MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, April 2: † ***Albert & Elvera Tarantella*** – Ginny & Family

Sunday, April 9: † ***Easter Flower Intentions***

LECTOR SCHEDULE			ALTAR SERVERS
Sunday, April 2	Noon	M.A. Tarantella	We will not be using Altar Servers for Mass while we are in the Church Hall.
Friday, April 7	Noon	T. Tarantella	
Sunday, April 9	Noon	J. Kowalski	

MEMORIAL CANDLES	MARCH 15-30, 2023		
Church Sanctuary	*Gary Stone* by Janet		
Chapel Sanctuary	*Alex Pizzino Family* by George & Sandy Machak		
Blessed Mother	*Vera Gorman* – Family	*Special Intention* - Friend	*Eugene & Ann Luchetta* - Marcia & Shirley
Saint Joseph	*Ryan Miller* – Joan Rotegliano	*Robert Gorman* - Family	*Special Intention*

IN OUR PRAYERS

Jennifer Sauter, John "Tink" Green, Sandy Francis, 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 Jenkens, Elaine Charcalla, John Kapp, Ron J. Long, Rose Turnowchyk, Ruth Donnell, Vera Hough, Jeane Bressler, Grace DeSanto, Angeline Adams, Grace "Susie" Kisko, Liz Kalafut, Arnie Burrows, Martha Crouse, Brenda DeJoice, Caleb Leone, Joey Herridge, 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, Sue Sette, Mary Tripp, Estefan Nevarez, Joel Kohler, Ginny Serafini, Tom Daywalt, Merle Prebble, Larry Conly, Shawna Weaver, Eric Ditty(special intention), Kathy Jo Kalafut, and Ben Moser.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE Collection Counters: Carol and Chris			
MONDAY: 03/27			
TUESDAY: 03/28	Communion Service	8:30 AM	Chapel
WEDNESDAY: 03/29			
THURSDAY: 03/30			
FRIDAY: 03/31	Stations of the Cross	6:00 PM	Church
SATURDAY: 04/01			
SUNDAY: 04/02	CCD	10:30 AM	Rectory
	Seder Meal	4:00 PM	Church Hall

How happy is that guardian angel who accompanies a soul to Holy Mass!

- St. John Vianney

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March 26, 2023 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

CHURCH OF SAINT JOSEPH

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MASS TIME
Sunday: 12 noon

CONFESSIONS
Wednesday by appt.

PARISH STAFF
Rev. Joseph Orr……..*Pastor*
Rev. Daniel Heiser……*Deacon*
Alison Heiser……*Secretary/DRE*

PARISHIONER REGISTRATION
Please contact the parish office if you want to join the parish. Please remember to notify us if you are moving out of the parish. Registration, the practice of stewardship, and regular participation in the Sacraments indicate that a person is an active parish member 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.

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)

SICK CALL
Please notify the office when a parish member is in the hospital or cannot attend Church and wishes to receive Holy Communion at home.

MARRIAGES & BAPTISMS
Call the church office to schedule an appointment. Nine-month advance notice is required for marriage.
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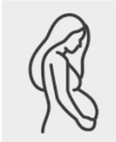
MISSION STATEMENT
We, the family of God, work to spread the good news, reach out to the lapsed Catholics, and bring them back into the fold. We focus on being good examples of the Catholic Faith to our parish's youth. We will use prayer, education, hospitality, outreach, and stewardship to welcome all into our faith community.



BABY BOTTLES Baby bottles will be collected next weekend, Palm Sunday, April 1st and 2nd, and any monetary donations for the Pregnancy Resource Clinic. The PRC supports men and women during and beyond pregnancy with medical care, counseling, and material needs. Donations can be made by coin, cash, or check. Please make checks payable to PRC or Pregnancy Resource Clinic. You do not have to have a baby bottle. You can also put your contribution in an envelope marked PRC and drop it in the collection basket.

SACRAMENTAL VISITS

Anyone desiring a visit from Father Orr is asked to contact the office to arrange for a visitation.

CEMETERY REGULATIONS Part 3

To avoid misunderstandings, it has been suggested that we publish the regulations governing our cemeteries. This is the third part:

INTERMENTS

1. All interments must be in accord with Church Law. No symbols or ceremonies, religious or otherwise, may be used or performed that would be against Christian principles.

2. The sacred ground of a Catholic cemetery is intended for Catholic burial only. We have the right to refuse burial to those who are not practicing Catholics. The Church explicitly permits non-Catholics to be buried with their spouses.

3. No graves may be opened for the interment of corporal remains or cremains without permission from the parish office.

4. St. Joseph Parish may refuse to open a grave or permit the placement of a memorial when:

- just debts are not paid [e.g., unpaid balance on a plot, annual plot care, or perpetual care];
- or when there is a question of ownership of the plot.

For copies of the complete regulations, please contact the parish office.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE LOTTO WINNERS FOR MARCH:

Winners of $100 Prize	Seller
#161 Barb Fedele	Barb Fedele
#189 Alessa O'Donnell	Office
#236 Deb Casper	Jim Morgan

Winners of $50 Prize	Seller
#68 Al Dixon	Martha Sykes
#113 Pat Kowalski	Mary Ann Kennis

PALM SUNDAY	HOLY THURSDAY	GOOD FRIDAY	HOLY SATURDAY	EASTER SUNDAY
The Passion of the Lord	Mass of the Lord's Supper	Celebration of the Lord's Passion	The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night	Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
MASS Noon – St. Joseph SEDER MEAL 4:00 PM – Church Hall	COMMUNION SERVICE 6:00 PM – Church ADORATION 6:30 PM – 10:30 PM	GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE Noon – Church TENEBRAE 8:00 PM - Church	EASTER VIGIL Lock Haven 8:00 PM – St. Agnes	MASS Noon – St. Joseph

Where was the Last Supper held?

Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and make preparations for us to eat the Passover. […] *As you enter the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. […] He will show you a large room upstairs, all furnished. Make preparations there." (Luke 22:7–12)*

This two-story stone building atop Mount Zion ranks among the most intriguing sites in Jerusalem. It is traditionally called the Cenacle (from the Latin coenaculum, "dining-room") and you will find it just outside the present-day Old City walls to the south. The building's lower story has been associated since the Middle Ages with the Tomb of David, while the upper story—often referred to in English as the "Upper Room"—is traditionally believed to be the place of Jesus' last supper.

MONDAY, MARCH 27th is the last day to purchase Seder Meal tickets.

St. Joseph's Seder Meal will be held on **Palm Sunday, April 2nd** at the Church Hall with hors d'oeuvres at 4:00 pm and dinner at 4:30 pm. Tickets are now on sale at the parish office or after Mass - $5 for one / $15 for a family. Participants are also asked to bring a side dish to share during the regular meal.

LAST COMMUNITY LENTEN SERVICE: Wednesdays at 7 PM

March 29 Christian Community Church Speaker: Deacon Dan Heiser

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

You can walk that pilgrimage of Jesus' final journey as He carried His cross to Golgotha, the place of His crucifixion, every Friday evening at 6:00 in the Church.

WELCOME

Welcome to all, especially visitors and guests, who have come to worship in our Church today!
No matter how long you plan 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:	Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:1-11
Tuesday:	Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday:	Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42
Thursday:	Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9: Jn 8:51-59
Friday:	Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42
Saturday:	Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56
Sunday:	Mt 21:1-11 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Fifth Sunday of Lent
Friday:	Abstinence
Saturday:	First Saturday; April Fool's Day

LIFE FROM GOD

As we approach Holy Week, our readings speak of a God who, in the midst of death, brings new life to the people. In Ezekiel, we hear that God will open the graves of the people of Israel, who faced near extinction. In the Gospel of John, Jesus gives new life to Lazarus in a manner that prefigures the resurrection of Jesus. Paul tells the Romans that in Christ, God will not only give life to our bodies after death, but God offers us abundant life here and now. We observe that the external conditions for the people described in these readings did not radically change. Israel was still in exile. Lazarus would eventually face death again. But now God's presence and power are revealed. Even when our situation in life is difficult and perhaps not likely to change soon, we remember that the Spirit dwells within us.

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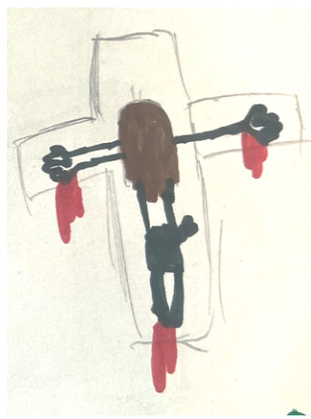
CATHOLIC PRAYER CORNER

Prayer Before a Crucifix

Look down upon me, good and gentle Jesus
while before your face I humbly kneel,
and with burning soul
pray and beseech you to fix deep in my heart
lively sentiments of faith, hope, and charity;
true contrition for my sins,
and a firm purpose of amendment.
While I contemplate with great love and pity,
your five most precious wounds,
pondering over them within me,
I call to mind the words which David,
your prophet, said of you, my good Jesus:
"They have pierced my hands and my feet,
they have numbered all my bones."



Picture by Matthew Ross grade 4

✝ Our Gifts to God ✝

Sunday Offering: March 19 , 2023

Regular Collection	$2,389.00
Monthly	620.00
Children	12.00
	$3,021.00

ENVELOPES	Adults
Used	111
Families:	208

VOTIVE: $157.00
EASTER FLOWERS: $350.00

Special Collections

- Catholic Relief: $80.00

THANK YOU FOR ANSWERING THE CALL

We want to thank all parishioners and friends for the overwhelming response to our Capital Campaign Fund.. We are almost there!! We are grateful to you for answering the call and making self-sacrificial commitments to the campaign. So far, with all the pledges and donations that have come in, we are up to $99,334.

James & Anna Knauff, Dennis & Mary Anderson, Lydia Heiser, Knights of Columbus, Barbara Mills, Charles Lackey, Angela Lavelle, Mrs. W. K Penton, Catherine Himmel, William & Marcia Mainguth, Barbara Mastriania, Pat & Marcia Clemente, James Patrick Kelley, Paul & Grace Maxwell, Patrick Smith, Maurice Kelley, Tom & Terrie Kerstetter, Ron & Cathy Dremel, Keith & Patricia Wilson, Jeanette Morton, Ruby Prebble, Angeline Fedele, Ann Fedele, Margaret Sutliff, Teresa Fedele, Sue Allen, Marjorie & Vincent Massaro, Susan Smith, Terrie Buranosky, Carol Coover, Pam & Carl Gentzyel, George B. Simon, Dennis & Mary Anderson, Kenneth & Carol Reber, Robert & Patricia Jones, John & Susan Sette, Shirley Kisko, Sharon Krauss, Bob & Chris Huff, Ann Greene, Dcn Chip & Connie Young, David Drabic, Theresa O'Donnell, Judy Kurutz, Chuck & Nancy Swanson, Jeanette Summerson, Mike Tomko, Deborah Pedokus, Janet Stone, Sarah Graw, George & Sandy Machak, Helen Green, John & Mary Ann Tarantella, Jen Pick, Mary, Steve, & Teresa Stone, Tarantella's Sudsy Pup, Hanobic Family, Lisa & Jack Houser, Mary Ann Kennis, Peter & Claire Wickershaw, Jim Miller, Heiser Family, Mary & Steve Rathmell, Paul & Joan Filbin, April & Mike Smith and family, Barbara Newlen, Jim & Sue Morgan and family, Tom & Ann Tarantella, George "Mike" & Michele Simon, Gloria Renehan, Barb & Mike Fedele, Pattie Rauch, Mary & Dick Adams, and Bob & Lisa Houser, Kevin, Rosie, and Brian Dwyer, Valerie Kahley, Dolores Gregory, Ronald & Susan Ransdorf, Jim & Patty Cozzi, Margaret McCool, Stephen Adams, Ardell Gross, Nea & Jenna Brown, Dennis Manno, Russell Johnson, and Vince & Deb Tarantella, Susan & Michael Klimkos Dave Drabic, ,Christine Mulfinger, Andy & Sarah Ross, Claire Kerstetter, Jay & Vickie Morocko, Theresa O'Donnell, Livia Price, + 5 anonymous donors

MEMORIALS AND DONATIONS

St. Joseph received the following donations:
$50 towards the Capital Campaign by Thomas Labant
In loving memory of ***Irma Clemente*** by Livia Price ($25)
In loving memory of ***the Beckes and Gregory Families*** by John Beckes ($500)
($700) In honor of ***Dr.John M. Dwyer Family***
The Dwyer's; Dr. John (1997-1988), Elizabeth (1904-1976, Michael (1937 – 1991), Jay Jay (1939) Ocala, FL, Luke (1940) Bensalem, PA, Kevin (1941) Renovo, PA, Bill (1944-2014)

EASTER FLOWER ENVELOPES

Please make use of the Easter Flower envelope in your offertory envelope pack. Donations will help defray the cost of purchasing flowers to adorn our sanctuaries for Easter.