

Mass Intentions

Saturday January 13th, 2024—Vigil
3:45 PM *For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu
Sunday January 14th, 2024—Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:30 AM + Ilma Acello by Richard & Lorraine Gruber
 + Marie Saginario by Mary & Phil Saginario
 + John Gartung by Henry & Debi Sanna
 For an End to Abortion by Bill & Lu
Wednesday January 17th, 2024
9:00 AM No Mass
Friday January 19th, 2024
12:00 PM No Mass
Saturday January 20th, 2024—Vigil
3:45 PM + Diane Mustico by the Mustico Family
 For an End to Abortion by Bill & Lu
Sunday January 21st, 2024—Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:30 AM + Fr. Ronald Green by Henry & Debi Sanna
 For an End to Abortion by Bill & Lu

Weekly Offering Table

Weekly Need: \$ 2,973.41
 January 6th & January 7th, 2024

	Sat	Sun	Total
Regular	\$684.00	\$1,049.00	\$ 1,620.00
Christmas			\$ 260.00
Candles			\$ 43.00
Poor Box			\$ 33.00

“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: 01/20/2024 & 01/21/2024
3:45 PM: Bill Fredette
10:30 AM: Michael Jonker
Eucharistic Ministers: 01/20/2024 & 01/21/2024
3:45 PM: Pat Fowble
10:30 AM: Barbara Guilfoyle
Altar Servers: 01/21/2024
10:30 AM: Liam Serdy, Emily Snyder
Greeter: 01/21/2024
10:30 AM: Lola Kelley
Ushers: 01/21/2024
10:30 AM: Angel Mravlja, Griffin Kelley

Readings for the week of January 14th, 2024

Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42
 Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22
 Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28
 Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Mk 3:1-6
 Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12
 Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Mk 3:13-19
 Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Mk 3:20-21

Catechists Needed

Discipleship Formation for Children is in need of volunteer and substitute catechists for the program. Please contact Corinne Connington at 845-728-3733 if you are interested in helping. Thank you.

2023 Contribution Statements

Contribution statements for the year 2023 will be sent only to those who request them. If you wish to receive a statement of your donations for tax purpose, please call the parish office. Thank you very much for your generosity.

The Responsorial Psalm

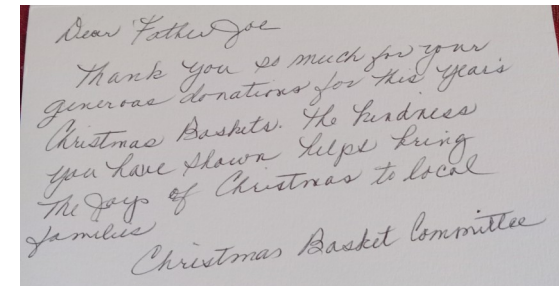
Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

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 5,937.00 in donations from 24 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.

Community Christmas Basket Committee Thank You



The Lord comes into the lives of the fisherman and he transforms the meaning of the nets. Christ gives the fisherman the strength of faith to be fishers of men. This allows them to catch the souls in the new nets. Christ works to transform all our lives. The nets of our hearts where we hold everything that is dear to God will be caught in the net with love. Believe and have faith as the Apostles did, and leave a small prayer intention in the net by writing the intention on the fish.

God bless!!



Starting on Wednesday, February 14th, we will have our Intention Net 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.

Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors

We are in need of Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors for our Sunday Masses. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Fr. Joe or call the rectory.

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



**Coming Soon!!
St. Joseph’s Annual Fish Fry**

Starting on Friday, February 16th, we be starting our annual Fish Frys during Lent. 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!!

****We are in need of volunteers to work at the Fish Frys and again, we will need donations of desserts which will be greatly appreciated.** A sign-up sheet for volunteers to work will be on the piano podium.**



**Heart of Mary Scholarship
2nd Collection**



Next weekend, there will be a second collection for the “Heart of Mary Scholarship Fund.”

This scholarship is open to Senior High School students registered as a practicing parishioner and who is enrolled or will be enrolled as a student in an undergraduate college or vocational school in the upcoming academic year.

Please support this worthy scholarship to help our young people in their educational endeavors.

**Ash Wednesday—February 14, 2024
Palm Collection**



We will be collecting blessed palms to be used on Ash Wednesday Services. Please bring any you may have and put them on the table by the Parish Hall. Thank you.

“I asked you and you would not listen, so I asked my God and He listened”...St. Scholastica

St. Hilary
Feast Day—January 13th



St. Hilary was born into a noble and distinguished family in Poitiers, Gaul. He was raised as a pagan, but embraced Christianity after much study of the Bible. Hilary, who was married before his conversion, was elected Bishop of Poitiers about 350.

Almost immediately, Hilary was confronted with the Arian heresy and became a staunch defender of the Church. He was exiled to Phrygia in 356 by Emperor Constantius because of his beliefs and his refusal to become an Arian.

In 360, Hilary was ordered to return to Gaul. Upon his return, he attended the Council of Seleucia and defended the views of the Church, otherwise known as the decrees of Nicaea.

Hilary's eloquent writings, such as *De Trinitate*, *De Synodis* and *Opus Historicum*, defend the Catholic belief. He died in Poitiers about 368. (reprinted from Book of Saints, Regina Press, 2010)

Almighty God, Father,
I know that I owe you this:
to serve you always with my thoughts and words.
Your gift of speech to me has no greater purpose
than to be a servant proclaiming you,
revealing to a world that does not know,
that you are the Father of the Only Begotten Son.



January Birthdays

This weekend after the 10:30 a.m. Mass, we will be having a birthday cake celebration. All are welcome!!

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, Jim Bender, Tessa Rheingold, Bob Colichio, Tom Morton, Beverly Erway, Jill Scott, Charles Dufresne. Linda Clements, Sharon Heller, Dan Twomey and Alice Hughes for a speedy recovery.



Knights of Council 5419



The Knights of Council are continuing their mission to provide free coats and other items for the children in our area this year. The coats are available in the Parish Hall hallway and if you know of any child or children in need, please come and browse the selection.

For more information, visit our website:

<https://sites.google.com/view/kofc5419>



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Flower Donation

A sincere thank you to everyone who donated to our lovely poinsettia flower display. Please feel free to take home one of these lovely flowers to enjoy for the rest of the season.



St. Joseph's Church
150th Year Jubilee

We will be celebrating the St. Joseph's Church 150th year Jubilee in 2025 and your help will be greatly appreciated.

We are looking and asking for anyone who has photos of Baptisms, Communions, Confirmations, Weddings or any other celebrations or events that occurred with previous pastors of St. Joseph's to please contact the rectory. We would love to include these items as part of our celebration.

Thank you for your help in making our Jubilee a remembrance of the many years our church was an integral part of many families lives throughout our community.

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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!

Here I Am Lord
Come and See



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?**

January 14th, 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!