

Welcome To

SAINT JOSEPH
CATHOLIC CHURCH



October 29, 2023
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Church

400 E. Simpson St.
www.stjosephmech.org
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

Parish Office

717-766-9433
410 E. Simpson St.
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717-766-2564
420 E. Simpson St.
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WELCOME TO SAINT JOSEPH PARISH!

MASSES AND EVENTS OCTOBER 28-29

Saturday, October 28- Vigil, Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Exodus 22:20-26; 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10; Matthew 22:34-40)

4:00 PM **Mass in Church - People of the Parish Living and Deceased**
After Mass Respect Life, Baby Bottles (Narthex)

Sunday, October 29— Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

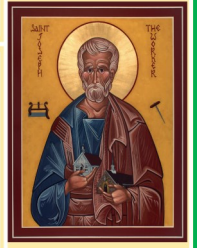
8:00 AM **Mass in Church - † Daniel Masakowski (Sowa)**
9:30 AM RCIA (Lee Horan Rm.)
+9:45 AM **Mass in Church - † Sylvio & Anna Landry (Landry)**
Life and Dignity Mass with Bishop Senior
11:30 AM **Mass in Church - † Irene Gohrig (Barrella)**
11:30 AM Deaf Ministry Bible Study (Little Flower Rm.)
After Masses Respect Life, Baby Bottles (Narthex)
Coffee and Donuts (Brindle Hall)
6:00 PM Bible Study (Lee Horan Rm.)

+ American Sign Language

Don't forget to return
your Baby Bottle!

Mission Statement

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 our Lord Jesus Christ.



MUSIC MINISTRY THIS WEEKEND

4:00 PM **Sanctuary Ringers**
8:00 AM **Organ/Cantor**
9:45 AM **Sanctuary Choir**
11:30 AM **Contemporary**



WELCOME TO SAINT JOSEPH PARISH!

Our Hospitality Ministry is excited to connect with members of our Alpha Alumni who are greeting at some of the Masses this weekend. In addition, members of our Greeter Ministry are also greeting this weekend. Thank you! We encourage other ministries to sign-up to greet. For additional Hospitality Ministry information or to volunteer please contact Marlene Steinour - Tinysteiny75@gmail.com or 717-712-9457.

This Weekend's Candle and Flower Dedications:

ALL CANDLES: In loving memory of Bill Yuknek, from his beloved wife and family.
PRO-LIFE ROSE: In loving memory of Irene Gohring, from, her daughter Mary Ann Barrella
ALL FLOWERS: For the living and deceased members of the Simon and Staub Family.

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 OUR PARISHIONER:

John Diener, husband of Georgianne Diener
Richard Shepps, husband of Joan Shepps

We also Remember

Robert Deluca

Join our Parish: Visit www.stjosephmech.org/parish-registration

Sacrament of Penance: Saturdays at 2:15 PM - 3:15 PM

Please notify the Parish Office when you or a family member has been admitted to a hospital or healthcare facility. In the event of serious illness or injury please contact the Parish Office at 717-766-9433. Holy Communion can be brought to homebound parishioners, please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Baptism: Visit our website for more information:

<https://www.stjosephmech.org/baptism>

Sacrament of Matrimony Common Policy:

It is necessary for a couple to contact the clergy NINE TO TWELVE MONTHS prior to the anticipated date of the wedding.

Parish Info

Parish Office: 717-766-9433

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM - Noon

Bulletin Deadline Mondays by 8:00 AM.

Email submission: bulletin@stjosephmech.org

Phone Numbers

Video Phone for the Deaf: 717-610-0326

Mass & Confession Times: 717-766-8032

Saint Joseph School: 717-766-2564

Religious Education: 717-766-2472

Our Staff

Pastor.....Reverend Thomas J. Rozman
Parochial Vicar.....Reverend Kenneth C. Roth
Deacon.....Deacon Steven Auchey
Parish Manager.....David Maceiko
School Principal.....Rebecca Bamberger
Pastoral Musician.....Justin Myers
Religious Education Coordinator.....Mark Rebuck
Family Ministries Coordinator.....Becky Davis
Youth/Evangelization Coordinator.....Dan Menezes
Communications Coordinator.....Mary Vukelich
Parish Advisory Council.....pac@stjosephmech.org

October 29, 2023

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



JOIN US THIS WEEK FOR MASSES AND EVENTS OCTOBER 30-NOVEMBER 4

Monday, October 30 - Weekday (Romans 8:12-17; Luke 13:10-17)

8:30 AM Mass in Church - ✠ **Andy Bruno (Paruso)**
4:30 PM REP First Session (Parish Life & Ed. Ctr.)
5:45 PM Cherub Choir Rehearsal (Parish Life & Ed. Ctr.)
6:30 PM REP Second Session (Parish Life & Ed. Ctr.)

Tuesday, October 31 - Weekday (Romans 8:18-25; Luke 13:18-21)

6:30 AM Mass in Church - ✠ **Anne Piccirilli**
9:00 AM Parish Manager Deanery Mtg. (Brindle Hall)

Tuesday, October 31 - Vigil Mass All Saints

6:30 PM Mass in Church - People of the Parish Living and Deceased
7:00 PM Eucharistic Revival Committee Mtg. (Brindle Hall)

Wednesday, November 1 - All Saints (Revelation 7:2-4,9-14; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12a)

6:30 AM Mass in Church - ✠ **All Souls**
8:30 AM Mass in Church - ✠ **Helen Krautheim (Devlin)/SJS Students attending**
+6:30 PM Mass in Church - ✠ **All Souls**
6:30 PM Legion of Mary (John Paul II Rm.)

Thursday, November 2 - All Souls' Day, Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (Wisdom 3:1-9; Romans 6:3-9; John 6:37-40)

8:30 AM Mass in Church - ✠ **All Souls**
9:30 AM Visit to Gate of Heaven Cemetery with Prayers for the Dead
9:30 AM Abiding Together (John Paul II Rm.)
7:00 PM Abiding Together (Lee Horan Rm.)
7:00 PM Christmas Fest Mtg. (Brindle Hall)
7:00 PM Finance Council (John Paul II Rm.)

Friday, November 3 - First Friday; Weekday; Saint Martin de Porres, Religious (Romans 9:1-5; Luke 14:1-6)

6:30 AM Mass in Church - ✠ **All Souls**
6:45 PM Mass in Church - ✠ **All Souls**
7:15 PM Holy Hour (Church)
8:15 PM Benediction (Church)

Saturday, November 4 - First Saturday; Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop (Romans 11:1-2a, 11-12,25-29; Luke 14:1,7-11)

6:15 AM That Man Is You (Brindle Hall)
9:00 AM Parish Advisory Council (Brindle Hall/Lee Horan Rm.)
10:00 AM Junior Legion of Mary (John Paul II Rm.)
2:15 PM Confessions (Church)
3:00 PM First Saturday Rosary (Church)

Saturday, November 4 - Vigil, Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary

Time (Malachi 1:14b-2:2b,8-10; 1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9,13; Matthew 23:1-12)

4:00 PM Mass in Church - ✠ **William Yuknek (Yuknek)**
 with Sacrament of Baptism

After Mass Anointing of the Sick (Church)
 Angel Tree; New Hope Food Collection (Narthex)

Sunday, November 5 - Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Mass in Church - ✠ **All Souls**

9:30 AM RCIA (Lee Horan Rm.)

+9:45 AM Mass in Church with CLOW- In honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of John and Phyllis Messinger (Messinger)

11:30 AM Mass in Church - People of the Parish Living and Deceased

11:30 AM Deaf Ministry Bible Study (Little Flower Rm.)

After Masses Anointing of the Sick (Church)
 Angel Tree, New Hope Food Collection (Narthex)
 Coffee and Donuts (Brindle Hall)

1:30 PM Boy Scouts Troop 195 (Parish Life & Ed. Ctr.-Saint Joseph Hall)

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

+ American Sign Language



Mass Schedule for
All Saints Day,
A Holy Day of Obligation

Vigil: Tuesday, October 31 at 6:30 PM

All Saints Day: Wednesday, November 1
at 6:30 AM; 8:30 AM SJS Students
 Attending, and **+6:30 PM (ASL).**

All are welcome!



PROTECTING Life
 Together, through our support of Morning Star Pregnancy Services, we can make a life-saving impact in our community. Pick up a bottle as you leave church today and take it home to fill with coins, bills and/or check (made payable to Morning Star). Your support will give the gift of Life to unborn children and minister to the many women, men and families that come to Morning Star. Learn all the ways Morning Star serves our community at www.SupportMorningStar.com and look for updates in our church communications throughout October. **Full baby bottles can be dropped off at the Parish Office or in the narthex during the weekend Masses.** Thank you so much for your generosity!

MUSIC MINISTRY NEXT WEEKEND

4:00 PM Organ/Cantor
8:00 AM Organ/Cantor
9:45 AM Organ/Cantor
11:30 AM Organ/Cantor

Just in time for All Saints and All Souls Days... Purgatory & Indulgences Explained & Appreciated

There's a classic analogy that has helped generations of Catholics. It's about a boy who is playing where he shouldn't be, and throws a ball that breaks a neighbor's window. The boy sincerely apologizes to the neighbor, and his apology is accepted. But the damage of the broken window remains.

Though not a perfect analogy, this is similar to what our faith teaches us about sin and "temporal punishment" -- the aftermath; the suffering that lingers after we have sinned and been forgiven.



If we die with venial sins unconfessed, or while still dealing with the lingering effects of forgiven sins, we believe that our loving God has provided a path for us to still experience His everlasting love and peace. He has provided a time of "purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven" (CCC 1030). This is called purgatory. The

Catechism emphasizes that purgatory "is entirely different from the punishment of the damned" (CCC 1031). Purgatory is the generous act of a God who wants nothing more than for us, His beloved children, to abide in His goodness for all eternity.

The analogy continues...

The boy's friends and schoolmates gather all their savings, and offer it to help pay for the broken window. They "share the burden", as Saint Paul writes in Galatians 6:2. And their selfless, loving action makes a difference.



Similarly, we are encouraged to make an effort on behalf of the souls in purgatory. These efforts result in what are known as indulgences. As you might expect, some efforts are more significant than others, and therefore carry more weight. Plenary indulgences, those resulting from the most effective efforts, grant relief from all temporal punishment. Partial indulgences, grant partial relief.

**To share
one
another's
burdens...
(Gal 6:2)**

So what makes some efforts more effective than others? A great example is right around the corner. All Souls Day is the special day on which the whole Church prays for those who have died. Joining our individual efforts to those of the whole Church elevates what is normally a partial indulgence to a plenary indulgence. In addition to meeting the "usual conditions" for all indulgences (i.e. the person has received Holy Communion, made a sacramental confession, and prayed for the intentions of the Holy Father), we believe:

A plenary indulgence, applicable only to the souls in purgatory, is granted to the faithful who,

- 1. on any and each day from November 1 to 8, devoutly visit a cemetery and pray, if only mentally, for the departed;*
- 2. on All Soul's Day (or, according to the judgment of the ordinary, on the Sunday preceding or following it, or on the solemnity of All Saints), devoutly visit a church or an oratory and recite an Our Father and the Creed.*

A partial indulgence, applicable only to the souls in purgatory, is granted to the faithful who,

- 1. devoutly visit a cemetery and at least mentally pray for the dead;*
- 2. devoutly recite lauds or vespers from the Office of the Dead or the prayer Eternal Rest.*

-Manual for Indulgences (2006), #29





The Mechanicsburg Fire Department made its annual visit to Saint Joseph School



to give a fire safety presentation to grades Preschool-3. Shown are students learning about fire safety and the fire apparatus.

Father Wade Menezes, Father of Mercy who recently preached at the Saint Joseph Parish Mission, visited the school to speak with 1st-8th graders. He also engaged the students in a friendly competition---checking their knowledge of religious trivia.



Interested in a Catholic education? Join us at the Saint Joseph School Fall Open House on Sunday, November 12, from 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM to learn more about our preschool through eighth grade programs.



Our next New Hope Ministries food collection is November 4/5. We will be collecting Thanksgiving food items including: **canned** veggies, gravy, cranberry sauce, fruit and pie filling; **boxed** instant potatoes, pie crust, stuffing, cereal and macaroni & cheese. Our October donations totaled **809 lbs.** fantastic! Thank you for your generosity! If you prefer to donate directly or check out volunteer opportunities go to www.nhm-pa.org.

"And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased." – Hebrews 13:16

Silence of Mary Collection - Thank you from the Columbiettes for all the items donated for the Silence of Mary Home. Your kindness and generosity are appreciated.



Join us for an excellent and affordable Catholic education.



Open House

**NOV. 12TH
10:30AM-1:00 PM**

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Weekly Stewardship Report: October 22, 2023

Regular Sunday Offerings:

Weekly Goal	\$ 28,355.00
Actual Offerings:	
Weekend Offerings (basket)	\$ 13,470.00
Electronic Check - Bill Payer	\$ 2,175.00
Online Thru WeShare	\$ 8,653.00

Total Offerings \$ 24,298.00

Comparison Prior Year - October 23, 2022 \$ 28,505.00

Additional Offerings:

World Mission Sunday	\$ 2,759.00
Capital Improvement	\$ 797.00

"Building Disciples, Sharing Gifts"

Thank you for your continued generosity.

All Souls' Commemoration Thursday, November 2

All Souls' Day is not a Holy Day of Obligation, but we are offering All Souls' Day liturgies in memory of our Beloved Deceased:

Mass for All Souls' at 8:30 AM in the Church

Those who have lost a loved one during the past year are invited to attend and receive a Candle of Remembrance to take home with them. We will be contacting the family representative for all those whose names appear in our parish death register and were buried from Saint Joseph Church. We will mention names of those who were buried from Saint Joseph Parish since November 2 of 2022 during the Mass. If you have a loved one who passed away during the past year and their funeral services took place elsewhere, and would like to have their name mentioned during Mass, please call the parish office, 717-766-9433, by October 27.

Prayer Service for our Beloved Departed at Gate of Heaven Cemetery, Mechanicsburg, PA

Visiting cemeteries and the graves of family members on November 2 is an esteemed tradition in the Roman Catholic Church. We will depart from the Church immediately following Mass. We anticipate that this cemetery service will begin around 9:45 AM, gathering at the crucifix. We will pray there even if the weather is inclement.

Parish Mission Update!

We extend a huge Thank You to Father Menezes and The Fathers of Mercy for enriching our spiritual life and helping us to grow closer to Our Lord and The Most Holy Eucharist as Gift and Sacrament. Thank you to all who participated in our Parish Mission with Father Menezes. \$5,730.00 was donated to The Fathers of Mercy. Thank you for your generosity and support of Our Parish Mission.

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Abiding Together Women's Group

Thursday mornings at 9:30 AM and again in the evening at 7:00 PM, amazing women like you are gathering in the Lee Horan Room to accompany and support each other as we grow in faith. Episodes stand alone, so drop in as your schedule allows. Contact Becky at familyministries@stjosephmech.org for location information or to learn more! **Want a preview?** Listen to the podcast for free using your favorite podcast.

PARISH SURVEY



We want to hear from you! Visit www.surveymonkey.com/r/non_US_mail_electronic or scan the QR code to complete the survey online. If you prefer to fill out a paper survey, please pick one up at the Welcome Kiosk. Questions/comments? Email pac@stjosephmech.org. Thank you!!



The Angel Tree, benefiting New Hope Ministries, will be in the Narthex throughout the month of November. Please take an ornament from the tree, purchase the listed gift, and **return it, unwrapped, no later than December 3.** The unwrapped gift must be returned to the Narthex with the original ornament attached. It is essential that all gifts be returned on time or the individuals will not be able to receive their gifts. Questions? Contact Kathy Nedrow at 717-796-6035.

All are welcome to Saint Theresa Church, 1300 Bridge St. New Cumberland, monthly Charismatic Mass with prayers for healing on Tuesday, November 7, at 7:00 PM. The celebrant is Reverend Bernard-Mary Ayo Oniwe, O.P., Pastor of Saint Peter Church, Elizabethtown. For information, please call Mary Ann at 717-512-3628 or Vicki at 717-364-6260.



Congratulations to our Confirmands that received the gifts of the Holy Spirit on Saturday, October 28.

Please keep them in your prayers.



PRAYER FOR PREGNANT MOTHERS

O Blessed Mother, you received the good news of the incarnation of Christ, your Son, with faith and trust. Grant your protection to all pregnant mothers facing difficulties. Guide us as we strive to make our parish communities places of welcome and assistance for mothers in need. Help us become instruments of God's love and compassion. Mary, Mother of the Church, graciously help us build a culture of life and a civilization of love, together with all people of good will, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life. Amen.

Please visit our table in the Narthex for information!

Home baked pies are needed for Christmas Fest. Whole pies will be sold for the Pies for a Purpose fundraiser for our parish. This year's purpose is to provide a pedestal for the Saint Thérèse of Lisieux statue in the Little Flower Room in Brindle Hall. All proceeds from the pie sale will go to this parish project. If you can help, please contact Melissa Little at melissalittle73@aol.com. Baked goods are also needed for the Bake Sale. Please look for the flyer in today's bulletin.



TMIY
THAT MAN IS YOU!
WORTHY OF THE CALL
EMBRACING THE CALL TO MATURE MANHOOD

WEEK 8: JOYFUL -
THE ANNUNCIATION
Presenter: Mark
Hartfield



In His infinitely creative mind, God could have done it in another way, but He chose Mary, who gives her fiat, bringing Jesus comes into the world through her. Our Lady wants to bring us her joy, the joy of Jesus Christ himself! How is God coming into the world through YOU? Join us on Saturday morning in Brindle Hall at 6:15 as we prepare for Advent, giving God our fiat for the coming of Christ! TMIY is a men's program designed to transform Catholic men, their families, and society. Free, hot breakfast is provided. Contact Tony Devlin at donmantho@gmail.com for information.



OUR DEANARY ADORATION CHAPEL

Located on Saint Theresa School Parking Lot;
1200 Bridge Street, New Cumberland.

Can you spend 1 hour a week with the One who shed His Blood for your eternal good?

Jesus is the Way to our Father, to Eternal Life – our eternal good. Come to know Him more deeply. Be with Him in our Chapel. Let Him speak to your heart. Our Chapel is open Monday-Friday, 6:00 AM to 9:00 PM. To become a scheduled adorer or for more information, text or voice message Joe or Anna Marie Curry at 717-737-3532. If you're unable to make a particular week your hour will be covered.



The Knights of Columbus will have "Keep Christ In Christmas" cards available for sale on November 12, 19 and December 3, during Coffee and Donuts.



Harrisburg Young Adult Catholics

Friday November 10

Saint Joseph
Mechanicsburg
400 E Simpson St
Mass 6:45 – 7:15
Holy Hour 7:30 – 8:30
Social Time 8:30 – 10:00

BENEDICTION & BOARD GAMES



WE NOW HAVE AN ON-LINE PARISH DIRECTORY!

Our Saint Joseph Church Directory is a great way to get to know our parish family better! **Adding your family photo is quick and easy to do.** It is safe and secure and for our parishioners only. Only the information you add, is what is visible to our parish. Scan the QR code to get started:



You will use your email address you gave when you registered with the parish. **CREATE A LOGIN** the first time you use the directory app. To view our directory on your phone, simply go to the App Store, search for **Instant Church Directory** and download the FREE app to begin. If you have trouble logging into the app, please call the parish office: 717-766-9433.

We thank our Sponsor of the Week:
C. F. Acri and Son, Inc.
for sponsoring an advertisement in our parish bulletin.
Please patronize the businesses that underwrite all of the publishing expenses of our weekly bulletin.

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