SUNDAY, AUGUST 22, 2021

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Mass Schedule
Saturday: 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: 7:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday: 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 6:00 p.m.
Thursday: 8:00 a.m.
Friday: 8:00 a.m.
Confession: Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 7:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. or by appointment.
Office Hours - Monday, Wednesday
and Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Many people give their allegiance to something until it asks them to do something challenging or radical. Then, they find themselves rethinking whether they want to be associated with it. The same holds for God. Either we serve God, or we don’t. There can be no lukewarm stance with regard to faith. If we are in, then faith in Jesus Christ asks us to do some difficult things: work in service of God’s kingdom, love our enemies, offer no resistance to injury, and trust that the

Eucharist is in fact Jesus’ very Body and Blood. For some, buying into these things may prove too difficult and a return to a life without them is preferred. But truth is truth and it can only be found in God. If we find it hard to accept it from the mouth of Christ, where else can we go to find it? The task before us is to commit to the truth even when it may be easier to pursue something else. Truth is always worth obtaining even when it is difficult. Jesus offers us the truth of life, a life that is found in his own flesh and blood and a life of discipleship.

SACRAMENT PREPERATION
Marriage: Contact 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 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
August prayer intention
for our Local Church
As we begin this school year, may all recognize our shared mission to hand on our Catholic faith to the next generation.

Many are invited, but few are chosen. - Matthew 22:14

Let’s All Do Our Part: Safe Environment Training.

The faithful of the diocese are shown that we must be most vigilant among us. We have a historic role in the vision of our faith as you visit a Safe Environment at your parish. Please make the program in being online.

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RCIA Information

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Ministers for Saturday
5:30 p.m. Mass

- **Ministers of Hospitality for August**
  - Steven & Joanne Conoyer & Tim Barnes
- **Lectors**
  - August 21st: Trish Frey
  - August 28th: Judy Trower
- **Servers**
  - August 21st: R. Barnes & M. Jones
  - August 28th: Kerekemeyer’s
- **Live Streaming & Technology**
  - August 21st: Herb Schwartz
  - August 28th: Lisa Lake
- **Eucharistic Ministers/Sacristan**
  - August 21st: Linda Reeves
  - August 28th: Jerry Trower

Ministers for Sunday
7:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Mass

- **Ministers of Hospitality for August**
  - Mike Wolfmeyer, Karen & Derek O’Brien
- **Lectors**
  - August 22nd: Mary Lou Hawthorne
  - August 29th: Karen Dames
- **Servers**
  - August 22nd: L. Barnes & A. Rutledge
  - August 29th: A. Illa, R. & W. Jones
- **Eucharistic Ministers/Sacristan**
  - August 22nd: Craig Illa
  - August 29th: Diane DeHaan

Prayer Requests

Please pray for our parishioners and our extended family and friends:
- Donna Rupp: Zac Abell
- Grant Hess: Richard Krekemeyer
- Frank Schwartz: Dee Gottman
- Pat Foster: Wes Raney
- Emily Becker: Pam Hess
- Jane Church: Florence Fohay
- Ellen Goodwin: Cheryl Hiner
- Mary Krekemeyer: Evan Mencer
- Sue Wagner: Lakiaan Lehenbauer
- Virginia Buckman: Marie Thornton
- Sandi Campbell: Michelle Richardson
- Mark Carpenter: Susan Berti
- Janet Schwartz: Beth Jones Bigelow
- Mary Cait VanDeWiele

Please pray for our church members who are currently in nursing homes or homebound:
- Elizabeth Roth: Mary Ann Miller
- Elizabeth King: Phyllis Kroeger
- Ferd Dames: Janet Barnes

Parish Nurse: Contact Beth Anderson if she can help you or a loved one.
Phone: # 573-799-5828 or email nursebethhfsj@gmail.com

Parish Schedule

- **Sunday, August 22nd & 29th**
  - Registration for CCD/PSR Classes:
    - 8:30 a.m. to noon

Mass Intentions & Schedules

- **Saturday, August 21st @ 5:30 p.m.**
  - Arlene Veit+
- **Sunday, August 22nd @ 7:30 a.m.**
  - Parishioners of St. Joseph
- **Sunday, August 22nd @ 10:30 a.m.**
  - Harlan Kitch+
- **Tuesday, August 24th @ 6 p.m.**
  - Carl R. Simmons+
- **Wednesday, August 25th @ 6 p.m.**
  - Dwayne Goodwin+
- **Thursday, August 26th @ 8 a.m.**
  - James A. Drescher+
- **Friday, August 27th @ 8 a.m.**
  - Rocky Ablet+
- **Saturday, August 28th @ 5:30 p.m.**
  - David Berti+
- **Sunday, August 29th @ 7:30 a.m.**
  - Beverly Bunten+
- **Sunday, August 29th @ 10:30 a.m.**
  - Parishioners of St. Joseph Church

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Sisters and Brothers, when I arrived (a year ago!) I was informed of the problem with our main front, church doors, chronically leaking, whenever we have significant rain. This must be corrected. At that time, there was a perception (accurate or not) that many of the parishioners had not been consulted as to how we were going to proceed with correcting this problem.

I asked the Building & Grounds Committee to take a break from it all ... to rest on their laurels ... and let a new Ad-hoc committee take this on. ... and then the endless delays and frustrations brought about by COVID and other challenges as well.

Well, I now want to give an update! But first, to thank our current Pastoral Council President, and member of the Ad-Hoc Committee, Randy Dodd who has worked tirelessly, trying (against considerable odds at times) to keep this project moving forward. Hopefully in the not too distant future, we will be able to set a date for another Town Hall Meeting to get this matter settled. At that meeting, Randy is working hard to make sure we have Brad Copeland (Director of Building & Grounds for the Diocese) and perhaps other professionals, present, and we will have a thorough presentation on our choices moving forward.

At that meeting, WE WILL VOTE ON HOW TO PROCEED. Just as last time, I encourage all parishioners to plan to attend ... so as to speak now, or forever hold your peace. We will move forward with a majority vote carrying the day. Fr. Matt

Thank you for your generosity to the Sponsor a Station Campaign! The Stations of the Cross will be started in September by Autenrieb Memorials. The goal is to have them back by Ash Wednesday. We will keep you updated with any more information.

Regular and Diabetic cookies are needed for Maple Lawn Nursing Home on Friday, August 27th. Please have your cookies at Farischon Hall by Thursday, August 26th. Thanks for your generous donations!

ALL volunteers of St. Joseph must attend a Virtus training (Online or In Person) and sign the Pastoral Code of Conduct. Holy Family and St Joseph are working hard to have opportunities possible to offer in person Virtus classes, so that all volunteers are in compliance with Virtus. This wonderful, educational program, teaches everyone how they can best keep our parish children and vulnerable adults safe. Let’s all do our part to protect our children and vulnerable adults.

We are Better Together!

Two opportunities for in person training will take place at Palmyra-Farischon Hall.

**Wednesday, September 1st at 9 a.m.**

**Wednesday, September 1st at 6:30 p.m.** *(Registration must take place before attending)*

Contact Cathy Fohey to Register ASAP!

Registration for CCD/PSR classes and youth group events will take place Sunday, August 22nd and August 29th after the 7:30 a.m. mass until noon.

Parents must come to the office to register or make an appointment with Cathy Fohey/DRE at St. Joseph to enroll their child.

Classes will start on Sept. 19th from 9:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

Youth Mass @ 10:30 a.m. on Sept. 19th

Teacher/Staff Meeting will take place on Sunday, Sept. 12th 9 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

This month’s Palmyra food pantry needs are back to school supplies, color crayons and pencils, glue, Kleenex boxes. A basket for these items are located in the vestibule of the church. Thanks for your continued support to the Palmyra food pantry.