



Saint Joseph

CATHOLIC CHURCH

SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2020

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:30p.m.
Sunday: 7:30 a.m. and 10:30a.m.
Tuesday: 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday - Thursday: 8:00 a.m.
Friday: 10:00 a.m. at Maple Lawn
Nursing Home

Confession: Contact the office
or parish staff for appointments.

Office Hours- Monday-Thursday
8 :00 a.m. to noon
1:00 p.m. to 4 :00 p.m.
Friday 8 :00 a.m. to noon

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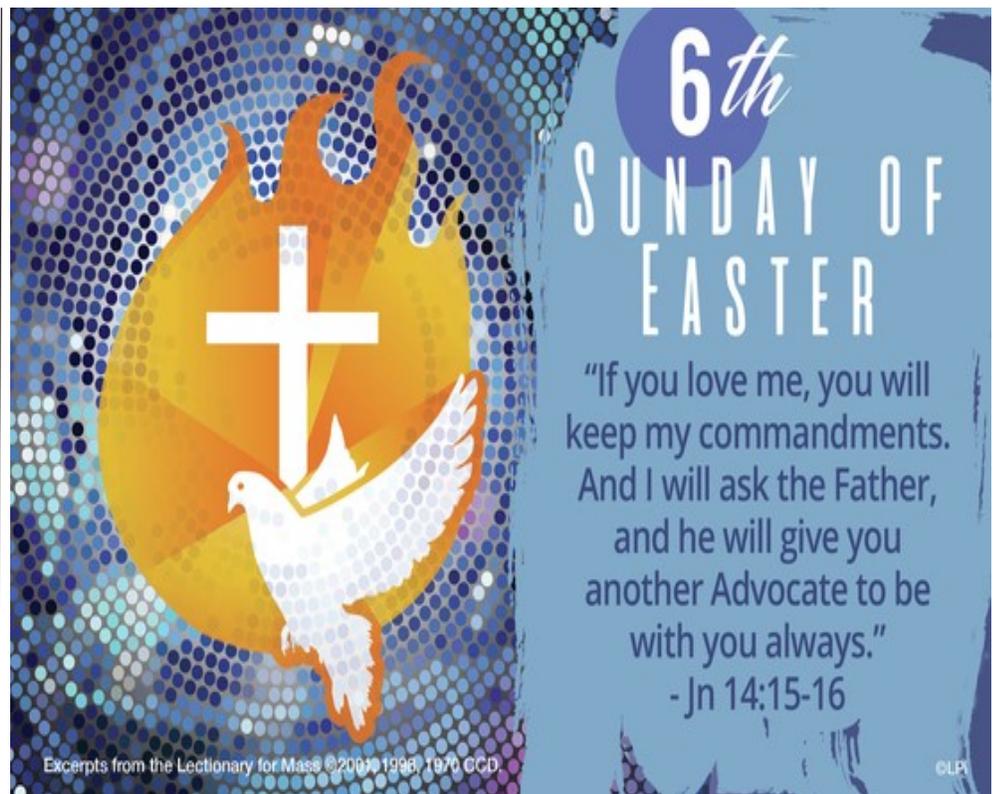
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PRAYER FOR A COMMUNION OF DESIRE

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, renew my heart now with the power of Your Spirit. I embrace You and unite myself wholly to You. Unite me more closely to Your Body, the Church and never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

SACRAMENT PREPARATION

Marriage: Contact Father Kelechi, Deacon Robert Leake, or Deacon Luke Mahsman at least six months in advance to schedule a wedding.

Baptism: If you are expecting or need information about Baptism, please contact Father Kelechi, Deacon Robert Leake or Deacon Luke Mahsman for a meeting.

MISSION

St. Joseph Catholic Church is a faith community, guided by the scriptures and traditions of the church, whose mission is to share the Good News of Jesus Christ through celebration of the liturgy, sacraments, prayer, faith fellowship, and service to others.

BISHOP MCKNIGHT'S INTENTION FOR MAY

As we honor the Mother of our Lord as the "Queen of May," may there be a greater respect and appreciation for all women on earth who nourish us in mind, body and soul.

HOLY FATHER'S INTENTION FOR MAY

We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.

PARISH SCHEDULE

Weekend of May 16th & 17th

Live streaming will be 7:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. on Sunday and during 1st Communion @ 3 p.m.

Mass Times for the week

Monday, May 18th- No Mass

Tuesday, May 19th-6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, May 20th-8:00 a.m.

Thursday, May 21st-8 :00 a.m.

Friday, May 15th-No Mass

Saturday, May 16th-5:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 17th- 7:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

*All the faithful are dispensed from the obligation of the Easter Duty and the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays through June 30th. If you did not receive a copy of the procedures being used at St. Joseph please contact the office.

MASS INTENTIONS MAY 15TH THRU MAY 24TH

All masses will be for the people of St. Joseph Catholic Church until further notice.



Please pray for our parishioners and our extended family and friends: Jeanette Rupp, Donna Rupp, Michelle White, Jackie Vaughn, Joe Rothweiler, David Meyers, Robert Dodd, Rex Pslantz, Raine Herren, Monica Bross , Bob Powell and Craig Bent.

Please pray for our church members who are currently in nursing homes or homebound: Virginia Buckman, Elizabeth Roth, Janet Schwartz, Janet Barnes, Bonnie Slates, Gloria Baggett, Mary Kempf, Arlene Veit, Gerry Foust, Mary Ann Miller, Elizabeth King, Phyllis Kroeger, Grant & Joyce Hess, Ferd Dames. And Florence Fohey.

The deadline for bulletin announcements is 4:00 p.m. on Mondays and can be emailed to office@stjoepalmyra.org

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED Sign Before the Gospel

Question:

I have been going to Mass for years and have always wondered: why do we make the three signs of the cross before the Gospel?

Answer:

Certainly, many people go to Mass or other devotions, doing and saying things out of habit or reverence and not really understanding the reasons behind some of these things. But everything we do has a meaning or purpose that helps us to worship better, proclaim our beliefs, or focus the attention of the people on something that has a greater importance or significance. A review of the meaning of various gestures and practices can help us have a deeper appreciation for what we do.

There is a little prayer that goes with the three crosses before the Gospel: "May the words of the Holy Gospel be on my mind, on my lips and in my heart." In standing to hear the Gospel, we acknowledge that Jesus is present, and the words of the Gospel are addressed to us. All of the gestures and special postures we adopt before the Gospel are intended to help us prepare for hearing the Word as well as act on it. The incense, the Alleluia, the deacon or priest, and the special dialogue and announcement that introduces the Gospel help us focus our attention on the Good News we are about to hear. The three signs of the cross show our desire and good intention to hear and live the Gospel.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

May 16th-Leo Powell
May 18th-Grant Hess
May 20th-Don Fessenden
May 21st-Bruce Foster
May 23rd- Greg Foster,
 JoAnne Conoyer
May 24th-Derek O'Brien

PARISH FINANCES FOR THE WEEK OF 5-11-2020

Loose Cash	321.00
Weekly Envelopes	\$7,487.00
Building Fund	25.00
Catholic Home Missions	65.00
Infirm Priest	10.00
Communications	60.00
Total	\$7,968.00

ST. JOSEPH NEWS

All parishioners are encouraged to attend confession by appointment only. The confessional will not be open at this time & appointments are available. Please contact the office during work hours, email youth@stjoepalmyra.org or contact any staff member to set up a confession time.



Father K. will be leaving St. Joseph at the end of June to another parish in our diocese. At this time we are unsure of where he will be heading and who will be coming to St. Joseph, please pray for him and for all priest in our diocese.

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 Facebook.com/
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St. Joseph website is under construction.



St. Joseph Catholic Church would like to congratulate the Palmyra graduating class of 2020. All graduates will be honored during the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, May 17th.

Leslie Bemis
Amy Bryan
Chase Goldinger
Hope Hudson
Kadon Malone
Mariosole Leon



"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." (Phil. 4:13)



Live the Liturgy
Inspiration for the week

Do you understand the true spiritual meaning of hope?

Hope is the theological virtue by which we desire the kingdom of heaven and eternal life as our happiness. It is found when we place our trust in Christ's promises and rely not on our own strength, but on the help of the Holy Spirit. Hope, when seen in this way, doesn't set its sights purely on the things of this world but on the promises of God to come. Hope always is linked with faith and love. Often our hope can become too self-focused and something that is only about me and things that matter to me. Christ's resurrection reminds us that it is not ultimately for this purpose. What is the reason for your hope? Our Easter season provides the opportunity for us to again assess whether it is the kingdom of heaven and life eternal or something else.



First Holy Communion

WELCOME TO THE TABLE OF THE LORD!

Austee Barnes, Aubrey Hess, Addie Hess, Cooper Hudson, Mason Jones, Alaina Keppner, Noah Krekemeyer.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

2nd Grade-1st Communion

1st Communion will be May 17th @ 3 p.m. This Mass will only be attended by those receiving the sacrament and their families.

Confirmation 7th-11th Grade

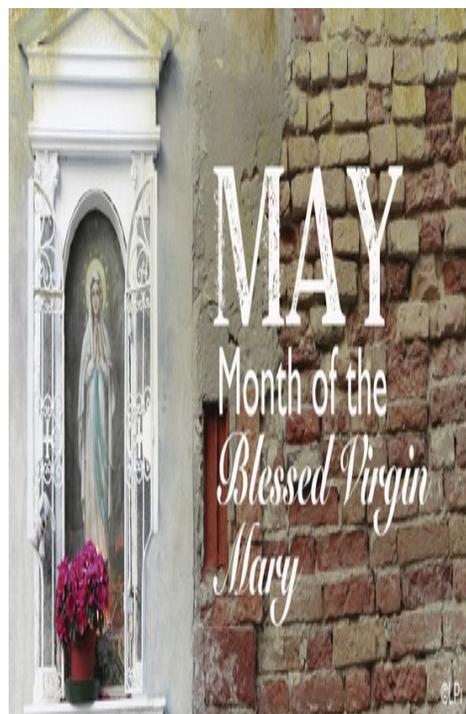
May 31st @ 2 p.m. This date is has been confirmed. Father Kelechi, Father Greg will be confirming candidates. Details will follow.

Vacation Bible School

Sunday, July 12th thru Thursday, July 16th.

If you would like to volunteer your time and talent, contact Cathy Fohey in the office.

All of these dates and times are subject to change based on recommendations from CDC and Diocese of Jefferson City, Mo.



This month's needs for the Palmyra food pantry is toothpaste. Thanks for your generous donations and supporting your local food pantry.