

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: \$3,365.00

Second Collections

July 31 – Love of Neighbor

August 7 – Our Faith, Our Future

August 14 – Repair & Maintenance

August 28 – Love of Neighbor

*The stunning Crucifix displayed above
is to remind you of the beauty
of our St. Joseph Cemetery.*

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 31, 2022

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sat., July 30th
4:00 PM

Saint Peter Chrysologus
Ronald Livermore
His daughter Marni Stewart

Sun., July 31st

8:00 AM

*Eighteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time*
Pat Rosboschil
Chris Watkins

11:00 AM

People of the Parish

Mon., Aug. 1st
9:00 AM

Saint Alphonsus Liguori
George Calvert
McGee Girls

Tues., Aug. 2nd

9:00AM

*Our Lady Queen of the
Angels*
Givannia Bua
Enza Bua

Wed., Aug. 3rd
6:00 PM

Ron Livermore
His daughter Marni Stewart

Thurs., Aug. 4th

Mass At Mount St. Mary's
Father Hoke's Intentions

Fri., Aug. 5th

9:00 AM

*Dedication of the Basilica of
Saint Mary Major*
Helen & Stanley Seksinsky
Ruth & Jim (Jim's Parents)

Sat., Aug 6th

9:00 AM

*First Saturday
Transfiguration of the Lord*
Gladys & Herman Moser
Ruth & Jim Seksinsky
(Ruth's Parents)

4:00 PM

People of the Parish

Sun., Aug. 7th

8:00 AM

*Nineteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time*
Robert Bucher

11:00 AM

Abram Koons
His wife Margaret

From Your Pastor.

Most Americans can figure out that the City of Los Angeles is the City of the Angels. However, the full original name of this city is "El Pueblo de Nuestra Señora la Reina de los Angeles de Porciuncula" that is 'The town of our Lady, Queen of the Angels of the Little Church'. This is the name of the second tumbling down little church that St. Francis restored around 1216.

The little humble Saint saw a vision of angels in the chapel surrounding the Blessed Virgin Mary. Our Lady allowed him to make a request. He did so by asking that a special plenary indulgence be granted on the feast, August 2nd. Although the feast is no longer on the universal calendar it is celebrated by the Franciscans throughout the world every August 2nd. I will offer the Mass of Our Lady of the Angels on Tuesday, please come. May Our Lady of the Angels pray for us. May she especially pray for our Pilgrimage on Thursday, August 4th.

The lessons this Sunday teach us not to be vain or proud regarding our earthly goods but rather to seek Christ, to seek a treasure that will last forever in heaven. In these difficult times, I am thankful that many of you are still making prudent wise investment with your stewardship for the good of the Church. You will never lose interest in what you sacrifice for Christ.

Fr. John D. Hoke

Condolences to the Family
of Alda E. "Skip" Sekcienski.
There will be a graveside service
Tuesday, August 2nd at 1:00
At our cemetery.

MASS INTENTIONS

There are quite a few Mass intentions times available in September and October.

Call or email the office, or drop a note in the collection basket if you would like to schedule Masses. If you request a specific date, we will let you know if it is available. If no date is requested, we will let you know what is assigned.

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 2:21-23

"Vanity of vanities." Sometimes we may work for wealth, wisdom and knowledge only to discover that it has been left for someone who did not toil for it. The offering of our work, fatigue and pain, if not for God, can also be a kind of vanity.

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

Paul urges us to seek what is good and from God, encouraging us to put our minds on the spiritual. He reminds us that, as Christians, we have died with Christ and are hidden with Christ until his glory is once again revealed. We are all one in Christ.

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

On being requested to settle a question of inheritance, Jesus heeds us to beware of all covetousness because our life does not consist on the wealth of possessions. Through the lesson of a parable Jesus reinforces this teaching, explaining that those who store up the treasures of wealth and possessions are not the richest in God's eyes.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Remember those who are sick
in your prayers, especially:

Dolores Caicco	Lew Bogle
Andrew Mikowski	Bernice Yocum
Vickie Youmans	Charlotte Farrell
Alfred Wilver	Dave Moser
Connie Buehler	Joan Rudolff
Judy Reese	Bob Bender
Luke Boyd	Christine Koons
Michael McHale	Mike Walter
John Heimbach	Donald Cortese
Enza Welker	Gloria Reeder
Dashawnda Russell	Patricia Starcher
Helen Choplick	

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 two months. You are welcome to have a name reinstated. Please spell the person's name and include your name with the request.

TEACHERS NEEDED

We would like to re-establish the Children's Liturgy at the Sunday 11 o'clock Mass during the school year. The session will meet for 20 minutes, and it is for children age 4 to Holy Communion age.

Substitute Teachers are needed to teach CCD. Thinking about becoming a CCD Teacher? *This is a good way to get your feet wet.* Substitute teaching is on a as needed basis.

Anyone interested in either ministry, please contact Anne Rocktashel at 570-742-4356 or 570-713-4763.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August 4, 2022-Emmitsburg Pilgrimage

August 13, 2022-Bishop Gainer will be here to celebrate the 4 o'clock Mass

September 10, 2022-Harvest Festival

September 17, 2022-Harvest Festival

September 17, 2022-Quilt Drawing

September 24, 2022-300 Club Drawing

October 8, 2022-Rosary Rally

October 14, 2022-Filled Chicken Breast Dinner

October 21, 2022-Rummage Sale

October 22, 2022-Rummage Sale

November 11, 2022-Filled Pork Chop Dinner

BISHOP GAINER'S VISIT

Saturday, August 13, 2022

Bishop Gainer will visit our Parish Saturday, August 13th to celebrate the 4 o'clock Mass.

He will be staying after Mass for a "meet & greet" reception in our courtyard. If you are available to help with set up, grounds cleanup, refreshment preparation or any other chore that we might think of, please let Anne Rocktashel know. Email her, phone the office, or put a note in the collection basket.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday & Tuesday 9:30-3:30

Wednesday 9:00-12:00

Office Phone: (570) 742-4356

If you would like to make an announcement in the bulletin, please contact the office via phone message, email or note in the collection basket.

PILGRIMAGE TO EMMITSBURG, MD

August 4, 2022

We will be taking a bus from our Parish. The bus will leave from the Parish Center at 7:00 AM, and it should return by 7:00 PM. The cost will be \$60.00 per person – with the Parish paying \$30.00 and the participant paying \$30.00. A family of three or more pays \$60.00. This is a coach with air conditioning and bathroom facilities.

Riders should bring a bagged lunch. We will have bottled water. We could not find a restaurant that could accommodate 60 people at one time, so we will provide snacks for the ride home.

If you are interested in going with fellow St. Joe Parishioners, please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board, or email or call the office.

Diocesan priests will be available to hear Confessions from 9:15-10:45 a.m. in Saint Mary's Chapel.

Bishop Ronald Gainer will be the celebrant and homilist for the Mass in St. Mary's Chapel at noon. A free-will offering will be received to cover the facility use and services. Lunch will begin at 1 p.m.; those staying for the afternoon should bring their own lunch.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at 2:30 p.m., and Bishop Gainer will give a talk in St. Mary's Chapel at 2:45 p.m. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be said at 3:30 p.m. The day will conclude with Benediction at 3:50 p.m. Gates to the Grotto will close at 4:30 p.m.

The Gift of a Plenary Indulgence is granted to members of a pilgrimage group who, out of devotion to the Blessed Mother and Our Lord, Jesus Christ, visit the National Shrine Grotto on any day of the year.

300 CLUB

The date for the 300 Club drawing will be Saturday, September 24th. Harriet Moore has graciously agreed to chair this fundraiser. She has contacted last year's members via email and telephone to see if they would like the same number of tickets. We would like folks to make a commitment by August 5th so that we can sell the available tickets beginning the weekend of August 6th. As in previous years, the tickets will be \$35.00 each.

The drawing will be held at the Parish Center, and we will begin with light buffet at 5:30.



NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR SINGLE CATHOLICS

September 16th – 18th, 2022
Westfield Marriott in Chantilly, VA

Join hundreds of single Catholics from across the country (and beyond?) at the 21st National Conference. The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers, music, social events, Mass, adoration, opportunities for confession, fellowship, food and more.

Visit www.NationalCatholicSingles.com for more information and to register.

FALL RUMMAGE SALE

Harriet Moore is organizing for a Fall Rummage Sale. The tentative dates are October 21st & 22nd. Contact Harriet if you have items to drop off. Items must be in boxes with lids so that we can store them until October. Please no broken, stained or greatly used items. She no longer has a land line. Her new phone number is 570-412-3769.

**The 10th Annual
Milton Island
Love INC
5K Run/Walk**

**Saturday,
August 20, 2022**

The entire race is held at Milton Island State Park (between Milton and West Milton). The course is a cross-country-style course and not paved. Race day registration begins at 7:30. Race begins at 9:00.

Information at
<https://goldenruleloveinc.wixsite.com/website>
or call 570-742-3561

*If Today You Hear His Voice,
Harden Not Your Hearts
Psalm 95*



The monthly Knights' of Columbus meeting
Will be held Tuesday evening, August 9th
Sacred Heart Church, Lewisburg
6:30 PM Rosary – 7:00 PM Meeting
Current Knights are encouraged to attend.

HIGHLIGHTS OF ST. JOSEPH CHURCH HISTORY

The first recorded history of St. Joseph's Church is a deed dated May 13, 1805, in which John and Margaret Keffer transferred to the Reverend Francis Neale of the Jesuit Missions at Georgetown on the Potomac in the State of Maryland, for the sum of one dollar, a plot of ground comprising about two acres in Turbot Township. This land is the site of the present parish cemetery.

The original plot of ground consisting of seventy-one acres had been purchased by the Keffer family, September 20, 1789. Just when the Keffer family permanently settled in Turbot Township is not known. But they were among the first Catholic settlers on the fertile lands in the township, and the need of a Catholic Cemetery and Church most have prompted the generosity of the family.

Prior to the transfer of the two acres, the Keffer farm was the burial site for Catholics. A tombstone still standing on this tract bears the inscription that Morris Lawrence (originally spelled Lorentz) died June 14, 1792, aged 109 years, 6 months and 21 days.

BREAKING BREAD WITH DAILY MASS PROPERS

We will be ordering Missals for 2023. Cost will be \$5.00 per book. If you would like to be included in the order, please complete the following, and place it in the collection basket.

Name _____

Number of Missals _____

Payment must be attached.

☛Deadline is this weekend - July 31st.