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JANUARY 28, 2024 - FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Hello and Welcome to St. Joseph Parish!

Thank you for joining us today. Blessings! May you have a beautiful day. The St. Joseph Parish family extends a warm welcome to our visitors and new families. We are delighted to have you! If you are a new parishioner, ask one of the ushers for a parish census/registration form. Please complete and drop in the collections basket or bring by the church office during business hours. If we can be of any assistance to you, please let us know. We hope you will find a true home at St. Joseph Church!

RECORD OF OUR STEWARDSHIP

January 21, 2024

RECORD OF OUR FAITHFULNESS

Offertory—\$6,080.00
 Poor Box—\$10.00
 Pennies for Life—\$395.00

**May we open our hearts
 to receive more fully all
 of God’s simple and
 abundant blessings.**

5:00PM—50
 11:00AM—83
Total—133

Blessed Thanks!



Please pray for our sick, shut-ins, those listed in our book of intentions, parishioners residing in nursing homes, and others who have asked for prayers: *Shannon Fikes Bass, Breckin Birge, Tim Boutwell, Barbara Boyd, Dc Bud Bryant, Lee Cole, Anna Crawford, Janie Culpepper, Karen Gossett, Julie Dial Habelmann, Denise Haber, Shirley Hartwick, Carol Hastings, Anna Marie Jacks, David Jackson, Ed Karlovic, Mary Ann Kizer, Pat, Josh, and Jean Lucas, Scott McGeorge, Mary Ellen Miskell, Melissa Ann O’Neill, Helen Pascale, Betty Petrus, Jimmy Rinchuso, Margie Ross, Laurie Stanfield, Terry Vanlandingham, Judy Wilbert, Mary Winkley, and Joseph Wynn.* Please keep them in your prayers in their time of need... And all others in need of our healing prayers. Also, remember the caregivers of the ill.

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In your prayers, also remember the deceased. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord...

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION –Please contact Angelique Ford (870-489-0563) if you would like to spend a quiet hour with our Lord on a Tuesday or Wednesday.

Please notify the parish office when you or relatives are admitted to Jefferson Regional Medical Center. WE CARE!

The Catholic Diocese of Little Rock is committed to protecting children and young people. If you are aware of abuse or have been abused by Clerics, Church volunteers, or Church workers, please contact the State of Arkansas Hotline for Crimes against Children at 1-800-482-5964 and the Chancellor for Canonical Affairs, Dcn. Matthew A. Glover, (501) 664-0340 ext. 361. For pastoral assistance please contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Little Rock: Laura Gottspomer at (501) 664-0340, ext. 425. Diocese of Little Rock, 2500 N. Tyler Street, Little Rock, AR 72207.

Catholic Daughters will meet Sunday, January 28 immediately following the 11AM Mass in Gallagher Hall. All Catholic women 18 years and older are invited to attend and all members are encouraged to attend.

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR is in need of any canned goods and other non-perishable food items for their pantry. Monetary donations are also accepted. Make checks payable to Neighbor to Neighbor. Please give what you are able as the need is great.

ANNOUNCEMENT: The Arkansas Catholic Men's Conference (ACMC), the annual men's conference held in the Diocese of Little Rock, will be held Saturday, Feb. 10, 2024, at Christ the King Catholic Church in Little Rock. It was founded in 2010 and has featured speakers who impact men's lives with their passion for Christ and His Church. To register for free, visit arcatholicmen.com.

This weekend, our parish will take up the 139th annual National Black and Indian Mission Collection. Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. Schools, parish religious education programs, and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ! Our diocese also received \$29,200 in grant funding from this collection last year. Please be as generous as possible. Thank you!

Knights of Columbus will have an Officers and Directors meeting Monday, January 29 at 5:30PM at KC Hall. All officers and directors should try to attend.

St. Joseph Church needs your help in our music department. Singing is not difficult. It just requires a bit of courage. (1 Corinthians 2:5) You can make a difference! Why not call the parish office (534-4701) to find out more.

There are many dates in 2024, starting with February 12th, open for Mass Intentions. You can have a mass said for persons living or deceased, Catholic or non-Catholic. Makes a great birthday or anniversary gift for only \$10.00 per mass. Please contact the parish office for additional information or to schedule a mass.

ENTER PHOTO CONTEST - Arkansas Catholic's annual photo contest seeks an outstanding image to grace the cover of the 2025 Catholic Diocese of Little Rock Directory. Any Arkansas photographer 18 or older, professional or amateur, can enter their photo of a Catholic church or institution in the diocese. The entry deadline is March 18. Complete rules and an official entry form are available on the Arkansas Catholic website, arkansas-catholic.org. For more information, contact Emily Roberts by email to eroberts@dolr.org.

This week in our parish

Sun Jan 28 *FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

9:30-10:40AM P.R.E. (K thru 12th Grades)

11:00AM *Int Janet Utley* (Church)

12:00PM CDA Meeting (G Hall)

Mon Jan 29

8:00AM *†Margaret Hulse* (Church)

5:30PM KC Officers/Directors Mtg (KC Hall)

6:00PM R.C.I.A. (Office Kitchen)

Tue Jan 30

8:00AM *No Daily Mass*

9:30AM Scripture Study (Ed Bldg)

10:30AM Domino Group (Ed Bldg)

Wed Jan 31 ST JOHN BOSCO, PRIEST

5:30PM *†Dan Brambl* (Church)

Thu Feb 1

8:00AM *Int JoAnn McGeorge* (Church)

5:30PM Altar Society Meeting (G Hall)

Fri Feb 2 THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

8:00AM *Int Theresa Lowrimore* (Church)

Sat Feb 3 St Blaise, Bishop and Martyr

St Ansgar, Bishop

9:00AM First Saturday Mass

Int Shannon Bass

4-4:45PM Confessions Heard Today (Church)

5:00PM *†St Joseph Parishioners* (Church)

6:00PM CDA Souper Bowl Fundraiser (G Hall)

Sun Feb 4 *FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

9:30-10:40AM P.R.E. (K thru 12th Grades)

11:00AM *†Janice Turchi* (Church)

12:00PM CDA Souper Bowl Fundraiser (G Hall)

“Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties.”

~1 Corinthians 7:32

How much anxiety do we bring upon ourselves by constantly worrying about not having enough or attaining more things? God won't necessarily give you everything you want, but He will provide everything you need. Try this – use the word “pray” instead of the word “worry” in the future. Then spend your time praying instead of worrying.

Don't forget the First Saturday Mass, February 3 at 9:00AM in the church.

The next session of the Grief Support class 'A New Day' will begin Saturday, February 17th at 10:30AM in the Education Building Rm 215. Contact Lisa Boccarossa 870-718-8081 or email chickpeathree@msn.com for questions and registration

St. Joseph Altar Society will meet Thursday, February 1 at 5:30PM in Gallagher Hall. All members and any interested parishioners are invited and encouraged to attend.

HELP OUR MARRIAGE.ORG - Are you facing difficult challenges in your marriage relationship? Retrouvaille is a program that helps couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. Primarily, it is a practical program to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It is a Christian marriage program, Catholic in origin, where couples of all faiths or no faith background are encouraged to attend. Our next Weekend will be February 23-25, 2024 at St. John's Center in Little Rock. To register: www.helpourmarriage.org. For more information, call 1-800-470-2230 or contact the Family Life Office at 501-664-0340 for more information.