


*The Vigil Mass of the
1st Sunday of Lent (Year B)*

February 17, 2024



**1st SUNDAY
OF LENT**

“This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand.
Repent, and believe in the gospel.” - Mk 1:15

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ST. JOSEPH ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MON Lv 19:1-2, 11-18 Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15
 Mt 25:31-46
 TUE Is 55:10-11 Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19
 Mt 6:7-15
 WED Jon 3:1-10 Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19
 Lk 11:29-32
 THU 1 Pt 5:1-4 Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6 Mt 16:13-19
 FRI Ez 18:21-28 Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8
 Mt 5:20-26
 SAT Dt 26:16-19 Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 Mt 5:43-48
 SUN Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 Ps 116:10, 15,
 16-17, 18-19 Rom 8:31b-34 Mk 9:2-10



“Lent is a favourable season for opening the doors to all those in need and recognizing in them the face of Christ.” Pope Francis

This year, Lent begins on February 14 as we observe Ash Wednesday. It continues through the afternoon of Holy Thursday, March 28, and ends as we begin the Sacred Paschal Triduum with the Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper.

In a particular way during Lent, we are asked to devote ourselves to the spiritual and corporal works of mercy that "remind us that faith finds expression in concrete everyday actions meant to help our neighbors in body and spirit." Pope Francis reminds us, "God's mercy transforms human hearts; it enables us, through the experience of a faithful love, to become merciful in turn."

UPCOMING 2024 PARISH EVENTS

February	Weekly 20-Week Club Drawings Begin
March 16	Free Lenten Meal
April 26	BINGO
May 18	Spring Dinner
June 22	20-Week Club Meal

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Thank you for continuing to support our parish fundraisers.

TEMPORARY CHANGE IN RECTORY HOURS

Due to illness, the Rectory is currently short-staffed.

For the foreseeable future, a volunteer will be at the Rectory Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 10 am – 2 pm, unless her prior commitments cannot be rescheduled.

It is *strongly* recommended that you call before coming to the Rectory (401-568-2411).

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

PRAYER MINISTRY – Would you like to join the “prayer warriors”? Do you know someone who could use a special prayer? Or, would you like someone to pray for you? If so, please call Pauline at 401-568-5644.





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

- Feb 17 **Vigil Mass of the**
Sat 4:00 pm **1st Sunday of Lent**
In Memory of Herb McCombs
(Birthday Remembrance) &
Irene McCombs
(2nd Anniversary)
by their Family
&
In Memory of
Joseph “Danny” White
(Birthday Remembrance)
by his Wife & Family

- Feb 20 In Memory of Betsy & Mark Zifcak
Tue 7:45 am by their Family

- Feb 21 **St. Peter Damian, Bishop &**
Doctor of the Church
Wed 7:45 am For the Relief & Release of the
Holy Souls in Purgatory

- Feb 23 **St. Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr**
Fri 6:30 pm **Stations of the Cross**
St. Eugene Church

- Feb 24 **Vigil Mass of the**
Sat 4:00 pm **2nd Sunday of Lent**
In Memory of Nancy Campbell
(6th Anniversary)
by her Family



SANCTUARY LAMP will burn this week in memory of the **DECEASED PARISHIONERS OF ST. JOSEPH CHURCH.**

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Weekly	\$1,040.00
Mail-Ins	\$140.00
On-Line Giving – weekly	\$175.00
Monthly	\$40.00
On-Line Giving – monthly	\$120.00
Fuel	\$299.00
Sanctuary Candle	\$25.00
Annual Collection	\$615.00
Mass Stipend	\$110.00
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Parish Share	\$6.00
Total Operating	\$2570.00



WELCOME RETURNING & NEW PARISHIONERS

There’s an old saying that goes, “Once a Catholic, always a Catholic.” Maybe you have been away from the Church for a little while or quite some time, but now you feel a tug at your heart calling you back to the Catholic Church. Listen to that tug. Its your Heavenly Father reaching His arms out to you, the Holy Spirit whispering in your ear, hoping to draw you home (source: www.catjholicscomejome.org). If you wish rejoin (or join) St. Joseph’s parish, please introduce yourself to Fr. Dandeneau after any Mass. He will guide you through the registration process. Or, you may call the rectory (Mon, Wed, & Fri, 10 am – 2 pm; 401-568-2411).

20-WEEK CLUB - Tickets are still available for St. Joseph’s 20-Week Club. The weekly drawings have begun. Ticket prices remain \$50.00, with 20 weekly drawings and prizes on the night of the banquet (June 22). What a great gift to give or to receive.

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