

Mass Intentions

Saturday November 25th, 2023—Vigil
3:45 PM + Irudayamary Arockiasamy

Sunday November 26th, 2023—Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
10:30 AM + Deacon John Simonis by Debi & Henry Sanna
 + Mary Longendyke by Jim Longendyke
 + Earl Richards by Carol Richards

Wednesday November 29th, 2023
9:00 AM + Rosa & Giovanni Gricoli by Tony & Maryann Basile & Family
 + Stella Trask by Henry & Debi Sanna

Friday December 1st, 2023
12:00 PM + For the Departed Souls of St. Joseph Parish

Saturday December 2nd, 2023—Vigil
3:45 PM

Sunday December 3rd, 2023—First Sunday of Advent
10:30 AM + Henry Nicholas Sanna, William G. Gartung, Nicholas H. Sanna by Henry & Debi Sanna
 + Jack & Carolyn Muehl by Amy & Bernie
 + Al & Eva Gran by Millie Kenyon

Weekly Offering Table

Weekly Need: \$ 2,973.41

November 18th & November 19th, 2023

	Sat	Sun	Total
Regular	\$563.00	\$1,314.00	\$ 1,877.00
Cath Camp	\$186.00	\$ 245.00	\$ 431.00
Candles		\$ 77.00	\$ 77.00
Poor Box		\$ 18.00	\$ 18.00
Thanksgiving		\$ 113.00	\$ 113.00
Total		\$ 2,516.00	

“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!

Instagram



St. Joseph and St. Vincent de Paul now have an Instagram. If you have Instagram, look for “[joevin138](#)”.

Liturgical Ministers

Lectors: 12/02/2023 & 12/03/2023

3:45 PM: Cheryl Jory

10:30 AM: Michael Jonker

Eucharistic Ministers: 12/02/2023 & 12/03/2023

3:45 PM: Theresa Clements

10:30 AM: Linda Cacioppo

Altar Servers: 12/03/2023

10:30 AM: Lola Kelley, Liam Serdy

Greeter: 12/03/2023

10:30 AM: Elyse Snyder

Ushers: 12/03/2023

10:30 AM: Griffin Kelley, Quinn Serdy

Readings for the week of November 26th, 2023
 Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46
 Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Lk 21:1-4
 Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45/Lk 21:5-11
 Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Lk 21:12-19
 Thursday: Rom 10:9-18/Mt 4:18-22
 Friday: Dn 7:2-14/Lk 21:29-33
 Saturday: Dn 7:15-27/Lk 21:34-36



**Discipleship Formation
 Donations Needed!!**



Discipleship Formation has been collecting unused Christmas cards recently. Along with the cards, we would also like to collect dollar store 2024 calendars and hand creams for the nursing homes in our local area. All donations may be dropped off in the parish hall with the unused Christmas cards.

A container for donations will be provided in the hall. Please consider donating. Let’s be a beacon of light for the residents in the nursing homes. They are lonely and miss their loved ones and for some this is all that they may receive.

God Bless, Corinne Connington –DFCC

The Responsorial Psalm

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

2023-2024 Diocesan Appeal



The Diocesan Appeal for 2023-2024 has begun! Information has been sent to our parishioners.

Our assessment this year is \$17,203.00. To date, we have received 4,098.00 in donations from 21 of our parishioners. Please be generous in supporting our Diocese so that they can continue to help in providing services to our parish and other parishes throughout the Albany Diocese.

Thank you.

Community Christmas Baskets



Please donate the following items for our Community Christmas Baskets:

- Macaroni & Cheese
- Jams & Jellies
- Canned Vegetables

Place your items in the bin in the hallway through the 1st week of December.

Christmas Boutique



Our annual Christmas Boutique will be held on Saturday, December 2nd from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm.

We are looking for donations of new or slightly used Christmas items. Items can be dropped off on Sunday, November 26th and Thursday, November 30th in the parish hall.

We will also be holding a bake sale. If anyone has some delicious Christmas recipes that they would like to make and share with us, we will be delighted.

We will be selling hot chili and potatoes. The Cost is \$10.

And, don’t forget our Christmas raffle. Tickets will be sold at the boutique and the winner chosen after.

We will also be looking for volunteers to help out at the boutique. You can contact Cheryl Jory at 607-638-5613 for more information.

A sign-up sheet for volunteers will be placed on the piano podium. Thank you again and hope to see you there!!!

Youth Baking—December 16th



On Saturday at 12:00 p.m. youth cookie making and preparing boxed cookies for homebound. Any youth that cannot make it, are invited to come in the later afternoon to help package the homemade cookies.

**St. Joseph’s Parish
 Annual Christmas Raffle**



It is that time of year again, when we are selling our annual raffle tickets. Ticket packets can be found at each entrance to the church and will be sold at our annual Christmas Boutique. Please help support St. Joseph’s.

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

November Birthdays

Honoring the day of one’s birth is important; it is a celebration of how unique we all are made. Though we are wonderfully made in the image and likeness of God, each one of us shine differently and have different attributes of God. This weekend, November 26th after the 10:30 a.m. Mass, we will be having a birthday cake celebration. All are welcome!!

**1st Reconciliation &
 Communal Penance Service**

On December 15th at 6:00 p.m., Lucas McHargue, Hanna Lorenz and Peter Daempfle will be making their 1st Reconciliation. Please come and join us in this special event for these children.

**Discipleship Formation
 Angel Sale**



The children from Discipleship Formation will be selling Remembrance Angels for \$5.00 each to be put on the St. Joseph’s Christmas tree this year. These angels are not only for the deceased, they can be for the ailing or someone that needs prayers. They will be displayed at social hour in the parish hall and at the Christmas boutique and can be purchased at that time. The children from Discipleship Formation will place the angels on the their Christmas tree.

“The most deadly poison of our times is indifference. And this happens, although the Praise of God should know no limits. Let us strive, therefore, to praise Him to the greatest extent of our powers”...St. Maximilian Kolbe

*****For Healing Rosary—Wednesday 7:00 p.m.*****

Meeting I.D. 284 272 6978
 Password: 359189

St. Sylvester Gozzolini
Feast Day—November 26th



Silvestro Guzzolini was born to Gislerio and Bianca Guzzolini in Osimo. He was sent in 1197 to learn jurisprudence in the college at Bologna, for law, and the college in Padua. Finding no satisfaction in his studies and deeming them too secular, he felt called to the ecclesiastical state and abandoned his studies in law for theological and scriptural studies.

On his return home in 1208 it is said that his father—angered at his change of purpose—refused to speak to him for ten years. After the diocesan bishop ordained him in 1217, Guzzolini accepted a position as a canon at Osimo. He devoted himself to pastoral work with such zeal as to arouse hostility from his bishop, whom he had respectfully rebuked for the scandals that the prelate's irregular life had caused.

The prelate threatened to strip him of his position, but Guzzolini decided to leave the world when, while presiding over a funeral, he saw the corpse of one who had once been noted for their looks. He retired to a deserted place far from Osimo in 1227 and lived there in strict poverty until the owner of the land, the nobleman Corrado, recognized him and offered him a better site for his hermitage. The damp drove him from that place, and he established himself next at Grotta Fucile where he later built a convent for his future religious order. In this place his penances were most severe, for he lived on raw herbs and water and slept on the bare ground. He may have been inspired by Saint Bonifilius, a hermit who originally had also come from Osimo and lived his final years in a hermitage close to Filottrano. Sylvester later build one of the first monasteries in his name close to this hermitage and likely also wrote the first biography of Bonifilius.

Disciples flocked to him seeking his direction and it became vital for him to choose a Rule. His fame worried Pope Gregory IX in 1228, who decided to send the Dominican friars Riccardo and Bonaparte to him to invite him into their order, but he refused. Legend suggests that the various founders appeared to him in a vision each begging him to adopt his Rule. Guzzolini chose for his followers that of Benedict of Nursia in 1231, after having a vision of him, and built his first convent on Montefano near Fabriano, after first removing the remains of a pagan temple.

On 27 June 1248, he obtained from Pope Innocent IV a papal bull confirming his order as being canonical. By the time of his death Gozzolini has founded eleven monasteries under this approval. He died on 26 November 1267 due to a severe fever; Doctor Andrea embalmed him and the room was filled with a sweet fragrance when he removed Guzzolini's bowels. His remains were later disinterred and placed in a shrine, which is still present at the church of Monte Fano. (reprinted from <https://en.wikipedia.org>)



Knights of Council 5419

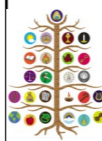


Coats for Kids— Beginning in December, the Knights of Council 5419 will distribute winter coats for children, youth and adults. If you know of anyone in need of a new or slightly used coat, please let a Knight know. Donations are welcome as well.

For more information, visit: <https://sites.google.com/view/kofc5419/coats-for-kids>

St. Joseph's Holiday Mass Schedule

Immaculate Conception—Dec. 8th—5:00 pm— Adoration, 6:00 pm—Mass
 Friday—Dec. 8th—No 12:00 pm Mass
 Saturday Mass—Dec. 23rd—3:45 pm
 Sunday Mass—Dec. 24th—10:30 am
 Christmas Eve—Dec. 24th—5:30 pm
 Christmas Day—Dec. 25th—11:00 am
 New Year's Day—Jan. 1st—12:00 pm



Jesse Tree Decoration
December 3rd

Students from Discipleship Formation will be decorating the Jesse Tree at the 10:30 am Mass. Please come and enjoy this special event.

Prayer Remembrance



Please, remember all of our homebound, sick and dying, hospitalized, and the needy! Pray for all the cancer patients and COVID 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 Wicowski, William Libasci, and Karlene Tauzel (Stokes), David Miller, Ed Cacioppo, Shannon Colin, Alexander Mustico, Mary & Jim Bender, Tessa Rheingold, Bob Colichio, Tom Morton, Beverly Erway, Jill Scott and Sharon Heller 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!

The Stranger Was You, Lord
Have You Met Me in the Poor?



Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Joe X. Arockiasamy

Secretary: Joan DeBenedittis

Coordinator for Discipleship Formation for Children: Corinne Connington

Music Director: Terry Hait

Guitarist: Richard Gruber

Bookkeeper: Mike Argiras

Trustees

Diane Fedor & William Fredette

Finance Chairperson

Amy Muehl

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

November 26th, 2023

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

Contact the Parish Office

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

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Please call the Parish Office

All are Welcome to St. Joseph!