

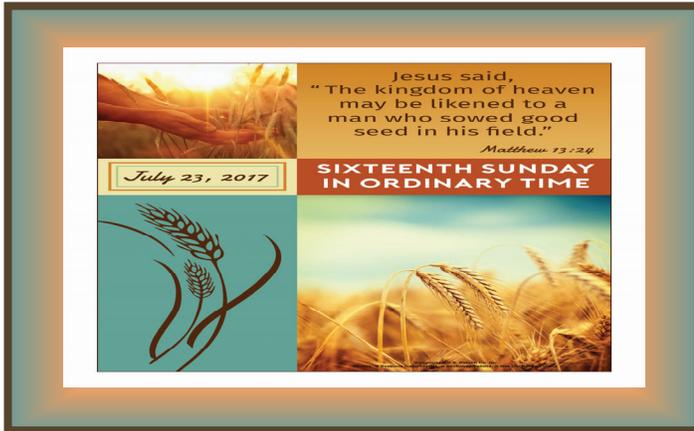


St. Joseph Parish

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



ACTIVITIES FOR JULY 23-30

Sunday, July 23, St. Joseph Parish Potluck after the 10:30 a.m. Mass

Monday, July 24
5:00 p.m.—Meal of Hope

Wednesday, July 26, **Parish Office Closed**

Thursday, July 27, **Parish Office Closed**

Friday, July 28, **Parish Office Closed**

Saturday, July 29, Rummage Sale Drop Off after Mass

Saturday, July 30, Rummage Sale Drop Off after Mass

PARISH

Parish Office will be closed Wednesday, July 26, through Wednesday, August 2. Because the telephone system is not working yet, you will be unable to leave any messages. However, you may email Renée at rschneeb@togetherinfaith.org with a message for her upon her return to work on August 3.

Help Wanted—Persons willing to keep our sacristy candle and altar candles burning by filling with oil weekly. There will be training for all the job duties. Please call Mike Probst at 715-344-5227 for any questions or to volunteer. Thank you.

Adult Mass Servers Needed—A current adult server will be training new volunteers. For questions or to volunteer, please call Mike Probst at 715-344-5227. Thank you.

This Weekend—Those who wish to volunteer to help with the Rummage Sale will be able to sign-up after Masses on Saturday, July 22, and on Sunday, July 23. Volunteers will help to set up the tables and items, mark prices, and sell or assist with clean up after the sale. Please stop by in the Gathering Space to volunteer. Thank you.

St. Joseph Parish Second Potluck is this Sunday, July 23, after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Come and share a meal and conversation with your parish family. All are welcome.

Project Fresh Start—The upcoming school year is fast approaching. As you may well know, there are many children in the area who are in need of our support. In order to prepare and help the children to have a successful first day at school, St. Joseph Parish will collect the following items:

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| backpacks | loose-leaf paper |
| binders | markers |
| calculators | nap mats |
| colored pencils | notebooks |
| compasses | pencils |
| composition books | pencil boxes/pouches |
| dry erase markers | red pens |
| erasers | rulers |
| folders | scissors |
| glue bottles | sharpeners |
| glue sticks | sharpies |
| highlighters | index cards |

Large, good-quality backpacks for older grade levels are always needed. Items that run low are: backpacks, nap mats, binders (1-1/2"), washable markers, dry-erase markers, pencil pouches and pencil sharpeners. Orange totes will be at the church entrances to collect donations. Donations will be accepted through Sunday, August 6. Thank you for your generosity.

Special Collections 7/17/17

- \$ 55.00—Milk Can Fund
- \$ 235.00—Building Fund
- \$ —Keeping Our Father's House
- \$ 225.00—Mission Co-op

Envelopes/Basket Summary—7/17/17

Weekly Giving	\$6,921
Weekly Giving Budgeted	\$7,096
Giving to Date	\$18,469
Budgeted to Date	\$28,384

Mass Schedule and Intentions

MONDAY, July 24, St. Sharbel Makhluf 8:15 a.m. <i>Mass at Holy Spirit Parish</i>
TUESDAY, July 25, St. James, Apostle 8:00 a.m. †Leo & Lorraine Ligman
WEDNESDAY, July 26, St. Joachim and St. Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8:15 a.m. <i>Mass at St. Stephen Parish</i>
THURSDAY, July 27 8:00 a.m. †Lorraine Delsman
FRIDAY, July 28 8:00 a.m. <i>Mass at St. Stephen Parish</i>
<i>Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
SATURDAY, July 29, St. Martha 4:00 p.m. †Raymond & Agnes Sampson †Eileen Busa
SUNDAY, July 30 10:30 a.m. The Living & Deceased Members of St. Joseph & St. Stephen Parishes

Liturgical Ministers for July 29-30**4:00 p.m. — Saturday****Mass Preparation:** Phyllis Ziaya**Altar Servers:** Adult Servers**Hospitality Ministers:**June Carlson (w) Anne Swenson Dale Tetzloff
Dave Ligman Ron Swenson**Readers:** Mary Davidson**Eucharistic Ministers:**Jeanette Friess Lucy Ksionsk Phyllis Ziaya
Dave Ksionsk Marcia Molner**Gift Card Sellers:** Jean and Steve Brazzale**10:30 a.m. — Sunday****Mass Preparation:** Deb Peltier**Altar Servers:** Lily Miskowski, Matthew & Tim Toppel**Hospitality Ministers:**Rosalie Chojnacki Mary Iwanowski (w)
Bev Derezenski Dave Ligman Chris Sekerka**Readers:** Paul Banz & Michelle Cornell**Eucharistic Ministers:**M. Cornell Cindy McCabe Betty Wondzell
Michelle Daniels Deb Peltier**Gift Card Sellers:** Judy Schiferl**PARISH**

Operation Bootstrap—The parish will collect canned fruits and vegetables for Bootstrap in July. Operation Bootstrap is very grateful for the support you provide.

Combined RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) St. Joseph and St. Stephen—Are you interested in entering the Catholic faith from another Christian faith tradition? Are you an adult Catholic who has never completed the initiation process by being confirmed? Are you an adult who has never been baptized? If you or someone you know fits into one of these categories, we have the means to help. It is called the RCIA process. We meet Tuesday evenings beginning October 3 at 6:30 p.m. If you or someone you know is interested in joining the RCIA process this year, please call Kris Hansen at the Religious Education office at 715-341-1617, or leave a message at 715-340-7751 with name and address of the person who is interested. An official letter will be sent with the details about preparing for this process.

We also welcome young people into sacramental life through a special RCIA process for children and teens. If you wish to have an older child baptized or know an older child who needs to “catch-up” on other sacraments, contact Lynn Meyer at the Religious Education Office at 715-341-1617.

St. Anne’s Society—Ladies Group 9 is responsible for August and asked to help with any funeral dinners:

Kathy Brandl	Joann Kronebusch
Shirley Burns	Betty Piotrowski
Pat Cooney	Germaine Woyak
Joanne Engelbert	Phyllis Ziaya
Janette Flood	
Chair Jean Brazzale	

Fr. Jerzy Vacation—Fr. Jerzy will be gone this month and will return on Saturday, August 12. For emergencies, please call Fr. Todd Mlsna at 715-252-8157.

Youth Ministry

Bonfire, Brule Dogs and Memories of Camp—On Tuesday, July 25, teens in grades 7-12 are invited to join the Area Youth Ministers for a night of Faith, Food and Fun starting with a 5:30 p.m. Mass at St. Bronislava. Come and share some Brule dogs and stories from Adventure Camp. There will be a bonfire with toasted marshmallows.

Confirmation Boot Camp—Teens going into grade 9 must register for Boot Camp, which is July 31 through August 3, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Please keep our teens in your prayers. If you have just joined the parish, call Youth Minister, Jodi Moss, at 920-655-2458 to sign up.

Help! Operation Bootstrap is in desperate need of paper bags and would be grateful for your donations.

PARISH

Congratulations to our parishioners who are celebrating their Wedding Anniversary the week of July 24-July 30:



- Adam & Jenni Cisewski, 12 years
 - Paul & Sue Pfiffner, 28 years
 - Brian & Brenda Earnest, 19 years
 - Wally & Judy Bemke, 32 years
 - David & Sandy Haffenbredl, 41 years
- May God bless and grant you many years of happiness.

Men of St. Joseph Parish Prayer Group will meet Wednesday, July 26, 6:00 p.m., at “Mr. Brews,” located at 2012 Cty. Rd. HH, Plover. This is a great opportunity for new people to get to know the group. The regular meetings dates at 8:00 a.m. for the 2017-2018 year are: September 9, October 16, November 11, December 9, January 20, February 17, March 10, April 14 and May 12. All are welcome!

Thank You to all the parishioners who worked for our Picnic and/or Riverfront Bingo. Without your help the two events would not be a success. We are so grateful for the support both of these events. The report is as follows:

	Picnic	Riverfront
Gross Receipts	\$657.50	\$6,221.50
Prizes paid out	\$236.00	\$2,078.00
Taxes paid	\$ 41.43	\$ 392.03
License & checks	\$ 30.29	\$ 60.61
Net Profit	\$349.78	\$3,690.86

Profit will be used for building equipment and liturgical needs. Again, thank you! —Ron & Aggie Kobishop, Steve & Jean Brazzale

For Sale—The parish received a beautiful set of China donated by a parishioner and would like to sell this as a complete set. The dinnerware is vintage Imperial China from Japan in the “Corina” pattern which was made in the 1930s. It includes place settings for 12 with 2 additional cups, gravy boat, large platter, serving bowl, covered vegetable bowl and a creamer and sugar set. There are 91 pieces total. The estimated value of this set is over \$700.00. Our asking price is \$500.00. Please call the parish office for more details at 715-341-1617.

Thank You—“Dear parishioners of St. Joseph parish, Greeting and prayerful wishes to all of you. I sincerely thank you for all your support, care and permission to do the mission at your parish. Thank you to Deacon Art, Deacon Mike and Kris Hansen for their love and care while I was with you. Be assured of my prayers, Fr. Paul Bosco.”

St. Joseph Parish wishes to thank the family of Alois Iwanski for their memorial gift. Your generosity is deeply appreciated.

Parish Phone Answering System is not working due to the storm in June. If no one is available to respond to your call, please call back. You can send an email to Renée at: rschneeb@togetherinfaith.org. Thank you for your patience.

A Celebration of the Gift of Service—St. Joseph Parish and its members, staff and councils recognize the presence of the Holy Spirit in calling forth Youth Minister, Jodi Moss, to share her talent and experience with our youth, and those who volunteer to make the youth program a success. The parish is blessed to have you in our faith community.

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

Thank You Notes to St. Joseph Parishioners:

CAP Service—Thank you so much for your long-time support. Your generous gift means those who have been isolated, emotionally and physically abused are safe. Few gifts are as precious. —Mary Patoka

Portage County Dressed to Work—Thank you very much for your donation to our organization. We sincerely appreciate your continued support. —Jessica Wiesman,

Operation Bootstrap—Thank you for your year-end tithe of \$100.00. We are very grateful for your support. —Ruth Kulas, Operation Bootstrap

Weekly Reflections—Sometimes we are at a loss about what we should do. Even our attempts to pray seem hollow and fruitless. Ironically, it is at these times that we may receive the greatest graces. We need to trust God and persevere even when our prayers seem useless and we are so distracted we can hardly think. Allow the Spirit to pray for you; turn everything over to the Spirit and let the Spirit guide you. Most of all, do not stop praying. It may seem like this chaos will never end, but eventually it will and you may just find it was one the most fruitful times in your life when you look back.

Let your kindness comfort me according to your promise to your servants.
—Psalm 119:76

AREA CHURCHES, SCHOOLS & DEANERY

Franciscans Downtown next free movie, *The Tuskegee Airmen*, is Wednesday, July 26, at 1:00 p.m.

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SpiritFEST at Holy Spirit Parish is July 23 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Live music, dancing, food, games, petting zoo, raffle, chicken dinner and much more! All are welcome to join in the fun.

Concert on the Grounds at St. Ladislaus, Bevent is July 25 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. with Scott Wanta and "Country Roads Retraveled." Food and refreshments will be available or bring your own. Please bring a chair or blanket to sit on. (Rain date will be August 1.)

St. Adalbert Parish Picnic is August 5-6, in Rosholt. Saturday Mass is at 4:00 p.m. followed by music with "Gray Katz." Concessions available are pulled pork, ribs, hot beef and fries. Sunday Mass is at 10:30 a.m. followed by a family-style chicken and ham dinner. Please see flyer on the bulletin board for more details.

Pacelli Catholic Schools has a part-time position opening in development and marketing. A bachelor's degree in marketing, communications or a related field is preferred. Send a cover letter and résumé to Pacelli Catholic Schools, Director of Advancement, 1301 Maria Drive, Stevens Point, WI 54481 or by email to: hhenderson@pacellicatholicschools.com. Pacelli alumni are encouraged to apply.

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St. Philip Parish Picnic and Chicken Dinner is August 6 in Rudolph. Mass with polka music will be at 9:00 a.m. followed by a chicken dinner at 10:00 a.m. Polka music provided by "Old Time Brass" and "Polish Connection" starts at 11:00 a.m. See flyer on the bulletin board for more details.

Natural Family Planning (NFP) Awareness Week is July 23-29. This year's slogan is "It's time! Say "Yes" to God's Plan for Marriage!" The slogan focuses on God's gift of the nature of marriage to husband and wife. See all the resources available to help promote "God's plan for marriages" in your community at: www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/marriage-and-family/natural-family-planning/awareness-week/.

St. Florian Parish Picnic in Hatley will be July 29-30. Saturday features a 4:00 p.m. Mass followed by games, food, refreshments, bingo and music by "Pat Zoromski and The Boys from Polonia" plus "Raised Reckless Band." Sunday Mass is at 10:30 a.m. followed by a chicken dinner, food stands, games, raffles, refreshments, petting zoo, Country Store, bingo, and music by "Maroszek Bros. Band" and "The I.P.A. Tribute Band."

St. Paul Parish, Plainfield, Festival is August 5-6. Saturday features a Mass at 4:00 p.m. with polka music, a 5K Run/Walk, an evening of Polka music, food and refreshments. Sunday Mass is at 10:00 a.m. with polka music, followed by a chicken dinner, concessions stands, a "3 on 3 Basketball Tournament" and basket and cash raffles. All are welcome.

Rediscover Your Marriage—"Married Singles Lifestyle" describes couples who may have lost a sense of closeness they once had as marriage partners and are living more like roommates. Retrouvaille can help couples survive times like these. For details/registration for the August 11-13 program at St. Anthony Retreat Center, call 877-922-4673, or visit the website at: www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe Events:

Grandparents' Day Mass in celebration of the Feast of St. Joachim and St. Anne is July 26, 12:15 p.m., at the Shrine with celebrant Cardinal Raymond Burke.

Dedication Anniversary of the Shrine is July 31 with Mass at 12:15 p.m. Cardinal Burke will be celebrating Mass. All are welcome to these events.

Healing the Culture; Guiding Principles for a Confusing Age—This conference is August 11-12 at Blessed Sacrament Parish, La Crosse, WI, with an \$80.00 fee. The conference will cover fundamental principles in a relativistic culture that is always talking about what is "true for me" or "true for you," rather than what is simply *true*. For more information go to www.dioc.org/catechesis or call Susan at 608-791-2658.

Holy Father's Intentions for July: Lapsed

Christians. That our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian life.

Pilgrimage to India—Join Fr. Manickam on a trip to India, January 6-16, 2018. Travel includes Dubai, Abudhabi, Southern India, the St. Thomas tomb, St. Mary's Basilica and Sri Lanka. Contact Dennis @dennismarshfield@yahoo.com or 715-305-1960.

ST. ANTHONY SPIRITUALITY CENTER

Pray It Forward, July 28-30—This retreat is open to all recovering alcoholics, Al-Anon members and other 12-Step group members (men and women) of any denomination or belief background. To register, call 715-443-2236 or email info@sarcenter.com.

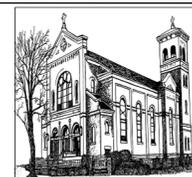


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Welcome to St. Joseph Parish—to those who are new to our church or just visiting. We are grateful to have you share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If you are not currently a member of a local church, we invite you to become part of our parish 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.

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, with a copy to rschneeb@togetherinfaith.org.