

3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER

4/14/2024

St. Joseph Catholic Church, Paris, AR

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Reconciliation: Sundays 8:15-8:45am, Thursdays 7-7:45pm, or by appointment

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

Mass Intentions

4/15	Monday		NO MASS	
4/16	Tuesday	7:30pm	+Novena Prayers & Benediction	
4/17	Wednesday	8:00am	NO MASS	
4/18	Thursday		NO MASS	
4/19	Friday	8:00am	+Helen Zeiler (Anniv 4/18)	Jerry & Rose Lasater
4/20	Saturday	6:00pm	+Jimmy Rainwater	Laura Rainwater
4/21	Sunday	9:00am	+Deceased & Living Parishioners	Father Polycarp

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK: No feast days this week

Ministers for April 20 & 21

Saturday: 6:00pm

Eucharist: Marcus Rainwater, Kurtis & Sarah Simmons
Servers: Lainey Rainwater, Emmarae White, Drake Rhein
Music: Shana & Sydney White

Lector: Joyce Koch
Gifts: Jerry & Kim Swedeen
Ushers: J&H Thias, N&K Neumeier

Sunday 9:00am

Eucharist: Ray Kiefer, Gary & Katie Simmons
Servers: Kirsten Schneider, Olivia Stringer, Dominic Perreault
Music: Beth Ullrich, Leslie Maddox

Lector: Jeff O’Neal
Gifts: Joey & Jessie McGarrah family
Ushers: E Bauer, M Freeman, J Harrison, J Stanton

Donuts: Brad Simon

April 14: **FIRST COMMUNION AT 9:00 MASS** – reception to follow in the hall

No Mother’s Society meeting in April

Knights of Columbus #3084 meeting at Booneville. Rosary at 4:00 followed by meeting.

April 16 – 18: Father will be attending Continuing Education for Clergy in Little Rock – **NO MASSES**

April 16: Eucharistic Adoration noon to 7:30pm

April 17: Religious Education classes at 6:00pm

April 18: Eucharistic Adoration noon – 8:00pm

April 24: Last Religious Education class

April – The Month of the Holy Eucharist

April is traditionally dedicated to devotion to Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. The Catholic Church teaches that *the Blessed Sacrament is the real and living presence of Christ—His Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity—received into our souls in every Holy Communion. Our Eucharistic Lord is the source and summit of our Christian life, the ultimate proof of His infinite love for us.*

Congratulations to our children who are receiving their First Holy Communion today!!

Koreigh Lunsford, daughter of Kyle & Meigan Lunsford; Addy Hughes, daughter of Tony & Jaclyn Hughes, Finley McGarrah, son of Joey & Jessie McGarrah, Samson Curtis, son of Audrey Curtis & Michael Curtis, Joseph Mung, son of Gregory Kap Lian & Ciin Mang.

How appropriate for them to receive Jesus for the first time during the Month of the Holy Eucharist!

Parish Council elections will be held in May. This weekend and next weekend you will find nomination ballots in the pews. Please carefully consider people you feel would be willing and able to serve St. Joseph parish on the council. Write their names on the ballots and drop it in the collection basket.

RECYCLE SOLAR ECLIPSE GLASSES!! If you have glasses from the eclipse, please bring them and put them on a shelf in the cry room. They will be sent to Latin America for their children to enjoy their August eclipse.

The **Mother’s Society now offers catering** for weddings, anniversaries, and special occasions. For pricing and information, please contact Charlotte Koenigseder at 438-2743.

++ CHOIR PRACTICE!! ALL ARE WELCOME!! 2nd grade and up. No one is too old! Male & female voices are needed! Contact Shana about dates and times. 719-800-3440.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY this week to Joseph Gurley and Kevin Schneider.
HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to Fisher & Anna Elder and Mark & Rhonda Rhein.

Prayer Chain: 11 month old Wrenley/ SIDS/prayers for her family; John Paul Koch/surgery; Vivian Spendley (college freshman)/died of brain aneurysm; Meagan Pohlmeier/surgery follow up; Peggy Ingle/hip surgery complications

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

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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.

Please join us for the First Communion reception today!

2024/2025 OPEN HOUSE - Wednesday, April 24, 6-7pm!!

Invite friends and people you know to come check out our school!

Best Choice UPC box is in the cry room for your convenience. You may leave used ink cartridges as well.

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The family of Leo Tolbert wishes to thank the members of St. Joseph for their prayers for Leo during his illness and sympathy cards after his death. It meant so much to us. God bless you all. *Rose Marie & Anna Tolbert, Mary Zeiler.*

All ladies are invited to a wedding shower for Joshua Koch and Kailey Rogers April 21, 2pm, at the Round House.

April 7 Collection: Adult env (36) \$3015. Children: \$10. Loose: \$102. Total: \$3127. Candles: \$21. Masses: \$10.

April Bereavement Committee

Theresa Naegle, Kim Neumeier, Dorothy Neumeier, Mary Beth Nehus, Christa Nehus, Beverly Nehus, Paula O'Bar, Danielle O'Bar, Michelle Owens, Sarah Perreault, Margie Phillips, Jessica Philmon, Sharon Pohlmeier, Rita Robberson, Rita Rhineheart, Frances Rhineheart, Laura Rainwater

Intention of the Holy Father for April

Let us pray that the dignity and worth of women be recognized in every culture, and for an end to the discrimination they face in various parts of the world.

Camp Subiaco, June 16-22 or June 23-29, is for boys ages 9-13. It includes fishing, archery, riflery, go-karts, boating & tubing, climbing wall and much more. Operated by Subiaco Alumni and the Benedictine Monks.

"Preparing for Pentecost" April 27, 9am-5pm, \$20 fee includes lunch at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Conway.

Politeness and manners are not just for adults and job interviews. Teach your children basic courtesy, greetings, and not to interrupt – basic manners. It will make life at home more peaceful, and people will enjoy being around your children. Model this behavior with your spouse.

What have you done for your marriage today? www.foryourmarriage.org

"Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' But they were startled and frightened." (Luke 24: 36-37)

Throughout the day we have many opportunities to "see the face of Jesus" in others and to "be the face of Jesus" to others. Do we take the opportunity to provide "peace" to those we encounter, or are we afraid of what others will think of us, so we do nothing? Pray for the strength and courage to live a "God-centered" life and not a "self-centered" life.

"Thank you" this week to Jessie and Misty for preparing these children for the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion. The children were blessed to have teachers who have loved them and served them. The teachers were blessed by the children who have been attentive and eager to learn. What a gift they have been to each other! We are grateful!

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The members of the Parish Council are asking for volunteers to help maintain the beds around the church and rectory. Some areas are easier to maintain than others, in which case someone might be able to handle more than one. Is this a Stewardship contribution of time in which you can participate? Please write your name beside any that you and/or your family would be able to take care of and drop it in the collection basket in the next week or so. The areas to be maintained are:

- Under the pecan tree: _____
- Around the fountain: _____
- Around the church office: _____
- The north side of the rectory: _____
- The west side of the rectory: _____
- The west side of the church: _____
- The north side of the church: _____
- The east side of the church: _____
- The south side of the church: _____
- Trimming bushes as needed: _____