

The First Sunday of Lent

February 26, 2023



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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** Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
- 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 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9



UPCOMING ACTIVITIES/EVENTS	
Spring Dinner	March 18, 2023
Lenten Meal (fish sandwich and chowder) – Free to all attendees. Donations accepted and welcome. Thank you.	Saturday, April 1 – following the 4:00pm Mass
BINGO	April 21, 2023
St. Joseph's 20-Week Club Additional details available soon!	May 27, 2023

ST. JOSEPH PARISH ANNUAL APPEAL

Thank you to all parishioners who have already given to the Annual Appeal. For those who are still prayerfully considering donating, you may utilize on-line giving, drop it in any collection during Mass, or deliver/mail it to the rectory. **To date, we have received over \$7,700 in contributions to this especially important church Appeal!** The Appeal is ongoing through June 30, 2023. **Thank you for your continued support!**



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ON-LINE GIVING – Thank you to those parishioners who utilize Parish Giving. In 2022, your electronic donations totaled **\$15,718.00**. **If you have not done so already, please visit our website- stjosephri.org to enroll in on-line giving.**

The Diocese of Providence has kicked off it's 2023 Catholic Charity Appeal. Donations to the Appeal provide the principal means of support for many diocesan ministries, including aid to families with food, heating, and clothing; care for seniors at the St. Martin de Porres Multiservice Center; shelter for the homeless at Emmanuel House; assistance to expectant mothers and pastoral care of the sick. The Appeal's 2023 goal is \$7 million, an increase from \$6.8 million in 2022, when the campaign surpassed \$6,960,000 in donations (103% of the goal), from 19,600 contributors. In addition to in-pew donations, online contributions can be set up at givecentral.org/2023CCA



“One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.”

Earthquake Relief for Turkey & Syria - On February 6, a 7.8 magnitude earthquake devastated large areas of central Turkey and northwest Syria. The death toll has surpassed 36,000 and continues to climb. The earthquake is the worst to strike Turkey this century. Later that day, the region experienced a second earthquake with a magnitude of 7.7. Catholic Relief Services will support emergency relief efforts led by local partners in both Syria and Turkey, where extensive damage has been reported. To donate to this humanitarian effort to bring displaced people to safety and to be able to provide meals and clothing to those in need, please visit <https://www.crs.org/>.



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 25
Sat 4:00 pm

Vigil Mass of the First Sunday in Lent
In Memory of Carol F. Fortin
(Birthday Remembrance)
by her Family

&

In Memory of Nancy Campbell
(5th Anniversary)
by her Family

&

For the Release of the Poor Souls
in Purgatory

Feb 28
Tue 7:45

In Memory of Herbie Osgood
by Julia O'Rourke

Mar 1
Wed 7:45 am

In Memory of Charles & Alma Dionne
by their Daughter

Mar 4
Sat 4:00 pm

Vigil Mass of the Second Sunday in Lent
In Memory of Marie Walker
(10th Anniversary)
by Linda, Paul & Bethany

&

In Memory of Timothy J. Wood
(48th Birthday Remembrance)
by his Mom, Dad & Brothers



SANCTUARY LAMP – In Memory of
Victims of Violence Throughout the World.

PRAYER MINISTRY - Would you like to join the “prayer warriors”? Do you know someone who could use a special prayer? Would you like someone to pray for you? If so, please call Pauline at 401-568-5644. *If your intention is of a serious or immediate nature, please call St. Joseph Rectory (568-2411) or St. Eugene Rectory (568-5102).*



The Financial Update for 2/19/2023 will appear in next week’s bulletin due to Presidents’ Day, celebrated Monday, February 20th.

UPCOMING SECOND/SPECIAL COLLECTIONS



Your Easter Flower Offering may be placed in any collection basket prior to Easter.

March 5 Monthly Parish Collection
March 12 Fuel Offering

The 2024 Mass Book has arrived! Please call the rectory, 568-2411 to reserve your Masses. The Masses fill up quickly, please call the rectory at your earliest convenience to schedule your desired Masses for loved ones, healing, and special intentions.

Lenten Regulations: Abstinance from meat on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent (for those 14 and older) is required by Church law. Also, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting: those between the ages of 18 and 59 should eat less, meaning, take no solid food between meals and only one full meal that day. Serious health conditions excuse a person from these precepts. Pastors and parents are encouraged by the law of the Church to ensure that minors who are not bound by the law of fast and abstinence are educated nonetheless in an authentic sense of penance.

Tickets are now available for St. Joseph’s Spring Dinner, March 18th and 20-Week Club Dinner, May 27th. Call the rectory, 568-2411, to reserve tickets to either or both events!



Lenten prayer

Dear God, During Lent help us to keep our eyes on Jesus. Help us to spend more time talking and listening to you. Help us to share what we have with others and be sorry for times we have done wrong.
Amen



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