

Mass Intentions

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday September 26th, 2026—Vigil
3:45 PM + Saraniya Anthony by Debi & Henry Sanna
+ Gary Herold by Debi & Henry Sanna
* For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

Sunday September 27th, 2026—Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:30 AM + Rebecca Gartung by Debi & Henry Sanna
+ Joan Longendyke by Jim Longendyke
+ Czeslaw Yurezyk by Daughter Yola & Children Patricia & Danny
* God’s Blessings, Peace and Good Health for the Gusmano Family* by the Gusmano Family
* For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

Monday September 28th, 2026
9:00 AM + Gary Herold by Debi & Henry Sanna

Wednesday September 30th, 2026—
9:00 AM + Frank Gerard by Debi & Henry Sanna
10:00 AM Adoration

Saturday October 3rd, 2026—Vigil
3:45 PM + Rudolf Bollwein by Debi & Henry Sanna
+ Bob Hermanowski by Golja Family
+ Tom O’Rielly by Bill & Lu Colin
* For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

Sunday October 4th, 2026—Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:30 AM + Valarie Manchester by Mary Ann Nyback & Family
+ Jack & Carolyn Muehl by Jim Longendyke
+ Francisco Miccio by Maria Dianich
* God’s Blessings, Peace and Good Health for the Gusmano Family* by the Gusmano Family
* For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

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

Lectors: 10/03/2026 & 10/04/2026
3:45 PM: Diane Fedor, 10:30 AM: Janet Wenner
Eucharistic Ministers: 10/03/2026 & 10/04/2026
3:45 PM: Denise Weber, 10:30 AM: Helen Reilly
Altar Servers: 10/04/2026
10:30 AM: Hugo Kelley, Coco Kelley
Greeters: 10/04/2026
10:30 AM: Helen Siems, Joan DeBenedittis
Ushers: 10/04/2026
10:30 AM: Emily Snyder, Lydia Flachs

Readings for the week of September 27th, 2026

Sunday: Ez 18:25-28/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32
Monday: Jb 1:6-22/Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 o Rv 12:7-12ab/Jn 1:47-51
Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Lk 9:57-62
Thursday: Jb 19:21-27/Lk 10:1-12
Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Mt 18:1-5, 10
Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Lk 10:17-24

Twenty-Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time
September 27th, 2026

Op. 448—Holy, Holy, Holy
Ps 25: “Remember your mercies, O Lord.”
Off. 345—Turn to Me
Comm. 725—Unless a Grain of Wheat
Cl. 825— Whose Love in Humble Service

Weekly Offering Table

Weekly Need: \$ 3,250.00
September 19th& September 20th, 2026

	Sat	Sun	Total
Regular	\$ 542.00	\$ 1,283.00	\$ 1,825.00
Candle & Poor			22.10

“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!



40 Days for Life Baby-Shower

The Altar Rosary Society is throwing a 40 Days for Life Baby Shower from September 23rd through November 1st. The ARS is asking for contributions of new baby items to be put in the bassinet in the Church hallway. Monetary contributions are welcome—please make checks out to St. Joseph’s Altar Rosary Society. Thank you!

“Hospitality” in the Catholic Church?”



In the Catholic tradition, hospitality is not just a polite social gathering or hosting a party. It is considered a theological virtue and an essential condition for salvation.

The Church teaches that true hospitality is a reflection of the Corporal Works of Mercy (feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, and welcoming the stranger). In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus explicitly states: *"I was a stranger and you welcomed me"* (Matthew 25:35). Therefore, when a parish serves food and drink, they are acting as a vessel for Christ's love to make people feel like they belong, this is rooted in Catholic Scripture and Tradition.

The Rule of St. Benedict famously commands monks to receive all guests "like Christ Himself."

Sharing food is historically how Christians modeled *Agape* (unconditional, sacrificial love) and built the early Church. We are shifting the name from "Hospitality" to "Communion and Community" this is a beautiful, deeply Catholic adjustment. Changing the name elevates a casual breakfast social into an intentional, sacred ministry

It moves the language from a general virtue (hospitality) to the very core of Trinitarian theology **and the sacraments.**

Communion & Community: These words remind parishioners that after receiving Holy Communion, we are called to live in community with one another.



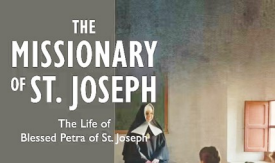
St. Joseph's Christmas Cantata

Cantata rehearsals will be held on Tuesdays from 6:30pm - 8 pm, beginning September 29 with the higher voices (soprano and altos). If you have not sung with us previously, and would like to join us, please see Terry Hait. There is a signup sheet on the music platform.

The first 4 weeks will be split rehearsals for Soprano/Alto and Tenor/Bass as follows:
Sopranos and Altos: September 29 and October 13
Tenors and Bases: October 6 and October 20
All four parts: October 27, November 3, 10 and 17
With piano accompaniment: November 24, December 1 and 8.
The Cantata will be presented on Sunday, December 13 at 3 pm. Snow date: December 20.

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. Emmanuel.



For her Beatification, St. John Paul II described Blessed Petra of St. Joseph as the "Josephine Apostle of the 19th century" and "a woman with a heart of fire", is told in this beautiful movie on the Spanish saint who dedicated her life to the abandoned elderly and orphan children.

She founded the Congregation of Mothers of the Helpless, and had a profound devotion to St. Joseph, including having Church approved private apparitions of him. She built the first Sanctuary dedicated to him in Spain, the very beautiful Royal Sanctuary of St. Joseph of the Mountain, visited by countless pilgrims annually.

Watch on Formed!!



Public Rosary Rally

Join us on Saturday, October 10th at noon to pray at our Annual Public Rosary Rally. We will be 1 of 20,000 Rallies nationwide. It is always held on a Saturday closest to October 13th, which commemorates the anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun in 1917 at Fatima, Portugal. We will meet in front of Brooker Hall. Bring a



Join Us for a Special Evening: The Lighted Rosary on October 7th

Dear Families,
We invite you, your children, and our entire community to a powerful, visually stunning prayer experience: **The Lighted Rosary.**

Our youth and discipleship formation programs are teaming up to host this unique event. Together, we will literally light up the night, step by step, prayer by prayer.

We need 65 people to sign up to hold a candle to represent a bead and others who wish to join may sit in the pews with a candle or Rosaries. Signup sheet is available on the piano podium or please call Corinne at (845)728-3733 or Jeanette at (607)282-6054

Event Details—Location: St. Joseph’s Church
Date: Wednesday, October 7th—**Time:** 6:00 p.m.

What to Bring: Just your family! We will provide all the glowing materials.
God Bless, Corinne Connington

***Saint Vincent de Paul
Feast Day—September 27th***



The deathbed confession of a dying servant opened Saint Vincent de Paul's eyes to the crying spiritual needs of the peasantry of France. This seems to have been a crucial moment in the life of the man from a small farm in Gascony, France, who had become a priest with little more ambition than to have a comfortable life.

The Countess de Gondi—whose servant he had helped—persuaded her husband to endow and support a group of able and zealous missionaries who would work among poor tenant farmers and country people in general. Vincent was too humble to accept leadership at first, but after working for some time in Paris among imprisoned galley slaves, he returned to be the leader of what is now known as the Congregation of the Mission, or the Vincentians. These priests, with vows of poverty, chastity, obedience, and stability, were to devote themselves entirely to the people in smaller towns and villages.

Later, Saint Vincent de Paul established confraternities of charity for the spiritual and physical relief of the poor and sick of each parish. From these, with the help of Saint Louise de Marillac, came the Daughters of Charity, “whose convent is the sickroom, whose chapel is the parish church, whose cloister is the streets of the city.”

He organized the rich women of Paris to collect funds for his missionary projects, founded several hospitals, collected relief funds for the victims of war, and ransomed over 1,200 galley slaves from North Africa. He was zealous in conducting retreats for clergy at a time when there was great laxity, abuse, and ignorance among them. He was a pioneer in clerical training and was instrumental in establishing seminaries.

Most remarkably, Saint Vincent de Paul was by temperament a very irascible person—even his friends admitted it. He said that except for the grace of God he would have been “hard and repulsive, rough and cross.” But he became a tender and affectionate man, very sensitive to the needs of others.

Pope Leo XIII made him the patron of all charitable societies. Outstanding among these, of course, is the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, founded in 1833 by his admirer [Blessed Frédéric Ozanam](#). (Reprinted from the FranciscanMedia.org).

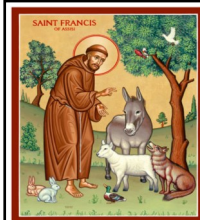
Prayer Remembrance

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, Alfred Staudohar, Judy Staruck, JoAnn Barnhart, Grace D. Leggio, Frances Florance, Nick Wicowski, Karlene Tauzel (Stokes), David Miller, Shannon Colin, Beverly Erway, Jeannie Zaengle Wilshire, Felix Dziembowski, Karl Hoecker, Fred Kirch, Justin Deas, George Olsen, Jeanne Chase, Adrian Origen, Dan Gorke, Toni & Larry Bobnick, Bill Fredette Jr., Paula Jenkins, Janet & Charles Papst, Lois Golda, Ramona Adesso, Matthew Sivacek, Bill Morgner, Ruth Vinci, Brian Rock, Sean Filipowski, Rick & Wade Lewis, Ed Serdy, Anne Tiner, Caleb & Kelly, Gene Rothe, Ed Hillenbrand, Alvira Braga, Matt Mantione, Charlene Tiffany, Dannah Carter, Walter Marchlowski, Nathan Clements, Joyce Hennelly, Carole Rooney, Ernie Gartung, Fred Kersman, Tracie Newkirk, Fr. Ed Golding, Frank Brimlow, Levio Passanante, Marianne Singer and Dorothy Kupres for a speedy recovery.



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Care For God's Creation



The Catholic Youth Discipleship Formation for Children and Youth are organizing collections for local animal shelters.

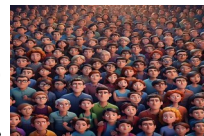
This reminds us of the compassionate teachings of Saint Francis of Assisi into real-world practice. These services projects teach children and youth about "Creation Care," showing them that being a disciple means respecting and protecting all of God's living creatures.

The collection started on September 6th and will run through October 25th.

Pope Leo XIV proclaimed January 10, 2026, to January 10, 2027, as the special Jubilee Year of Saint Francis to mark 800 years since the death of Saint Francis of Assisi.

October Mass Count

It is that time of year that we have to count the number of parishioners attending mass each weekend for the Diocese. With your help we can make our counts better than last year. Please attend mass!!



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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!

Which of These Sons Am I?



Parish Staff

Sacramental Minister: Fr. Emmanuel Udoh

Secretary: Joan DeBenedittis

Cemetery Manager: Kelly Daniels

Coordinator for Discipleship Formation for Children and Youth: Corinne Connington

Music Director: Terry Hait

Bookkeeper: Mike Argiras

Trustees

Diane Fedor & William Fredette

Finance Chairperson

Amy Muehl

Will you please remember “St. Joseph's Church”

September 27th, 2026

Weekend Masses

Saturday Evening: 3:45 PM

Sunday Morning: 10:30 AM

Weekday Masses

Monday: Mass 9 AM

Wednesday: Mass 9 AM Adoration 10 AM

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!