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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 Feb 22 - no church

Tues Feb 23- **9 am Mass** Olga Lastra

By: Trudy P-P

Weds Feb 24 - 9 am Mass Olga Lastra
By: Trudy P-P

9:30am Rosary church

Thu Feb 25 - **9 am Mass** † Andrew Gilligan
By: Trudy P-P

7 pm Rosary (grotto)

Fri Feb 26 - 9 am Mass † Andrew Gilligan

By: Trudy P-P

9:30am – 12pm Adoration

Stations of the Cross 6pm and 7 pm spanish
Sat Feb 27 - 4 pm Mass † A.J. Ruggiero

By: Rogers

Sunday Feb 28 1st Sunday of Lent

8 am Mass † Pat & Willie Mauboules

By: Mary M

10 am Mass People of the Parish

By:

12:30 pm Mass (Spanish) Olga Lastra

By: Trudy P-P

CCD 11:15 - 12:15 Marian Hall

Feb 27/28	4pm	8am	10am	
Usher	Donna T	Gary C	Mike H	
	Steve L	Frank U		
Server	Conrad K	Katie E		
	Emmett K			
Reader	Jackie H	Eric E	Art S	
		Donna H	Terri S	
EMHC	Please check with Fr Julius before Mass			
Temperatures will be checked				
Church Cleaning Feb 28 - Chris C Tami W				
Counters: Susan M Chuck T				

WEEKLY FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP:

Feb 13-14, 2021 Week 33 Attendance: 201 Needed: \$ 4063 YTD Offering Online week +/-\$ 80 \$ 3308 - \$ 675 +\$ 3174 Capital Exp\$ 15 Capital Build Fund \$45 Good Shepherd \$ 324 Feed My Sheep \$ 16 Thank you all who give so generously. God Bless you! Thought for the Week: A tree is known by its fruit; a man by his deeds. A good deed is never lost; he who sows courtesy reaps friendship, and he who plants kindness gathers love. -St. Basil



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 – Jeffrey Bayne, Adora Croft, Julian Frutos, Joel Hernandez, Jose Jimenez, Joshua Lopez, McKenzie Moore, Rebecca Moore, Jessica Moya, Cindy Murphy, Sue Ryan, Ron Schmieder, Monserath Zavala

Happy Anniversary – Jim & Jane Tarrant, Jeffery & Joann Erickson, Joel & Juventina Garcia, Howard & Irene Klinefelter

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

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 in the Marion Hall.



Altar Flowers: Do you have a special occasion coming up? Consider purchasing flowers for the altar. We can put 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

Special Appreciation: Fr. Julius, on behalf of the parish, would like to thank Ron and Terri Schmieder, Vince Campbell, Chris Cotler, and Maria Leon for their help in setting up the livestreaming equipment for recording the Mass.



Stations of the Cross during Lent: Stations of the Cross will be held here at the Church on Fridays at 6:00 PM (in English) and at 7:00 PM (in Spanish).



Support Operation Rice Bowl this Lent: During Lent, please be generous in supporting Catholic Relief Services (CRS) with

"Operation Rice Bowl". Remembering that "What I give up I give to others" we are encouraged to widen the door of faith through our care for the poor. Monies collected assist CRS programs around the world with agriculture projects to help farmers improve harvests, with water projects to bring clean water to communities, with microfinance projects to support small businesses, with health and nutrition projects for expectant mothers and for children, as well as for educational projects. In addition, 25% of what is collected goes to Catholic Charities of East Tennessee to assist with its charitable programs in our diocese. Take a Rice Bowl home with you to highlight the beauty of our Lenten triptych of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.



On December 8, 2020, Pope Francis declared the Year of St. Joseph. This event comes on the 150th anniversary of Blessed Pope Pius IX declaring St. Joseph as the Patron of the Catholic

Church. Plenary indulgences are available for this Year of St. Joseph. As long as one is in the state of grace, one sacramental confession suffices for gaining several indulgences, but a separate Holy Communion and separate prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father are required for each plenary indulgence. Remember, the only living person one can apply it to is oneself. And one can apply it to any soul in purgatory. Think of how many souls the faithful can help. Did you know that the Church dedicates every Wednesday to St. Joseph?



Supporters of ousted Myanmar leader Aung San Suu Kyi clashed with police on as hundreds of

thousands joined nationwide pro-democracy demonstrations in defiance of the military junta's call to halt gatherings of five or more people. The mostly peaceful protests were the biggest so far.

Myanmar's military seized power on Feb. 1, after detaining its democratically elected leaders from the governing National League for Democracy (NLD) party. The coup came after days of tension between the civilian government and the powerful military, which claimed that the November general election, won by the NLD, was fraudulent. Since then, arrests have continued unabated.

The Holy See has been following with great attention and deep concern the developments of the situation that has come about in Myanmar, a country that, since the time of his Apostolic Visit in 2017, Pope Francis has carried in his heart with so much affection. Pope Francis has expressed his solidarity with the people of Myanmar and appealed to those holding authority to show their willingness to serve the common good. Speaking during the 'Angelus' prayer in St. Peter's Square on February 7, he prayed that those holding authority would demonstrate sincere willingness to serve the common good, promote social justice and national stability, for a harmonious, democratic coexistence.

In his address to the diplomatic corps the following day, the Holy Father expressed his affection and closeness to the people of the nation. He expressed disappointment that "the path to democracy undertaken in recent years was brusquely interrupted" by the recent coup. He hoped that the detained political leaders "will be promptly released as a sign of encouragement for a sincere dialogue aimed at the good of the country".

(Story by Robin Gomes, Vatican News website)

You Can Take Action: Please visit the <u>USCCB Action</u> <u>Center</u> to view their current action alerts and sign up for future alerts so that you can contact your elected representatives to express your concerns and opinions on upcoming legislation.

From the desk of Fr. Julius

Brothers and Sisters in Christ; Grace and peace!

Last Wednesday, all of those attending Mass were sprinkled with ashes to officially open our observance of Holy Lent. This has been the traditional way the Church imposes ashes particularly on the clerics. The Church once again is leading her children to experience our Lord's "metanoia, (Greek for repentance), urging the reordering of our priorities, challenging our values, ideals and ambitions through fasting, prayer and almsgiving.

The First reading reveals how God's original plan with Adam and Eve has been shattered and still, the merciful God selects Noah and his family to renew the Covenant. As the flood subsided, the chronicle of Noah symbolizes how we are saved through the waters of Baptism, cleansing us of sin and making us one with Christ. In the second reading, St. Peter emphasizes that the outward sign of the New Covenant which God made with us through Baptism renders us adopted children of God, heirs of heaven, and temples of the Holy Spirit.

In today's sacred Gospel reading, Jesus faces and defeats the tempter in his forty days of prayer and fasting in the desert. This happened immediately after his baptism. After his battle against Satan, we see the onset of Jesus' Messianic mission. "The time is fulfilled. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent and believe in the Gospel." These are the exact and powerful words the priest used on Ash Wednesday. Let us therefore make Lent a time of renewal of life by additional penance and prayer: Lent should be a time for personal reflection, when we can assess our relationships with family, friends, working colleagues and also our parish community.

Finally, Let us make this Lenten season, despite the challenges in our world, a time of true conversion through acts of spiritual growth and Christian maturity. Consider these gentle invitations towards personal strengthening: a) participate in the Daily Mass or at least a few days in the week b) set aside some part of our day for personal prayer c) read some Scripture alone or better still, with others d) set aside some money you might spend on yourselves for purchases or various excessive habits, and donate it to a charity e) abstain from bad and difficult addictions f) receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in Lent and participate in the "Stations of the Cross" on Fridays g) in place of visiting the sick at homes and those in nursing homes, pray for them h] commit to doing an act of charity, kindness or mercy at least once a day this Lenten season. Above all, may I strongly recommend spending at least one hour with our Lord, once a week. No time is ours- every time belongs to Him. He is the source of our strength.

Happy Lenten Season!