

6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME **2/12/2023** **St. Joseph Catholic Church, Paris, AR**
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Reconciliation: Sunday 8:15-8:45am Sunday; Thursday 7:00-7:45pm; by appointment

****Exposition/Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament –Tuesdays and Thursdays – noon until 8:00pm**

| <u>Mass Intentions</u> | | | | |
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| 2/13 | Monday | | NO MASS | |
| 2/14 | Tuesday | 7:30pm | +Wanda Cauthron | Ed & Martha Ullrich |
| 2/15 | Wednesday | 8:00am | +Jerry Martin | Martin Family |
| 2/16 | Thursday | | NO MASS | |
| 2/17 | Friday | 8:00am | +Georgette Zimmer | Doug & Denise Forst |
| 2/18 | Saturday | 6:00pm | +Paul Fox | Ronnie & Joyce Koch |
| 2/19 | Sunday | 9:00am | Living and Deceased Parishioners | Father Reginald |

Feast Days This Week: 2/14 – Sts. Cyril & Methodius, St. Valentine; 2/17 – Seven Holy Founders of the Servites

MINISTERS for February 18 & 19

Saturday: 5:00pm

Eucharist: Deacon Tom, Nick & Kim Neumeier **Lector:** Joseph Shunkey
Servers: A&C Nehus **Gifts:** Tom & Paulette Spivey, Jason Finney
Music: Beth Ullrich **Ushers:** D Mauer, R Robberson, D Ullrich, S Elsen

Sunday 9:00am

Eucharist: Deacon Tom, L Ezell, D Lowe **Lector:** Larry Perreault
Servers: B Maddox, Dom Perreault, Noah Curtis **Gifts:** D&R Rhineheart, J Harrison
Music: Jaime Jackson, Reagan Lowery **Ushers:** G&K Simmons, J&H Thias
Donuts: Jaime Jackson

- February 12: Mother's Society meeting after Mass
- February 13: RCIA session 6:30
- February 14: Eucharistic Adoration noon – 7:30 followed by Mass
- February 15: Religious Education classes 6:30pm
- February 16: Eucharistic Adoration noon – 8:00 (Reconciliation 7-7:45)
- FEBRUARY 18: MASS WILL BE AT 5:00PM INSTEAD OF 6:00**
- February 18: Jason Finney signs the Book of the Elect during Mass
- Feb. 18/19: Collection for the Church in Central & Eastern Europe
- February 22: ASH WEDNESDAY – MASS AT 8:00AM ONLY

Jason Finney has been attending RCIA sessions, and will be joining us in the Catholic Faith during the Easter Vigil service. He will sign the Book of the Elect here at Mass next Saturday evening and will attend the Rite of Election with Bishop Taylor in Rogers on February 25. Please keep him in your prayers!

Ash Wednesday is fast approaching.

Mass & Distribution of Ashes – 8:00am here at St. Joseph. (No evening Mass)

Eucharistic Minister: Deacon Tom **Lector:** Noah Curtis **Servers:** Lainey Rainwater & Ella Komp
Music: Beth Ullrich, Leslie Maddox **Ushers:** Gary & Katie Simmons, Harold & Alice Schluterman

St. Mary, Altus will have Mass at 7pm. *St. Benedict, Subiaco* will have Mass at 7pm in the round house chapel.

The **Ash Wednesday collection** supports the evangelization mission of the Church in Arkansas by helping provide for the priests, religious and lay people who proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ in financially depressed places.

GET YOUR Mardi Gras and Casino Night TICKETS!!!!

Saturday, February 18, at FNB Community Center

100% of the proceeds of this PTO sponsored event will be used for the benefit of our school. Events offered will be a **"Wine Grab"** and **"Gift Card Raffle"** basket, as well as **Silent and Live Auctions, including classroom baskets provided by school parents & teachers, AND MUCH, MUCH MORE!!**

Tickets to attend this event may be purchased through the school office for \$50 per ticket.

which includes dinner, beverages, casino games, live music & dancing, and both auctions.

Call 963-2131, 963-2119 or email secretary@saintjosephschoolar.org

World Marriage Day, celebrated every year on the second Sunday in February, was officially begun in 1983 in the US. Popularized by the Catholic Church, *the purpose of this day is to emphasize the beauty of marriage and to honor husbands and wives for their faithfulness and sacrifices.* World Marriage Day, introduced by Worldwide Marriage Encounter, highlights the promises of the marital union and the beauty of being a lawfully wedded couple in the eyes of Christ.

We welcome all visitors and invite newcomers to register at the church office where we would enjoy meeting you. If you regularly attend Mass at St. Joseph's and are not yet a registered parishioner but would like to be, please contact the church office at 963-2131

St. Joseph School

It is the mission of St. Joseph Catholic School to promote a safe, loving environment that creates disciples of Christ and lifelong learners.

The students loved PJ Day, complete with a movie, popcorn and juice pouches! The all-school rock painting art project was completed this week. The Ice Cream Sundae Bar was greatly enjoyed by all - of course! - as was the wonderful lunch provided Friday by First National Bank for students and faculty!!

And another highlight from this school week - - MAP testing has been completed at all grade levels!!!

The **Church in Central and Eastern Europe** collection taken up at Masses next weekend helps those who were formerly under Communist rule to continue to learn and practice the faith.

February 5 collection: Adult env (40) \$2155. Loose: \$202.05. Children: \$16. Total: \$2373.05. Candles: \$11.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY this week to Blake Schluterman, Bill Naegle, and Kenneth Stovall.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to Jim & Charlotte Fletcher, TJ & Rene Cauthron, and Bill & Mary Smith.

Submitted to the **Prayer Chain:** Kelly Gantt/MD Anderson; Kevin Schneider/cardiac issues; Rick Nicholson/biopsy scheduled; Jim Fletcher/lymphoma diagnosis; Eileen Freeman/beginning new chemo.

St. Benedict's will show the movie "Fr. Stu" at their hall Sat, Feb. 18, 7:15 pm. The movie is rated R for language. The movie is free. Some refreshments may be available for purchase. For information call Donna at 479-438-1564.

End-of-year contribution statements for church donations are available in the vestibule through Feb. 28.

Retrouvaille, a marriage program that helps couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship, will be February 17-19 at St. John's Center in LR. Catholic in origin, Retrouvaille is for couples of all faiths, and firstly a practical program to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. Presenters are not trained marriage counselors, but rather couples sharing their personal stories of marital struggles and the tools they used to rediscover their love. Sign up at helpyourmarriage.org. For info: 800-470-2230 or 501-834-1956

Hope & Healing for women who have been wounded by abortion is a 12-week online Bible study on Zoom, 6-7:15pm, March 1-May 17. This free Project Rachel Ministry opportunity will explore the impact of past abortion decisions on our lives and help us discover what we need to do to heal from these traumatic experiences. We will meet 12 women who, like us, are wives, mothers, daughters, sisters, and friends. We will learn how these women faced the same struggles and challenges that we face, and - through their example - gain insight into what we can do to make changes in our own lives to move forward from lingering grief, shame, guilt, fear, and pain, to acceptance, forgiveness, trust, peace, love, and joy. Any woman anywhere can participate from the comfort of her own space, anonymously if desired, with a virtual group of soon-to-be friends. **Call or text our CONFIDENTIAL direct phone line 501-663-0996 for information. Registration is required by February 22.**

FEBRUARY BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE

Mary Freeman, Evanna Eckart, Catherine Elsken, Hilda Elsken, Patsy Eveld, Loranne Ezell, Charlotte Fletcher, Barbara Forst, Celeste Fox, Dorothy Gilbert, Elizabeth Gurley, Joan Harrison, Patty Hixson, Michelle Howard, Jaime Jackson, Rene Kiefer, Shirley Kiefer, Jane Koehler

INTENTION OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR FEBRUARY

We pray that parishes, placing communion at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

Today is **World Marriage Day**, which promotes the Christian spirit of marriage and honors the loving faithfulness and sacrifices of husbands and wives. Catholic couples should celebrate the day by attending Sunday Mass together and recommitting themselves to the value of the sacrament of marriage.

What have you done for your marriage today?

"For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." (Matthew 5:44)

The Pharisees lived according to the letter of the law and they used this to elevate themselves above everyone else. Jesus is clear. It's the love you have in your heart - for God and for others - that will get you to heaven, not the letter of the law. Simply following rules to the letter, but without love, does not put us on the path to heaven.

Stewards show up at the door for many reasons. This week's Steward asked for a key to the hall because she had noticed the disarray of all the plastic containers that people donate for funeral dinner leftovers. She came for the sole purpose of straightening that cabinet. What a gift when someone sees a need and takes care of it!! As St. Teresa of Calcutta said,

Not all of us can do great things, but we can all do small things with great love.