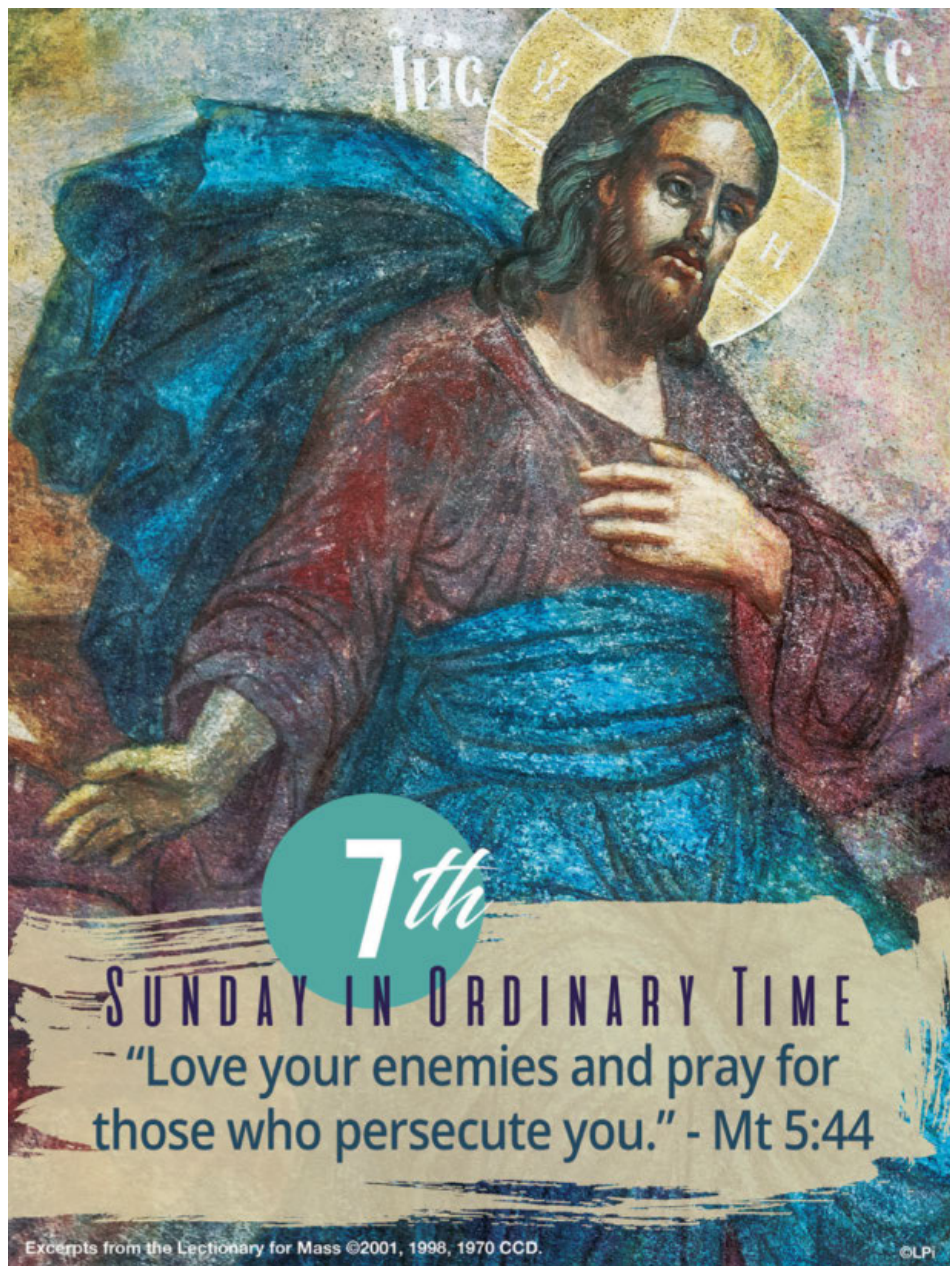


**FEB
19
2023**

ST. JOSEPH AND ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCHES

7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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
6 pm St Francis
(July 1 - Labor Day)
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.

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St. Joseph's Mass Intentions

Sat (18) 4 pm

John Paul Bowers + Roberta Dombrowski

Sun (19) 10:30 am

William Gaul + Rick & Cheryl Palmer
John McCumber + Gloversville Knights of Columbus

Mon (20) 8:30 am

No Mass today in observance of President's Day

Wed (22) 6pm

For our parish family

Fri (24) 8:30 am

Rev. Thomas Deignan, Rev. John W Casey, Msgr.
John J Froman, Rev. John J Fitzgerald, Rev.
Walter Baniak

Sat (25) 4 pm

Paul & Addie Gallacchi + Ron & Paula Cornell

Sun (1) 10:30 am

Marie Jablonski + Gaydusek family



St. Francis Mass Intentions

Sun (19) 8:30 am

Maureen Koval + Rick Koval
MaryAnn Grega + Joe & Cathy Capobianco
Don Ferguson + Rick Koval

Tuesday (21) 8:30 am

Rev. Davis Browne, Rev. Francis Smyth, Rev. Daniel L
McCarthy, Rev. John J Wojtyna, Rev. Edward J
Konisky

Wed (22) 8:30 am

For our parish family

Thurs (23) 8:30 am

Rev. Ambrose Manahan, rev. Joseph P Lamanna,
Dcn Stanislaus Stawowy

Sun (26) 8:30 am

MaryAnn Grega + SF Knights of Columbus
Don Ferguson + Chuck & Jan Swatling
Elizabeth Stever + Joe & Kathy Capobianco

Introduction to the Liturgy of the day ~ Called by the Holy Spirit, we gather together today in praise and thanksgiving to worship the Lord. We sing "Alleluia" as an acclamation of joy to greet our Lord as he speaks to us in the Gospel. But in just a few days we will pause this joyous exclamation. On Wednesday, Lent will begin and we will take our annual opportunity to focus on our sinfulness, our need for forgiveness, and the sacrificial suffering and death of our Lord. May the joy of our faith in the risen Lord sustain us during the coming penitential season.

Word of Life ~ "We often assume parenthood happens easily after 'I do,' but for many married couples, it does not. For some, the joy of conception never happens. Others suffer repeated miscarriages. Still others experience secondary infertility... If you experience difficulty bringing a child into your family, know that you are not alone. God is with you, and his Church desires to walk with you... God has a beautiful plan for your life as a married couple."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Seven Considerations While Navigating Infertility" respectlife.org/navigating-infertility

Gospel Meditation ~ Of all the things Jesus says which seem totally bat-crazy, this one might take the cake: "But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you." An enemy is someone who desires the destruction of you, your projects, or those you care about. To love and pray for them is to want their health, strength, and flourishing. But if they thrive, they are more likely to hurt you and others. So, aren't you indirectly willing your own destruction, or that of your friends? If you doubt that this problem is embedded in this teaching, when was the last time you actually prayed honestly for the people you really hate?

How can we solve this riddle so we might actually live this command? Recall that enemy-love is the surest sign that you love someone with God's love, and not with indirect egotism. After all, if my love for my enemy ends up hurting me or my loved ones, it can't be for me. Enemy-love costs more because there are no tit-for-tats. No reciprocity — just loved poured out, and often pain in return. That's why it is so precious and rare. "What is unusual about that?" asks the Lord about love for our friends. Jesus wants us to experience the unusual love which only comes from him.

When Jesus was being killed on the cross, he was loving his executioners. In fact, he was holding them in being as they nailed him to the cross. He loved those who were spiritually piercing his Mother's heart, while they were doing it. And when he rose from the dead, he showed us that this kind of love is always worth it. It's stronger than death. Real love is unusual.

Father John Muir ©LPi

Live the Liturgy ~ Want to be a real revolutionary? Defy the fallen impulses of human nature. Love your enemy. Pray for your persecutor. Give to those who would take. We can do hard things, Christians. We aren't perfect, but our God is. ©LPi

Readings for the week of February 19, 2023: Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 (8a)/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48; Monday: Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mk 9:14-29; Tuesday: Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mk 9:30-37; Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18; Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25; Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15; Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32; Next Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 (see 3a)/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

SJ Lector 2/22/23	P Cardone	SF Lector	
2/25/23	J Raven	2/22/23	Y Gifford
2/26/23	D Jankowski	2/26/23	J Ferguson

St. Joseph's Church



Stations of the Cross are every Friday at noon during Lent followed by Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

A sacrificial meal will be in the Fr. Smith Center immediately following.

St. Joseph's Closet Thrift Store

Tuesday 4-7pm
Wednesday 10 am - 1 pm
Saturday 9 am - noon
Thank you for your donations and support!

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
Feb 21 - SF 6pm Mardi Gras Potluck dinner in the John Paul II Hall
SF 7 pm Burning of the Blessed Palm
Feb 22 - Ash Wednesday
SF 8:30 am Mass SJ 6 pm Mass
Stations of the Cross on each Friday during Lent
SJ Noon followed by Sacrificial Meal in the Fr. Smith Center
SF 6 pm followed by Sacrificial Meal in John Paul II Hall

Please join us at St. Francis of Assisi's John Paul II Hall on Tuesday, February 21, 2023 @ 6 pm to celebrate


Mardi Gras

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"From Palms to Ashes" Prayer Service

Burning of the Blessed Palms
February 21, 2023 (Fat Tuesday)
St. Francis of Assisi Church 7 pm

Ash Wednesday Masses February 22, 2023

St. Francis - 8:30 am  St. Joseph's 6 pm

St. Francis of Assisi



Stations of the Cross are every Friday at 6pm during Lent followed by Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

A sacrificial meal will be in the John Paul II Hall immediately following.

ST FRANCIS LENDING LIBRARY WINTER NEWS

Come Back to Me With All Your Heart. One way to deepen our relationship with the Lord this Lent is through spiritual reading. Our bookshelves will highlight books, reflections and meditations to assist us on our Lenten Journey.

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 just 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 and 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

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!

GOAL!



St. Joseph's Diocesan Appeal

Assessment:
\$19,185

Paid:
\$6,355

Our Giving "Remember where your treasure is, your heart is also."
Matthew 6:21

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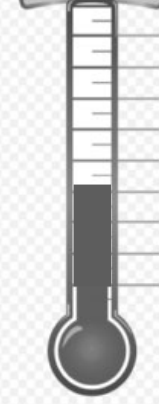
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GOAL!



St. Francis Diocesan Appeal

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