

THE VIGIL MASS
OF THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
April 13, 2024



St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church



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WE NEED YOUR HELP!
Fundraising



As you know, our Spring Dinner is scheduled for May 18, 2024. Once again, we would like to raffle theme baskets. To date, we've received 3 donated baskets: a man's basket, chocolate basket, and a basket containing a bottle of wine and wine glasses.

If your means allow, please consider donating a basket. We have a limited number of empty baskets and the large plastic bags used for wrapping at the rectory. Suggestions include: dog basket, children's basket (toys, games, books—boy, girl, and/or gender neutral), or any other "theme" that would appeal to someone. If you prefer that someone else do the shopping, cash donations will also be accepted.

In addition, instead of raffling lottery ticket trees (with a slim chance to win what would probably a small amount), we'd like to offer gift card trees (with the winner guaranteed the amounts on the cards). So, you guessed it...we are soliciting gift cards (\$10, \$15, or \$20). Suggestions include: CVS, Dunkin', barber/ beauty salon, gas station, IGA, Dino's, restaurants (Serio's, News Star, Chelo's, Applebee's, Panera, Chipotle's, Jersey Mike's, Chili's, etc.).



If you're so inclined, the rectory has letters to present to store/shop managers soliciting such donations from business owners/managers. Historically, the same few people assume responsibility (financial and labor) for our fundraising efforts.

This is your opportunity to share your time, talent, and treasure to support our beloved parish.
Thank you sincerely!



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Mon Acts 6:8-15 Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30
Jn 6:22-29
- Tues Acts 7:51-8:1a Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b
and 8a, 17 and 21ab Jn 6:30-35
- Wed Acts 8:1b-8 Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a
Jn 6:35-40
- Thu Acts 8:26-40 Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20
Jn 6:44-51
- Fri Acts 9:1-20 Ps 117:1bc, 2 Jn 6:52-59
- Sat Acts 9:31-42 Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17
Jn 6:60-69
- Sun Acts 4:8-12 Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28,29
1 Jn 3:1-2 Jn 10:11-18



Get ready everyone bingo is coming up right around the corner. Get those dabbers ready, April 26, 2024.



The MISSION of the parish community of Saint Joseph is to “Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel.”

Our VISION: As a Catholic faith community, we invite all to experience the saving grace of

Jesus Christ. We strive to grow and sustain by offering ministries that meet and nurture the Sacramental, spiritual, material, and emotional needs of our greater community.

MASS INTENTIONS

Apr 13 **The Vigil Mass of the**
Sat 4:00 pm **3rd Sunday of Easter**
In Memory of Beatrice Emidy
(Month’s Mind) by the Emidy
Family

&

In Memory of John & Mary
Franklin by Mike & Nancy

Apr 16 **For the Relief & Release of the**
Tues 7:45 am **Holy Souls in Purgatory**

Apr 17 **For the Relief & Release of the**
Wed 7:45 am **Holy Souls in Purgatory**

Apr 20 **In Memory of Betsey & Mark**
Sat 4:00 pm **Zifcak by their Family**

&

In Memory of Clayre Osmanski
by her Family



SANCTUARY LAMP –

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for all members of the St. Joseph community who are suffering from illness and the loss of a loved one.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

	4/13/24
Weekly	\$1442.00
Monthly	\$80.00
Fuel	\$45.00
Mass Stipend	\$55.00
Annual Collection	\$50.00
Mail Ins	\$245.00
Holy Day	\$10.00
Total Operating	\$1927..00
Easter-CCA	\$85.00
Holy Land/Good Friday	\$35.00
CRS/Rice Bowl	\$6.00

“REFLECTIONS”

Our spiritual lives could well be described as the placing of “mind over matter.” The matter is our activity, such as the plans we make, or the career we pursue. But over and above all that is our purpose. What, in short, is our goal?

An earthbound example of action and goal would be that of the two teams in a “Super Bowl” such as we watched two months ago in the company of millions. Every play that each team made was aimed at the goal of being world champions of football.

We too should be involved in the pursuit of a goal. If not, we are in danger of having no reason to get up in the morning, and that would be tragic in itself. Our goal as Catholics is our eternal salvation. That places us squarely in a competition not of our own making. That between good and evil. Both sides want us and pull at us for their triumph over our souls. This struggle is “super” in the sense that it is “above” all else in the human project.

Source: Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

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