

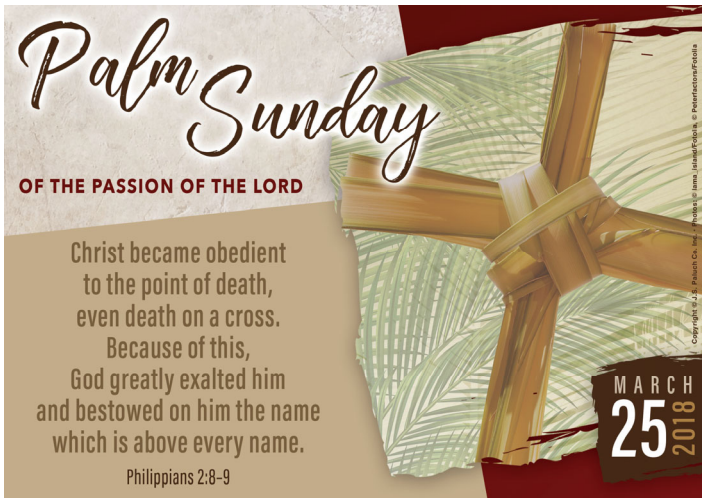


# St. Joseph Parish

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



## ACTIVITIES FOR MARCH 25-APRIL 1

- Monday, March 26  
5:00 p.m.—Meal of Hope
- Tuesday, March 27  
5:30 p.m.—Seder Meal
- Wednesday, March 28, **No CCD**, Spring Break  
Parish Office Closed
- Thursday, March 29, Holy Thursday  
No 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Stephen  
12:00 p.m.—**04/08/18 Bulletin Deadline**  
5:30 p.m.—Holy Thursday Mass  
Adoration until 9:00 p.m.  
Light Soup Supper following Mass
- Friday, March 30, Good Friday, Parish Office Closed  
No Morning Mass  
12:30 p.m.—Good Friday Service  
3:00 p.m.—Good Friday Walk
- Saturday, March 31, Holy Saturday  
12:00 p.m.—Blessing of Food  
12:15 p.m.—Eggstravaganza  
8:00 p.m.—Easter Vigil
- Sunday, April 1, Easter Sunday  
10:30 a.m.—Mass

## PARISH

Wee Worship and Children's' Liturgy of the Word will not be held on Easter Sunday.

No Gift Card Sales after Masses on Holy Saturday, March 31, and Easter Sunday, April 1. Thank you.

## Easter Triduum Schedule

### St. Joseph Parish

Holy Thursday	March 29	5:30 p.m.
Good Friday	March 30	12:30 p.m.
Holy Saturday	March 31	12:00 p.m.
	Blessing of the Food	
	Eggstravaganza following	
Easter Vigil	March 31	8:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday	April 1	10:30 a.m.

### St. Stephen Parish

Holy Thursday	March 29	6:30 p.m.
Good Friday	March 30	12:30 p.m.
Easter Vigil	March 31	8:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday	April 1	8:30 a.m.

**St. Joseph Parish Office Hours** are Wednesday and Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. With the hiring of a custodian, the Parish building is open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**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

*All financial numbers below remain unchanged from March 18 bulletin due to the Publisher's early holiday deadline. Thank you.*

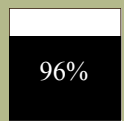
### Special Collections 03/11/2018

Milk Can Fund	\$30.00
Building Fund	\$360.00
Keeping Our Father's House	\$0.00

### Envelopes/Basket Summary— 03/11/18

Weekly Giving	\$5,952
Weekly Giving Budgeted	\$7,096
Giving to Date	\$265,140

<b>DAA 2017/2018 GOAL</b>	\$50,565
Weekly Pledges Received	\$45
Total Pledges Received	\$47,895
Total Payments Received	\$45,546
Food for Poor Housing Goal	\$3,600
Total Received	\$2,200
Chalice Refurbish Goal	\$2,000
Total Received	\$750



**Mass Schedule and Intentions**

MONDAY, March 26  
8:00 a.m. †Dolores Mansavage

TUESDAY, March 27  
8:15 a.m. *Mass at St. Stephen Parish*

WEDNESDAY, March 28  
8:00 a.m. †Eileen Busa

THURSDAY, March 29, Holy Thursday  
No Morning Mass  
5:30 p.m. Living & Deceased Pastors and Associates of St. Joseph Parish

FRIDAY, March 30. No morning Mass  
12:30 p.m. Good Friday Service

***Easter Sunday, The Resurrection of the Lord***

SATURDAY, March 31, Easter Vigil  
8:00 p.m. The Living & Deceased Members of St. Joseph & St. Stephen Parishes

SUNDAY, April 1  
10:30 a.m. †Peter Kabat

**Liturgical Ministers for March 31-April 1**

**8:00 p.m. — Saturday Easter Vigil**

**Gift Card Sellers: No Gift Cards Sold**  
Ministers please check your Holy Day Schedules!

**10:30 a.m. — Sunday**

**Mass Preparation:** Deb Peltier  
**Altar Servers:** Ian Ekstrand Emmanuel Fogliazza  
Matthew Tippel

**Hospitality Ministers:**  
John Droske Rick Kennedy Tari Wallner  
Mary Hale (w) Bill Wallner

**Readers:** Carolyn Sauer & Mary Droske

**Eucharistic Ministers:**  
Diane Dietsche Mitzi Hlavac Deb Peltier  
Tom Ekstrand Jane Kennedy Brian Zimmerman

**Gift Card Sellers: No Gift Cards Sold**

**PARISH**

The Parish Office will be closed on Wednesday, March 28 and Friday, March 30.

There will be no morning Mass at St. Stephen Parish on Holy Thursday, March 29 or at St. Joseph Parish on Good Friday, March 30.

**Parish new E-Mail Address Update** —Parish staff and committees are in the process of changing email addresses from togetherinfaith.org to stjoespoint.org. Current email addresses will discontinue at the end of March. New addresses can be found on page 5 of this bulletin.

The last Monday Morning 8:00 a.m. Mass at St Joseph Parish is Monday, March 26, 2018. Beginning Monday, April 2, Mass will move to St. Peter Parish at 8:00 a.m. for the months of April, May and June.

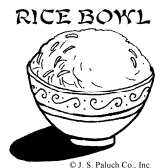
**St. Joseph Parish 2nd Annual Eggstravaganza—**

Calling all kids 9 and under to join us for our 2nd Easter Egg and Scavenger Hunt. After the great hunts, we will have games, prize bags, door prizes and crafts for kids and families to enjoy! Beverages and cinnamon buns will be served courtesy of Holy Name Society. We are also looking for volunteers for the event. To volunteer, please contact Michelle Daniels at 715-340-4817.



**Call to Justice Rice Bowl Collection for Catholic Relief Services (CRS)—**

We encounter Jesus this week in Jerusalem, a community he knew well. We prayerfully enter our own communities too, encountering those who are hungry and thirsty, those who need our help. How does our Lenten journey motivate us to serve those we meet in our daily lives? Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org).



**Abstinence and Fasting Guidelines for Good Friday—**

**Abstinence** for Catholics 14 years of age and older forbids the use of meat, but not of eggs, milk products or condiments made of animal fat. Abstinence does not include meat juices and liquid foods made from meat. Therefore, such foods as chicken broth, consommé, soups cooked or flavored with meat, meat gravies or sauces, as well as seasonings or condiments made from animal fat are not forbidden. So it is permissible to use margarine and lard. Even bacon drippings which contain little bits of meat may be poured over lettuce as seasoning. **Fasting** for Catholics ages 18-59 partake of only one full meal. Some food (not equaling another full meal) is permitted at breakfast and around midday or in the evening—depending on when a person chooses to eat the main for full meal.

**St. Anne's PCCW** will meet on Monday, April 2, at 6:30 p.m. in the Family Center. Our guest speaker will be Donna Calhoun from the Lincoln Center. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend. Group 8 will be in charge of refreshments.

**Operation Bootstrap** so appreciates all the donations from St. Joseph Parish. This month we would like to collect hygiene items, but any non-perishable items donated will be gratefully accepted.

**PARISH**

**Congratulations** to our parishioners who are celebrating their Wedding Anniversary the week of March 26 to April 1.



Jack & Jeanette Friess, 47 years

Dennis & Carol Hintz, 51 years

Ken & Linda Zivicki, 48 years

May God bless and grant you many years of happiness.

**Celebration of Ministry**—St. Joseph Parish members, staff and councils recognize the presence of the Holy Spirit in calling forth Parish Family Life Co-Chairs, Mary Stroik and Terry Miller, and all members of the Parish Family Life Committee. We appreciate all the things you do to enhance the vibrancy and the sense of community within the parish.

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

**Weekly Reflections**—Do you easily take offense at the words and actions of others? Do you assume such offenses were intentional? Do you dwell on these wrongs? Consider how such attitudes affect you and your relationships. Being quick to take offense and assuming the worst of others does not nourish a peaceful spirit. It does not help us respond to others with kindness and patience nor does it allow God's love and mercy to shine through us. Consider how you might become less judgmental.

*Your attitude must be Christ's...  
he emptied himself  
and took the form of a slave.  
Philippians 2,5-7*

**Catholics Returning Home**—Has it been a while since you have been to Church??? Are you mad at the Church or at God? Please give us, and yourself another chance. Join us for informal sessions for non-practicing Catholics. We would like to know your feelings and try to address your questions. The six week series is sponsored by St. Joseph and St. Stephen Parishes and will begin Monday, April 9, in the St. Stephen Religious Ed Office. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please call Sally Mews at 715-254-0935.



**St. Joseph Parish Prayer Corner**—Please pray for the health of Jan Iwanski. 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 [rschneeberg@stjoespoint.org](mailto:rschneeberg@stjoespoint.org).

**The St. Joseph Council of Catholic Women** will take their Diocesan annual collection on Saturday, April 7 and Sunday, April 8. The proceeds of this collection are used for spirituality days, education, conventions, workshops, leadership training, support and charitable works throughout the diocese.

**Attention Ushers and Greeters**—There is a sign-up sheet on the ushers' table for the Holy Week services. Please sign up if you are able to help out.

**Ehr Hall Update**—The painting and floors are complete in Ehr Hall and the cleaning of the ceiling tiles continues. The bathrooms remain closed at this time.

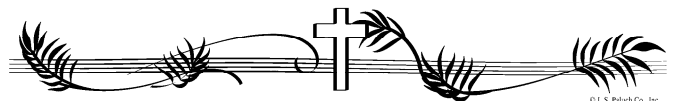
**Chicago Polish Trip**—Join us on our annual spring bus trip to the Polish District in Chicago, Tuesday, April 3. This is a one day trip filled with Polish culture, food and fun. Father Jerzy Rebacz will be escorting the group. Transportation, 2 meals (one is an authentic Polish buffet), prizes and guaranteed fun are included in the cost of \$90 per person. Pick-up will be in Schofield and Plover. To reserve a spot or for more details, please call Helen Damask at 715-574-2654. Reservation deadline is March 27.

**Easter Vigil** will be at 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 31 at both St. Joseph and St. Stephen Parishes this year.

**Good Friday Collection for Holy Land Christians**—St. Joseph Parish will support Christians in the Holy Land through our Good Friday Offertory Collection at the request of Pope Francis. With support, the Church is able to provide parish ministry, Catholic education, food for the hungry, and much more. Christians, clergy and religious who serve in the Holy Land, deeply appreciate your prayers and financial help! Make checks payable to St. Joseph Parish and put in the collection baskets/boxes.

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

**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.



**PARISH**

**Seder Meal**—It is not too late to join this year's Seder Meal, here at St. Joseph Parish. This annual event that traces our Jewish roots with, story, music and food is this Tuesday, March 27, at 5:30 p.m. Bring a dish to pass. Lamb, beverage and bread will be provided. Please call in your reservations to Leo or Janet Jacoby, at 715-341-2790 or email [wisdom@wctc.net](mailto:wisdom@wctc.net) by Monday, March 26.

**Annual Good Friday Walk, March 30, 3:00 p.m.**—

Walk as Jesus did on Good Friday and remember the most vulnerable in our midst. Weather permitting, a group will leave from St. Joseph Parish Family Center at 3:00 p.m. and take an approximate three-mile walk to fourteen different locations around Stevens Point and stop for prayer at each. For more information or questions call Ellen Miskowski at 715-498-6134.



**Message from Gabe**—I hope this email finds you happy and healthy. I wish you all a Happy Easter. May God grant you peace and happiness. Attached is an update from last week's letter. I just want to add one thing...the Government of South Sudan has just shut down one of the most popular radio stations in South Sudan, *Radio Muria*. It was funded by the United Nations and there are rumors that the government did not like the truth that the radio was reporting about the situation of war, rape, corruption, famine and nepotism in this country. Also, the government is becoming more and more belligerent toward the international community that has imposed stricter enforcement of arms trading, illegal banking, corruption and even human rights violations. Please pray for these very suffering people. With grateful appreciation for all your support. Gabe

**AREA CHURCHES, SCHOOLS & DEANERY**

**Franciscans Downtown** next movie on March 28 at 1:00 p.m. is *Nicholas and Alexandra*.

**St. Maximilian Kolbe and St. Peregrine Shrine Trip, May 4 and 5**—It is time to think Spring and join the next pilgrimage. The trip will start at St. Maximilian Kolbe Shrine in Marytown located in Libertyville, Illinois. Overnight accommodations will be in the retreat house on site. The second day the pilgrimage will travel to Chicago to visit the National Shrine of St. Peregrine (on his feast day), the Patron Saint of Cancer Patients. The cost is \$175 per adult, student rate is \$88. There are a limited number of spaces available, so sign up as soon as possible. Contact Mary at 715-340-7217 or email [sheacas-l4@gmail.com](mailto:sheacas-l4@gmail.com) for registration forms or more information.

**Divine Mercy Sunday** will be celebrated at Sacred Heart Parish in Polonia on Sunday, April 8, starting with Mass at 8:00 a.m. Following the Mass will be Adoration with Holy Hours from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., with the Sacrament of Reconciliation available from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

At 2:00 p.m. Deacon Kyle Sladek, Mundelein Seminarian from the Diocese of Green Bay, will give a presentation entitled "To Sit, and then to be Sent: Encountering Mercy and Entering Mission." The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be sung at 3:00 p.m., followed by a procession of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction and Closing. Mass will again be offered at 3:30 p.m. Refreshments will be provided throughout the day in the Church Hall.



**Pacelli Catholic Schools** is hosting a *Kids Can Code* event on Saturday, April 14, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. This is a free community event encouraging kids to learn about coding through fun, hands-on activities. Parents are welcome to stay and play or drop off and pick up your child. If you have questions please contact Dana LaMotte at 715-344-1890 or [dlamotte@pacellicatholicschools.com](mailto:dlamotte@pacellicatholicschools.com). Registration is required, space is limited. To register, go to <http://bit.do/pcscore>.

**DIocese/WIDER CHURCH**

**Pilgrimage to Oberammergau**—Fr. Al Burkhardt invites you to join him from August 18-28, 2020 on a pilgrimage to visit Classical Europe: Budapest, Bratislava, Prague, Nurnberg. Rothenburg, Heidelberg, Rhine River Cruise, Neuschwanstein and Oberammergau. The highlight of the trip is attendance at the Oberammergau Passion Play scheduled for 2020! Number is 44 participants-21 slots are already filled. This invitation is also being extended by Fr. Matt Marshall as co-host to people in the La Crosse area. Reservations are steadily being made. If you are interested in learning more about this pilgrimage, please call St. Anne Parish at 715-840-3930, x302. This incredible *Passion Play* is only offered every ten years.

**Pope's Prayer Intention for March**

*Evangelization:* Formation in Spiritual Discernment. That the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels.



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Website—www.togetherinfaith.org  
Office Hours: Wed., 8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.  
Friday, 8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.  
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).

*Share Your Legacy!* Have you made a will? Have you included your Parish Family? Support the work of faith within the community of St. Joseph! Estate contributions assist our annual income and help the growth of St. Joseph Parish Stevens Point Endowment Trust. Leave a legacy to the Parish that reflects your connection to your parish. Give thanks to the Lord always! As you desired in life, tithe with your estate

### *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).

