

# 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT



## Saint Joseph Catholic Church

Church: 400 East Simpson Street  
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055-6507

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### MISSION STATEMENT: Saint Joseph Parish, Mechanicsburg PA

Like our Patron, Saint Joseph, the Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we are called to foster the presence of Christ in all that we say and do. Our mission is to grow disciples for the Lord Jesus Christ.



"All this will be  
yours, if you  
worship me."  
Jesus said to  
him in reply,  
"It is written:  
'You shall  
worship  
the Lord,  
your God,  
and him  
alone shall  
you serve.'"

Luke 4:7, 8

**Reverend Thomas J. Rozman, Pastor**  
**Reverend Kenneth C. Roth, Parochial Vicar**  
**Deacon Steven Auchey**  
**Rudy Geisler, Parish Manager**  
**Rebecca A. Bamberger, School Principal**  
**Justin Myers, Pastoral Musician**  
**Mark Rebuck, Coordinator of Religious Education**  
**Becky Davis, Family Ministries Coordinator**  
**Suzanne Bruzga, Evangelization Coordinator**  
**Mary Vukelich, Communication Coordinator**  
**Parish Advisory Council, [pac@stjosephmech.org](mailto:pac@stjosephmech.org)**

#### Sacrament of Penance

Saturday: 2:15 PM - 3:15 PM

Please notify the parish office when you or a family member has been admitted to the hospital or healthcare facility.

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Please contact the parish office, 717-766-9433, to schedule.

**Common Policy for Baptism:** Parents are encouraged to call the Parish Office to receive a copy of the Parish Baptism Policy containing essential information regarding the required instruction workshop and requirements for sponsors.

**Sponsor Certificates:** Letters of recommendation for sponsors of the Sacraments can be issued only to active members of the Parish who are registered in the Parish and receiving the Sacraments.

#### Sacrament of Matrimony (Marriage)

**Common Policy:** It is necessary for a couple to contact the priests NINE TO TWELVE MONTHS prior to the anticipated time of the wedding. (It is recommended to contact the parish priest as soon as a formal engagement is decided.)

**Sacrament of Anointing:** Call any parish priest as soon as there is any serious illness.

**Holy Communion to the Sick:** When a parishioner is confined to home because of illness, advanced age, or infirmity, please call the office and arrangements will be made to take Holy Communion to the person.

**Masses:** Saturday: 4:00 PM (fulfills Sunday Obligation)  
5:30 PM Outdoor Mass  
Sunday: 8:00 AM, 9:45 AM (ASL), 11:30 AM  
Weekday/Holy Days: As listed in bulletin

**Parish Office:** 410 E. Simpson St.  
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055-6507

**Parish Office Hours:**  
Monday - Thursday 9:45 AM - 4:00 PM  
Friday 9:45 AM - Noon

#### Telephone Numbers:

Parish Office:	717-766-9433
Video Phone for the Deaf:	717-610-0326
Mass & Confession Times:	717-766-8032
School:	717-766-2564
School FAX:	717-766-1226
Religious Education:	717-766-2472
Trinity High School:	717-761-1116

**Masses & Events for the Week + Mass in American Sign Language ASL**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 5 - VIGIL FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

**ANOIDING OF THE SICK AFTER ALL MASSES HELD IN THE CHURCH THIS WEEKEND**

New Hope Food Collection All Weekend (Narthex)

4:00 PM † Irene Gohrig (Barrella)

5:30 PM Special Intention

**SUNDAY, MARCH 6 - FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT** (Deuteronomy 26:4-10; Romans 10:8-13; Luke 4:1-13)

8:00 AM † Carmella Cribari (Cribari)

9:30 AM RCIA (Lee Horan Rm.)

9:30 AM Preschool/Kindergarten REP (Parish Life & Ed. Ctr.)

+9:45 AM † Vernon Poplaski (Smith)

11:30 AM People of the Parish Living and Deceased

12:30 PM Eucharistic Adoration (Church)

12:45 PM Anointing of the Sick (Church)

3:00 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)

3:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 195 Court of Honor (Brindle Hall)

4:00 PM Evening Prayer/Benediction (Church)

6:00 PM Bible Study (Lee Horan Rm.)

**MONDAY, MARCH 7 - LENTEN WEEKDAY; SAINTS PERPETUA AND FELICITY, MARTYRS**

(Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18; Matthew 25:31-46)

9:00 AM † Giuseppa Epifanotto (Piccolo)

4:15 PM REP Grades 1-8 (Parish Life & Ed. Ctr.)

4:15 PM REP Grade 6 (Brindle Hall)

4:30 PM Alpha (Lee Horan Rm.)

5:45 PM Cherub Choir Rehearsal (Parish Life & Ed. Ctr. Music Rm.)

6:30 PM REP Grades 1-8 (Parish Life & Ed. Ctr.)

6:30 PM Alpha (Lee Horan Rm.)

**TUESDAY, MARCH 8 - LENTEN WEEKDAY; SAINT JOHN OF GOD, RELIGIOUS** (Isaiah 55:10-11; Matthew 6:7-15)

9:00 AM † Pat Regan (Schweitz)

9:30 AM Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)

10:00 AM Leisure Club Steering Committee Mtg. (Brindle Hall)

6:30 PM Cub Scout Pack 195 Mtg. (Parish Life & Ed. Ctr. - Saint Joseph Hall)

7:00 PM Knights of Columbus Mtg. (Lee Horan Rm.)

7:00 PM Alpha (Zoom)

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9 - LENTEN WEEKDAY; SAINT FRANCES OF ROME, RELIGIOUS**

(Jonah 3:1-10; Luke 11:29-32)

9:00 AM † Robert Zamboni (Bankes)

10:00 AM Bible Study (Brindle Hall)

6:00 PM REP High School (Lee Horan Rm.)

6:30 PM Legion of Mary (John Paul II Rm.)

7:00 PM Columbiettes Mtg. (Brindle Hall)

7:00 PM Bible Study (Zoom)

**THURSDAY, MARCH 10 - LENTEN WEEKDAY** (Esther C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Matthew 7:7-12)

9:00 AM † Francis Spina (Spina)

10:00 AM Abiding Together (Lee Horan Rm./Zoom)

6:00 PM SJS Education Board Mtg. (Parish Life & Ed. Ctr.- Rm. 306)

7:00 PM Abiding Together (Lee Horan Rm./Zoom)

**FRIDAY, MARCH 11 - LENTEN WEEKDAY** (Ezekiel 18:21-28; Matthew 5:20-26)

9:00 AM † Conrad Dougherty (Dougherty)

10:30 AM Prayer Shawl Mtg. (Lee Horan Rm.)

12:00 PM Lenten Speaker Series (Brindle Hall)

12:00 PM Senior Leadership Team Mtg. (John Paul II Rm.)

1:00 PM Stations of the Cross (Church)

6:00 PM Lenten Speaker Series (Brindle Hall)

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross (Church)

7:30 PM Holy Hour of Adoration (Church)

8:30 PM Benediction (Church)

8:30 PM Young Adult Prayer and Game Night (Brindle Hall)

**SATURDAY, MARCH 12 - LENTEN WEEKDAY** (Deuteronomy 26:16-19; Matthew 5:43-48)

6:15 AM That Man Is You (Brindle Hall)

9:00 AM Alpha (Zoom)

2:15 PM Confessions (Church)

**SATURDAY, MARCH 12 - VIGIL SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

Silence of Mary Collection and Easter Egg Sale - After all Weekend Masses

4:00 PM † Donald Kreamer (Kreamer)

5:00 PM Family Game Night (Brindle Hall)

5:30 PM † Rose Hricisak (Henken)

**SUNDAY, MARCH 13 - SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT** (Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18; Philippians 3:17-4:1; Luke 9:28b-36)

8:00 AM People of the Parish Living and Deceased

9:30 AM Preschool/Kindergarten REP (Parish Life & Ed. Ctr.)

+9:45 AM † Patricia Regan (Flor)

11:30 AM † Gordon Jahn (McKim)

1:00 PM Sacrament of Baptism (Church)

6:00 PM Cub Scout Pack 195 (Parish Life & Ed. Ctr. - Saint Joseph Hall)

6:00 PM Bible Study (Lee Horan Rm.)

**WELCOME**

**Join us for Mass!** Our daily Masses are offered at 9:00 AM and are livestreamed. Our weekend Mass schedule: Vigil Mass, Saturdays 4:00 PM in the Church & 5:30 PM outdoor Mass (the outdoor Mass can be heard on your car radio FM 95.5, when the Mass is in the parking lot); Sundays, 8:00 AM, 9:45 AM (ASL and livestreamed) and 11:30 AM. All Masses in the Church can be heard from the Church parking lot on your car radio (FM 95.5). Our livestream is available via on our website, Facebook or YouTube channels. All are welcome!!!



Anointing of the Sick will take place after all Masses that are held in the church this weekend.



**Offertory Gifts**

Since our diocese has lifted all COVID restrictions, we have resumed having people from the congregation bring the gifts up to the Altar at the Offertory. Ushers will ask people, and folks will then have the option of accepting or declining. Please know that you are more than welcome to seek out an usher and ASK to bring up the gifts if that's something you and your family would like to do!

**We Remember**

**ALTAR CANDLES:** In loving memory of Barbara and Vincent Misiti with love from your family.

**AMBO CANDLES:** In loving memory of Barbara and Vincent Misiti with love from your family.

**RED SANCTUARY CANDLE:** In loving memory of Barbara and Vincent Misiti with love from your family.

**TABERNACLE CANDLES:** In loving memory of Barbara and Vincent Misiti with love from your family.

Please note: no flowers during Lent.

\$140 Donation for Tabernacle, \$70 Altar, Ambo, Divine Mercy, and Word of God Flowers, \$10 Donation for candles, \$5 Donation for Pro-Life Rose

Information on our website: [www.stjosephmech.org](http://www.stjosephmech.org) or call the Parish Office: 717-766-9433



**THIS Weekend Music Ministry**

4:00 PM Organ/Cantor

8:00 AM Organ/Cantor

9:45 AM Cherub Choir

11:30 AM Sanctuary Choir



**NEXT Weekend Music Ministry**

4:00 PM Organ/Cantor

8:00 AM Organ/Cantor

9:45 AM Sanctuary Choir

11:30 AM Organ/Cantor

**Rest in Peace**

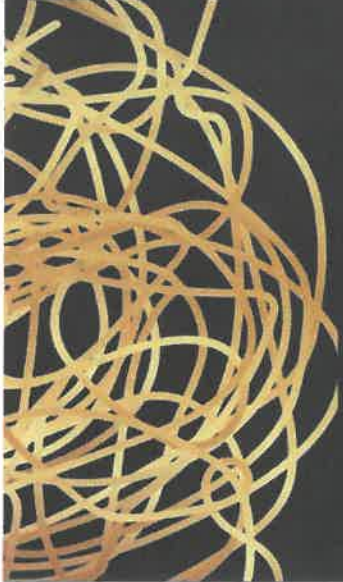
Please pray for those who have recently died, may they rest in peace. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let thy perpetual light shine upon them. And may the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

**WE REMEMBER:**

James J. Hoellman Sr., father of James J. Hoellman Jr.



**PARISH  
TRANSFORMATION**



# life is *Messy*

Matthew Kelly, in his book *Life Is Messy*, makes a bold statement: "There is no future without forgiveness." That's true whether we need to give forgiveness or receive it. Kelly also admits that forgiveness isn't easy. "It requires divine assistance." (p. 126)

The prayer presented here is by Matthew Kelly. It gives us a way to ask God for help taking the next right step towards forgiveness.

And of course as Catholic Christians we are blessed with the Sacrament of Reconciliation in which we find complete forgiveness, and the healing that helps us forgive others.

This Lent is the perfect time for forgiveness; for untangling some of life's messiness. Are you ready for the next right step? "*Behold, now is a very acceptable time...*" 2 Cor 6:2

*Jesus*  
brings peace

Sacrament of Reconciliation - Saturdays 2:15 - 3:15 PM

Parish Lenten Penance Service - Sunday April 10 at 2 PM

The complete West Shore Penance Service Schedule can be found at  
[stjosephmech.org/lent](http://stjosephmech.org/lent).

Spirit of God,

At this time,

I am unable or unwilling to forgive.

I know not which.

Fill me with the wisdom of forgiveness.

Bring me to the beautiful truth

that forgiving others is part of my own healing.

Cleanse me of the poison of unforgiveness.

Shine light so I can see how unforgiveness

affects my physical, emotional, and spiritual health.

Today,

I am unable or unwilling to forgive.

I know not which.

Just give me the desire to forgive.

Just the desire.

This is all I ask today.

Give me the desire to forgive.

For I know, trust, and believe,

that if you place the desire to forgive

firmly in my heart,

that desire will grow,

and the day will come

when I am both willing and able to forgive.

Amen.



**Saint  
Joseph  
School**



Saint Joseph 2nd graders recently attended a presentation on bullying and learned about the types of bullying they and others may face in their lives. The "BULLYING HURTS" program, presented by the Susan Byrnes Health Education Center, focused on self confidence and conflict-solving skills. This program was made possible thanks to the generosity of the Rotary Club of Mechanicsburg.



**Grocery and Scrip Card Program:** Please consider purchasing grocery and scrip cards from Saint Joseph School. It is a very simple way to earn money for our scholarship program by making purchases you would be making anyway. In-stock scrip and grocery cards are available to purchase in the office Monday-Friday from 7:30 AM-2:15 PM. Online ordering options are available at <https://www.sjsmch.org/grocery-and-scrip-program>.



**Named Scholarships:** Help a deserving student attend Trinity and honor someone special by establishing a Named Scholarship. An individual, company, or organization may establish a Named Scholarship with a designated annual contribution of \$500 or more. The commitment is for one academic year. Donors may choose to name the scholarship for themselves, for their families, or in honor or memory of others (e.g., "The Smith Family Scholarship," "In Memory of John Smith," "Knights of Columbus"). All Named Scholarships are awarded to students who have demonstrated financial need through the Diocese of Harrisburg and Trinity High School's grant and aid application process. All recipient names are kept confidential. To participate, call Trinity 717-761-1116. Thank you for your support!

#### **Saint Joseph School Gertrude Hawk Easter Candy Sale**

Help support Saint Joseph School and get some great tasting Easter candy from Gertrude Hawk! The sale is completely contactless – place your order online to be shipped directly to your house. To order, go to <https://fundraising.gertrudehawkchocolates.com/>, click the "I Am A Buyer" button. The click the "Start Shopping" button under "Find a Fundraiser". You will then be prompted to "Choose an Organization" enter code 727682. Once the Organization name is populated, click "Next", to the right of the entry field. The "Choose a Seller" block will then become active and you can begin typing in the name of the Seller (Saint Joseph). Once your Seller Name is populated, click "Get Started". Thank you for your support!

#### **Weekly Stewardship Report: February 27, 2022**

##### **Regular Sunday Offerings:**

**Weekly Goal** \$ 26,731.00

##### **Actual Basket Offerings -**

**Weekend Offerings (envelopes & loose)** \$ 17,009.00

**Electronic Check - Bill Payer** \$ 5,770.00

**Online Thru WeShare** \$ 7,973.00

**Total Offerings** \$ 30,752.00

**Comparison Prior Year - February 28, 2021** \$ 26,425.00

##### **Additional Offerings:**

**Black & Indian/Poor Missions** \$ 90.00

**Propagation of the Faith** \$ 145.00

**Capital Improvements** \$ 1,042.00

**"Building Disciples, Sharing Gifts"**

*Thank you for your continued generosity.*



Our Hospitality Ministry is excited to connect with our Prayer Shawl Ministry who are greeting at all the Masses on **March 5 and 6**. Thank you!

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry meets on the second Friday of the month in the Lee Horan Room. Questions? Contact Jan Kavanagh at 717-697-5868! All are welcome!

We encourage other ministries to sign-up to greet one weekend a month, a quarter or annually. For Hospitality Ministry information please contact Marlene Steinour [tinysteiny75@gmail.com](mailto:tinysteiny75@gmail.com) or 717-712-9457.

#### **Family Game Night**

**Saturday, March 12, from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM in Brindle Hall.** Supper will be provided! Bring your favorite board games and the whole family to gather for food and fellowship, after the Saturday 4:00 PM Mass. Families of all ages and stages welcome.



Dear Parishioners:

Cross Catholic Outreach wishes to thank you for the welcome you extended to Father Frank Iacona when he visited your parish the weekend of February 19/20. On behalf of the poorest of the poor, we thank you for having shared in their lives. May our Lord continue to bless all of you for your love and support.



**From Clay Keefer, Grand Knight of our Knights of Columbus:** Thanks to the generosity of our own Saint Joseph parishioners, Council #12788 was able to donate \$3000 from the Bingo proceeds towards the purchase of three ultrasound machines. I myself and the Knights of Columbus want to personally thank Saint Joseph clergy, staff and school for the use of their facility in making this a huge success beyond our wildest dreams!





**Questions?**  
**Contact Mary Vukelich at**  
**[communications@stjosephmech.org](mailto:communications@stjosephmech.org)**

**Our Church is meant to journey together in faith;  
to share our experiences with each other,  
to listen to and encourage one another,  
to work together to build God's Kingdom.**

Is that your experience? What does the Holy Spirit have to say to us about how we can journey together as a Church?

Over the next several months, Catholics across the globe will be discussing these questions and documenting our thoughts. Our parish, our Bishop, and our Pope will receive documents influenced by our voices. We will gain a broad sense of what it's like to be a part of Christ's Church today. And if we are receptive to the promptings of the Spirit, we will discover new ways to draw closer to the Lord... *together*.

## **PARISH GATHERING: SATURDAY, MARCH 26... Join us!**

All of the topics for **In This Together** are listed on the back of this flyer. At our parish gathering there will be time for each attendee to participate in discussion of TWO of these topics.

You can register online at [stjosephmech.org/march-26-registration](http://stjosephmech.org/march-26-registration) or using the form on the back of this flyer.

<b>Time</b>	<b>Agenda Item</b>
8 AM	Mass (optional) in Church
9 AM	Arrival; coffee & donuts in Brindle Hall
9:15 AM	Gathering Prayer Introduction
9:25 AM	Small group discussion #1
10:00 AM	Small group discussion #2
10:35 AM	Large group feedback & listening
11 AM	Closing Prayer & Dismissal

Please note that anyone can send comments on ANY/ALL topics directly to the Harrisburg diocese via the "Virtual Auditorium" at [www.hbgdiocese.org/synod-2021-2023](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/synod-2021-2023).

**March 26 registration on reverse side. Submit registration to Mary at the Parish Office or drop it in the collection basket at Mass.**

## IN THIS TOGETHER-MARCH 26TH PARISH GATHERING REGISTRATION FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Do you require childcare in order to attend?** Yes No

**Please mark your TOP TWO choices of discussion topic:**

\_\_\_\_\_ **No preference;** I will participate in any small group.

\_\_\_\_\_ **COMPANIONS ON THE JOURNEY:** How are we called to grow as companions? What groups or individuals might be left on the margins?

\_\_\_\_\_ **LISTENING:** How is God speaking to us through voices we sometimes ignore? How well do we listen to those on the fringes?

\_\_\_\_\_ **SPEAKING OUT:** What enables or hinders speaking up courageously, candidly, and responsibly in our local Church and in society?

\_\_\_\_\_ **CELEBRATION:** How do liturgical celebrations inspire our common life, mission in our community, and most important decisions? How do we promote the active participation of all the faithful?

\_\_\_\_\_ **SHARING RESPONSIBILITY FOR OUR COMMON MISSION:** What hinders the baptized from being active in the mission of the Church? What areas of mission need more attention?

\_\_\_\_\_ **DIALOGUE IN CHURCH & SOCIETY:** To what extent do diverse peoples in our community come together for dialogue? What are the means of dialogue within our local Church?

\_\_\_\_\_ **ECUMANISM:** How do we journey together with members of other Christian traditions and denominations? What are the fruits and difficulties of journeying together?

\_\_\_\_\_ **AUTHORITY & PARTICIPATION:** How does our Church community identify the goals to be pursued, the way to reach them, and the steps to be taken? How are teamwork and co-responsibility put into practice?

\_\_\_\_\_ **DISCERNING & DECIDING:** How does our Church community use consultation or discernment in decision-making processes? How can we grow in communal spiritual discernment?

\_\_\_\_\_ **FORMING OURSELVES IN "SYNODALITY":** How does our Church community form people for journeying together, listening to one another, and participating in mission?



# Walking With God

A Musical Pilgrimage  
along the Camino de Santiago

**Saturday, March 26 at 7:00 PM in our Church!**

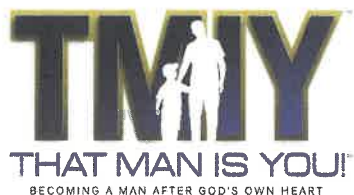
The Messiah University Concert Choir and Chamber Singers will be performing on Saturday, March 26 at 7:00 PM here in our church. The choirs, under the direction of Dr. Joy Meade, will be singing a diverse program of both sacred and secular works as they prepare for their upcoming tour to Spain this May.

Our own Sanctuary Choir will open the concert with a few selections, and the concert will conclude with both choirs singing the WORLD PREMIERE of an anthem based on the hymn "O God Beyond All Praising". This anthem, written by Dr. Robert Lau, was commissioned by the Sanctuary Choir in honor of Father Rozman's 35th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination.



Admission is FREE, but a free-will offering will be taken to help the University students offset their tour costs.

Contact: [pastoralmusician@stjosephmech.org](mailto:pastoralmusician@stjosephmech.org) or 717-766-9433



#### PROGRAM INFORMATION

SATURDAY, 19 MARCH 2022

7:30 AM - 3:00 PM

BRINDLE HALL

BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PROVIDED

ADMISSION IS FREE!

(FREE WILL OFFERING ACCEPTED)

#### SPEAKERS:



STEVE BOLLMAN

PRESIDENT,  
PARADISUS DEI



FR. DON CALLOWAY

AUTHOR  
CONSECRATION TO  
SAINT JOSEPH

# SAINT JOSEPH PARISH MEN'S LENTEN RETREAT

#### DISCOVER:

- What it means to be a man, the essential question for every man.
- That to be a man means embracing the sacrifice asked by God the Father for the sake of the bride.
- The mystery of Adam and what it reveals in our own hearts, as we battle Satan over the bride. The battle occurs in each man's heart.
- The mercy at the heart of a father. You were created to be rich in mercy. So why is practicing mercy so hard?
- How to dispel the darkness of the world. We have to consider the light of Christ through the life of Saint Joseph in Nazareth. The pathway to Manhood is simple ... it's just not easy!
- Saint Joseph, the patron of the Holy Catholic Church, the patron of families and the patron of fathers. Saint Joseph is a powerful intercessor who can help men grow in holiness and become heroic men of Christ. Men need Saint Joseph in their corner!
- This Manhood Retreat will take you on a journey to answer that question, through five video segments and discussion.

#### SCHEDULE:

- 0715 - Welcome
- 0730 - Breakfast (Provided)
- 0830 - Holy Rosary (Joyful Mysteries)
- 0900 - Mass in the Church
- 0945 - Session 1 Manhood: To Be a Man
- 1030 - Session 2 Manhood: The First Man
- 1115 - Session 3 Manhood: To Be Rich In Mercy
- 1200 - Lunch (Provided)
- 1300 - Session 4 Manhood: A Light In the Darkness
- 1400 - Session 5 Consecration to Saint Joseph
- 1445 - Reflection, Closing and Blessing
- 1500 - Retreat Ends

#### REGISTRATION:

Contact Tony Devlin:  
[thedevlinfamily@yahoo.com](mailto:thedevlinfamily@yahoo.com) / 717-991-3800

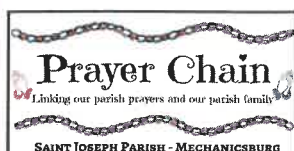
Please let us know how many people will attend so we can plan for food.







No matter how far we've fallen, the merciful Heart of the Father continues to pursue us with His unfailing love. What a great Lenten message! Join your That Man Is You brothers in Brindle Hall this Saturday morning at 6:15 because our pathway is clear: We must transform our homes into schools of love. TMIV is a men's program to transform yourself, your family and greater society. Food and fellowship are part of the program! Contact Tony Devlin at [thedeclinfamily@yahoo.com](mailto:thedeclinfamily@yahoo.com) for information.



### Join your prayers with others in our Lenten Prayer Chain!

Beginning Ash Wednesday we will collect the intentions and prayers of gratitude from our parishioners and link them together to form a prayer chain. Last summer we linked over 900 prayers in a paper chain that was displayed in the rear of the church. A powerful witness to the importance of prayer in our parish community!

Strips of paper will be available in baskets in the church narthex to write your prayer(s). All prayers will be copied and then placed in the Altar of Repose at a future date. You can also add a prayer to the chain by visiting our parish website [www.stjosephmech.org/lent](http://www.stjosephmech.org/lent). Your prayer will be written on a strip of paper by a parish staff member and added to the chain. We thank the Saint Joseph Columbiettes who are supporting this special ministry by supplying the strips of paper, the time to assemble the chain and their prayers. For additional information, contact Suzanne Bruzga, Coordinator of Evangelization by email at: [evangelization@stjosephmech.org](mailto:evangelization@stjosephmech.org).



We adore you, O Christ,  
and we bless you.  
Because by Your Holy Cross  
You have redeemed the world.

### Stations of the Cross - Fridays During Lent

Join us in the Church as we pray the Stations of the Cross on March 11, 18, 25, April 1 and 8, at 1:00 PM and again at 7:00 PM.

Our School Students will be attending the 1:00 PM Stations starting April 1.

Following the 7:00 PM Stations, we will have Adoration with our Eucharistic Lord. Benediction is at 8:30 PM. **All are welcome!**

### SILENCE OF MARY COLLECTION

Next weekend, March 12/13, the Columbiettes will be collecting items for the Silence of Mary Home. They currently need: toilet paper, large size: shampoo, conditioner, lotion, shower gel, toothpaste, toothbrushes, washcloths and small sized personal hygiene items: shampoo, body lotion and body wash. Gift cards are also appreciated. Carts will be in the Narthex for your donations. Questions? Call Mary Ann at 717-766-6316. **Thank you in advance for your generosity!**



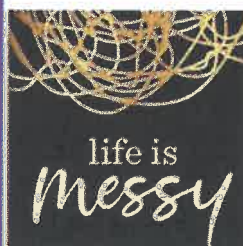
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podcast app  
(iTunes, Stitcher, Spotify, etc.)  
or by visiting  
[www.abidingtogetherpodcast.com](http://www.abidingtogetherpodcast.com).

## Abiding Together Women's Group

Each Thursday morning in the Lee Horan room at 10:00 AM and again in the evening at 7:00 PM, amazing women like you are gathering in-person and via Zoom to accompany and support each other as we grow in faith. We discuss an episode of Abiding Together, and how the ideas presented help us draw closer to Christ. The topics are all stand-alone, so you can participate as your schedule permits.

Contact Becky at [familyministries@stjosephmech.org](mailto:familyministries@stjosephmech.org) for location information, zoom link, or to learn more!

## Lenten Speaker Series



Fridays in Lent, 6:00 PM in Brindle Hall

Each week over a pizza supper, a speaker will share their personal story of how God has been at work in their unique, wonderful, messy life. Please register by emailing Becky at [familyministries@stjosephmech.org](mailto:familyministries@stjosephmech.org) or registering on the Saint Joseph parish website. Copies of the book are still available at the Parish Office.

### Friday, March 11, 12:00 PM

At lunch we will have a recording of Steven and Alyssa Morisani sharing how God has been at work in their lives. Between the laundry, dishes, cooking, cleaning, homework, football, cross country, basketball, soccer, track, wrestling, and baseball, life is messy! Through it all, there is love, there is forgiveness, and they wouldn't change a thing.

### Friday, March 11, 6:00 PM

For Supper we welcome Paul and Shelley Zabroske (and Timmy!) Paul will share his story of being a 40+ year blessed husband of Shelley, father of six, cradle Catholic, sinner and child of God.

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### Friday March 11<sup>th</sup>

Speaker 6:00 – 7:00  
Stations 7:00 – 7:30  
Holy Hour 7:30 – 8:30  
Social Time 8:30 – 10:00

## BENEDICTION & BOARD GAMES



# BAPTISM

The following were welcomed into the family of God through the waters of Baptism here at Saint Joseph in the month of February:

**Harper Klemick**

**Liam Montgomery**

**Thomas Giorgio**

**Kyla Walker**

**Rose Fry**

## LEGION OF MARY WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS



The Legion of Mary is a lay apostolic association of Catholics who, with the sanction of the Church and under the powerful leadership of Mary Immaculate, Mediatrix of All Graces, serve the Church and their neighbor on a voluntary basis in about 170 countries. The object of the Legion of Mary and the Junior Legion of Mary is the glory of God through the holiness of its members developed by prayer and active cooperation, under ecclesiastical guidance, in Mary's and the Church's work of crushing the head of the serpent and advancing the reign of Christ.



We are happy to welcome our newest members, Sharon Auchey and Dave Schlegel pictured with Father Roth, our Spiritual Director, and Lynn Toland, our President.

Our Legion of Mary members meet every Wednesday evening from 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM in the Saint John Paul II room at the Parish Office. If you are interested in more information, stop by a meeting or call the Parish Office at 717-766-9433. All are welcome!

## Lenten Communal Penance Services



**Sunday March 20, 7:00 PM**  
Saint Patrick, Carlisle

**Wednesday March 30, 7:00 PM**  
Our Lady of Lourdes, Enola

**Sunday April 3, 2:00 PM**  
Saint Katharine Drexel, Mechanicsburg

**Tuesday April 5, 7:00 PM**  
Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Mechanicsburg

**Thursday April 7, 7:00 PM**  
Our Lady of Good Counsel, Marysville

**Sunday, April 10, 2:00 PM**  
Saint Joseph, Mechanicsburg

**Sunday April 10, 7:00 PM**  
Saint Theresa, New Cumberland

**Tuesday April 12, 7:00 PM**  
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## Altar Server Training

We are very much in need of Altar Servers, and encourage anyone who is interested in participating in this awesome ministry to contact the Parish Office. All of the of the Covid-19 restrictions have now been lifted, and we would love to have as many Altar Servers as we can. The goal of the parish is to return to having THREE Altar Servers at each of the weekend Masses.

Regardless of whether you're an experienced Altar Server or new, we will be conducting trainings first, so that all of our Altar Servers are up-to-date with the appropriate procedures. This ministry is open to all students who are in third through twelfth grade.

Please email Brenda Perry in our Parish Office ([officemanager@stjosephmech.org](mailto:officemanager@stjosephmech.org)) if you are interested in BECOMING or REMAINING an Altar Server. If you would also include in your response a preferred day of the week and time for the training and also which Mass times you would be willing to serve, that would be appreciated. We are happy to welcome all who wish to serve!

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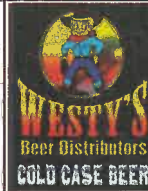
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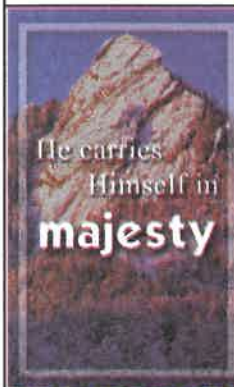
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