

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, July 31: † *Gilbert King* by The Fedeles
Sunday, Aug 7: † *Sandra Bomba* by husband, Ed
Sunday, Aug 14: † *Angelo & Lucy Roteigliano “Happy Anniversary”* by Family



AUG 1-15 † MEMORIAL CANDLES:

Church(basement) Sanctuary: *Bucky Price* by Janet
Chapel Sanctuary: *Cavaliere Family* by The Fedeles
Blessed Mother: *William Perri* by The Pompilis / *Kylinn Stone Gilmore* by Theresa Buranosky
Saint Joseph: *William Perri* by The Pompilis

LECTOR SCHEDULE		ALTAR SERVERS
Sunday, July 31	T. Kerstetter	We will not be using Altar Servers for Mass while we are in the Church Hall.
Sunday, August 7	C. DeMarte	
Sunday, August 31	A. Lavelle	

IN OUR PRAYERS

Jennifer Sauter, Sandy Francis, John “Tink” Green, Juliann Thorson, Ronnie Lullo, John Laubscher, Kay Hirlinger, Connie Shope, Deanna Dare, Donald Felty, Bill O’Neill, Karen Tomko Strobel, Susan Nelson, Thomas Packer, Bill Leary Jr., Melinda O’Neill-Lewis, Bart Pickering, Katherine Huggler, Gayle Jenkins, Elaine Charcalla, John Kapp, Ron J. Long, Rose Turnowchyk, Ruth Donnell, Vera Hough, Jeane Bressler, Grace DeSanto, Angeline Adams, Grace “Susie” Kisko, Joanie Francis, Liz Kalafut, Arnie Burrows, Martha Crouse, Brenda DeJoice, Caleb Leone, Joey Herridge, Cathy Lovett, Drew Gentzyel, Adam Smith, Joyce Winkleman O’Brien, Chad Willard, Connie O’Toole Conrad, Gino Serafini, Terry O’Laughlin, Kevin Dwyer, Denise Colvin, Frank Morton, George Crouse

WEEKLY SCHEDULE			
Collection Counters: Margie & Ann			
MONDAY: 8/01			
TUESDAY: 8/02	Communion Service	8:30 am	Chapel
WEDNESDAY: 8/03			
THURSDAY: 8/04			
FRIDAY: 8/05			
SATURDAY: 8/06			
SUNDAY: 8/07	Mass	12 noon	Church Hall

“Hope is not the expectation that things will turn out well,
but the conviction that something is worth working for,
however it turns out.” -Vaclav Havel

July 31, 2022:
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

CHURCH OF
SAINT JOSEPH

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PARISH STAFF

Rev. Joseph Orr.....*Pastor*
Rev. Daniel Heiser.....*Deacon*
Alison Heiser.....*Secretary/DRE*
Terry O’Laughlin.....*Finance Council*

MASS TIME

Sunday: 12 noon

CONFESSIONS

Sunday at 11:40 a.m.
Wednesday by appt.

SICK CALL

Please notify the office when a member of the parish is in the hospital, or is unable to attend Church and wishes to receive Holy Communion at home.

MISSION STATEMENT OF THE
SAINT JOSEPH’S FAITH COMMUNITY

We the family of God, work to spread the good news and reach out to the lapsed Catholics and bring them back into the fold. We focus on being good examples of the Catholic Faith to the youth of our Parish. We will use prayer, education, hospitality, outreach and stewardship to welcome all into our faith community.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Wednesday - Friday
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Closed Tuesday/Thursday

COMMUNION SERVICES

Tuesday: 8:30 a.m. (Chapel)
Friday: 6:00 p.m. (Chapel)

MARRIAGES & BAPTISMS

Call the church office to schedule an appointment. Nine-month advance notice is required for marriage.

PARISHIONER REGISTRATION

If you would like to join the parish, please contact the parish office. Please remember to notify us if you move or will be moving out of the parish. Registration, the practice of stewardship and regular participation in the Sacraments indicate a person is an active member of the parish and is eligible to act as a godparent or sponsor. As a Church community seeking to be faith-filled disciples and good stewards, the sacrifice of our time, talent, and treasure is essential for the common good.



Take care to guard against all greed,
for though one may be rich,
one's life does not
consist of possessions.

Luke 12:15

NOTHING EARTHLY LASTS FOREVER

“Teach us to number our days aright.” Is there a more wise and prudent prayer for people of all ages than this verse from today’s responsorial psalm? As we savor the lovely but limited days of summer we are reminded that nothing lasts forever. In today’s first reading, the master teacher (Qoheleth) asserts “All things are vanity!” while the Gospel of Luke describes the ease with which our possessions can possess us. The second reading makes the point as well: “Think of what is above, not of what is on earth.” We see the problem of wealth from both sides today—from the viewpoint of the wealthy person who inevitably has to leave his riches to someone else and from the perspective of the potential inheritor who is at odds with his brother over how to divide their inheritance. The problem is clear; the wisdom is also.

YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU

Stephen Covey, in his book *The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People*, lists as his second habit: Begin with the end in mind. Is that not the point of our scripture reflections today? We know we will die. We know we “can’t take it with us.” If you’ve ever been tasked with cleaning out the home of a deceased person, you know how easily once-treasured items simply become another burden to deal with. Or you may have experienced how quickly the joy of owning the latest smart phone becomes as outdated as the model itself. So how do we think about all the stuff that we buy, accumulate, fret over where to store, and pay taxes on? Heaven forbid if we ever have to move!

RICH IN WHAT MATTERS TO GOD

Luke sets us on the right path when he affirms that we must be “rich in what matters to God.” Needless to say, he is not saying that possessions themselves are evil. Today’s psalm asks God—twice—to “prosper the work of our hands for us!” The danger is that, as one wag put it, “we never have enough of what we don’t really need.” What does matter to God? What is the opposite of vanity? Kindness to one another, mercy, forgiveness, generosity to the poor and needy—all of these remain beyond death. These are what we can take with us when we die. The great mystery in all this is that God is never outdone in generosity; the more we give away, the more we have.

July 31 is also the feast day of Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Society of Jesus (Jesuits). He epitomizes richness in what really matters. His military and court aspirations evaporated after he was seriously wounded in battle. His subsequent change of heart led him to found one of the most influential religious orders in the history of the Church. If the opposite of vanity is wealth that remains after death, Ignatius is most appropriately honored today.

TODAY'S READINGS

Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21–23
Psalm 90:3–4, 5–6, 12–13, 14 and 17
Colossians 3:1–5, 9–11
Luke 12:13–21



THE LORD'S REAL PRESENCE

We are fortunate to worship in a church in which the Body of Christ is reserved. It is right to acknowledge the Lord’s Real Presence with a brief act of worship on entering or leaving the church and every time passing by the sanctuary. Normally, a genuflection in the direction of the Tabernacle is enough. One who is physically unable to genuflect may substitute a profound bow at the waist.

RCIA

RCIA Classes begin in September! If you, or someone you know, is interested in becoming Catholic, our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) class will begin in September. This is a great opportunity to learn more about the Catholic faith and draw closer to the Lord Jesus. These sessions are not only for those who have decided to join but also for those who are curious about the faith – all are welcome! If you would like more information, please contact the rectory office 50-923-0172.

CHURCH PEWS

We are desperately looking for a few more of our church pews to add back to the front of our church. We have had several people graciously come forward to donate their pews back to the church. We only need a few more to complete this project. Please call or email the parish office if you can help us out. Thank you.

CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

The Knights of Columbus of St. Joseph’s Parish are sponsoring their first-ever Cornhole Tournament to help raise funds for our ceiling project. Please help spread the word!

50-50
Raffles

Fun!



Food

Music

- **When:** August 20th, 2022
- **Where:** Chapman Township Park, Renovo, PA
- **Time:** 10:00 AM until TBD
- **Cost:** \$40 per Team

There are 3 ways to register....

1. **Online:** Participants can register and pay at: <http://www.stjosephchurchrenovopa.org/>
2. **Phone:** Teams can call (570) 923-0172 and register the names of team. Team will then pay the \$40 registration fee the day of the tournament.
3. **In Person:** Teams can register and pay registration fee upon arrival at the tournament on August 20th.

WELCOME

Welcome to all, especially visitors and guests, who have come to worship in our Church today. No matter how long you're planning to be in the neighborhood, please consider St. Joseph's your parish home. Call the parish office, 570-923-0172, to schedule an appointment with Father Orr to register.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102; Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 16:13-23

Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41; Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36

Sunday: Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22; Hb 11:1-2, 8-19 [1-2, 8-12]; Lk 12:32-48 [35-40]

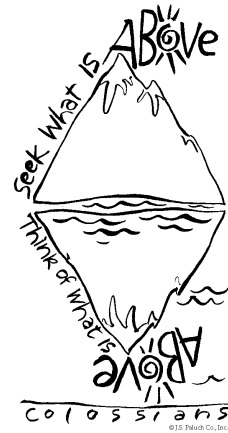
THE CENTER OF A MEANINGFUL LIFE

Today's readings invite us to reflect upon some of life's deepest questions, and to explore the meaning of faith. We hear of the universal human search for meaning in our lives in the book of Ecclesiastes. In Luke's Gospel, we hear Jesus' parable about one who foolishly seeks ultimate security through the accumulation of wealth. In Colossians, faith in the crucified and resurrected Christ is proclaimed as the path to a richly purposeful and meaningful life. The path of Christian faith places our work, our sufferings, and our limitations within the larger picture of God's purposes for all of us. In Jesus, God is revealed as our companion in human suffering and limitation. God's love is at the center of a meaningful life. We place our trust in this loving God, who created us to share in this love, and to share this love with others.

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Alphonsus Liguori
Tuesday: St. Eusebius of Vercelli;
St. Peter Julian Eymard
Thursday: St. John Vianney
Friday: Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major;
First Friday
Saturday: The Transfiguration of the Lord;
First Saturday



**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 31, 2022**
Teach us to number our days aright,
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
— Psalm 90:12

† Our Gifts to God †
Sunday Offering: July 17, 2022

Regular Collection	\$1,186.00	ENVELOPES Adults Used 55 Families: 205
Monthly	475.00	
Children	4.00	
	\$1,665.00	

- Matthew 25: \$65.00
- Votive: \$60.00

Special Collections

- Mission Appeal: \$310.00

Sunday Offering: July 24, 2022

Regular Collection	\$1,672.00	ENVELOPES Adults Used 53 Families: 205
Monthly	130.00	
Children	0.00	
	\$1,802.00	

- Matthew 25: \$205.00

Special Collections

- Mission Appeal: \$135.00

Thank you for being good stewards.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE (Annual Catholic Appeal)
We are still collecting donations for our Catholic Ministries Drive. Our goal this year is \$10, 836. **Total pledged through June 30: \$4,827.** Thank you to all those who have already donated. Any donations can be dropped off at the parish office, mailed to the CMD office, or placed in the collection basket. Thank you.

MEMORIALS & DONATIONS

St. Joseph's Church received the following donations for our ceiling project:

- \$75 by Teresa Rose: In Loving Memory of my parents, *Michael J. and MaryBelle Barner*
- \$100 by Grace Maxwell

SAINT JOSEPH LOTTO TICKETS

The 2022-2023 lotto tickets are now on sale at the rectory. Sellers can stop by the rectory to pick up their tickets starting this week. We are always looking for sellers to make sure we get all of our tickets sold. There will be an additional drawing in June for all sellers (anyone who sells/buys ten or more tickets) to get a chance to win \$100. Thank you for being so supportive!