) as the brave local Passionist priest, Luisa Ranieri and Massimo Bonetti as her parents, and Claudia Koll as the Countess Mazzoleni.

WATCH ON FORMED!!

tive event.

Cemetery 2nd Collection

Next week there will be a 2nd collection for our Cemetery. Please continue to support our beautiful grounds.

Discipleship Formation 12 Pumpkins for Jesus

The children from the Discipleship Formation will be carving out pumpkins after mass during hospitality. Come and enjoy hospitality and enjoy this fes-

For Healing Rosary—Friday— 7:00 p.m.

Meeting I.D. 284 242 6978 Password: 104215

Liturgical Ministers

Lectors: 11/08/2025 & 11/09/2025

3:45 PM: Teresa Millias 10:30 AM: Janet Wenner

Eucharistic Ministers: 11/08/2025 & 11/09/2025

3:45 PM: Denise Weber

10:30 AM: Corinne Connington

Altar Servers: 11/09/2025

10:30 AM: Tullulah Kelley & Brian Hogan

Greeters: 11/09/2025

10:30 AM: Emily Snyder & Joan DeBenedittis

Ushers: 11/09/2025

10:30 AM: Knights of Columbus

Readings for the week of November 2nd, 2025

Sunday: Wis 3: 1-9/Romans 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40

Monday: Rom 11:29-36/Lk 14:12-14 Tuesday: Rom 12:5-16b/Lk14:15-24

Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10/Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Rom 14:7-12/Lk 15:1-10 Friday: Rom 15:14-21/Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Lk 16: 9-15

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Op. 548—Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Psalm 23: The Lord is My Shepherd

Off. 695—Come to Me

Comm. 671—On Eagles' Wings

Cl. 692—I Heard the Voice of Jesus

Weekly Offering Table

Weekly Need: \$ 3,250.00 Oct 25th & Oct 26th, 2025

		Sat	Sun	Total
Regular	\$	500.00	\$1,864.00	\$2,364.00
All Souls Day	\$	135.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 310.00
Candles & Poor Bx			\$ 54.20	

"Please write a separate check to St. Joseph's when requesting a mass intention." Mass intentions are \$15.00 each.

Thank you for supporting your parish!

Saturday November 1st, 2025—All Saints Day 3:45 PM + Bishop Howard Hubbard by Debi & Henry

- + Jack & Marlene Risley by Debi & Henry
- + John Norman by the Norman Family

Mass Intentions

* For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

November 2nd, 2025—The Commemoration of Sunday All the Faithful Departed— All Soul's Day

10:30 AM + Jack & Carolyn Muehl by Amy & Bernie

- + Fr. William Crandall by Debi & Henry Sanna
- + Deceased Members of the Kersman Family by Debi & Henry Sanna
- * Praying for Good Health and Thanks for the blessings* by Gusmano Family
- * For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

Wednesday November 5th, 2025

- 9:00 AM + Mike McFee by Debi & Henry Sanna
 - + Karl Oberacker by Bill & Denise Weber
 - + Robert Evans—6th Anniversary of his passing by Barbara Evans

November 7th, 2025— Friday

- 11:00 AM + Mary & Ruby Kersman by Henry & Debi
- 12:00 PM + Carolyn Muehl by Jim Longendyke
- + Texas Flood Victims by Debi & Henry Sanna

Saturday November 8th, 2025—Vigil

- 3:45 PM + Dolores Vencak by Ken Vencak
 - + Fr. Ron Green by Jim Longendyke
 - + Louis DeBernardo by Antoinette & Vincenza Competiello
 - * For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

November 9th, 2025—The Dedication of the Sunday Lateran Basilica—Stewardship Sunday

- 10:30 AM + Oscar (Ozzie) Harrington by Lorraine & Frank Brimlow
 - + Deceased Members of the Arockiasamy Family by Debi & Henry Sanna
 - * Millie Carenard Healing from Epilepsy* by Nuala Nee
 - * Praying for Good Health and Thanks for the blessings* by Gusmano Family
 - * For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

OCIA is a process of study, exploration, faith-sharing, and faith formation with specific liturgical rites for seekers and inquirers. Seekers and inquirers are un-baptized adults; raments of the Eucharist and Confirmation; Catholics baptized, received communion but not received confirmation who desire full communion in Roman Catholic church. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a full Catholic, please call the Rectory.

Halloween Candy Collection

2025-2026 Diocesan Appeal

The Diocesan Appeal for 2025-2026 has begun! Infor-

Our assessment for the Diocesan Appeal is \$20,049. Our

contributions to date are \$3,661.00 from 11 of our parish-

ioners. Please be generous in supporting our Diocese so

that they can continue to help in providing services to our

Cantata Choir

November 25, December 2, 9 all parts with accompani-

Rehearsals

mation has been sent to our parishioners.

Thank you to all who contributed to our **Halloween Candy Collection!!**

December 14: Cantata performance at 3 pm





November 4, 11: All parts

December 21: Snow date

St. Joseph's Bible Study Parish Hall Gospel of Matthew Presented by John Fencik November 6th and 20th—5:30 p.m.

Beginning with the 1st Sunday of Advent, our Sunday Gospel Reading for the next year will come from the Gospel of Matthew. Come and learn the background to this Gospel—Who was Matthew? When did he write? Why did he write? To whom did he write?

Even if you have not attended Bible Study before, please come and join us!!

Altar Rosary Society Meeting

The Altar Rosary will be holding their next meeting on Monday, November 10th at 1:00 p.m. in the church. Please invite anyone who would like to join us in praying the Rosary.



The Fifteen Promises of Mary

Granted to Those Who Recite the Rosary

- 1. Whoever shall faithfully serve me by the recitation of the rosary shall receive signal graces.
- 2. I promise my special protection and the greatest graces to all those who shall recite the rosary.

All Saints' & All Souls' Day

The celebrations of All Saints' Day on November 1 and All Souls' Day on November 2 are central to the Catholic Church's tradition of remembering the dead. These days honor both the saints who have attained



heaven and the souls who are still undergoing purification. Together, they remind Catholics of the "Communion of Saints," that unity between the Church on earth, in purgatory, and in heaven. All Saints' Day, or the Solemnity of All Saints, is dedicated to honoring every saint – both those canonized or beatified and those whose lives of sanctity remain hidden from the world. This celebration was instituted by Pope Gregory III in the eighth century, who designated November 1 as a day to honor all saints, known and unknown. The feast has roots in the early Church, which celebrated the lives of Christian martyrs in its liturgies, particularly in the Eastern Church. The day celebrates the universal call to holiness, acknowledging that sainthood is not reserved for a select few but is possible for anyone who seeks to follow Christ faithfully. In honoring the saints, Catholics are reminded of the importance of living a life of virtue, humility, and love. This feast is a **holy day of obligation**, meaning that Catholics are required to attend Mass and reflect upon their connection with the saints, who serve as models of faith and dedication. All Souls' Day on November 2 has a different focus, centering on prayers for the souls in purgatory, who are undergoing final purification before entering heaven. This tradition of praying for the dead is ancient, yet the formal institution of All Souls' Day is attributed to St. Odilo, Abbot of Cluny, in the 10th century. St. Odilo dedicated November 2 as a day of universal prayer for the deceased, creating a day of remembrance that complements the previous day's celebration of saints in heaven. All Souls' Day emphasizes the Catholic belief in purgatory – a state of purification for those who have died in God's grace but still require cleansing from sin before they can enter heaven. Catholics believe that their prayers, sacrifices, and Mass offerings benefit these souls, helping them reach eternal peace. Celebrations within the Catholic tradition, urging us to reflect on holiness, to remember our own loved ones, and to honor the saints who inspire us to live in faith and virtue.

Father Joe is offering to the entire parish a Lectionary-based prayer and faith-sharing resources.

It will be great for OCIA, parish ministry meetings, small Christian communities, and more!

This series contains 52 small group reflections-one for each Sunday of the 2025-2026 liturgical year. It begins with the First Sunday of Advent on November 30, 2025 and ends with the Feast of Christ the King on November 22, 2026. This reproducible eResource is sold with a one year license for use of the parish. You are allowed to make unlimited copies for use within you community.

Father is recommending to use this site:

https://store.renew intl.org/products/renewed-by-the-word-cycle-a.







"The world is a book and those who do not travel Read only one Page."

Set a goal to travel with Fr. Joe to Greece.

October 30th—November 9th, 2026

For additional information, please visit http://www.206Tours.com/cms/frarockiasamy

Please join the Discipleship Formation Children on Sunday November 2nd at 6 pm for a lighted Rosary to pray for All the Souls in Purgatory. All ministries are invited to join. Remember to bring in a picture of your deceased love one and our Disciple ship formation youth will place them near the Altar.

Prayer for all Souls Day

Merciful Father,
hear our prayer and console us.
As we renew
our faith in Your Son,
whom You raised from the dead,
strengthen our hope
that all our departed brothers and
sisters will share in His resurrection,
who lives and reigns
with You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever:
Amen.
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Prayer Remembrance

Please, remember all of our homebound, sick and dying, hospitalized, and the needy! Pray for all the cancer patients! Pray for all of our veterans and soldiers and especially for all the soldiers who are in war zones!! Special prayers for Arthur Verity, Maryann Legaspi, Ean Shirm, Joseph Fedor, Alfred Staudohar, Judy Staruck, JoAnn Barnhart, Grace D. Leggio, Frances Florance, Nick Wiecowski, Karlene Tauzel (Stokes), David Miller, Shannon Colin, Jim Bender, Beverly Erway, Jill Scott, Sharon Heller, Jeannie Zaengle Wilshire, Felix Dziembowski, Karl Hoecker, Fred Kirch, Justin Deas, George Olsen, Jeanne Chase, Francisco Miccio, Jeanne Bridger, Dan Gorke, Toni & Larry Bobnick, Bill Fredette Jr., Paula Jenkins, Janet & Charles Papst, Lois Golda, Lillian Spino, Ramona Addesso, Matthew Sivacek, Bill Morgner, Ruth Vinci, Brian Rock, Sean Filipowski, Rick & Wade Lewis, Ed Serdy and Anne Tiner for a speedy recovery.

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Mission Statement: To form Missionary Disciples through encountering the Lord in Word, Sacraments and one another to transform the communities in which we live.

Vision Statement: St. Joseph is a Vibrant, Welcoming, Evangelizing and Transforming Catholic Community!

They Will Rise Again



Parish Staff

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Will you please remember "St. Joseph's Church" in your Last Will?

November 2nd, 2025

Weekend Masses

Saturday Evening: 3:45 PM

Sunday Morning: 10:30 AM

Weekday Masses

Wednesday: Mass 9 AM

Friday: Adoration 11 AM—Mass 12 PM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Wednesday: 9:00 AM—1:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM—1:00 PM

Sacraments

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00 PM -3:30 PM

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are held the 3rd Sunday of the month.

Contact the Parish Office for additional information.

The Sacrament of Matrimony

Arrangements for wedding should be made at least six months prior to the marriage.

Anointing of the Sick

Please call our Parish Office to arrange for the Sacrament of the Sick

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

Please call the Parish Office

All are Welcome to St. Joseph!