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MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil Mass
Sunday (English)
Sunday (Spanish)

Daily Mass (Tue -Fri) and 1st Saturday

4 pm
8 am and 10 am
12:00 pm
9 am

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Mass at 9 am and 7 pm (Bilingual)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday 9:30 am – 1 pm Bulletin items due Tuesday before 12:30 pm

Call office to schedule facilities.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptismal preparation is required for parents who desire their baby / child to be baptized. Parents must be registered with the church. Forms and information are available in the office.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE DUE TO COVID PLS CALL

Saturday **3pm** Sunday **9:15** – **9:45 am** or upon request Domingo **12:00 pm** Spanish

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

If one is seriously ill or having surgery, please call the parish office or the rectory for Anointing of the Sick. A Priest or extraordinary minister of Holy Communion will administer Holy Communion on a weekly basis to shut-ins.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples should contact the Pastor a minimum of \underline{six} (6) months in advance. Dates may \underline{not} be set prior to the second meeting with the priest. The Diocese requires that couples attend an Engaged Encounter or Picture of Love Weekend.

First gathering: Sept. 16, 1992 Blessing of Building: May 25, 2001
Consecration of Altar & Church January 12, 2003
Canonically erected Parish May 1, 2006 Feast of St. Joseph the Worker



St **Joseph the Worker**, as a happy faith community, welcomes you and your family with joyful hearts to our church. If you are not registered and want to belong to this happy family of worshippers, please stop one of the

ushers or myself, Fr. Julius, and request a registration form. Or you may always call the office at (423) 442-7273.



A Week Ahead in our Parish

Mon Dec 28 - no church

Tues Dec 29- 9 am Communion Service

By:

Weds Dec 30 - 9 am Communion Service

By:

9:30am Rosary church

Thu Dec 31- 9am Communion Service

By:

7 pm Rosary (grotto)

Fri January 1, 2021 Solemnity of Mary

10 AM † Robert & Jane Kammimier

By: Jane K

12 PM Spanish *People of the Parish*

Sat Jan 2 - 4 pm Mass † AJ Ruggiero

By: Rogers

Sunday Jan 3 The Epiphany of the Lord

8 am Mass Claribel Richichi

By: Galante

10 am Mass † AJ Ruggiero

By: Women group

12:00 pm Mass (Spanish) People of the Parish

By:

CCD 11:15 - 12:15 NO CLASS Marian Hall

Church Cleaning Jan 3 –

Counters:

ССБ	11.13 – 12.13 110 CL/ABB Wallan Han		
	4pm	8am	10am
Usher	Donna T	Gary C	Mike H
	Steve L	Frank U Kenny	
Server	r David A	Katie E	
Reade	r Jim H	Eric E & Donna H	Vanessa B & Terri S
EMHC	Please check with Fr Julius before Mass		
Temperatures will be checked			

Chris C

Susan M

Tami W

Dottie E

WEEKLY FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP:

Dec. 19-20, 2020 Week 25 Attendance: 168 Needed: \$ 4063 Offering Online week +/-YTD \$ 3957 \$0 - \$ 106 -\$ 3678 Capital Fund \$ 178 Retired Religious \$ 199 Good Shepherd \$ 364 Feed My Sheep \$ 33 Thank you all who give so generously. God Bless you!



Pray for the Sick of our Parish

Dale Bauer Mary Cornejo Charles Downs
Ron Eydt Maria Figueroa Jeanne Huffor
Alvaro Pina Karen Ruggiero Susie Ryan
Hugo Schielke Patty Swatzell Dennis Wilson

Any parishioner who is sick or having surgery, notify Fr. Julius or the office (privacy is extended to those who request it).

Event of Death: notify the office if you would like the Parish to share your grief if a family member dies. Mass can be offered immediately or at a date convenient to the family.

Happy Birthday – Katie Evans, Victor Farkas, Juan Gonzalez, Carman Hanczk, Ed Harless, Timothy Harteis, Irene Klinefelter, Justin Lopez, Zulexia Lopez, Roberta Lottes, Jesse Palmer, Raeleigh Trejo, Jaquelynn Zavala

Happy Anniversary – Michael & Marcy Cummings, Jorge & Enedelia Aguilar, Roberto & Gabriela Zavala

To add or remove a name from the list, please contact the office.

NOTE TO ALL PARENTS: No children under 18 are allowed to attend the restroom without an adult! Period!! This is for their protection and security.

Thank you to Vincent Campbell and Christopher Cotler for all their volunteer work. We now have clean ceiling tiles throughout our Church and hopefully no more mold everywhere in the building. Again, thank you!

Tax Letters for 2020: Those who need Tax Letters sent to them, please call the church office.

Father Julius would like to say "thank you" for all the beautiful cards and gifts which he received for Christmas.

Thought for the Week:

"Today, in the joyful atmosphere of Christmas, the Church, reliving with fresh wonder the mystery of Emmanuel, God-with-us, leads us to contemplate the Holy Family of Nazareth. From contemplation of this admirable model, the Church draws the values to hold up to the women and men of all times and all cultures."

John Paul II: Angelus, December 27, 1998



Altar Flowers: Do you have a special occasion coming up, or not. Please consider purchasing flowers for the altar. We can place the intention in the bulletin. The cost is \$45.

Contact the Church office for scheduling.

ONLINE GIVING TO OUR PARISH:

Visit our website at www.sjtwrcc.org

click on the "Donate Now" button



Our Blessed Mother has asked us to pray the rosary for world peace. Join us to recite the rosary together at 7:00 PM on Thursdays at the grotto.



November 2020: St. Joseph the Worker

Thank you for your support!
Parish Goal: \$19,200.00
Total Committed: \$24,867.00
Collections to Date: \$23,750.00

Collections Needed for Goal: \$0.00 Needed for

Promised Goal: \$1117.00



Today, Sunday, Dec. 27, we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. Look for your card from our Knights of Columbus for the Consecration of the Family in honor of this feast. Be sure to take it home with you!

The Vatican says that it is "morally acceptable" to receive a vaccination for COVID-19, even if the vaccine's research or production involved using cell lines derived from aborted fetuses, given the "grave danger" of the pandemic.

The Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, the Vatican office charged with promoting and defending church morals and traditions, said in a document released Monday that "when ethically irreproachable Covid-19 vaccines are not available ... it is morally acceptable to receive Covid-19 vaccines that have used cell lines from aborted fetuses in their research and production process."

Pope Francis approved the text on Thursday, Vatican News reported. The statement said that "all vaccinations recognized as clinically safe and effective can be used in good conscience with the certain knowledge that the use of such vaccines does not constitute formal cooperation with the abortion from which the cells used in production of the vaccines derive. It should be emphasized, however, that the morally licit use of these types of vaccines, in the particular conditions that make it so, does not in itself constitute a legitimation, even indirect, of the practice of abortion, and necessarily assumes the opposition to this practice by those who make use of these vaccines."

(From the Vatican website)

WASHINGTON— The Catholic Campaign for Human Development, the anti-poverty program of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, has named Louis Damani Jones of the Diocese of Belleville as the recipient of the 2020 *Cardinal Bernardin New Leadership Award*. Each year, CCHD recognizes a young adult between the ages of 18 and 40 who demonstrates leadership in fighting poverty and injustice in the U.S. through community-based solutions with this prestigious honor.

Louis Damani Jones is a member of the local CCHD committee in the Diocese of Belleville, and a board member of Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Saint Louis. Louis has been active in amplifying the work of CCHD locally in Belleville by training parents in East St. Louis, IL to become leaders in their community and developing relationships with lowincome-led economic development projects. Louis has successfully engaged countless Catholics in the work of CCHD and the larger social tradition of the Church through his role as a CCHD intern with both the Diocese of Belleville and the Archdiocese of Saint Louis. Recently, Louis has continued his work educating Catholics about the work of CCHD to address poverty's root causes by launching the Catholic Social Teaching focused podcast, Living Communion, and helping to coordinate the joint celebration being planned by the two dioceses for the CCHD's 50th anniversary.

"Louis is an inspiring example to those young Catholics who long to do something about poverty and injustice in our country. He demonstrates to all that working for just social systems is central to the Gospel message and the witness of Jesus Christ," said Cheryl Sommer, diocesan director for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development in Belleville. (From the USCCB website)

Brothers and Sisters in Christ: Grace and Peace!

On our last Sunday of the year, the Universal Church celebrates *the Feast of The Holy Family*. Each liturgical writing is rich with guidance about family conduct. In keeping with this, we at St. Joseph the Worker would like to invite all members of our parish family to be blessed and consecrated as we enter into a new calendar year not as an obligation given the current state worries about the Covid19 pandemic.

Written probably about 200 years B.C., Ben Sirach's First Reading provides careful and loving instruction for the children in the household. Here Sirach sagely urges obedience to parents, thus preserving oneself from sin; chiefly the honoring of one's father throughout the course of his life will not be forgotten.

In the Second Reading, St. Paul shares his 'household code' so central to the Church's teachings, advising families to *put on love*, remaining thankful in our relationships with one another. If one can imagine our contemporary family life reflecting these rubrics – expressly to *let the peace of Christ control your hearts* – a great healing in the family at large will occur, in season and out of season.

In St. Luke's Gospel, we witness those tender moments where Joseph and Mary first present the Child Jesus in the temple. Is this not a model for our families, humbly submitting to what our faith requires of us? The ancient and experienced priest Simeon longed for the day to see the fulfillment of the Lord's promise, the consolation of Israel. Here on seeing the Child Jesus, he exalts, "Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace..." Within this context, every Catholic receiving the Lord at Mass may also *go in peace* within himself and society, because we have seen the Lord! At the end of every Mass, we are reminded that the benefits of the Eucharist remain active in our daily lives, uplifting us to a life of holiness. We recall that as the child developed with Joseph and Mary, in their reverential love and honor for God, Jesus grew and was filled with God's favor. The Holy Family is always present to be our model for inspiration, example and encouragement.

With this prototype and prayers to the Holy Family, indeed our families can radiate the perfect love that binds us to Christ in the Church. We summon, therefore, all married couples in the Church to renew their love and commitment to each other, with special emphasis on honoring the footsteps of the Holy Family. With the Sacrament of Matrimony and recommitment, Jesus does not only sanctify the couple, he upholds and strengthens the entire family.

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, pray for us!