



# St. Joseph Parish

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Mission: Together in faith, we celebrate Christ through prayer and service.

**FEBRUARY 11 2018**

A leper came to Jesus and begged him: "If you wish, you can make me clean." Jesus stretched out his hand, touched him, and said, "I do will it. Be made clean." The leprosy left him immediately.  
Mark 1:40-42

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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## ACTIVITIES FOR FEBRUARY 11-18

- Monday, February 12  
6:30 p.m.—Confirmation Core Team  
7:00 p.m.—Holy Hour for Families
- Tuesday, February 13  
4:30 p.m.—Communication Meeting  
6:30 p.m.—RCIA
- Wednesday, February 14, Ash Wednesday  
**No 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph**  
12:00 p.m.—Communion Service/Ashes  
6:30 p.m.—Mass
- Thursday, February 15  
12:00 p.m.—**2/25/18 Bulletin Deadline**  
12:00 p.m.—PCS Finance Meeting  
6:30 p.m.—Pastoral Council Meeting
- Saturday, February 17  
8:00 a.m.—Men's Prayer Group  
9:00 a.m.—Diocesan Bible Study  
11:00 a.m.—Private Party
- Sunday, February 18  
Parish Family Life Meeting after Mass  
1:00 p.m.—Adoration  
2:00 p.m.—Benediction and Stations

## PARISH

**Join Us On Sundays In Lent For Adoration** from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at St. Joseph, followed by Benediction and Stations of the Cross. We will begin on February 18 and conclude on March 19. Please join us for this quiet time with the Lord?

**Ash Wednesday, February 14, Schedule** for St. Joseph and St. Stephen Parish is as follows:

- 8:15 a.m. School Mass at St. Stephen (there will be no 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph)
- 12:00 p.m. Service with Ashes at St. Joseph
- 6:30 p.m. Mass at St. Joseph Parish
- 6:30 p.m. Mass at St. Stephen Parish

**An Adventure for Lent**—It's not too late to join a "Happiness Caravan" to talk about the book, *Resisting Happiness*. The Friday morning group starts this Friday, and five different evening groups start next week. For details stop by the Gathering Space, or call Leo Jacoby, 715-341-2790 or Pat Wenzl, 715-344-3906.

**St. Joseph Call to Justice Committee** invites you to participate in a program this Lent that addresses poverty and hunger in our world, the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl Collection. Each week of Lent we will highlight those who are struggling in different parts of the world. Join us and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States, in this life-changing Lenten journey. More information and your collection container can be found in today's bulletin. This Lent, as companions on the journey, we will encounter our neighbor.

**Did You Know** the Annual Appeal funds the cost of having 29 men in Seminary Education and Training, preparing to become our future priests? Talk about God's work! Won't you please help us meet our parish goal? Your Appeal Team

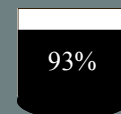
### Special Collections 02/05/2018

Milk Can Fund	\$19.00
Building Fund	\$238.00
Souper Bowl of Caring	\$226.25

### Envelopes/Basket Summary—02/05/18

Weekly Giving	\$6,319
Weekly Giving Budgeted	\$7,096
Giving to Date	\$233,519

<b>DAA 2017/2018 GOAL</b>	\$50,565
Weekly Pledges Received	\$325
Total Pledges Received	\$47,153
Total Payments Received	\$42,696
Food for Poor Housing Goal	\$3,600
Total Received	\$2,200



**Mass Schedule and Intentions**

MONDAY, February 12  
8:00 a.m. †Arthur Boursier

TUESDAY, February 13  
8:15 a.m. *Mass at St. Stephen Parish*

WEDNESDAY, February 14  
8:15 a.m. *Mass at St. Stephen Parish*  
12:00 p.m. Communion Service with Ashes  
6:30 p.m. Living & Deceased Member of the Kabat Family

THURSDAY, February 15  
8:00 a.m. *Mass at St. Stephen Parish*

FRIDAY, February 16  
8:00 a.m. †Theresa Cisewski

*First Sunday of Lent*

SATURDAY, February 17  
4:00 p.m. †Ray & Agnes Bartkowiak  
†Reginald Lepak

SUNDAY, February 18  
10:30 a.m. †Dolores Mansavage

**Liturgical Ministers for February 17-18****4:00 p.m. — Saturday**

**Mass Preparation:** Kris Hansen  
**Altar Servers:** Jeannette Friess & Don Showalter  
**Hospitality Ministers:**  
Mike Bablitch Val Omernick Virginia Zakoski (w)  
Steve Brazzale Maurice Stoltz  
**Reader:** Mary Davidson  
**Eucharistic Ministers:**  
Kim Boden Jan Boursier Dolly McKay  
Rich Boden Charisse Fogarty Rich Mrozinski  
**Gift Card Sellers:** Mary Stroik

**10:30 a.m. — Sunday**

**Mass Preparation:** Kris Hansen  
**Altar Servers:** Jacob Cornell, Cheyenne Cornell, and Luke Sekerka  
**Hospitality Ministers:**  
Rosalie Chojnacki Kathy Hansel Luke Wachowiak  
Don Dehlinger Jeanette Koziczkowski(w) Chris Sekerka  
**Readers:** Mike Daniels & Terry Miller  
**Eucharistic Ministers:**  
Paul Banz Sally Dehlinger  
Mike or Michelle Cornell Kevin Shibilski  
Mary Pat Dean Brian Zimmerman  
**Gift Card Sellers:** Terri Kroening

**PARISH**

**St. Joseph Parish Prayer Corner**—If you would like your name placed on the weekly prayer list, please call Renée at 715-341-1617 x101, or send an email to: rschneeb@togetherinfaith.org.

**myParish App**—Looking for another opportunity for reflection during the Holy Season of Lent? myParish App now has a button for Lenten Reflections. Please check it out. If don't have the app on your Apple or Android phone, you can download the app at myParish.com.

**Save the Date, March 10**—Holy Name Society, in conjunction with Parish Family Life, is hosting a St. Joseph Day Celebration from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Enjoy this homemade Italian feast served to you at your table. Meal includes chicken alfredo, or meatball in marinara sauce, garlic bread, dessert, and coffee or milk. Cost is \$8.75 for adults, \$4.00 for children 5-10, and under five free.

**Family Crafting Activity**—Parents and children, bring your imaginations for a family craft activity following Mass on Sunday, February 18. Join us from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for a light lunch and crafting fun. Crafts include Lent and Easter themed hand prints, crosses, flowers and so much more! Plus use your imagination to create your own craft with provided supplies. This activity is sponsored by the Parish Education and Parish Family Life Committees. Reservations are accepted but not required. Please e-mail, text or call Alicia Skrenes at aliciaskrenes@gmail.com or 715-401-0375.

**Thank you** for your support last week to the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! The money raised will go to support those on the margins who are living in poverty in the United States. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give! For additional donations visit [www.usccb.org/nationalcollections](http://www.usccb.org/nationalcollections) and click on "How to Give" on the left.

**Operation Bootstrap**—During the month of February we are looking to collect baby items for our shopping carts. Any non-perishable items you may wish to donate are always appreciated. We thank you for your continued generosity in helping those in need in our community.

**Monday Morning 8:00 a.m. Mass** will continue at St Joseph Parish through Monday, March 26, 2018.

**School Building Update**—Altmann Construction has completed the removal of the school building and the hole has been filled. They will be returning when the weather is warmer to create an outside wall where the current building ends. The courtyard doors remain closed. Thank you for your patience.

**PARISH**

**Congratulations** to our parishioners who are celebrating their Wedding Anniversary the week of February 12-18.

Jim & Krista Mendyke, Jr., 19 years

Butch & Carol Zdroik, 66 years

Steve & Amy Raczek 15 years

Joe & Carol Wanta, 49 years

Red & Barbara Piotrowski, 56 years

Theron & Sally Nash, 41 years

May God bless and grant you many years of happiness.



**Sponsor of the Month**—Thank you, Integrity Tax Service for your generosity in sponsoring our bulletin. St. Joseph Parish would not be able to publish it without your support. Please see their ad on the back cover of this bulletin.

**Bricks from the School Building** are available in the Gathering Space after Masses for anyone who would like one. A Good Will offering would be appreciated.

**Celebration of Ministry**—St. Joseph Parish members, staff and councils recognize the presence of the Holy Spirit in calling forth our Bulletin Volunteers, who faithfully proof, copy, fold and stuff our bulletins. Your dedication is greatly appreciated.

*How is the Holy Spirit calling you to use your gifts for our community?*

**Gift Card Seller** is needed after Mass on the fifth Sunday. Please contact Jacob Stiemann at 715-341-1617 x102 if you would like to volunteer.

**Ehr Hall Update**—The painting and floors are complete in Ehr Hall. The next project is for the ceiling tiles to be cleaned. The bathrooms remain closed at this time.

**Parish E-Mail Address Change** will begin this

**St. Anne's/PCCW**—*Ladies Group 6* will be responsible for the month of February. These ladies are asked to help with any funeral dinners.

Myrna Horgan Nancy Rutkowski

Sandy Jamrosz Cynthia Tepp

Theresa Miller Louise Vicker

Diana Mrozinski Teresa Weinmann

Co-Chairs Kathy Tetzloff and Gail Tubbs

**Adult Education Opportunity**—RCIA will continue to discuss the *Bible* at their February 13 and 20 sessions. All are welcome to join. Sessions start at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Family Center. Please call Kris Hansen at 715-341-1617 x112 if you have any questions.

**Parish E-Mail Address Change** will begin this month. Watch the bulletin for more details.

**Weekly Reflections**—Paul reminds the Corinthians that they should take care to avoid offending either Jews or Greeks. This may seem impossible. One cannot hope to please everyone all the time. But that is not what Paul is talking about. He is urging us to be respectful and considerate of others, especially those who do not share our beliefs. If we would imitate Christ, we must strive to accept and respect others as they are, where they are—not requiring them to meet our standards and view of what is right and proper. We should be focused on making others feel welcome, appreciated and valued.

*Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.*

*1 Corinthians 9:23*

**Lenten Regulations**—The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14. Lenten regulations are as follows: **1.** Catholics who have celebrated their 14th birthday are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays in Lent, and Good Friday. **2.** In addition to



abstaining from meat, Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday, until they celebrate their 59th birthday, are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Those who are bound to this regulation may eat only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

**Picnic Country Store is Calling All Crafters**—We would like to begin by saying **Thank You**, for all of your help in the past. With picnic only a little over 3 months away, it is time for our talented parishioners to help us out again. The Country Store is in need of some fresh new items to sell, homemade clothing, pillows, bird houses, etc. Let's get started today. Drop-off boxes will be out in May. If you have questions, call Diane Dietsche at 715-344-1807 or Diane Karner at 715-457-4759. We truly do appreciate all of your support.

**Contribution Statements** for 2017 are available for pick up in the Gathering Space. Please note revised electronic statements are also available.

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**The Family Crisis Center** would like to thank you so much for the large generous donation! Your immense support greatly benefits the shelter and victims of violence.

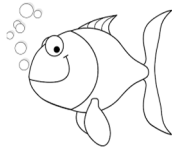
**Congratulations to our CCD Students** who participated in the Knights of Columbus "True Meaning of Christmas" poster contest. The contest was open to students in grades 1-4 and seven students in the St. Joseph-St. Stephen Religious Education Program participated. Here are our results: Grade 2 students, Adam Earnest, Emma Johnson, and Mariah Callan received certificates of participation, Jade Haapala (grade 3) 2nd place, Brooke Lewandowski (grade 4) 3rd place, Cheyenne Cornell (grade 4), 2nd place and Vanessa Hatfield (grade 4) 1st place. They really demonstrated that they knew the real meaning of Christmas.

**Mark Osowski Benefit**—A benefit will be held for St. Joseph Parishioner Mark Osowski on February 17, from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Bootleggers in Amherst Junction. Mark was recently diagnosed with extensive Stage 4 small cell lung cancer. The benefit is to help offset the family's out-of-pocket expenses after insurance. The event will include: Raffles, Auctions, Live Entertainment, Spaghetti Dinner and other activities. See the flyer on the bulletin board for more details.

**AREA CHURCHES, SCHOOLS & DEANERY**

**Pacelli Lenten Fish Fry**—Mark your calendars for February 16, February 23, March 2 and March 16 from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. for this annual Pacelli fundraiser. Dine in or carry out a delicious meal.

New this year is homemade Mac & Cheese and Caesar Salad, along with returning items baked and beer batter fish, shrimp, potato (baked or waffle fries) and dessert. Choose from a \$7.00, \$9.00 or \$11.00 fish dinner or a \$10.00 shrimp dinner. Call 715-341-2442 after 4:15 p.m. to place carry-out orders.



**Pacelli Spring Blood Drive**—Pacelli High School is hosting a blood drive on Thursday, March 1, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Pacelli gym. All donations collected will be going to the Blood Center of Wisconsin. Registration is open at [bcw.edu/pacelli](http://bcw.edu/pacelli). Email [mschmitz@pacellicatholicschools.com](mailto:mschmitz@pacellicatholicschools.com) or call 715-342-2008 with questions or to sign up. Walk-ins are welcome.



**St. Adalbert Parish in Rosholt** will be holding a Fish Fry on Fridays from February 9 through March 23, 4:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The menu includes: Fish, Shrimp or a Combo plate for \$10, Children's plates \$6. Meals include a choice of potato, coleslaw, bread and dessert.

**Knights of Columbus Holy Hour for Families**—Lent is approaching, and an important aspect of Lent is prayer. Council 1170 of the Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a Holy Hour for families on February 12 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Parish. The hour of prayer includes Exposition, Rosary, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Benediction, a prayer for families, and Confession. All are welcome.

**Franciscans Downtown** next movie is *The Bedford Incident: Nato Patrol and Russian Submarine*, February 14, at 1:00 p.m.

**4K and Kindergarten Open House**—You are invited to attend upcoming Pacelli Catholic Schools open house events for students entering both 4K and kindergarten in the fall. 4K open houses are on Thursday, February 15 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., at Pacelli Catholic Tim Copps Early Childhood Center, St Bronislava and Bannach Elementary School (located in the trailer). Kindergarten open house is Thursday, February 15, from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at St. Bronislava and Tuesday, February 20 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at St. Stephen. For more information about either program, contact Gregg Hansel, Director of Education at 715-344-3751 or visit [pacellicatholicschools.com](http://pacellicatholicschools.com).

**DIocese/WIDER CHURCH**

**National Marriage Encounter Weekend**—A two day National Marriage Encounter Weekend is scheduled for March 10 and 11 in Eau Claire. Marriage Encounter is designed for couples of all ages and denominations who are interested in having a closer relationship in their marriage. The weekend will begin on Saturday morning with 7:30 a.m. registration and close on Sunday afternoon by 3:45 p.m. For more information contact Chippewa Valley Marriage Encounter by phone at 715-832-3296, email at [rippsk@charter.net](mailto:rippsk@charter.net).

**Pope's Prayer Intention for February**

*Universal:* Say "no" to Corruption  
That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.



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Closed Monday, Tuesday and Thursday

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*Mission:* Together in Faith,  
we Celebrate Christ  
through Prayer  
and Service.



*Welcome to St. Joseph Parish* to those who are new to our church or just visiting. We are grateful to have you share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If you are not currently a member of a local church, we invite you to become part of our parish family. Visit our Parish Office to sign up, ask questions or receive more information about our parish. We're glad you're here and hope you become involved in our parish family. Our website is [www.togetherinfaith.org](http://www.togetherinfaith.org).

*Remember St. Joseph Parish* in your Legacy. St. Joseph Parish has seen a decline in giving over the past year, while at the same time expenses have gone up. The Parish would like to continue with expansion of many worthwhile programs and projects successfully. Please, ask Fr. Jerzy how you can help by giving to St. Joseph Parish General Fund.

### *Sacraments*

**Baptism:** Please call the Parish Office for detailed information on infant Baptism, as parents are asked to attend a baptismal preparation program. The Baptism will be scheduled after completion of the class.

**Marriage:** Marriage is celebrated for couples who are active and registered members in the Parish. Please contact the Parish Office at least eight (8) months prior to the requested wedding date.

**Reconciliation:** Confessions are heard on Saturday at 3:30 p.m., before the evening Mass, or you may call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.

**Funeral:** Please contact the funeral home director who will assist in making arrangements. The funeral director will then contact the Parish Office.

### *Services*

**Visitation of the Sick:** If you become homebound because of illness and would like a visit, please call the Parish Office.

**Bulletin Deadline:** Articles are due Thursday by 12:00 p.m. Drop off the articles at the Parish Office, or send by email to [bulletin@togetherinfaith.org](mailto:bulletin@togetherinfaith.org), with a copy to [rschneeb@togetherinfaith.org](mailto:rschneeb@togetherinfaith.org).