

**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**11/27/2022**

**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**

**Mass Intentions**

11/28	Monday		<b>NO MASS</b>	
11/29	Tuesday	7:30pm	<b>+Dorothy Schneider</b>	Mother's Society
11/30	Wednesday	8:00am	<b>+Joe Eveld</b>	Gary & Patsy Eveld
12/01	Thursday		<b>NO MASS</b>	
12/02	Friday	8:00am	<b>Theresa Schwartz</b>	Betty & Walt Kreutzer
12/03	Saturday	6:00pm	<b>Hermina Anhalt</b>	Janie Calvert
12/04	Sunday	9:00am	<b>Living and Deceased Parishioners</b>	Father Reginald

**Feast Days This Week:** 11/30 - St. Andrew; (First Friday); 12/3 – St. Francis Xavier (First Saturday)

**MINISTERS for December 3 & 4:**

**Saturday: 6:00pm**

**Eucharist:** Marcus Rainwater, Nick & Kim Neumeier

**Lector:** Janet Schluterman

**Servers:** Luke & Lainey Rainwater

**Gifts:** Tom & Paulette Spivey

**Music:** Randy Edelhuber, Beth Ullrich

**Ushers:** J&C Koenigseder, R Robberson, D Ullrich

**Sunday 9:00**

**Eucharist:** Ray Kiefer, Ed & Martha Ullrich

**Lector:** Joan Stanton

**Servers:** B Maddox, O Stringer, E Raper

**Gifts:** Racine & Mary Nehus family

**Music:** Jaime Jackson, Reagan Lowery

**Ushers:** D Wright, M Freeman, E Bauer, B Nehus

**Donuts:** Josh Bradley

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November 29: Eucharistic Adoration noon -7:30 followed by Mass

November 30: Religious Education classes

December 1: Eucharistic Adoration noon – 8:00; Reconciliation 7-7:45pm

December 2: ADVENT SERIES AT 6:00PM IN CHURCH; MEAL IN SCHOOL CAFETERIA AFTER

Dec. 3 & 4: Monthly collection for our school

December 6: Parish Council meeting at 6:00pm

December 8: **The Feast of the Immaculate Conception – Holyday of Obligation – Mass at 6:00pm**

Dec. 10 & 11: Second collection for Retired Religious

December 23: Decorate church for Christmas after 8:00 Mass on Friday, December 23

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**PONDER books are available for Liturgical Year “A” which begins today.**

*You are welcome to join the current Friday morning 8:45 group, by yourself, or start your own group!*

**This Friday - - December 2 - - join our evening Advent series!!**

Listen to a presentation by Subiaco Abbey's Brother Ambrose in church at 6pm.

Enjoy a meal in the school cafeteria after.

**Come!! Bring your family!! No need to cook dinner!!**

The Mother's Society is taking orders for **Christmas Poinsettias**. Call Frances at 438-2495 to reserve yours in memory of a loved one, or in honor of someone.

Submitted to the **Prayer Chain:** Bill Schwartz/PET scan; Geraldine Schluterman/flu; Gay Strobel/testing; Vicki Schneider/testing.

Please pray for the soul of Laura Bujarski's dad, John Braith, who died last Sunday. We offer our prayers, support, and consolation to Laura and her family. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. May he rest in peace.

COS has asked St. Joseph parishioners to gather **200 BOXES OF CEREAL** again this year for their Christmas baskets. You may bring it any time and place it in front of church.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** this week to Garett Schneider, Elizabeth Cauthron, Frances Rhineheart, Teresa Schluterman. **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY** to Gary & Tracy Schluterman.

**DECEMBER BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE**

Shirley Kiefer, Jane Koehler, Patty Hixson, Michelle Howard, Jaime Jackson, Rene Kiefer, Charlotte Koenigseder, Holly Komp

**INTENTION OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR DECEMBER**

We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

*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.***

St. Joseph Student Council has begun gathering crackers along with canned soups, chili, pasta, stew, for COS between now and Christmas. Any help you can provide with this project is greatly appreciated!

**The first Sunday is here! It is the time to recollect hope for the future!**

**November 20 collection:** Adult env (41) 2390. Children: \$9. Candles: \$76. Masses: \$40. Hall rental: \$75.

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Do you find yourself comparing your marriage and family life to others around you? Gratitude is the best remedy again jealousy. [www.foryourmarriage.org](http://www.foryourmarriage.org) What have you done for your marriage today?  
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*“Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come.”*  
(Matthew 24:42)

People who have had life-threatening health issues or a near-death experience realize that life is a gift from God. The rest of us can easily take for granted that we will be around tomorrow. But when we start looking at each day as a gift, we realize all the little miracles that happen daily, and so we begin to see God’s active presence in our lives. We begin to grow in gratitude - each day - for all that we have been given.

St. Joseph’s has had twelve funerals in 2022. We are grateful to the MANY Stewards who have graciously given their time and talent in providing food, helping set up, serve and clean up after each of these meals. The generosity shown by St. Joseph parishioners is always heartwarming. Never does a bereaved family leave without thanking everyone and commenting on how delicious everything was, and how welcomed and comforted they felt. What a wonderful ministry this is!

Prayer for the Dead

O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered, accept our prayers on behalf of your servants who have died, and grant them entrance into the land of light and joy in the fellowship of all Your saints, through Jesus Christ Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.