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ST. JOSEPH'S AND ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCHES

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY OF EASTER "The Lord has truly been raised!" - Lk 24:34

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Welcome!

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass

Monday | 8:30 am St. Joseph's Tuesday | 8:30 St Francis Wednesday | No Mass today Thursday | 8:30 am St Francis Friday | 8:30 am St Joseph's

Weekend Mass

Saturday | 4 pm St Joseph's

Sunday | 8:30 am St Francis 10:30 am St Joseph's

Confession

Saturday | 3:15 St Joseph's Sunday | 8 am St Francis

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Our Mission

We, the Roman Catholic community of St. Francis of Assisi and St. Joseph's are called to live the **Gospel message of Jesus through** Hospitality, Worship, Faith Formation and Service to others.

St. Joseph's Mass Intentions

Sat (22) 4 pm

Neal & Olympia Pisanti	+ Mary Pisanti
deceased Benazzi family	+ Mary Pisanti
Todd Gasner	+ Ron & Paula Cornell

Sun (23) 10:30 am Fr. Charles Gaffigan

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Mon (24) 8:30 am Healing of Linda Gibson + Parish family

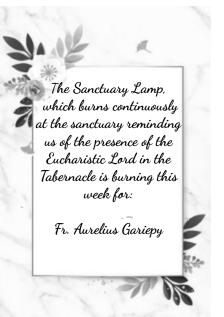
+ Pat, Rick & Dan Fallis

<u>Fri (28) 8:30 am</u> Fr. Aurelius Gariepy (30 years death anniversary)

Saturday (29) 4 pm George & Teddy Pifko + George & Carol Pifko

<u>Sun (30) 10:30 am</u>

Fr. Aurelius Gariepy



St. Francis Mass Intentions

Sun (23) 8:30 am Kimberly Koval Len Forgette Don Ferguson

+ Rick Koval + Chuck & Jan Swatling + Rob & Judy Morrison

Tuesday (25) 8:30 am Rev. Gilbert Gervaise

Thursday (27) 8:30 am Healing of Dave Donnelly

+ Norm & Betty Richardson

Sun (30) 8:30 am Len Forgette

Carol Pierone Wayne Stever Arianna Lanzi + SF Prayer Group + Beverly Vertucci + James & Brenda Stever + Marlene Junquera

Introduction to the Liturgy of the day ~ As we continue our celebration of Easter, we praise God for this miracle that brings new life to us all, and we pray that we will continue to grow in understanding of the many ramifications of this event. Today we hear the story of how two disciples making their way back to Emmaus slowly grow in understanding until the moment the stranger they'd met on the road breaks bread with them. Suddenly they recognize the Lord in their midst. May we always be open to recognize the Lord in our midst as well.

Word of Life ~ "People often say, "I could never handle a child with a disability." But the beauty of parenting is that you aren't given a child with a disability. You are given your child with a disability. Your child enters the world in a relationship with you, and that changes everything. You are not called to 'handle' a disability. You are called to love a particular person, and caring for him or her grows out of that love." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "A Perfect Gift"respectlife.org/a-perfect-gift

Gospel Meditation ~ I always feel a little sad when someone begins to speak to me with the words, "Father, I know you're so busy, but ..." It happens a lot. And I get it. He or she is trying to be respectful of my time. But it saddens me because a priest makes Jesus present to people in a special way, and Jesus always has time for us. Don't we all feel at times that God just doesn't have time for us?

Nonsense. Just look at the stunning "Road to Emmaus" story we hear this week. It's the day Jesus rose from the dead. And the Risen One appears in disguise to two disciples. He walks with them, chats with them, and eventually eats with them. It could have been hours he spends with them — two unnamed persons — in the middle of nowhere. On the day he rose from the dead!

My friends, please take this to heart: The Risen Jesus is not too busy to spend time with you! He doesn't have "better things to do." You and I are members of this crucified and risen Body. He therefore has all the time in the world to be with us. So, I challenge you this week to approach him confidently in prayer and conversation. After all, being with you and me is the reason he rose from the dead.

Father John Muir (c) LPI

Live the Liturgy ~ It wasn't until Christ spoke the words of blessing over the bread that the eyes of the disciples were opened, and they saw him for who he was — God in flesh and blood before them. The Eucharist makes real what we otherwise would fail to see. ©LPi

Readings for the week of April 30, 2023: Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 (11a)/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35; Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29; Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20; Wed: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-40; Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51; Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59; Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Jn 6:60-69; Next Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10

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SJ Lector		SF Lector	
4/29/23	J Raven		
4/30/23	M Doyle	4/30/23	B Saksen

St. Joseph's

MARK YOUR CALENDAR ST. JOSEPH PARISH SUMMER FESTIVAL 2023

JULY 20, 21, 22

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS PLS. CONTACT THE OFFICE, ANDREW AND ERIN ROTH

Mass of Hope & Healing

On Sunday, April 30, Bishop Scharfenberger will preside at the 10:30 a.m. liturgy at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church in Amsterdam to celebrate a Hope and Healing Mass. The liturgy will be devoted to the topic of healing from abuse & trauma. After Mass, there will be resources available for those attending, including counselors trained in abuse & trauma and information for local resources. All are invited to join us. Upcoming Events

Each Monday & Friday after SJ 8:30 am Mass - Pray the Rosary 1st Sundays of the Month - SF - 8am, pray the Rosary 1st Mondays - SF 7:30 pm Knights of Columbus meeting 1st Tuesdays - SF (Apr-Dec) 6:30 pm Rosary Society Meeting Each Wednesday - SF 2 pm Prayer Group in John Paul II Hall 2nd Wednesdays - SJ 6 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting 4/30 - National day of prayer for Vocations 4/30 - OLMC, Amsterdam 10:30 am Hope & Healing Mass 5/4 - SF 4 pm Finance Council Meeting 5/11 - 7 pm Joint Pastoral Council Meeting 5/27 - SF 6 pm Saturday Mass 7/20-22 - SJ - St. Joseph's Annual Festival 10/20-22 - Auriesville Shrine - NYS Eucharistic Congress

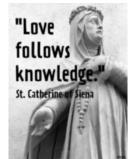
World Day of Prayer for Vocations 4/30/23

VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

God our Father, From eternity You appointed Your only begotten Son to be the High Priest of the human race. Pour forth, we beseech You, Your Holy Spirit upon our families, that vocations to the priesthood may be multiplied. Lord Jesus, give us holy priests: To offer up the sacrifice of the Mass; To lead the little ones to You; To strengthen the faith of believers; To preach the Gospel to all peoples; To bring forgiveness to sinners; To feed souls the Bread of Life; To comfort the suffering & dying, and To spread Your Kingdom in our midst. Mary, Mother of our High Priest,

pray for us and obtain for us an increase of holy priests.

St. Francis of Assisi



One way to gain knowledge about our faith is to borrow books from our lending library. We have books in the vestibule as well as in the John Paul II Hall downstairs.

April 25 Tuesday: Feast of

Feasts and Solemnities

Feast of St. Mark, Evangelist

May 3 Wednesday: Feast of Sts. Philip & James, Apostles

May 18 Thursday: Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

The Diocesan Appeal has begun! Why should you contribute?

* Support of the parish and the greater Church is the responsibility of ALL of us, not a few.

* Support of the Diocesan Appeal is not for the benefit of the Diocese as an entity itself - rather it is a key mission & logistics partner/resource for our parish allowing us to focus on ministry.

* It's the expectation that the church is here to serve you and your family in your everyday and milestone moments. Unfortunately, there are costs associated with that, but if we ALL share the costs, the individual burden is less AND we are more likely to be able to fund the church Amen

Diocesan Appeal 2022-23

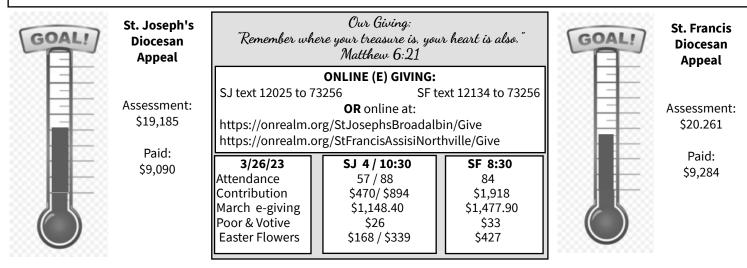


beyond its needs and toward our wants.

* It is gratifying to know that support of the Diocesan Appeal impacts ALL 126 parishes in the Diocese - that is powerful!!

The active practice of religion is in jeopardy and the impact on society is evident. It is not enough to quietly attend Mass and privately practice. If not us, Who? We need to be Jesus' witnesses, showing people the joy that Jesus brings to us in our life and bringing others to follow him in this beautiful way of life.

Let us join together and rebuild our local and regional Catholic Church - support our parish offertory and Diocesan Appeal goal!





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