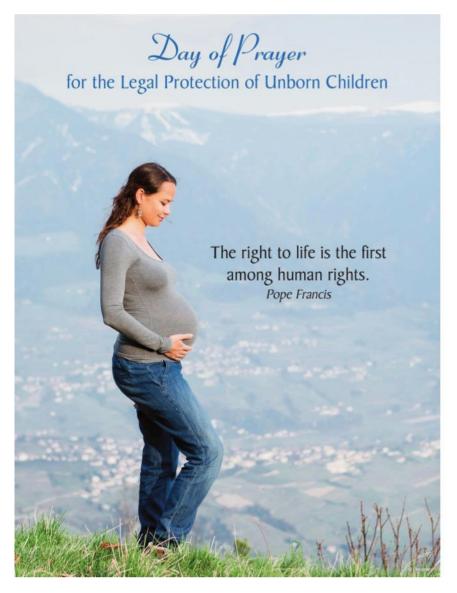
SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Foseph Catholic Church



109 Linden Street Saint Johns, Michigan 48879-1837 (989) 224-8994 Fax: (989) 224-3475 www.stjoecatholic.com stjosephchurchstjohns@gmail.com



ALL ARE WELCOME!

St. Joseph is a place of refreshment, peace and love, a place of ministry and renewal. We welcome you to be part of our faith community where the Word of God is proclaimed, friendship is offered and the Sacraments are celebrated.

Pastoral Care

Fr. Michael Williams
Deacon Marv Robertson (retired)
Deacon Jerry Fust
Deacon Eric Elstro

Worship

Music • Jeff Richards

Parish Life

Parish Council • Dick Weller Finance Council • Scott Dzurka Parish Secretary • Deb Light Business Manager • Susan Mahoney Maintenance • Dave Klein

Family Ministries

Marriage Preparation • Fr. Michael Williams
Baptism • Nancy Joseph
St. Joseph School • Chris Wells
Religious Education • Jen Nelson
Confirmation • Jen Nelson
Youth Group • Nancy Poff
Adult Faith Formation • Nancy Joseph
Evangelization • Nancy Joseph
Please call the parish office for more
information on our Family Ministries.

Medical Emergencies requiring an Anointing of the Sick: (989) 227-1244

St. Joseph School: (989) 224-2421

Religious Education Office: (989) 224-8537

Regular Mass Schedule

Saturday • 5:00 pm Sunday • 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 PM (Holy Days • Consult the bulletin.)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday • 4:00 pm Tuesday • 6:30 pm

Prayer Tree

Parish Office: (989)-224-8994

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Mondays at Noon for the following weekend. Send to **stjosephchurchstjohns@gmail.com**



This Week's Liturgies

Monday ● January 17

Saint Anthony of Egypt

1 Sm 15:16-23 | Mk 2:18-22

No Mass

Tuesday ● January 18

Saint Charles of Sezze

1 Sm 16:1-13 | Mk 2:23-28

7:00 p.m. †Mary Kaiser & Richard Epkey

By: The Feldpausch Family

Wednesday • January 19

Saint Fabian

1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51 | Mk 3:1-6

12:05 p.m. †Jerome Schafer

By: Lisa & Charlie Wieber

Thursday ● January 20

Saint Sebastian

1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7 | Mk 3:7-12

8:30 a.m. **†Larry & Jean Burns**

and Deceased Family Members

By: Lisa & Charlie Wieber

Friday ● January 21

Saint Agnes

1 Sm 24:3-21 | Mk 3:13-19

8:30 a.m. †Bernard Feldpausch & Lorie Munch

Saturday ● January 22

Saint Vincent of Zaragossa 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27 | Mk 3:20-21

†Ferd & Anna Knoop 5:00 p.m.

Bv: Grandchildren

Sunday ● January 23

Saint Marianne Cope

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10 | 1 Corinthians 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27 |

Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

8:00 a.m. †Ron, Rita, & Jack Cuthbert

By: Don & Lu Anne Cuthbert

10:00 a.m. People of the Parish

12:00 p.m. †Elon Hufnagel

By: Mary & Lawrence Smith 6:00 p.m.

Spanish Mass

†Sr. Marcella Oloarte Intention



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on January 21st— 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

Following Friday morning Mass on January 21st until 6 p.m. the Blessed Sacrament will be Exposed

for Adoration as we pray for legal protection of the unborn & for our Supreme Court justices as they consider the Dobbs v Jackson case.

If you are interested in signing up for an hour of Adoration during this time, please text/call Rebecca 989-292-2072. There is also a sign-up sheet in the back of church.

See "Call to Prayer for Life" section of the bulletin for more details.

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

THE SANCTUARY LAMP WILL BURN FROM JANUARY 16TH - JANUARY 22ND

In Memory of: Barbara Ann Jones

The Parish office hours:

Monday - Thursday ~ 9 a.m. to Noon and

1 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Friday ~ 9 a.m. to Noon and

David Seperic

1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for our parishioners and their families, especially:

Stan & Millie Wassa Jeff Wadell Dan Boak Daniel Blair

Mary Noah Donna Smith Joan Bozung

Brian Ritter Beverly Patricia Walter & Jennie Pytlowanyj

Myah Sally Lorenc **Brad Walker**

Matthew Joseph Caudy Bob Adam Jason Thelen Jacob Epling Rhonda Chamberlain Friend Roger Dershem

Carol Burgtorf Alan Gove Renate Ward

Danielle P. Doris A.

Our parishioners in the service, especially:

> Adam Novak Alex Detloff Alex Rojas Colby Munger

Eric Martin Jacob Longoria Jacob Wells Jake Hoskins

Jessica Mitchell Jordan Van Amburg Joseph Larsen Joshua Szpont Noel Smith II William Hess

To add or remove a name from the bulletin prayer list, please call: 989-224-8994 or email Stjosephchurchstjohns@gmail.com

*Please note: only immediate family members may add names to the bulletin prayer lists.



WE ARE ALL
EVANGELIZERS
(and whatever else is on
Deacon Eric's mind)

INTENTIONS, GOOD - RESULTS, NOT SO MUCH

The epic movie "Lawrence of Arabia" is a masterpiece, but it is almost four hours long. Until last night, that was too long to intrigue me enough to block out that amount of time to watch it - despite its record of hauling in seven Academy Awards out of 12 nominations in 1962. That includes Oscars for best movie and best actor.

It really is a fascinating film, though its panoramic camera shots are probably better appreciated on a movie theater screen than on my 42-inch TV. But for this column's purpose, the intrigue in the movie comes from the psychological change in the title character. T.E. Lawrence was a British intelligence officer in World War One who had a

plan to unify the numerous independent Arab tribes in the Middle East. He hoped they would join the British in battle against the Turks, who were allied with Germany during the war.

Without getting into the weeds on the geopolitical landscape of the region at the time, this film is a good case study of how war, pride and double-crossing can take a person of high-morals and leave him a shell of himself. The movie leaves one wondering at the end, as my wife posed: "Is Lawrence a hero or not?"

At the beginning of the movie, Lawrence comes across as a confident military officer with a good sense of morality. He is shocked when his guide in the desert is killed for drinking from a well belonging to another tribe. As the movie goes on, he participates in the killing. He now almost relishes it because it feeds his ego and verifies that his plan was correct. He gains notoriety and promotions, but in

the end his promises to the tribes go for naught, as political leaders divvy up the Middle East for themselves after the war.

Looking at the changes in Lawrence through the movie made me realize how easy it is for us to lose some sense of morality due to our environment. As Lawrence was worn down by the atrocities of war, we too can be worn down by this world in which we live. For example, immorality is not only accepted by society, it is promoted by the media and sanctioned by our courts.

It is up to us to be the voice of virtue - to take a stand on counter-cultural ideas ranging from hot button social issues like abortion to vulgar language in the office. Unlike Lawrence, we need to stand our moral ground as Christians, because: "If not us, then who?"

Deacon Eric

deaconeric@hotmail.com



Dear Brother and Sister in Christ,

This life is a journey. It's a pilgrimage. A pilgrimage from God to God. We are each pilgrims on that narrow path. It's not an easy journey. We all know that. However, if we co-operate with God's grace we can make it and, even better, we can make it together.

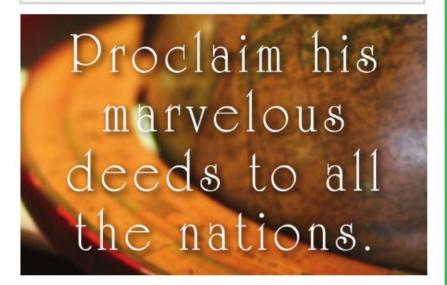
Who, though, can teach us the way? The answer, of course, is Jesus Christ. Indeed, in the Holy Gospels, Our Blessed Lord identifies himself as "the way". Meanwhile, the early Christians often referred to their new life as disciples of Jesus Christ as "the Way" (e.f., Acts 9:2). We too are his chosen. That is why I invite you to join me as **Disciples Together on the Way.**

Across the coming year, starting January 2022, we will then attempt to acquire a different good habit each week in order to help us develop four key areas of discipleship; prayer, catechesis, community and apostolate.

So, do you want to take up the Disciples Together on the Way challenge? If so, simply pick up your cellphone and text **ONTHEWAY to 84576.** or go to www.dioceseoflansing.org/on-the-way

St. Monica Ladies Auxiliary

St. Monica Ladies Auxiliary announces the first meeting of 2022. The meeting will be held on Monday, January 17, at Columbian Hall beginning at 6:30 pm. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend. The events of the new year will be discussed and plans initiated. Your input is appreciated. There is fellowship and faith sharing during the evening. As always, treats will be available. Please feel free to call Mary Beth at (989) 227-0088 if you need any assistance to attend the meeting.



ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

For the week of January 17, 2022

Mon: No school- Professional Development Day

Tues: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes w/gravy, corn,

applesauce & milk.

Wed: Ziti, breadsticks, green beans, mixed fruit & milk.

Thurs: Hot dog on a bun, french fries, fresh fruit &

Fri: Cheese stuffed breadsticks w/dipping sauce, peas, apple crisp & milk.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider

Menu is subject to change, based on food availability from suppliers.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

January 22/23

Altar Servers

5:00 PM Volunteers Needed8:00 AM Volunteers Needed

10:00 AM Group 1

12:00 PM Volunteers Needed

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 PM Group 3 8:00 AM Group 3 10:00 AM Group 3 12:00 PM Group 3

Lectors

5:00 PM Ann Parker 8:00 AM Dean Hartenburg 10:00 AM Jane Miller 12:00 PM Linda Scott

Ushers

5:00 PM Dennis K. and group 5C 8:00 AM Tom W. and group 8C 10:00 AM Jim P. and group 10C 12:00 PM Glenn V. and group 12C

Counting Collections

January 17, 2022 • Group 2

Sanctuary Cleaners

Jan. 22nd • Ramona Smith & Leona Thayer

Full schedules are available at www.stjoecathlic.com/schedules



St. Joseph Men's retreat February 11 - 13 Topic: Rediscovering Jesus

If you are interested in attending the Men's retreat at St. Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt MI, please contact Henry Burkhardt at 989-224-7540 or Roger Dershem at 989-640-1313.



The Rosary is prayed every Sunday morning 1/2 hour before Mass at the 8 a.m, 10 a.m, and Noon Mass

DIVINE MERCY PRAYERS FOR GRIEF

Offered by the St. Joseph Prayer Tree and Path of Divine Hope Grief Ministry



The Path of Divine Hope Grief Ministry invites those who have experienced the passing of a loved one this past year to join us after the 5PM mass on January 29th as we hold a memorial reflection with Divine Mercy chaplet. The chaplet was recommended by our Lord to St. Faustina for the repose of souls and for their families. The death of our loved ones is precious time to our Lord. We hope that you can join us for this special time of remembrance and prayer.

Dear St. Joseph Parishioners,

On behalf of the Michigan Veteran Homes at Grand Rapids, the staff, and Members we care for, we would like to express our profound appreciation for your recent donation. Monetary and in-kind donations will help us provide first class quality of life opportunities for our Heroes!

Because of your support, we can provide every Member an enhanced quality of life. Your generosity is sincerely appreciated.

With gratitude,

Deanna Reames Volunteer Coordinator Michigan Veteran Homes at Grand Rapids

Rest In Peace

Our prayers and sympathies to the family and friends of:

Joan Huhn

STEWARDSHIP

For the week ending January 9, 2022

Adults (258) Envelopes/Gifts:......\$18,679.00 (Including automated debits and online giving)

Loose Cash:.....\$467.00

Total:....\$19,146.00

Other Envelopes Received

Education Trust Fund: \$244.00
Building Fund: \$350.00
Tuition Scholarship Fund: \$138.00

Our weekly average since July 1, 2021 is \$21,407.92 If we continue to keep this average we will meet our budgeted goal.

THE CHILDREN'S COLLECTION
The Children's Collection will be donated to:

ANGELS OUTREACH MINISTRIES
St. John Vianney Parish, Flint MI 485004

NEW POSITION OPENING:

St. Joseph Church is accepting applications for a part-time Bookkeeper. The Bookkeeper will work closely with the Business Manager, maintain the accounting ledger using double-entry bookkeeping, process receivables and payables, and prepare payroll. Applicant must have an associate degree in accounting or equivalent experience, have familiarity with accounting software, and be proficient with Excel.

This position is 10-15 hours per week, year-round. Full position description is available at www.stjoecatholic.com/forms/ If you are someone who fully embraces the teachings and mission of the Catholic Church and are interested in working in this environment, apply online at www.dioceseoflansing.org/human-resources/careers or send your resume, cover letter, and references to Susan Mahoney, St. Joseph Church, 109 Linden St., St. Johns, MI 48879,

email: business.stjoseph@gmail.com.

A Call to Prayer for Life

Looking ahead to the anniversary of Roe ν Wade and the Sanctity of Human Life Sunday, your prayers are needed for the Supreme Court Justices and the end to abortion. The Justices continue to consider the Dobbs ν Jackson case that could overturn Roe ν Wade. This is a time for prayers to storm Heaven for the end of abortion.

We will hold a special day of prayers on Friday January 21st with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 9:00am until 6:00 pm. There will be special prayers by the school children during the day, as well as time for private prayer. The rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet will be recited during the final hour.

This is a time for action to show our legislators that abortion is not acceptable. There will be a program at the Michigan State Capitol steps on January 19th at 1:00 and then a march to the Justice Building. Please continue your prayers for an end to abortion whether you attend a public event or pray quietly at home. Prayers will save the lives of God's precious babies.



Oliver Francis Fedewa

Was Baptized on Sunday, January 9, 2022. He is the son of Curtis William Fedewa & Jean Marie Fedewa



Grady Clay Garcia

Was Baptized on Sunday, January 9, 2022. He is the son of Jose Angel Garcia Chagoya & Miranda Jo (Kurncz) Garcia



Daniel Ulices Vieyra

Was Baptized on Sunday, January 9, 2022. He is the son of Antonio Vieyra &

Maria (Guajardo) Vieyra



Monica Heliquehtzi Martinez

Was Baptized on Sunday, January 9, 2022. She is the daughter of Antonio Vieyra & Maria (Guajardo) Vieyra





SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 16, 2022



Mark your calendars! The 8th Annual Feast & Raffle Run for the Roses March 19, 2022

Dinner tickets are on sale now at https://one.bidpal.net/ stjoefeast2022/welcome. Your \$75.00 ticket includes food, drink, and entertainment.

The car raffle and 50/50 are back too, those tickets can be purchased at the Church or School Office, or send the committee an email at stjoefeast@gmail.com. For more information go to the Feast and Raffle Facebook page.





autumnridgestjohns@yahoo.com 1220 SUNVIEW - ST. JOHNS



WELL DRILLING WATER WELLS & PUMP SERVICE (517) 651-2211 scharnweberwelldrilling.com

Family owned business for over 20 years

11263 W. 3rd · FOWLER



St. Vincent de Paul Store 1009 S. US-27

St. Johns M-F 10-4 and Sat. 10-2 CLINTON OPHTHALMOLOGY BRANDY COOK, DO • 989.224.1452

- Cataract Treatment Diabetic Care
- Laser Treatments Routine Eye Exams

1000 E. Sturgis St. • Suite 3 • St. Johns



Lowell Granite Company DALE THELEN 989.640.3331

CALL ME FOR YOUR MONUMENT NEEDS, I WILL MEET WITH YOU AT YOUR HOME.



Mark Smith, Owner

504 E. Steel

MILLER'S REDI-MIX, INC.

Quality Concrete with Good Service 6218 Wright Rd. - Westphalia • 587-6511



McDonald's of St. lohns Owners, Brandon & Kelly Van Poppelen



ST. JOHN'S Biq Bou **JOIN US AFTER MASS!**

902 Lyons Road Portland, Michigan 48875 Starting wage \$20/HR

517-647-3047





Get Paid to Make Friends!

Our Taco Bell & KFC Restaurants have job openings. Competitive Pay, Flexible Schedules, Paid Vacation, Health & Telemedicine, 401K, Monthly Raises & Referral Bonuses. Scholarship Opportunities - Apply at work4nli.com

> For Advertising Information call: GREG POPE 616-295-0390

> > DeWitt

Lansing

For all your financial needs!

517.668.8000

517.853.2700

K.FEDEW

Remodeling & New Construction

www.kfedewabuilders.com • (517) 388-6123 Kurt & Kelly Fedewa • Owners



989-593-2533 • 10653 W. M-21 • Fowler, MI 48835 www.KensKarKare.com



5 Star Rated Skilled Nursing and Rehabilitation Care 989-224-8936

www.hazelfindlav.com

St. Johns Downtown

989.227.8383

♠ FDIC

St. Johns South 989.227.6995

Mercantile^a

Good Vibes Adult Foster Care 24-hour assisted living home for the elderly

> 517-719-7339 goodvibesafc@gmail.com 11755 E Bluewater Hwy, Pewamo, MI 48873



mercbank.com

 Scheduled Maintenance • Engine Repair • Air Conditioning Service
 Transmissions • Brake Service • Alignments • Shocks & Struts • Exhaust System Repair • Tires • Tune-ups • Oil Changes

Online at Diocesan.com/Business

VISA

Mark J. Connelly, D.D.S.

Family Cosmetic & **Sedation Dentistry**

224-2379

Building and Remodeling 224-2139 **DOUG** Breakfast Specials Until 11am MARK FEDEWA ST. JOHNS 224-1211 NURENBERG Homemade Soups • Daily Specials JEANS SHOP and my.voyager.net / thirty3na3rd BIG & TALL DEPARTMENT 224-7118 FICF, LUTCF 224-4263 Marybeth Birchmeier THE HUB When it comes to insurance, the 989-292-1583 UNIROYAL **BFGoodrich** Realtor | Century 21 Looking Glass TIRE CENTER EXPERIENCE MATTERS. Life Insurance Cell: (989) 640-4812 Annuities Call Eric Silm today! (989) 593-3104 Front-End Alignment & Complete Tire Service Office: (989) 224-0800 Marybeth.Birchmeier@century21.com

00d CHAPEL

Knights of Columbus

INSURANCE

AGRICULTURAL • COMMERCIAL • RESIDENTIAL 593-3399 T.H. MILLER **EXCAVATING, INC.** TOM MILLER, OWNER 8900 W M-21, St. Johns

HARR'S JEWELRY. INC.

- Your Diamond Source -

FARM BUREAU INSURANCE

110 N Whittemore

(Bus. US-27)

224-7443

THELEN

COLLISION

AUTO CARE

Jandernoa Water Systems, Inc. Locally Owned & Operated

Water Well Drilling & Repair of FARM • HOME • COMMERCIAL TimJandernoa@live.com

33 3 STREET

Sound

Call TIM JANDERNOA

Cell 989.666.6426 • Kent 989.292.7502

athews ELEVATOR CO.

Long Term Care

Disability Income

MULLANEY

Broker • Owner

· Roasted Beans · Canola Meal · Custom Mixing Soybean Meal . Soyhull Pellets . Cottonseed

FOWLER

MPROVEMENT

224-3691

TOVA

Dry Distillers Grain
 Dry Animal Fat

135 N. BATH

989-593-2111

819 N US 27

104 E Cass St., St. Johns • 989-224.2365

Freezer Beef For Sale James Klein (989) 640-2812 Custom Farn

Our family,

Serving yours.

The

WHEEL INN

1825 South US-27

Roofing, Siding, Windows, Entry Doors, Eavestrough, Porch Enclosures

Serving Clinton County for 57 Years

hubtires.com

Garage Doors & Openers Residential & Commercial

Showroom at

610 E GIBBS ST.

224-8626

of St. Johns

TUXEDO RENTAL

Parishioner Tom Thelen • Owner KOENIGSKNECH St. Johns 989-227-5404

Laingsburg 517-651-1322 Portland 517-743-6122 THERAPY & SPORTS

2761 N. US Highway 27 • St. Johns

989-224-0004

Collision & Light Mechanical Repairs



Sewer and Water Line • Storm Sewer Drain Field Replacement & Repairs Septic Tank Pumping Septic Tank Replacement Pump Repair & Replacement 1220 E. Taft Road • St. Johns, MI gahuntseptic.com

ith Family Funeral Homes

St. Johns | Elsie | Ovid | Fowler | Ithaca | St. Louis

MJF

CONSTRUCTION



Over 3500 Homes Listed & Sold By Joe!

517-204-4004

Local Realtor for the last 24 years! remaxfinestjoe@gmail.com

JOE



KOENIGSKNECHTDENTISTRY.COM



Dom DeLiso

REALTOR

RE/MAX
Real Estate Professionals

ddelisoRE@gmail.com

Office: 517-669-8118

Cell: 989-640-9059

Gentner

Dentistry

Bamily

Dr. Amy Gentner and Dr. Kayla Weatherwax

www.gentnerfamilydentistry.com 989-224-7559



Ray Vitek Broker/Owner

Vitek Real Estate

Open by appointment only

Residential • Farms • Income • Commercia

3026 W. M-21, ST. JOHNS, MI 48879

Dave Schroeder • Dave Schroeder II Parishioners EBER 132 N Main FOWLER UMBER

Home Town Service

593-2280



LES MILLER & SONS AGGREGATES INC.

PICK UP OR DELIVERY

989-593-2055



Coupon Join us for our IN HOUSE SPECIAL at Bruno's every Sunday. 1/2 off ANY PIZZA!

Family Friendly **224-3500**

Daryl Feldpausch Agency Covers Michigan

URNITURE

(989) 224-1212 FeldpauschAgency.com

911 E STATE ST.

Home: 989 224-4730 Email: rayvitek@charter.net I) RAGE Lee & Dori Smith ~ Owners

989-292-4477 • mintcitystorage.com

SELF STORAGE UNITS . RV PARKING

Office: 989-224-4000

2100 S. US-27

St. Johns

989.224.2345

PLUMBING & HEATING, LLC

Office: 989-224-3034 • www.chasco1.com 407 N. Clinton Ave. • St. Johns, MI 48879



McGeehan Funeral Homes Keck-Coleman Chapel

(989) 224-4422 www.mcgeehanfh.com 1500 Waterford Pkwy

CELEBRATING THOSE BEFORE US, SUPPORTING THOSE BESIDE US



