

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
February 8/9, 2025



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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Mon** Gen 1:1-19 Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c Mk 6:53-56
- Tue** Gen 1:20—2:4a Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Mk 7:1-13
- Wed** Gen 2:4b-9, 15-17 Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30 Mk 7:14-23
- Thu** Gen 2:18-25 Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 Mk 7:24-30
- Fri** Gen 3:1-8 Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 Mk 7:31-37
- Sat** Gen 3:9-24 Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13 Mk 8:1-10
- Sun** Jer 17:5-8 Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20 Lk 6:17, 20-26



MASS INTENTIONS/ OFFERTORY GIFTS

When more than one family has an intention for a single Mass, we suggest that a member of each family present the gifts (hosts and wine) to the Celebrant. Please notify an Usher

before Mass if you are in attendance and wish to bring the gifts to the altar and whether you would like the gifts to be placed in front of the first pew (if you are unable to walk the entire length of the center aisle)



Bereavement

St. Joseph Parish community mourns the passing of George H. Wood, Jr. Please keep Mr. Wood and his family in your prayers and offer your condolences and prayerful support to them throughout this difficult time.

REFLECTIONS

What I propose is “the St. Peter Principle,” It was initiated by the lovable man who become our first pope. Christ’s choice of him put Peter where he was most competent, as leader and bulwark against heresy. Yes, he was imperfect, but he always kept intact his beautiful humility. Evidence of this we have in today’s Gospel.

With transparent frustration, Peter resists Jesus’ command to lower the nets in deep water. “We’ve been at this all night, Lord!” he says. But out of respect for the carpenter’s son, He lowers the nets. When the miracle happens, Peter immediately kneels before Jesus and urges Him to leave sinful company. Now just freeze the moment and savor it. Note both the power and the beauty. Here a rough and ready fisherman, tired from a hard night’s work, still manages to convert to a ready penitent.

Please allow me to stretch this tidy conclusion with a more elusive one. Do you recognize the fact that all Peter, can just St. Peter, can be surprised by God? He frequently supplies something positive and wonderful in our lives, and we routinely forget those when we complain to Him about the inevitable negatives. I leave it to you to name them from your life experience so far.

I prefer it if you were to list the items you acknowledge on Thanksgiving morning. Things like meeting the person you eventually fall in love with enough to bind your life with theirs.

This one is most appropriate to think a bout on this “World Day of Marriage” in our Church calendar. Or the happy diagnosis given one by the cancer specialist. Or the unexpected raise given you by the boss. Or the return to the faith by a non-practicing family member, to name a few. But note how the “St. Peter Principle” kicks in. It is your humility showing when you compose such a list. It urges you kneel and be grateful that God does not run away from you. Listen to the great Pope Gregory the Great: “God first gathered the unlearned, afterwards philosophers, nor has he taught fishermen by orators, but has subdued orators by fishermen.”

God love you and give you His peace.

source: Rev. Leonard G. Peterson



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
FIFTH SUNDAY IN
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Feb 8 **In Memory of Jean Franklin**
 Sat 4:00pm **Gouin (Ann Rem) by Mike and Nancy**
 &
In Memory of Robert St. Jean (Month’s Mind) by Joyce Hill

Feb 11 **For the Relief and Release of**
 Tues 7:45am **the Souls in Purgatory**

Feb 12 **In Memory of Donna**
 Wed 7:45am **Deschamps by Burrillville High School Class of 1980**

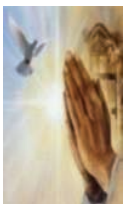
SIXTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

Feb 15 **In Memory of J. Daniel White**
 Sat 4:00pm **by wife, Teresa and Family**



SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week **for all deceased members of the St. Joseph Parish.**



Do you, or someone you know, need a prayer? **Call Pauline Prew 568-5644** and have our “Prayer Warriors” pray for your intentions.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

	1/4/25	1/11/25	1/18/25	1/25/25
Weekly	\$405.00	\$1318.00	\$969.00	\$1127.00
Monthly	\$60.00	\$175.00	\$10.00	\$90.00
Fuel	\$70.00	\$341.00	\$35.00	\$75.00
Mass Stipends	N/A	\$25.00	\$125.00	\$200.00
Sanctuary Candle	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Mail In	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$405.00
Im. Conc.	\$45.00	\$10.00	N/A	\$10.00
Christmas Flowers	\$35.00	\$10.00	N/A	N/A
Christmas Offering	\$987.00	\$10.00	N/A	\$45.00
Votive Candles	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Donation	N/A	N/A	\$100.00	N/A
Funeral	N/A	\$350.00	N/A	\$700.00
Total Operating	\$1602.00	\$2239.00	\$1239.00	\$2652.00
Jacob’s Gift	N/A	\$28.00	N/A	
Ret. Rel.	\$10.00	\$10.00	N/A	\$20.00
Latin Am	N/A	\$20.00	N/A	\$181.00
Cath Univ Seminary	N/A	\$20.00	\$82.00	\$35.00
	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$5.00

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

Feb 8	Fuel
Mar 1	Monthly
Mar 8	Fuel
Mar 15	Easter Flowers

ON-LINE GIVING

Thank you to those parishioners who utilize Parish Giving. If you have not done so already, please visit our website-stjosephri.org to enroll in on-line giving. (See “Parish Giving” icon-bulletins lower left corner of the home page.)



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