

Mass Intentions

Saturday March 29th, 2025—Vigil
3:45 PM * For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

Sunday March 30th, 2025—Fourth Sunday of Lent
10:30 AM + James Seward by Henry & Debi Sanna
+ Fr. Ron Green by Jim Longendyke
+ Ed Cacioppo by Christine Gartung
* Praying for Good Health and Thanks for the blessings by Gusmano Family
* For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

Wednesday April 2nd, 2025
9:00 AM + John Assunto, Sr., by Debi & Henry Sanna

Thursday April 3rd, 2025—Communal Reconciliation
7:00 PM

Friday April 4th, 2025
11:00 AM Adoration
12:00 PM + Angela & Arcaugelo Barricella, by Frank & Antoinette Competiello

Saturday April 5th, 2025—Vigil
3:45 PM + John A. Colin by Bill & Lu Colin
+ Arthur Morrell by Debi & Henry Sanna
* For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

Sunday April 6th, 2025—Fifth Sunday of Lent
10:30 AM + Magdalena Dorothy Uzar by Peter Frank Uzar
+ Dylan Baker by Richard & Lorraine Gruber
+ John Gartung by Christine Gartung
+ William & Mary Gartung by Mary Jones
* Praying for Good Health and Thanks for the blessings by Gusmano Family
* For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

Weekly Offering Table

Weekly Need: \$ 2,973.41			
March 22 rd & March 23 rd , 2025			
	Sat	Sun	Total
Regular	\$540.00	\$1,383.00	\$1,923.00

“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: 04/05/2025 & 04/06/2025
3:45 PM: Melinda McTaggart
10:30 AM: Theresa Olsen

Eucharistic Ministers: 04/05/2025 & 04/06/2025
3:45 PM: Denise Webor
10:30 AM: Corinne Connington

Altar Servers: 04/06/2025
10:30 AM: Julianna Militello, Lola Kelley

Greeter: 04/06/2025
10:30 AM: Charlotte Kelley

Ushers: 04/06/2025
10:30 AM: Emily Snyder

Readings for the week of March 30th, 2025

Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:11-32
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: Jer11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53

March 30th, 2025
Fourth Sunday of Lent

Op. 680—Amazing Grace
Psalm 34: “Taste and See the Goodness of the Lord.”
Off. 529—Hosea
Comm. 532 —Loving and Forgiving plus Gary Du-Bois—Watch the Lamb
Cl. **O Blessed St. Joseph or 574 Glory and Praise to Our God**

Easter Egg Donations

We are asking parishioners if they could donate a bag of Easter candy and plastic eggs for our annual Easter Egg Hunt for the children.

A box will be left in the parish hall for all contributions.


For Healing Rosary—Wednesday 7:00 p.m.
Meeting I.D. 284 242 6978
Password: 104215

2024-2025 Diocesan Appeal

The Diocesan Appeal for 2024-2025 has 3 months to go! Our assessment this is \$19,524.00. Our contributions for the Appeal is at 10,726.00 in donations from 32 of our parishioners. We **need** your help to make our goal this year!! Thank you, Fr. Joe

Discipleship Formation Living Stations

The Living Stations by the Discipleship Formation will take place on **April 6th** after the Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass. The last dates for practice are March 30th and possibly the morning of April 6th.



Enter into a deeper meaning of what Christ suffered as he prepared to die on the cross.

Communal Reconciliation

On Thursday, April 3rd, St Joseph’s will have the Communal Reconciliation Service at 7:00 p.m. to gather for a shared experience of prayer, scripture readings, and the opportunity for individual confession and absolution, fostering a sense of community and forgiveness.

Laetare Sunday

Laetare is the first word — meaning “rejoice” — in the Latin text. On Laetare Sunday the Church expresses hope and joy in the midst of our Lenten fasts and penances. Call it pink — or, more fittingly, rose — this change in color indicates a glimpse of the joy that awaits us at Easter, just before we enter into the somber days of Passiontide.

The joy of Easter being around the corner is symbolized in a few other interesting liturgical possibilities. During Lent, the General Instruction of the Roman Missal forbids flowers adorning the altar. But on Laetare Sunday (as well as solemnities and feasts within the season), there’s a temporary halt to these penitential observations!

At one time, marriages were generally forbidden during Lent, but Laetare Sunday was often associated as a day when marriages could be celebrated during the penitential season. While marriages are now only forbidden on Good Friday and Holy Saturday, Laetare Sunday is still a fitting day for those wishing to be married before Easter-tide.


Laetare Sunday is the Church’s way of giving us a “shot in the arm” as we approach the darkness and horror of the days through Good Friday and Holy Saturday. It’s an opportunity to savor and keep in the back of our minds what awaits us on Easter Sunday — the reality that Jesus Christ is risen from the dead, and that our hearts will always be filled with joy! (reprinted Simplycatholic.com)

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

The Boy from Milan
Coming to Formed April 2nd

Discover the inspiring story of Carlo Acutis, the young boy from Milan on the path to sainthood. You may have heard of him, the sneaker-wearing, computer-loving “gamer saint” of our time. But beyond the headlines and hashtags, the real story of Carlo something deeper, something the world desperately needs to hear. Known for his deep love of God, devotion to the Eucharist, and quiet acts of charity, Carlo’s life was a testament to everyday holiness.



Featuring personal stories from those who knew him in real life, this documentary goes beyond the headlines to reveal the heart of a boy who saw Jesus in everyone and never missed an opportunity to love. His simple yet profound faith continues to touch lives, proving the sainthood is for all of us.

Be inspired by Carlo’s true story and discover that holiness is possible in daily life.

Learn more here: <http://formed.org/the-boy-from-milan#optin>

St. Joseph’s Annual Fish Fry
Three More to Go!! Come and Enjoy!!!
Bring a Friend!!!!

“If a tiny spark of God’s Love already burns within you, do not expose it to the wind, for it may get blown out. Keep the stove tightly shut so that it will not lose its heat and grow cold. In other words, avoid distractions as well as you can. Stay quiet with God. Do not spend time in useless chatter”St. Charles Borromeo

Catholic Relief Services—2nd Collection

There will be a second collection this weekend for European Relief.

When our parishioners participate in the collection, they support grants to organizations to help aid people with urgent needs and problem solving. Catholic Relief Services makes life saving impacts in people’s lives.

Please be generous and God bless!!

St. Benjamin
Feast Day—March 31st

St. Benjamin, Martyr



The Christians in Persia had enjoyed twelve years of peace during the reign of Isdegerd, son of Sapor III, when in 420 it was disturbed by the indiscreet zeal of Abdas, a Christian Bishop who burned the Temple of Fire, the great sanctuary of the Persians. King Isdegerd threatened to destroy all the churches of the Christians unless the Bishop would rebuild it.

As Abdas refused to comply, the threat was executed; the churches were demolished, Abdas himself was put to death, and a general persecution began which lasted forty years. Isdegerd died in 421, but his son and successor, Varanes, carried on the persecution with great fury. The Christians were submitted to the most cruel tortures.

Among those who suffered was St. Benjamin, a Deacon, who had been imprisoned a year for his Faith. At the end of this period, an ambassador of the Emperor of Constantinople obtained his release on condition that he would never speak to any of the courtiers about religion.

St. Benjamin, however, declared it was his duty to preach Christ and that he could not be silent. Although he had been liberated on the agreement made with the ambassador and the Persian authorities, he would not acquiesce in it, and neglected no opportunity of preaching. He was again apprehended and brought before the king. The tyrant ordered that reeds should be thrust in between his nails and his flesh and into all the tenderest parts of his body and then withdrawn. After this torture had been repeated several times, a knotted stake was inserted into his bowels to rend and tear him. The martyr expired in the most terrible agony about the year 424. (reprinted from Catholiconline.org)

150th St. Joseph's Jubilee 2nd Quiz

The second of our 150th Jubilee quiz is on the piano podium. It is a great opportunity to connect with the Gospels! Please take one, answer all of the questions, and return by April 7th. The rules are on the last page.

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 Wicowski, Karlene Tauzel (Stokes), David Miller, Shannon Colin, Jim Bender, Tessa Rheingold, Bob Colichio, 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, Salley Obeldobel and Ramona Adesso, and Mary Ellen Vohs for a speedy recovery.



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Holy Week Choir

Holy Week choir rehearsals will continue this Wednesday, April 2nd from 7-8:30 p.m. There is a sign up sheet on the Music platform. See Terry Hait after Mass or call 607-652-3347 if you would like to join us.

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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!

A Father Prodigal with His Love



Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Joe X. Arockiasamy

Secretary: Joan DeBenedittis

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Corinne Connington

Music Director: Terry Hait

Guitarist: Richard Gruber

Bookkeeper: Mike Argiras

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Amy Muehl

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

March 30th, 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!