

St. Joseph Catholic Church



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St. Joseph is a Tithing Parish

God's Plan for Giving

In return for the Lord's generosity,
our people returned to God the following:

Sunday Collection: \$6,225.00

Second Collections

March 6th – Our Faith & Our Future
March 13th – Repair & Maintenance
March 27th – Love of Neighbor

First Sunday of Lent

March 6, 2022

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sat., Mar. 5th 9:00 AM	<i>First Saturday</i> Angela Masseria Sandy & Frank Muscarella
4:00PM	People of the Parish
Sun., Mar 6th 8:00 AM	<i>1st Sunday of Lent</i> Thomas Wertz Peggy & Terry Shaw
11:00 AM	Jack Seksinsky Gary Martin
Mon., Mar. 7th 9:00 AM	<i>St. Perpetua & St. Felicity</i> Rita Prentiss
Tues., Mar. 8th 9:00AM	<i>St. John of God</i> <i>Religious International</i> <i>Women's Day</i> Dottie Bogle
Wed., Mar. 9th 6:00 PM 6:30 PM	<i>St. Frances of Rome</i> Lois Kirby Stations of the Cross
Thurs., Mar. 10th 9:00 AM	Jack Wasilewski
Fri., Mar. 11th 9:00 AM	Richard Azinger
Sat., Mar. 12th 4:00PM	Paul Emery Mary's friend Anne Marie
Sun., Mar. 13th 8:00 AM	<i>2nd Sunday of Lent</i> Donna Konyar Husband Jim
11:00 AM	People of the Parish



March Birthdays

Merrill Buehler
Steve Skerda
Marilyn Boiardi
Jim Seksinsky
Connie Buehler
Mike Walter

From Your Pastor.

Blessed and Holy Lent to you and your loved ones.

May the whole Church benefit by the Prayers, Fasting and Alms Giving that you will offer up this Lent. Because of what is going on in the Ukraine, ordinary people coming to the defense of their freedom and to take up arms to fight the evil one, we have a good sense of what Lent is meant to accomplish. We are called to the breach, to begin the 'Campaign' against the evil in our lives. Let us come together and take up arms against the devil; with prayer, the rosary and Holy Mass. Keep watch in quiet, private prayer and prayerfully read and reflect upon 'The Art of Living.' Prayer is our greatest strength and to it we add the power of fasting, so that our prayers will have spiritual rather than just physical strength. In order to raise up our prayers, we lift them up covered with the wings of our sincere alms/giving to accomplish the work of God.

All three temptations by the devil to Christ in the desert draw our attention to our battle against evil. We do not do fight alone but with Christ the Victor and with His mighty army of angels and saints. Through prayer we lower our pride, through fasting we combat the flesh that wants to weaken the power of the spirit in us. Through Alms Giving, we overcome the lust of the eyes, breaking free from the golden calf of money, wealth and power to give to those in need.

Our Faith Community, the parish of St. Joseph, is able to be present in our community to proclaim the Gospel and do the works of Christ, because of your sacrificial giving. This past year you blessed the parish by giving to the old Lenten Appeal, the Diocesan Annual Campaign. We were blessed this past year to have 103 parishioners give, please consider giving something, at least once as a sign of your solidarity with the needs of the parish and the diocese. Let us come together and do Lent as a holy campaign against evil.

Fr. John D. Hoke

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Moses discusses the power God has displayed in freeing his people from oppression and leading them to a rich land. He tells the people that they should make offerings to God to show their gratitude, then celebrate over the great things he has given them.

Second Reading: Romans 10:8-13

Paul tells us that if we proclaim, "Jesus is Lord" and truly believe that God raised him from the dead, we will be saved. For God shows his mercy toward everyone who calls upon his name.

Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

Jesus fasted in the desert for forty days, then Satan appeared to him and tempted him to turn stone into bread. After Jesus refused, Satan promised him great powers if Jesus would worship him. Jesus replied that he would worship God and no one else. Then Satan tried to persuade Jesus to put God to the test, but again Jesus resisted his temptation.

OFFICE STAFF NEEDED

St. Joseph Milton is looking for a staff member to manage the daily operations of the church. Computer skills are necessary. Please contact Father Hoke if you are interested in a position.



ADORATION

**Are you able to spend
an hour a week with Jesus?**

The Adoration Chapel at the Basilica of Saints. Cyril and Methodius in Danville needs adorers! We are open with adoration hours on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Contact Kathy 570-259-0725 or Lisa 570-204-2501 for more information or go to <https://adoration24hours.wordpress.com>

We need donations of small, wrapped candy for the **Easter Egg Hunt** – small enough to fit in a plastic egg. Please drop off donations after the weekend Masses at the Parish Center.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Remember those who are sick
in your prayers, especially:

Yun Pun Oh Sanchez	Diane Sykes
Andrew Mikowski	Bernice Yocum
Nancy Hanson	Charlotte Farrell
Dolores Caicco	Dave Moser
Connie Buehler	Joan Rudolf
Judy Reese	Bob Bender
Luke Boyd	Bob Engleman

Please contact the church office (email, call or place a note in the collection basket) if you would like to have a name added to the prayer list. The names appearing on the list are to be on for six weeks. You are welcome to have a name reinstated. Please spell the person's name, and include your name with the request.

FIRST PENANCE



*Saturday,
February 26, 2022*

Aidan Drolinger,
Gustave Cromley,
Matthew Welker,
CCD Teacher
Sara Moll

JOIN THE ADULT EDUCATION CLASS

Adult Ed. meets every Sunday at the Parish Center from 9:30 - 10:30. During Lent the Adult Ed. program will feature presentations by Dr. Brant Pitre on the:

- The Jewish Roots of Holy Week and Jesus's Death and Resurrection
- The Last Supper and the Lost Tribes of Israel
- The Fourth Cup and the New Passover
- Why We Confess



SOUP & THE WORD 2022

March 9th

Pastor Doug Diven of
New Hope Church

Held at the First Presbyterian Church,
Walnut Street, Milton
12:00 – 1:00



Holy Week Schedule 2022

Monday, April 11th

Confessions after the 9 AM Mass

Tuesday, April 12th

Confessions after the 9 AM Mass

Wednesday, April 13th

6 PM Mass followed by

Stations of the Cross

7 PM Confessions

Stations of the Cross

All at the Church

Thursday, April 14th

Holy Thursday

7 PM Mass of the Last Supper

Confessions after Mass until 9 PM

Adoration & Visitation of the Blessed Sacrament

After Mass until 11 PM.

All at the Parish Center

Friday, April 15th

Good Friday

2 PM Exaltation of the Cross

& Holy Communion

Confession from 3 PM to 4 PM

7 PM Stations of the Cross

Confessions after Stations

All at the Church

Saturday, April 16th

Holy Saturday

1 PM Blessing of Food & Baskets

Confessions from 1:30 to 2:30

8 PM Easter Vigil

All at the Church

Sunday, April 17th

Easter Sunday

8 AM Easter Blessings

At the Church

11 AM Easter Blessings

At the Parish Center

Easter Egg Hunt following Mass

CHERRY PIES

Weren't they delicious?

The profit of \$1,136 will be added to the funds raised by the Youth Group for the Cemetery Grotto Project.





FISH DINNER CORNER

The Fish Dinners began on March 4, and they will be held each Friday during Lent. We will be looking for help during this six-week period.

Friday Evenings

Dinner workers are needed by 3:30 to set up the dinner line and the dessert/sides line. We use two *chefs*, two *sous chefs*, six servers, five runners, and two cleanup personnel in the kitchen. We have four folks in the hallway packaging the orders, and five carhops. One money counter keeps track of the number of sales, receipts and tips! Father and Kevin Wendt have been traffic control!!

Please give your name and availability to
Anne Rocktashel in the office
or Anne Chiccino via phone 570-742-8425
or email: annechic109@gmail.com

We need cakes for desserts. Although we bake on Thursday, we still need donations as we usually serve 400 dinners, and it's hard to bake enough cakes to give each customer a nice size piece. Cakes are needed Friday morning, so they can be boxed. Please contact Tracie Leitzel or Anne Chiccino if you are able to help us out.

No nuts, no peanut butter - please

LENTEN CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Monday, April 4, 2022

7 PM – Confession at St. Joseph Church, Danville

Tuesday, April 5, 2022

7 PM – Confession at St. Monica Church, Sunbury

Wednesday, April 6, 2022

7 PM – Confession at St. Pius X Church,
Selinsgrove

Thursday, April 7, 2022

7 PM – Confession at St. Joseph Church, Milton

Friday, April 8, 2022

7 PM – Confession at Sacred Heart of Jesus,
Lewisburg



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 5, 2022 – First Saturday

Adoration following 9:00 Mass

March 11, 2022-Annual Fish Dinner

March 13, 2022-Daylight Savings

March 18, 2022-Annual Fish Dinner

March 20, 2022-1st Day of Spring

March 25, 2022-Annual Fish Dinner

April 1, 2022-Annual Fish Dinner

April 2, 2022-Men's Conference

April 6, 2022-Soup and the Word

Father Hoke, speaker

St. Joe's prepares the Soup & Dessert

April 8, 2022-Annual Fish Dinner

April 10, 2022-Palm Sunday

April 15, 2022-Passion of the Lord

April 17, 2022-Easter Sunday

April 17, 2022-NO CCD

April 24, 2022-Divine Mercy Sunday

May 13- Pork Chop Dinner

May 22, 2022-Last Day of CCD

May 30, 2022-Memorial Day

June 5, 2022- First Holy Communion

June 18, 2022-Chinese Auction

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

St. Joseph Parish will be participating with the Annual Lenten Soup and the word at the First Presbyterian Church each Wednesday. On April 6th Father Hoke will be the guest speaker. Our church will be responsible to make soups, desserts, serve and clean-up. If you are interested in helping, please contact Anne Rocktashel.

DIOCESE OF HARRISBURG MEN'S CONFERENCE

April 2, 2022

We will hold a virtual session at the Parish Center. Lunch will be provided. Call the office to let us know you are coming. You must register online:

www.hbgdiocese.org/mens-conference-online-registration/

UP COMING EVENT

Saint Pauline Foundation Spring Fling Raffle

March 13 - Noon to 5 PM, No food

March 18 - Noon to 6 PM, Food available

March 19 - 11 AM to 5 PM Food available

1150 Chestnut Street, Kulpmont, PA

\$20 for a sheet of 26 tickets.