

SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH



Monday, March 29

8 a.m.: Annual church cleaning. Bring yourself. All supplies furnished. Refreshments to follow.
7 p.m.: Ala-non meets by zoom.
8 p.m.: AA meets in Nazareth Hall.

Tuesday, March 30

5:30 p.m.: Mass
6 p.m.: Soup to go by Altar Rosary. Volunteers making pasta favouli, ham and bean and cheezy potato and ham soup.
6:30 p.m.: RCIA at Milford

Wednesday, March 31

3:45 p.m.: Rel. Ed. for grades K-4.
7 p.m.: Rel. Ed. for grades 5-12.

Thursday, April 1

8 a.m.: Bible Study, Nazareth
6 p.m.: Holy Thursday Mass. Briar Cliff Singers to sing.

Friday, April 2

Parish Offices Closed.
6 p.m.: Good Friday Liturgy
 Miracle Choir sings at Liturgy.

Saturday, April 3

8:30 p.m.: Holy Saturday Mass.

Sunday, April 4

8 and 10 a.m.: Easter Mass
 Miracle Choir sings at 8 a.m.
 Praise Band sings at 10 a.m.



LOOKING AHEAD....our annual Holy Week church cleaning will be Mon., March 29 beginning at 8 a.m.

Just bring yourselves. All cleaning supplies will be supplied.

SOUP SUPPER INFO

On Tuesday nights, as people leave the 5:30 p.m. Mass, they may pick up a bowl of soup, a wrapped cookie and garlic bread to take with them to enjoy at home. Thanks to the following for volunteering to date:

March 30: Rosary/Altar

SOUP SUPPER UPDATE

March 23

Thanks to the Reisers, Randy and Lois Eckard and John and Tutti Willison who prepared and served the March 16 Soup Supper. Thanks also, to Loretta Halbur who bakes the cookies and the bread each week.

Inc: \$299.23

Exp: \$0

Net: \$299.23

Served: 50

Thank you to the the Reisers for covering the entire cost of the soup supper.

FAITH FORMATION

By Sharon Mayer

Easter. The greatest celebration of our faith. This year people are not as fearful of COVID as they were as this began last year. We are seeing more families attending church which is more than wonderful, but at the same time it seems as though they have forgotten what they should be doing at Mass. How to come into a pew, how to receive communion, waiting for the priest to exit the altar and get to a spot where he can greet the parish after Mass. Especially now as we can use every pew in church it is important to still remember distancing. Remain in your pew until you are ushered out please. This is respectful to the priest and allows us to still distance. Not everyone is vaccinated yet. Many are but we still need to take small steps.

We have many different liturgies starting today for Holy Week. The rituals we see are so important to our Catholic faith and remind us of the history of our church. I encourage all families to try to make it to the different Masses this week as they all tell the story and can be important teaching moments for your children. I oversee the religious education of students as they come here weekly, but if families will do two things in particular; that is practice Catholic prayers at home and get the family to church, this will go a long way in helping us have good Catholics in the future. When children come here on Wednesdays but never attend the greatest prayer of our faith, Mass, it loses quite a bit of meaning.

So, I ask for your help from my standpoint as we get back to church-let's get back to church the right way.

Last week our second graders participated in their First Communion workshop with the help of some wonderful parish volunteers. Many thanks to them. First Communion will be Sunday, April 11 at 1 p.m.

CHICKEN AND NOODLE UPDATE

WORDS cannot express the thanks we need to extend to the wonderful volunteers who traveled down the "to go" path with us. Your assistance was greatly appreciated. As they say, "we flew by the seat of our pants," and we flew very well. Unfortunately, we ran out of food just one hour into the dinner. Hopefully next year we will be able to host our guests to a sit down meal but we are ready now for whatever happens.

Income: \$2,109.00

#Served: 203

Groceries: \$523.40* **Ads:** \$55.00 **Net:** \$2054.00

*Thanks to Alex and Deb Jones and Dean and Susan Reiser for covering the grocery bill for this dinner.

MARCH 28, 2021

WELCOME TO SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

We hope your visit here will be a prayerful time as you enjoy the lakes region.

Please consider St. Joseph's as your church away from home. Contact us at the Parish Office if we may serve you in any way.

We are committed to proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ and invite you to join us! May the Holy Spirit lead us in living as a welcoming Catholic community.

SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Mon.- Thurs.: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Fri.: 8 a.m. - 12 noon

RECONCILIATION:

3:30 pm Sat;

7:30 am & 9:30 am Sun

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Tuesday 12 noon

MASS SCHEDULE:

Winter

Saturday at 4:30 p.m.

Sunday at 8 and 10 a.m.

Summer

Saturday at 4 and 5:30 p.m.

Sunday at 7:30, 9 and 10:30 a.m.

Are you new to the community?

Would you like to join St. Joseph

Parish? Just fill out the coupon

below and return to the office or

in the collection basket.

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Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

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Holy Week

The wonderful celebrations of Holy Week began this weekend with Palm Sunday. We hope to have nice gatherings for these important Holy Days. On Monday all the priests will gather with Bishop Nickless to renew their vows of ordination and assist him in consecrating the Holy Oils which will be used for the Sacraments of the Church for the coming year. On Thursday we will celebrate the Mass of the Lord's Supper at 6 p.m. On Friday we will commemorate the Lord's Passion with our Good Friday liturgy at 6 p.m., the only day of the year when Holy Mass is not celebrated. On Holy Saturday we will celebrate the Great Easter Vigil with a Mass at 8:30 p.m. that begins outside and in the dark and then on Sunday we celebrate the Lord's Resurrection with Masses at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. We hope that you can join us for each of these beautiful liturgies. May God bless your homes and your families during these spiritual days.

Many Thanks

We would like to thank the many folks who assisted in preparing and serving our great Chicken and Noodle Dinner last weekend. This dinner is a fine St. Joseph's tradition. We had great help and we had a good turnout. We ran out of food after about an hour so I think that we could say that it was a great success. Thanks also for our generous benefactors who paid for the food that was so lovingly prepared.

Many Thanks

We would like to thank the Knights of Columbus who sponsored a drive-by Fish Fry on Friday evening. Another great meal with lots of help.

Seating in the Church

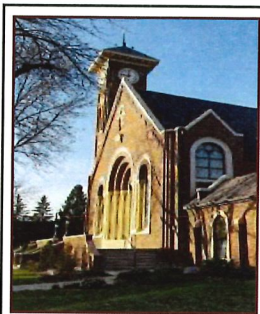
Following the advice of our Bishop, the Center for Disease Control and local health officials we have lifted the seating protocol that we have been following for the last nine months. We ask that all continue to wear masks and follow appropriate social distancing. Let us continue to pray for each other and for all healthcare workers.

Thanks for the Bibles

We would like to thank the folks who contributed to our effort to supply new Bibles for our Religious Education classrooms. Sharing the Word of God with our students is an important part of our mission here at St. Joseph's. May the Word of God live among us.

Lots of Questions

Since Fr. Hughes will be pastor of both St. Joseph's and St. Mary's after the 1st of July we know that lots of folks are asking what will happen to the weekend Mass schedule. For the foreseeable future the Mass schedule at both St. Joseph's and St. Mary's will remain the same as it has been in the past. We are presently in the process of arranging for priests to assist us during the summer months when Mass attendance increases. We promise to keep you well posted about any changes that this pastoral assignment will demand.



By Fr. Brian Hughes

PALM SUNDAY



Welcome to our visitors who are worshipping with us this weekend. May your time in the lakes region be special.

Holy Thursday

Thursday, April 1 @ 6 p.m.

EMES: Fr. Hughes and Denise Cole

LECTOR: Karen Schwaller

SERVERS: Jaden Heller, _____, _____

Ron Swartz

USHERS: Doug Heller, _____

Good Friday

Friday, April 2 @ 6 p.m.

EMES: Fr Hughes and Connie Jones

READER 1: Ron Swartz

READER 2: Connie Chapman

READER 3: David Johnson

SERVERS: Jaden Heller, _____

USHERS: Chris Jones, Doug Heller

Holy Saturday

Saturday, April 3 @ 8:30 p.m.

EMES: Fr. Hughes and Irene McCoy

READER 1: Molly Mulqueen

READER 2: Brad Shell

SERVERS: Loretta Halbur, Mark and Deb Johnson, Kailee Herman

USHERS: _____

Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 4 @ 8 a.m.

EMES: Fr. Hughes and Cheryl Aumer

LECTOR: Joseph Schmidt

SERVERS: Ben Garcia, Faith Garcia

USHERS: KC's

Easter Sunday, April 4 @ 10 a.m.

EMES: Fr. Hughes, Jim and Laurie Murray,

LECTOR: Sara Laven

SERVERS: Jack Laven, Austin Harms

USHERS: Curt and Susan Willette



PRAY for these members: Dr. Steve Christensen, Mary Dunleavy, Pat O'Brien, Alberta Nolan, Nancy Crepeau, Mary Langel, Geneva Knudtson,

Roger Wittrock, Rick DeMuth, Linda Higgins, Mary Ann Sigler, Dennis and Alma Klute, Jerry Clark, Robert Rowland, Bill James, Marie Van Hofwegen, Ethel Wilson, Steve Painter, Ginny Yore, LaDonna Jansen, Dale Langel, Finley Brunsvold, Dee Bryant, Phyllis Hintz, Terry Abbas.

PLEASE pray for these special persons: Mary Bolan, Dick, Vogel, Clark Graves, Zoe Lorenzen, Heather Hamann, Gidget Halbur, Glen Luchtel, Jean Elbert, Esther Morris, Harvey Baxter, Jr., Wayne Bellinghausen, Maxine Thompson, Lois Doran, Dale Gentry, Susan Barnes, Mike Cooper, Denny Daberkow, Louise DeWitt, Ray Langel, Kristin Meyer, Leo Trebbien, Kevin Wittrock, Charlotte Tiesler, Tailen Sturtz, Aimee Wallrich, Sara Springer, Jan Wolf, Peggy Price, Joan Mertz, John Bruening, Ann Willette, Ashlyn Clark, Jerry Wolford, Kami Svoboda, Darrel Wedeking, Dan Mulder, Leah Brevik, Colleen Mulder, Jamie O'Neill.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 27

4:30 p.: +Rita Wuebker
 +Tom Wuebker
 +Tim Schmit

Sunday, March 28

8 a.: Phil Karpuk

10 a.: St. Joseph Parishioners

Monday, March 29

NO MASS TODAY

Tuesday, March 30

5:30 p.: +Donna Chestnut
 +Melissa Chestnut

Wednesday, March 31

7:30 a.: Dec. Halbur/Johnson

Thursday, April 1

6 p.: +Catherine Wyatt
 Special Intention (MN)

Friday, April 2

6 p.: No intention

Saturday, April 3

8:30 p.: St. Joseph Parishioners

Sunday, April 4

8 a.: +Margaret Demke
10 a.: +Joy Walz
 +Jean Schissel

PLAN to pick-up your soup to go next Tuesday night, March 30 following the 5:30 p.m. Mass. Altar Rosary Members will prepare soup for the final soup Lenten Soup Supper for 2021. Thank you to all the various groups and individuals who graciously provided soup for this year's event.



ST. JOSEPH WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Good stewards strive to conform their lives to that of Christ -- emptying themselves of all pride and putting themselves at the service of others

March 20-21, 2021

Weekly Env: \$3,681.00

Loose: \$1,039.00

Peace & Justice: \$230.00

Candles: \$109.50

Online Ministry: \$500.00

Memorials: \$3,600.00

Building: \$1,027.00

Misc.: \$125.00