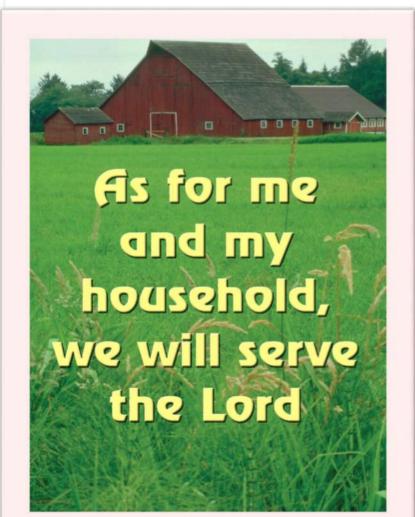
ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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ALL ARE WELCOME!

St. Joseph is a place of refreshment, peace and love, a place of ministry and renewal. We welcome you to be part of our faith community where the Word of God is proclaimed, friendship is offered and the Sacraments are celebrated.

Pastoral Care

Fr. Michael Williams Deacon Marv Robertson (retired) Deacon Jerry Fust Deacon Eric Elstro

Worship Music • Jeff Richards

Parish Life

Parish Council • Dick Weller Finance Council • Scott Dzurka Parish Secretary • Judi Thelen Business Manager • Susan Mahoney Maintenance • Glenn Esch

Family Ministries

Marriage Preparation • Fr. Michael Williams Baptism • Please contact the parish office St. Joseph School • Chris Wells Religious Education Jen Nelson Confirmation • Jen Nelson Christian Initiation of Adults • Amanda Grigar

Please call the parish office for more information on our Family Ministries.

Medical Emergencies requiring an Anointing of the Sick, please call 989-227-1244.

St. Joseph School: (989) 224-2421 **Religious Education Office:** (989) 224-8537

Regular Mass Schedule Saturday • 5:00 p.m. Sunday • 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish • 6:00 p.m. (Holy Days • Consult the bulletin)

Sacrament of Reconciliation Tuesday • 6:30 p.m. Saturday • 4:00 p.m.

Prayer Tree Parish Office: (989)-224-8994



THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES

Monday • August 26 2 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 11-12/Matthew 23:13-22 No Mass

Tuesday • August 27 2 Thessalonians 2:1-3A, 14-17/Matthew 23:23-26 No Mass

Wednesday • August 28 2 Thessalonians 3:6-10, 16-18/Matthew 23:27-32 12:05 p.m. Mass †Julius and †Martha Schmitt and the deceased members of their family By: Family

Thursday • August 29 1 Corinthians 1:1-9/Mark 6:17-29 8:30 a.m. Mass †Carl Chatfield, Sr. By: Family

Friday • August 30 1 Corinthians 1:17-25/Matthew 25:1-13 8:30 a.m. Mass †Ignacio "Vito" Martinez By: Deacon Eric & Mary Beth Elstro

Saturday • August 31 1 Corinthians 1:26-31/Matthew 25:14-30 5:00 p.m. Mass *†Brenda Hogan* By: Doug Hogan

Sunday • September 1 Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8/James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 8:00 a.m. †Alan Simon By: Roy and JoAnn Simon

- 10:00 a.m. †Mary Ann Rizzo By: Chad Gamble
- 12:00 p.m. The People of the Parish
- 6:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish

<u>Please Note</u>: There will be no Confessions or Daily Mass Tuesday, August 27, 2024.



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn from August 25 to 31, 2024 in memory of Brenda Hogan

Rest in Peace

Our prayers and sympathies to the family and friends of



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament September 6th and 7th

The Blessed will be Exposed for Adoration following the 8:30 a.m. Mass on First Friday, September 6th with Benediction prior to the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Saturday, September 7th.

All are welcome to attend this beautiful time of prayer in the presence of our Eucharistic Lord.

You do not have to be scheduled for a specific hour, however, **we are in need of subs:**



<u>Friday</u>: 11:00 a.m. (2 needed), 2:00 p.m., 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. <u>Saturday</u>: 1:00 a.m. and 2:00 a.m. (Most needed-2 needed)

Please call/text Rebecca at 989-292-2072 if you plan to attend at one of these hours or sign up in the gathering space.

Please pray for our parishioners and their families, especially: Adam Sawyer Ballinger Lisa Clarizio Sherri Couch Friend Cindy Fontus

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Marcia Goerge Brenda Higgins David Higgins Korine Alissa McKeown Myah Jenny Pytlowanyj Frank Rademacher Deacon Mary & Tita

Joan Schrauben

Michael VanElls Jeff Wadell Jerry Brad Walker Millie Wassa Fr. Don Wieber Bill Darnell Susan Darnell

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Please pray for our parishioners in the service, especially: William Hess Jake Hoskins Jacob Longoria Eric Martin Jessica Mitchell Colby Munger

KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS

Adam Novak Alex Rojas David Seperic Noel Smith II Joshua Szpont Jordan Van Amburg Jacob Wells

To add or remove a name from the bulletin prayer list, please call the parish office: 989-224-8994 or email Stjosephchurchstjohns@gmail.com

*Please note: <u>only</u> immediate family members may add names to the bulletin.

THE SACRAMENTS ARE CELEBRATED

View this bulletin online at www.DiscoverMass.com



WE ARE ALL Evangelizers

(and whatever else is on Deacon Eric's mind)

What's the buzz, tell me what's a happening?"

Recognize that song lyric in the title? I'll give you a clue. It has to do with Jesus, as a buzz was beginning to be heard about his ministry from Capernaum to Jerusalem. Still don't have it? Keep reading. (Even if you got it, please keep reading.)

The song came to mind as I started to look at what is going to be happening at St. Joe's in the next couple months, which got me thinking about what has already been happening at St. Joe's. The buzz in the title referred to what was happening as Jesus walked this earth and where he was headed. Now I realize there is a buzz building at St. Joe's. It's not that Jesus is coming, it's that he is here and we have been finding different ways to experience him and learn more about him and our faith.

Let me run through a quick list of all the faith-based education offerings at St. Joe's since 2022: *The Search* (a nice-sized group of parishioners attended in 2022, only those interested in RCIA participated last year), Exhibition of Eucharistic Miracles, The Screwtape Letterssummer book club, Presence study, Face to Face with History Talk, Draw Near Mission, Question & Answer Day. In addition, we've had special healing services, several bible studies and the Average Joes.

What we are trying to do at St. Joe's is to continue to provide the staples of a good Catholic parish -- daily and Sunday Masses, regular confession, preparation for all the sacraments and an elementary school. In addition, we are trying to offer faith formation to adults through different vehicles because an educated parish is a strong thriving parish. We especially want to reach those not drawn to something like a traditional bible study, hence last spring we had Catholic history teacher and author Phillip Campbell for the Face to Face with History presentation.

A group of about 80 parishioners attended and asked for more, so we are bringing Phillip back for another talk in October and were holding it on a Saturday night in the hopes that young parents can get a sitter for the kids and come for this unique event. The week before that, our St. Monica's Auxiliary will sponsor another opportunity for parishioners to gather together -- this time not for education but for fun, with a night of improv under the banner of "Clean Comedy."

In October, we will finally get back to our group viewing and discussion of the very popular TV series *The Chosen*. Though season four was in the theaters last winter and is available to streaming services, people who saw it want to talk about it in a large group setting. Then, hopefully, we can do series five during Lent. And speaking of Lent, we're also working to bring a dynamic speaker for a Lenten mission.

To facilitate more faith formation opportunities and reach adults of all ages, we will be forming a team of six-to-ten parishioners to gain insight on other learning experiences we can offer down the line. More is coming on that in September, but start praying now that creative parishioners step forward to fill those roles. In the future we want people to say: "What's the buzz?" (from *Jesus Christ Superstar*) "tell me what's a happening" at St. Joe's. Be the buzz.

Deacon Eric deaconeric@hotmail.com



CLEAN COMEDY IMPROV SHOW

Saturday, September 28, 2024

Are you ready for a night of laughter and fun? St. Monica Ladies Auxiliary has planned the perfect night for you. A

night of clean comedy will be held on Saturday, September 28, 2024 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at

the Columbian Hall. You will laugh to the antics and comedy of the Free Shrugs Improve group. Tickets are now available for \$12.00 from any Auxiliary member.



K-8 Religious Education Classes Start Soon!

The K-8 Grade Religious Education Classes start on Wednesday, September 11 at 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. in the school. All parents and children are asked to meet in the cafeteria at 6:00 p.m. Religious Ed Registration forms are available in the main church entrance and online at stjoecatholi.com Please contact Jen Nelson for questions at 989-224-8537 or dre.stjoseph@gmail.com

9th Grade Confirmation Candidate/Sponsor Meeting

All 9th grade Confirmation students and sponsors are meeting on Sunday, September 15 at 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Confirmation students/parents are asked to fill out the K-9 grade religious education registration forms and the Application for Confirmation that are available in the church and online at stjoecatholic.om Please contact Jen Nelson for questions at 989-224-8537 or dre.stjoseph@gmail.com

Almighty God,

We give you our school. We give you all the teachers and staff who work here. We give you all the children who study here. We pray our school would be a place of great discovery, adventure and creativity. May it be a place where we love to learn and where we learn to love. A place where every one is respected and all are deeply valued. We ask all this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. ~www.lords-prayer-words.com

Do you have questions about St. Joseph Catholic School or are interested in registering this 2024/25 school year? Please contact Chris wells at princpal@stjoecatholicschool.org. or call (989) 224-2421

St. Joseph	Catholic	Menu is subject to change, based or food availability from suppliers.	n
School		This institution is an equa	al
LUNCH ME	NU	opportunity provider.	
FOR THE WEEK	OF AUGUST 26-30	, 2024	
Monday:	Pancakes with syru fruit, and milk.	up, sausage, hash browns,	
Tuesday:	Lasagna with brea and milk.	dstick, green beans, fruit,	
Wednesday:	Corn Dog, peas, fi	ruit, and milk.	
Thursday:	Cheese stuffed bre carrots, fruit, and	adstick with dipping sauce, milk.	
Friday:	NO SCHOOL! Ha	ave a great holiday week	
Lunches are \$3.2	5	Milk \$0.50	

AUGUST 25, 2024

	Liturgical N	Ainsters
	August 31/Sept	
Altar Servers:	5:00 p.m.	Averie D.
		Charleigh F.
	8:00 a.m.	Miles S.
		Volunteer
	10:00 a.m.	Quinn D.
		Bryson S.
	12:00 p.m.	Nolan C.
		Emelia C.
Extraordinary I	Ministers of Holy	/ Communion:
	5:00 p.m.	Group 3
	8:00 a.m.	Group 3
	10:00 a.m.	Group 3
	12:00 p.m.	Group 3
Lectors:	5:00 p.m.	Beth S.
	8:00 a.m.	Lu Anne C.
	10:00 a.m.	Ted S.
	12:00 p.m.	Linda S.
Ushers:	5:00 p.m.	Group 5C
	8:00 a.m.	Group 8D
	10:00 a.m.	Group 10C
	12:00 p.m.	Group 12A
Collection Co.	Interne August 2	

Collection Counters: August 26 Group 2

Sanctuary Cleaners: Becky Swender and Barb Longoria

STEWARDSHIP

For the weekend of August 18, 2024

Adults (276 gifts Including online giving):	\$16,644.43
Loose Cash:	\$626.00
Total:	\$17,270.43
Other Gifts Received	
Education Trust Fund:	\$186.00
Building Fund:	\$475.00
Tuition Scholarship Fund:	\$72.00

Our weekly average since July 1, 2024 is \$18,708.53. If we continue to keep this average, we will not meet our budgeted goal.

BE A PART OF OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

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ST. JOSEPH PARISH CALENDAR	ARISH CALI	ENDAR			SEP	SEPTEMBER
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Masses: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and Noon	2 No Mass Labor Day	3 No Mass	4 No Mass	5 8:30 a.m. Mass	6 8:30 a.m. 1st Friday Mass Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	7 8:30 a.m. Benediction and 1st Saturday Mass
6:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish	Parish Office Closed		4:00 PM Bible Study (L)		(from after Mass until 8:30 a.m. Benediction on Saturday)	1:00 p.m. Quinceanera 4:00 p.m. Confession 5:00 p.m. Mass
8 Masses: 8:00 a.m 10:00 a.m. and Noon	9 No Mass	10 7:00 p.m. Mass	11 12:05 p.m. Mass	12 8:30 a.m. Mass	13 8:30 a.m. Mass	14
Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast (SH)			Day		Adoration (C) from after Mass until 8:00 p.m.	
<i>Baptisms</i> 6:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish	6:00 p.m. PSC (TL)		4:00 p.m. Bible Study (L) 6:00 p.m. Rel Ed (SH)	6:30 p.m. RCIA (C)	6:00 p.m. Fatima Rosary	4:00 p.m. Confession 5:00 p.m. Mass
15 Masses: 8-00 a m - 10-00 a m and Noon	16 No Mass	17 7:00 p.m. Mass	18 12:05 p.m. Mass	19 8:30 a.m. Mass	20 8:30 a.m. Mass	21
1:00 p.m. 9 th Grade Confirmation meeting (SH)			4:00 p.m. Bible Study (L) 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice (CL)	6:00 p.m. "The Search" (RoR)	Adoration (C) from after Mass until 8:00 p.m.	4:00 p.m. Confession 5:00 p.m. Mass
6:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish			6:00 p.m. K-8 Rel Ed(Sch)			3)
22 Masses: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and Noon	23 No Mass	24 7:00 p.m. Mass	25 12:05 p.m. Mass 4:00 PM Bible Study (L) 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice (CL) 6:00 p.m. Rel Ed (Sch) 6:30 p.m. Pin Grade Confirmation Session (Sch)	26 8:30 a.m. Mass 6:00 p.m. 1st Communion parent/child session (SH)	27 8:30 a.m. Mass Adoration (C) from after Mass until 8-00 mm	28 4:00 p.m. Confession 5:00 p.m. Mass Divine Mercy Chaplet
6:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish			7:30 p.m. Youth Group (Rel R)	6:00 p.m. "The Search" (RoR)		
29 Masses: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and Noon	30 No Mass		-* L * -		1*X * X *	
6:00 p.m. Mass in Spanish		ונ	-	-	 	
Abbreviation Key: (L) Library (RR) Reception Room (RoR) Reception overflow Room (C) Church (CL) Choir Loft (SH) Social Hall/Cafeteria (TL) Teacher's Lounge	brary (RR) Reception Re	oom (RoR) Reception o	verflow Room (C) Chure	ch (CL) Choir Loft (SH)	Social Hall/Cafeteria (TL)	Teacher's Lounge

Events on this calendar can change without notice.

(G) Gym (K) Kitchen (Sch) School (CH) K C Hall (KC) Knights of Columbus (RCIA) Rite of Christian Initiation for <u>A</u>dults (RE) Religious Education (Rel R) Religion Room



The Continuing Legacy of the Reformation in the United States

As Catholics living in a historically Protestant country, it can be challenging to find our way.

In this talk, Catholic history author Phillip Campbell unpacks how the Reformation has shaped the development of the United States and its institutions—and continues to do so to this day. The lecture will illustrate how American attitudes towards culture, religion, law, and political power all bear the unmistakable fingerprints of Reformation ideology, with the aim of helping Catholics to get outside of the assumptions bequeathed to us by our Protestant founding so we can better evaluate the ideas we encounter in

American society.

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The Divine Mercy Chaplet



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The Divine Mercy Chaplet is an intercessory prayer that asks the Lord to send His mercy upon us and upon everyone living in the world. It is prayed using the rosary and takes ten minutes to pray. The chaplet is traditionally said during the hour of mercy, the 3:00 pm hour. According to the Diary of St. Faustina, Jesus promised that all who recite this chaplet at the hour of death or in the presence of the dying will receive great mercy. The Vatican has approved Jesus'

promises to St. Faustina regarding the Chaplet, Divine Mercy Sunday; the Divine Mercy picture. You may want to research the many promises of mercy that Jesus made to St. Faustina. The chaplet is an intercessory prayer that extends the offering of the Eucharist so it is especially appropriate to pray it after receiving the Eucharist at Mass.

Please join the Path of Divine Mercy Grief Ministry after the last Saturday Mass each month when the Divine Mercy Chaplet is said for the parishioners who died during the month. This month it will be prayed after mass on **August 31**.

AUGUST 25, 2024

VETERANS MEMORIAL

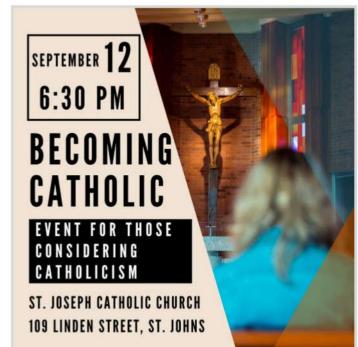
We will be updating the veterans memorial sign that will be placed in front of the school after the construction project is complete.

If you would like to have a name of a loved one who has served in the armed forces added, please call or email the parish office **no later than September 15, 2024**



Enkindle24 is a three-day event where young adults gather to form their minds with practical wisdom from knowledgeable Catholic speakers, receive the grace and mercy of God through Mass and Confession, and discover a deeper Catholic fellowship among their peers.

Young Adult Conference September 27-29, 2024 DeWitt MI Register today https://www.mileschristi.org/event/enkindle/



THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

AUGUST 25, 2024

Just engaged? Congratulations!



Any engaged couple who would like to complete the sacrament of marriage at St. Joseph Church should meet with Fr. Mike at least 9 months before your proposed wedding date. First pick up a white "Holy Matrimony" folder located in the gathering space with all the information about marriage in the Catholic Church. To schedule an appointment to meet as a couple with Fr. Mike, contact the parish office (989) 224 - 8994 or stjosephchurchstjohns@gmail.com)



- 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- St. Joseph School Social Hall
- \$5.00 suggested donation





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