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Welcome!

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass

Monday | 8:30 am St. Joseph
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.

St. Joseph's Mass Intentions

Sat (31) 4 pm

Patrick Navin + Sharon Navin
Jon DuBois + Ron & Paula Cornell
Bernadette Spooner + George & Carol Pifko

Sun (1) 10:30 am

Kristin Bradt & Kerry Bradt Thurston
+ Their parents

Mon (2) 8:30 am

No daily Mass until February

Fri (6) 8:30 am

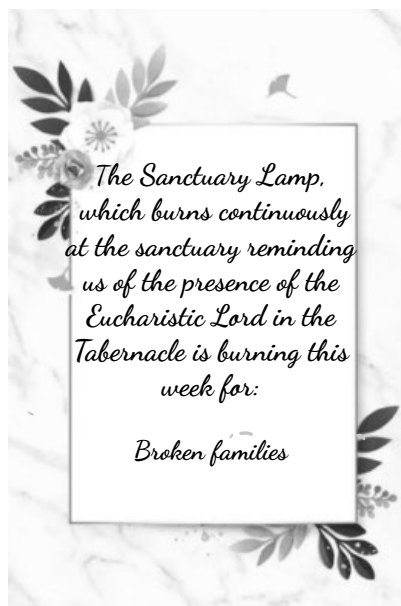
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Sat (7) 4 pm

Robert Kosowicz + Roberta Dombleski
Brenda Gill + Roberta Dombleski

Sun (8) 10:30 am

Vito Ottati + Pat Ottati
Bernadette Spooner + Angela Fusco
Robert Kosowicz + Chuck & Jan Swatling
Casper Rozniewski + Jim & Diane Jankowski



St. Francis Mass Intentions

Sun (1) 8:30 am

Kevin Rovito + Rick Koval
Thelma Misko + Chuck & Jan Swatling

Tuesday (3) 8:30 am

No daily Mass until February

Thurs (5) 8:30 am

No daily Mass until February

Sun (8) 8:30 am

Dorothy Melampy + Jackie Junquera
Robert Junquera + Marlene Junquera

Introduction to the Liturgy of the day ~ How appropriate that on the first day of every year we honor Mary, the Holy Mother of God, for it was her willing obedience to God's plan that enabled the Incarnation and therefore initiated what in time became Christianity. Today is also the World Day of Peace and so we look to Mary, the Queen of Peace - who bore the Prince of Peace - as our model and inspiration for holding peace in our hearts, our communities, and in our world.

Word of Life ~ "O Blessed Mother, you received the good news of the incarnation of Christ, your Son, with faith and trust. Grant your protection to all pregnant mothers facing difficulties. Guide us as we strive to make our parish communities places of welcome and assistance for mothers in need. Help us become instruments of God's love and compassion."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

"A Prayer for Pregnant Mothers"

Gospel Meditation ~

Mary, The Holy Mother of God

We hide ourselves and our secrets from God because we are afraid. Even Mary can seem too perfect to approach. The shepherds find the strength to speak to Mary and Joseph at the moment they see the child in the manger. They open their hearts and share what they've experienced. Saint Luke writes of the shepherds, "When they saw this, they made known the message that had been told them about this child."

When I was a college student, I visited Rome. Beggars often approached and said, "Mangia? Mangia?" I didn't speak Italian and thought, "Why are they speaking about the Christmas nativity scene?" My friend said, "Mangia means eat. They're hungry." That's when I realized more deeply than ever before that Mary puts her baby in a place designed for hungry animals to eat.

See that baby in the manger in your heart. Imagine Mary kneeling nearby looking at you with love. She doesn't cling to God for herself. In that cave, from the beginning, she quietly offers her son to hungry souls. The manger means vulnerable self-offering love. That's the sign. This week that same manger opens our hearts to tell Mary about our lives, too.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

Live the Liturgy ~ The shepherds returned from Bethlehem "glorifying and praising God." They were affected deeply by the sight of the infant Messiah and the message of the angels. What would the world look like, if we allowed ourselves to be likewise impacted by the word of God? ©LPi

Readings for the week of January 1, 2023: Sunday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (2a)/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21; Monday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 1:19-28; Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6/Jn 1:29-34; Wednesday: 1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Jn 1:35-42; Thursday: 1 Jn 3:11-21/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Jn 1:43-51; Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38; Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a, and 9b/Jn 2:1-11; Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11)/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

SJ Lector

1/7/23 D Walendziak
1/8/23 B Aldi

SF Lector

1/8/23 Y Gifford

St. Joseph's Festival is returning for the Summer of 2023!

We need a chair person &
co-chair for this important
community event.
Please call or email the office to
sign up!

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. 2 - SF 8:30 am daily Masses resume

Winter is upon us!

Once again this year, we are
asking if anyone is available to
be **paid** for the **snow removal** at
St. Francis of Assisi.

If you are interested, or know
someone who is, please contact
the office at 518-863-4736.

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.

Diocesan Appeal 2022-23



• 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 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!

Fr. Jun will be away for the Month of January. Please keep him in your prayers for safe travels & a good visit.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Dear Parishioners,

As we start the New Year, we ask special blessings for all of you and your families. Looking back we give thanks to God for all that has taken place in 2022. I am Blessed with two Parishes that are sources of good, friendly and loving people. Being a part of each Parish family is a good reason to celebrate and give thanks to God.

As we welcome a New Year of 2023, I want to join you and our Parish families in giving thanks for the blessings we have received, as well as for the challenges we have encountered.

I would also like to thank all those who have expressed their support and appreciation for my priestly ministry during the past years especially in trying times. Your words, cards, gifts and other expressions of kindness and generosity are deeply appreciated. Thank you for your prayers and loving support. I wish each of you and your families a Blessed New Year filled with God's continued graces and blessings. As a Parish Family, let us begin the New Year inspired by the Holy Family, LOVE, JOY and PEACE.

Yours In Christ,
Fr. Jun

The **Broadalbin Ecumenical Food Pantry** is in need of cereal, juice, peanut butter & canned items, as well as basic hygiene items. Donations can be left in the entrance of the church or in the office. Thank you for helping those less fortunate.

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!

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

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OR online at:

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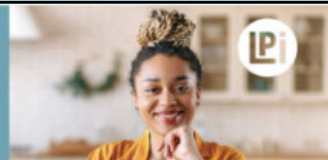
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