

Mass Intentions

Saturday March 8th, 2025—Vigil
3:45 PM + Leon Hermanowski by Golja Family
 * For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

Sunday March 9th, 2025—First Sunday of Lent
10:30 AM + Charles & Margaret Dunne by Pat Fiederer
 * Praying for Good Health and Thanks for the blessings by Gusmano Family
 * For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

Wednesday March 12th, 2025—
9:00 AM + Reinhold Jahnke by Don & Karen Jahnke

Friday March 14th, 2025
11:00 AM Adoration
12:00 PM

Saturday March 15th, 2025—Vigil
3:45 PM + Fr. Ron Green by Joseph & Diane Fedor
 * Bill Colin Healing by self
 * For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

Sunday March 16th, 2025—Second Sunday of Lent
10:30 AM + Daniel Twomey by Henry & Debi Sanna
 + Joan Longendyke by Jim Longendyke
 + Kelly Gardner by Richard & Lorraine Gruber
 * 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 1st & March 2nd, 2025

	Sat	Sun	Total
Regular	\$514.00	\$1,311.00	\$1,825.00

“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](#)”.

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

Meeting I.D. 284 242 6978

Password: 104215

Liturgical Ministers

Lectors: 03/15/2025 & 03/16/2025

3:45 PM: Ed Hillenbrand

10:30 AM: Janet Wenner

Eucharistic Ministers: 03/15/2025 & 03/16/2025

3:45 PM: Joe Poliseno

10:30 AM: Corinne Connington

Altar Servers: 03/16/2025

10:30 AM: Indigo Cole, Julianne Militello

Greeter: 03/16/2025

10:30 AM: Lola Kelley

Ushers: 03/16/2025

10:30 AM: Grayson Basso

Readings for the week of March 9th, 2025

Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48

March 9th, 2025

First Sunday of Lent

Op. 351—Led By the Spirit

Psalm 91: “Be with me Lord, when I am in trouble.”

Off. 339—Ashes

Comm. 696 —In Every Age

Cl. **O Blessed St. Joseph or 500 Lift High the Cross**



**Black Native Latin American
Second Collection**

This weekend, we will be having the “Black Native Latin American Collection.” The collection enables the mission’s to spread Help and Support to our brother’s and sister’s in Latin America. Missionaries help in teaching and building up communities. Please be generous in fostering the spirit of this mission. Thank you.

“To be taken with Love for a soul, God does not look on its greatness, but the greatness of its humility”...St. John of the Cross



2024-2025 Diocesan Appeal

The Diocesan Appeal for 2024-2025 has 4^{1/2} months to go! Our assessment this is \$19,524.00. Our contributions for the Appeal is at 10,156.00 in donations from 29 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.

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 dates for practice are March 16th, 23rd, 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.

Mardi Gras Celebration

Here are some nice pictures of our celebration last week!



Holy Week Choir

Holy Week choir rehearsals will begin on Wednesday, March 26 from 7-8:30 p.m. St. Joseph’s Church is hosting Holy Thursday and Good Friday services this year. The choir will sing at Palm Sunday Mass, Holy Thursday Mass and Good Friday. Rehearsals will also be on Wednesdays, April 2, 9 and 16th from 7-8:30 p.m. Please bring your Holy Week Music books if you took them home last year.

There will be 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.

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

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. Thank you and God Bless.

We Are Back!!!

St. Joseph’s Annual Fish Fry

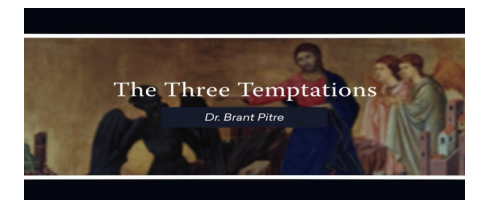


Our annual Fish Frys have started on Friday’s, from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. throughout our Lenten Season. Adults—\$15.00/Children 1/2 portion—\$6.50. Please mark your calendar and come join us for this delicious meal and gathering.

PLEASE BRING A FRIEND WITH YOU!!

****We are in need of volunteers to work at the Fish Frys and we will need donations of desserts which will be greatly appreciated.****

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Lent what I am going to do for Lent this year?

This Lent discover what the church calls us to do for Lent. The First Sunday of Lent the gospel reading is about the 40 days in the desert and the temptations of Jesus. What is the connection between Jesus’ 40 days in the desert and lent being 40 days? What are we to focus on? Do we battle the same temptations?

Tune into Formed.org on The Three Temptations.

St. Patrick’s Day Hospitality

Next weekend, after the 10:30 Mass, we will be having our St. Patrick’s Day Hospitality celebration. Donations of Shepherd’s pie, Irish Soda bread and any dessert you would like to bring.



Wear your biggest Irish Smile!



Saint Bosa of York Feast Day—March 9th

Bosa was a Northumbrian, educated at Whitby Abbey under the abbess Hilda. He subsequently joined the monastery as a monk, and became one of five men educated at Whitby who went on to become bishops.

In 678, after Wilfrid was removed from the bishopric of York and banished from Northumbria, the diocese of York was divided into three. Bosa was appointed to the now greatly reduced diocese of York, which included the sub-kingdom of Deira, thanks to the support of King Ecgfrith of Northumbria and Theodore of Tarsus, the Archbishop of Canterbury. Bosa was consecrated in his cathedral at York in 678 by Theodore, but Wilfrid declared that he was unable to work with Bosa because he did not consider him to be a member of the Catholic Church. Bosa's episcopate lasted nine years, but with Wilfrid back in favor, in 687 Bosa was removed just as his predecessor had been. He returned to York in 691, after Wilfrid was once again expelled. While bishop, Bosa introduced a communal life for the clergy of the cathedral, and set up a continuous liturgy in the cathedral.

The date of Bosa's death is unknown; he was still alive in 704 but must have died before 706, when his successor was named. His successor at York was John of Beverley, the Bishop of Hexham. A contemporary writer, Bede, praised Bosa as a man of "singular merit and sanctity". Bede also praised Bosa's humility. Bosa was also responsible for the early education of Acca, later Bishop of Hexham, who grew up in his household.

Bosa appears as a saint in an 8th-century liturgical calendar from York, the only sign that he was venerated as a saint before the Norman Conquest of England. The 16th-century English antiquary John Leland included Bosa in his list of saint's resting places in England, giving it as York. Bosa's feast day is 9 March. He is venerated as a Saint in the Eastern Orthodox Church on the same date. (reprinted from Wikipedia.org)

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.

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 Taulzel (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, Claudia LaPierre, 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 for a speedy recovery.



K of C Council 5419



Fellowship Meeting—Tuesday, April 8th at St. Joseph's in Worcester. Eucharistic Adoration begins at 6:00 p.m., followed by Rosary at 6:30. Meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

For more information, visit us on the web at: <https://sites.google.com/view/kofc5419>

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Old Testament Quiz

The Old Testament quiz is do back to the church by this Monday, **March 10th**. Please read the instructions, answer the questions and return your quiz to the basket on the piano podium. Have fun!!!

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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 Temptation



March 9th, 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!

Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Joe X. Arockiasamy

Secretary: Joan DeBenedittis

Cemetery Manager: Kelly Daniels

Coordinator for Discipleship Formation for Children: Corinne Connington

Music Director: Terry Hait

Guitarist: Richard Gruber

Bookkeeper: Mike Argiras

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Finance Chairperson

Amy Muehl

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