

Mass Intentions

Saturday 3:45 PM **March 9th, 2024—Vigil**
 +Eugenia & Edward Rogan by Tina & Dave McGurrin
 For an End to Abortion by Bill & Lu Colin
 “In Celebration for Joan Anzalone-Thill’s 55th Birthday” by Joan & Charlie DeBenedittis

Sunday 10:30 AM **March 10th, 2024—Fourth Sunday of Lent**
 +Winifred Dempsey by Henry & Debi Sanna
 +Tom Morton by Chris Gartung
 +Louis Desimone by Frank & Lorraine Brimlow
 For an End to Abortion by Bill & Lu Colin

Wednesday 9:00 AM **March 13th, 2024**
 +Reinhold Jahnke by Don & Karen Jahnke

Friday 11:00 AM **March 15th, 2024**
Adoration
 12:00 PM **Mass**
Helen & Don Ross (Living Intention) by Lena & John Nahor

7:00 PM **Stations of the Cross**

Saturday 3:45 PM **March 16th, 2024—Vigil**
 For an End to Abortion by Bill & Lu Colin

Sunday 10:30 AM **March 17th, 2024—Fifth Sunday of Lent**
 + Nicholas Sanna by Debi & Henry Sanna
 + Beatrice Sauter by the Basile Family
 + Rosa Gallina by the Basile Family
 For an End to Abortion by Bill & Lu Colin

Weekly Offering Table

Weekly Need: \$ 2,973.41
 February 24th & February 25th, 2024

	Sat	Sun	Total
Regular	\$ 490.00	\$ 1,321.00	\$ 1,811.00

“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: 03/16/2024 & 03/17/2024
 3:45 PM: Ed Hillenbrand
 10:30 AM: Michael Jonker
Eucharistic Ministers: 03/16/2024 & 03/17/2024
 3:45 PM: Joseph Polisenio
 10:30 AM: Corinne Connington
Altar Servers: 03/17/2024
 10:30 AM: Lola Kelley & Jason Krueger
Greeter: 03/17/2024
 10:30 AM: Quinn Serdy
Ushers: 03/17/2024
 10:30 AM: Emily Snyder, Angel Mravlja

Readings for the week of March 10th, 2024

Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21
 Monday: Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54
 Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16
 Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30
 Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47
 Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
 Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53

March 10th, 2024—Fourth Sunday of Lent

Op. 680—“Amazing Grace”
Psalm 137: “Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!”
Off. 684— “Be Thou My Vision”
Comm. 549—“Holy Darkness”
Cl. 528—“Save Us, O Lord”

“Who except God can give you peace? Has the world ever been able to satisfy the heart? ”.... St. Gerard

Instagram

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

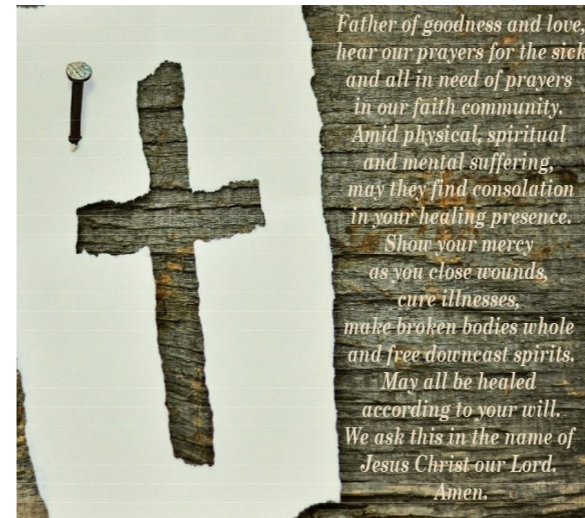
For Healing Rosary—Wednesday 7:00 p.m.
 Meeting I.D. 284 272 6978

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 7,137.00 in donations from 29 of our parishioners. **We are still in need of \$10,066 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.

Prayer Net



Jesus himself prayed for others and not only those who ask us to do so for them. Praying for others are highly recommended in Scripture Matthew (5:44). Praying for the living and the dead is one of the Spiritual Works of Mercy. Even when you cannot find the words, you can still hold people in our hearts; this lent let us grow in gratitude and hope. Take a moment to prayers for others....remember prayers can move mountains.

My little children, “St. John Vianney said, “your hearts are small, but prayer stretches them and makes them capable of loving God. Through prayer, we receive a foretaste of heaven, and something of paradise comes down upon us. Prayer never leaves us without sweetness. It is honey that flows into the souls and makes all things sweet. When we pray properly, sorrows disappear like snow before the sun.”

Sorrows disappear, miracles happen, and ships come safely home. Amen

The Responsorial Psalm

Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

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

Discipleship Formation Living Stations

Please join our Discipleship Formation children on Friday, March 15th at 7:00 p.m. for their presentation of the Stations of the Cross.



It was early Friday morning when I saw my Son, that was the first glimpse I had of Him since they took Him away. His bruised and bleeding body sent a sword of searing pain deep into my heart and tears down my cheeks. Then Pilate—from his chair of judgment—asked the crowd why they wanted my Son executed. All around me they shouted: “Crucify Him!” I wanted to plead with them to stop, but; I knew this had to be, so I stood by and cried; silently.

Holy Week Choir

This year St. Joseph’s will host the Easter Vigil Mass. The choir will sing on Sunday, March 24th at the 11:00 am Palm Sunday Mass and on Saturday evening March 30th for the Easter Vigil Mass. Rehearsals will be on Thursday, March 14th from 7-9 pm and Thursday, March 21st from 7-9 pm. We will work on Palm Sunday music and Easter Vigil music. (Please bring your Holy Week music notebook if you took yours home last year). If you would like to join us, contact Terry Hait at 607-652-3347.

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.

Please mark your calendars for June 9th, 2024 (Kickoff) and June 8th, 2025 (Final Celebration).

St. Leander of Seville Feast Day—March 13th



The next time you recite the Nicene Creed at Mass, think of today's saint. For it was Leander of Seville who, as bishop, introduced the practice in the sixth century. He saw it as a way to help reinforce the faith of his people and as an antidote against the heresy of Arianism, which denied the divinity of Christ. By the end of his life, Leander had helped Christianity flourish in Spain at a time of political and religious upheaval.

Leander's own family were staunch Christians: his brothers Isidore and Fulgentius were named bishops, and their sister Florentina became an abbess. Leander entered a monastery as a young man and spent three years in prayer and study. At the end of that tranquil period he was made a bishop. For the rest of his life he worked strenuously to fight against heresy. The death of the anti-Christian king in 586 helped Leander's cause. He and the new king worked hand in hand to restore orthodoxy and a renewed sense of morality. Leander succeeded in persuading many Arian bishops to change their loyalties. Leander died around 600. In Spain, he is honored as a Doctor of the Church.

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, Beverly Erway, Jill Scott, Linda Clements, Sharon Heller, Dan Twomey, Alice Hughes, Jeannie Zaengle Wilshire and Felix Dziembowski for a speedy recovery.



K of C Council 5419



Attention Men of St. Joseph's Parish Have you thought about becoming a Knight of Columbus? We meet every second Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the Church to pray with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and to recite the Rosary. Our 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!

Our next meeting is Tuesday, March 12th.

For more information, visit our website:

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



Holy Week Schedule

Penance Service Wednesday—March 20, 2024—7:00 pm—St. Joseph's

Palm Sunday —March 23, 2024— 3:00 pm & March 24, 2024—11:00 am—St. Joseph's

Holy Thursday—March 28, 2024—7:00 pm—St. Vincent de Paul's

Good Friday—March 29, 2024—Stations of the Cross—St. Joseph's—3:00 pm

St. Vincent de Paul's—7:00 pm

Holy Saturday—8:00 pm—St. Joseph's

Easter Sunday Mass—8:30 am—St. Vincent de Paul's, 10:30 am—St. Joseph's



Happy St. Patrick's Day Hospitality

Shepherd pie? Irish Soda bread?

You are all invited to bring one of

your favorite recipes after the 10:30 am Mass on Sunday, March 17th. We will, also, be celebrating March birthdays that day!!



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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!

God Loved the World So Much...
Looking Up to the Cross



March 10th, 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!

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?