

Mass Intentions

Saturday February 24th, 2024—Vigil
3:45 PM + **John Norman** by The Norman Family
 + **Tom Norton** by Richard & Lorraine Gruber
 For an End to Abortion by Bill & Lu

Sunday February 25th, 2024—Second Sunday of Lent
10:30 AM +**William Boegel** by Henry & Debi Sanna
 +**Fr. Ron** by Jim Longendyke
 +**Valerie Manchester** by the Family
 For an End to Abortion by Bill & Lu

Wednesday February 28th, 2024
9:00 AM + **Roger de Roziere** by Joan & Jim Tiner

Friday March 1st, 2024
11:00 AM Adoration
12:00 PM Mass
 + **Charles DuFresne** by Chris Gartung

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday March 2nd, 2024—Vigil
3:45 PM + **Leon & Francis Hermanowski** by Golja Family
 For an End to Abortion by Bill & Lu

Sunday March 3rd, 2024—Third Sunday of Lent
10:30 AM + **James Lavery** by Debi & Henry Sanna
 + **Charles DuFresne** by Richard & Lorraine Gruber
 + **Neil Corcoran Sr.** by Jeanette Castro
 For an End to Abortion by Bill & Lu

Weekly Offering Table

Weekly Need: \$ 2,973.41

February 17th & February 18th, 2024

	Sat	Sun	Total
Regular	\$ 471.00	\$ 1,214.00	\$ 1,685.00
Black, Native			
Latin America	\$ 273.00	\$ 313.00	\$ 586.00

“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!

Liturgical Ministers

Lectors: 03/02/2024 & 03/03/2024

3:45 PM: Pat Fowble

10:30 AM: Michael Jonker

Eucharistic Ministers: 03/02/2024 & 03/03/2024

3:45 PM: Mike Fay

10:30 AM: Chris Gartung

Altar Servers: 03/03/2024

10:30 AM: Liam Serdy & Emily Snyder

Greeter: 03/03/2024

10:30 AM: Griffin Kelley

Ushers: 03/03/2024

10:30 AM: Lola Kelley & Quinn Serdy

Readings for the week of February 25th, 2024

Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

February 25th, 2024—Second Sunday of Lent

Op. 528—"Save Us, O Lord "or 649 "There is a Longing"

Psalm 116: "I Will Walk Before the Lord" (Refrain #2)

Off. 557— "The Lord is My Light"

Comm. 726—"Transfigure Us, O Lord"

Cl. 347—"The Glory of These 40 Days"

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

Meeting I.D. 284 272 6978

Password: 359189

The Responsorial Psalm

I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

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 6,987.00 in donations from 27 of our parishioners. **We are still in need of \$10,216 to meet our assessment.** 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.

Invitation to Be Fisherman

Jesus is Standing on the shore with his arms open, casting his net out for all to trust in him. He is there to receive all your thoughts, prayers, fears, loneliness, and doubts. Have faith as the Apostles did when he called them to be fishers of men and work on his behalf! Come to the shore Jesus is waiting to comfort you, Come to the shore!!!

The prayer net is for all, take the opportunity to trust in the Lord—He is there to carry the heaviness of your heart.



This prayer net is for all, take this opportunity to trust in the Lord—He is there to carry the heaviness of your heart.

TRUST IN HIM!!!!



The Intention Net is placed by the Baptismal Font. If anyone wishes to have a person’s name placed on it, there will be a basket with the fish in it. Please write the name of the person with your intention and we will place it on the fishermen’s net throughout our Lenten Season. God bless!

“Christ beside me, Christ behind me, Christ within me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me. The Lord opened the understanding of my unbelieving heart, so that I should recall my sins....” St Patrick

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



**We Are Back!!!
St. Joseph’s Annual Fish Fry**

Our annual Fish Frys have started.

Adults—\$15.00/ Children 1/2 portion—\$6.50. Please mark your calendar and come join us for this delicious meal and gathering.

PLEASE BRING A FRIEND WITH YOU!!



Discipleship Formation Giving Alms

Giving Alms to the poor is one of the chief witnesses to fraternal charity. Throughout scripture we find evidence of God calling us to give alms beginning with Leviticus (25:35).

Giving alms is one of the three pillars we are invited to practice along with prayer and abstinence. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have. Since god is pleased by sacrifices of that kind. Hebrews(13:16)

CRS Rice Bowl



Each Lent, Catholic families across the country unite to put their faith into action through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Through CRS Rice Bowl, families learn about how our sisters and brothers across the globe overcome hardships like hunger and malnutrition, and how through Lenten alms, we have the power to make the world a better place for all. During Lent, when you fast or sacrifice, put the amount in the rice bowl and bring it to mass on Holy Thursday.

St. Joseph's 150TH JUBILEE
"OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S FAITHFULNESS THROUGH ST. JOSEPH."

We will be having at St. Joseph our 150th year Jubilee kickoff on June 9th, 2024. Our theme for our jubilee is "OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S FAITHFULNESS THROUGH ST. JOSEPH." Our church was organized in 1874 and the cornerstone was laid on the land in 1875.

We have set up different committees to plan events and projects. Over the next few months, we will be having meetings to discuss what and how we are going to celebrate our jubilee.

We have formed the following committees:

- Finance Committee
- Reception Committee
- Historical Committee
- Social/Media Committee
- Fundraiser Committee
- Liturgy Committee
- Monthly Hospitality Committee
- Church Ground Committee



These committees will form sub-committees by recruiting other members of our parish to help out with planning.

If anyone has photos of Baptisms, Communion, Confirmations, Weddings or any other celebrations or events that occurred with previous pastors of St. Joseph's to please bring them to the rectory. We can then pass it on to the committees.

Rite of Calling Election to Continue Conversion



Christin Hoecker, our newest catechumen with her sponsor, Helen Siems met with Bishop Edward Scharfenberger on Sunday, February 18th to the Rite of Election the Candidate to Continuing Conversion.



K of C Council 5419

Attention Men of St. Joseph's Parish
 Have you thought about becoming a King of Columbus? We meet every second Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the Church to pray Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and to recite the Rosary. Our regular meeting follows at 7:00 p.m. for fellowship and to plan our various works of service to the parish and the community. We'd love to have you join us!

For more information, visit our website:
<https://sites.google.com/view/kofc5419>



Sincerest Condolences

Fr. Joe and the parishioners of St. Joseph's would like to express their sincerest condolences and heartfelt sympathies to the McNichol family for the passing of Helen a wonderful mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend.



We pray for the repose of her soul. May our Lord give her eternal reward! May she rest in peace! Amen

Country Quilters

The Country Quilters are in need of Prayer shawls, throws and baptismal blankets. Please contact Jean Hren at 607-397-9940 if you are interested in helping or joining this ministry.



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 Wiecewski, William Libasci, and Karlene Tauzel (Stokes), David Miller, Ed Cacioppo, Shannon Colin, Alexander Mustico, Jim Bender, Tessa Rheingold, Bob Colichio, Beverly Erway, Jill Scott, Linda Clements, Sharon Heller, Dan Twomey, Alice Hughes and Jeannie Zaengle Wilshire 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!

February 25th, 2024

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!

On the Mountain...For a Moment



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?

Be My Witness Group Meeting

On Thursday, February 22, 2024 our “Be My Witness” small groups met with Mare Ernesto and Eileen Lynch of RENEW to review and discuss what we learned, what we experienced and what we shared with the other during our sessions. We will continue to complete the additional six and then we will come back to evaluate these sessions.

Mare and Eileen were so inspired by the success of our small faith sharing groups. We encourage other parishioners to form a small faith sharing group for the spiritual growth individually and of the community.



Mardi Gras Celebration

On February 4th, after the 10:30 mass, we had a Mardi Gras Hospitality in the parish hall. It was a festive event, enjoyed by all!!!!



Discipleship Formation Easter Basket Raffles

Discipleship Formation is raffling off two beautiful Easter Baskets. Please stop by the parish hall after 10:30 mass or at the Fish Frys to purchase tickets. Thank you.



Intention Fish Net

Don't forget to put your intentions on the fish by the baptismal font and place them on the net throughout lent.

