

Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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Father Andrew Royals, Pastor

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 30, 2023

CCD Information – Please contact the Rectory Office

Parish Secretary – Mrs. Nancy M. Russell

Rectory Office Hours: 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday

Sunday Masses: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses: 8:00 a.m. Monday, Tuesday (Latin), Wednesday and Friday

Saturday Evening Mass: 5:00 p.m. (Fulfills Sunday Obligation)

Confessions:

Sunday:

7:25 a.m. to 7:50 a.m.—Before and after 8 a.m. Mass

9:35 a.m. to 9:50 a.m.—Before 10 a.m. Mass

5:35 p.m. to 5:50 p.m.—Before 6 p.m. Mass

6:50 p.m.—Immediately following 6:00 p.m. Mass

Mon., Tues., Wed. & Fri.:

7:00 a.m. to 7:30 a.m.—Before 8 a.m. Mass (school days)

7:25 a.m. to 7:50 a.m.—Before 8 a.m. Mass (non-school days)

8:35 a.m. to 8:50 a.m. — After 8 a.m. Mass

4:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Sat.:

4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.—Immediately prior to Mass

The Church is Open for prayer and adoration

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from

6 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Baptisms: Please call the Rectory to make

arrangements. Parents must be practicing Catholics in this Parish or able to provide a letter of permission from the proper parish for Baptism here. Godparents, if not St. Joseph parishioners, must provide a letter that they meet the requirements: a practicing Catholic, at least 16 years old, have received Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion and, if married, in a marriage recognized by the Catholic Church.

Marriages: Please contact the Pastor prior to making wedding arrangements.

Anointing of the Sick: Those hospitalized or home-bound to receive the Sacraments, call the Rectory.

From Father's Desk

My Dear Parish,

This Friday is the feast of Saint John Vianney. He is the patron saint of parish priests. So, that makes him your pastor's patron saint. As well as the patron saint of all of the pastors all around. It's a great day to pray for those men who have played such an important role in our lives.

The role of a parish priest, as modeled by Saint John Vianney, is to love the souls entrusted to his care with the love of the heart of Jesus Christ. This is an immense responsibility—too big for him to think that he could dare to undertake on his own. There is no way your pastor would pretend to have the boldness to assume that he could love you with such love if it were not for the complete and utter transfiguration of his own heart which was given to him sacramentally at his ordination.

The priest is ordained to point the way for souls out of the darkness of loss, damnation and despair and into the way of peace and life. The priest is equipped with certain spiritual powers which enable him to do just that, to rescue souls from the jaws of hell—winning them for Christ, in the person of Christ, the head of the Church who went first into the realm of the dead to bind the powers of the evil one and rescue all of the holy ones.

We really experience this salvation through our participation in sacraments, which keeps us coming, frequently to our parish priest. From him we receive baptism, reconciliation and holy communion. By his priestly intercession he wins for us the grace and protection from God to see ourselves through the challenges of this life.

Pray for your pastor on Friday—and for all parish priests, that we strive daily to prove ourselves worthy of accepting this holy calling.

With paternal affection,

Fr. Drew

<i>Mass Intentions for July 31st through August 6th</i>		
Monday	8 a.m.	William Seath
Tuesday	8 a.m.	Father Robert Guillen
Wednesday	8 a.m.	Marie Vallandingham Rowe
Friday	8 a.m.	Karen Powell (Living)
Saturday	5 p.m.	Carole "Donie" Alvey
Sunday	8 a.m.	Marianna and Jocelyn Araujo and Teresa Araujo
	10 a.m.	Gloria Herrera
	6 p.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>

July 23, 2023 Offertory – \$2,721.00 Thank you for your generosity.

Please pray for those who are sick in our parish, especially Barbara Watson, Phyllis Pilkerton, Sarah Hancock, Paul Howe, Billy Joe Hill, Annie T. Nelson, Steve Morgan, Joseph Tippet, Yvonne Lennon, John Hunt, Kathy Norris, Larry Miller, John Campbell, Max Long, Gailann White, Nancy Russell, Georgia Nelson, William Holt, James Davis and Frank Hill.