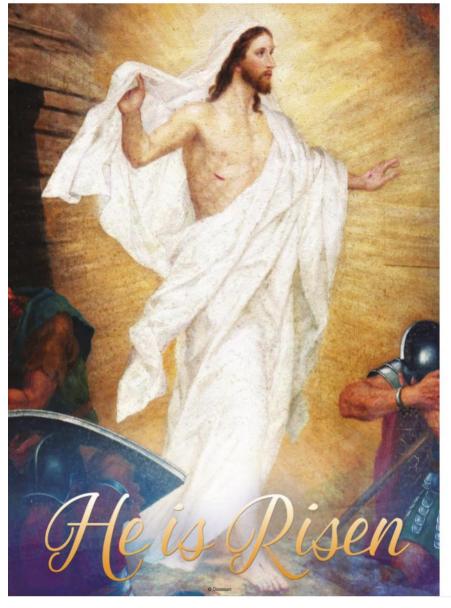
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#### ALL ARE WELCOME!

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**

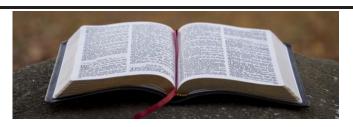
Saturday • 4:00 pm Tuesday • 6:30 pm

#### **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 • April 18

**Blessed James Oldo** 

Acts 2:14, 22-33 | Matthew 28:8-15

No Mass

Tuesday • April 19

Saint Gianna Beretta Molla

Acts 2:36-41 | John 20:11-18

No Confession

No Mass

Wednesday ● April 20

Saint Conrad of Parzham

Acts 3:1-10 | Luke 24:13-35

No Mass

Thursday • April 21

Saint Anselm

Acts 3:11-26 | Luke 24:35-48

No Mass

Friday • April 22

Saint Adalbert of Prague

Acts 4:1-12 | John 21:1-14

No Mass

Saturday • April 23

Saint George

Acts 4:13-21 | Mark 16:9-15

5:00 p.m. The Catholic Church

By: Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Sunday • April 24

Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen

Second Sunday of Easter ~ Divine Mercy Sunday

Acts 5:12-16 | Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19 | John 20:19-31

8:00 a.m. †Alexandra Parker

Love, Mom, Dad, Taylor & Nicol

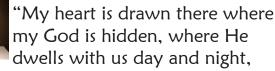
10:00 a.m. People of the Parish

12:00 p.m. †Dale Feldpausch

By: Mary Jane Feldpausch

1:00 p.m. Baptism
6:00 p.m. Spanish Mass
Intention †Javier Sanchez

## Adoration of Our Lord



clothed in the White Host; He governs the whole world, He communes with souls."

St. Faustina Diary entry #1951

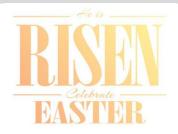
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## Sacrament of Reconciliation

#### NO RECONCILIATION ON TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2022

Saturdays at 4:00 p.m.

You can also set up a time for Confession with Fr. Mike by calling the parish office.

KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for our parishioners and their families, especially:

Adam Beverly Danial Blair Bob Joan Bozung

Carol Burgtorf

Joseph Caudy Rhonda Chamberlain Roger Dershem Jacob Epling Friend Alan Gove Korine

Friend
Alan Gove
Korine
Dora Mae Linman
Mary
Matthew
Myah
Noah

Danielle P.
Patricia
Jenny Pytlowanyj
Jerry Schafer
Donna Smith
Jason Thelen
Jeff Wadell
Brad Walker
Renate Ward
Millie Wassa
Fr. Don Wieber

Our parishioners in the service, especially:

Bryce Bongard
Alex Detloff
William Hess
Jake Hoskins
Jacob Longoria
Eric Martin
Jessica Mitchell
Colby Munger
Adam Novak

Alex Rojas
David Seperic
Noel Smith II
Grace Szpont
Joshua Szpont
Jordan Van Amburg
Jacob Wells

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.

THE SACRAMENTS ARE CELEBRATED



HAPPY RESURRECTION DAY By Deacon Marv

English-speaking people celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus on Easter. But the word "Easter" does not appear at all in the New Testament. St. Bede the Venerable, an important historian of early England, tells us that "Easter" comes from

"Oestre," a Germanic pagan goddess of Spring and fertility. St. Bede suggests that although the pagan Anglo-Saxons of England converted to Christianity, they retained the name of that goddess to celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus.

However, in Spanish-speaking countries, our Easter Sunday is translated and spoken as "El

Domingo de Resurreccion"---Resurrection Sunday. Some
have given me a curious look
as I returned their "Happy
Easter" with "Happy
Resurrection Day." Regardless
of the title, we should be
inspired to reflect often on
Christ's rising from the dead
and His promise of eternal life
if we strive to be faithful.

HAPPY RESURRECTION DAY



# Rejoice! He Is Risen!





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

### "AND NOW, THE REST OF THE STORY"

(Actually, I don't know if I can add much to Deacon Marv's great reminder, although I did want to do my Paul Harvey impression for you.)

As usual, Deacon Marv gets to the heart of the matter when it comes to this day we are celebrating. Though Easter comes at the beginning of Spring, it's critical that we remember this day as the Resurrection Day because, as I mentioned in my homily last week, without Jesus' Resurrection, nothing else matters. His life on earth was

for the sole purpose of sacrificing himself for our sins and opening the gates of heaven for us.

At this point in history, even devout Christians in English -- speaking countries will continue to call this day Easter - though St. Bede has clearly pointed out that the word comes directly from the Germanic word for Oestre, the goddess of Spring and fertility. St. Bede lived in the eighth century, so if the Church were to have dumped the word Easter and opted for Resurrection Sunday, we would have done it long ago.

Deacon Marv's point is still well-taken: that we must retain the remembrance that this day is about Jesus' Resurrection, not a fictional rabbit that hides eggs and jelly beans for kids. There is nothing wrong with an Easter egg hunt, as long as we are teaching our children that it is just a fun activity. Such events are secondary to our Christian beliefs.

So I will join the wise Deacon Marv in wishing everyone a Happy Resurrection Day full of family fun and blessings. But, like the Christian reminder of Christmas "remember the reason for the season," let's keep Our Lord's sacrifice for us in mind. And let's not forget Deacon Marv's final statement that Jesus promised us eternal life "if we strive to be faithful."

Deacon Eric

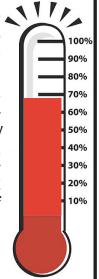
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# "STIR UP ONE ANOTHER TO love and good works"

This year our parish goal has been set at \$96,425.00 Thank you to everyone who has made a gift or pledge commitment to this so far.

As of 4/10/2019, 200 parish families have donated \$64,553.78, which is 66.9% of our goal. Any pledge over and above our goal will be returned 50% to our parish. If you haven't already, please remember to fill out your pledge form, located in the pews, and put it in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office during the week. You may also submit your gift online at www.dioceseoflansing.org/dsa.





## St. Joseph Catholic School

is currently enrolling for the 2022 - 2023 School Year

Contact the school at 989-224-2421 for more information on enrolling your child at St. Joseph Catholic School.

## ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

LUNCH MENU

For the week of April 18, 2022

This institution is an equal opportunity provider

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

Monday: Chicken poppers, fresh veggies, fresh

fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes with

gravy, corn, applesauce, and milk.

Wednesday: Ham, scalloped potatoes, strawberry

shortcake, and milk.

Thursday: Hot dog on a bun, french fries, fresh

fruit, and milk...

Friday: 1/2 day, No lunch served: students

released at 11:00 a.m.

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

#### **April 23/24**

#### Altar Servers

7:30 PM Volunteers 8:00 AM Volunteers 10:00 AM Group 3 12:00 PM Volunteers

## Eucharistic Ministers

7:30 PM Group 1 8:00 AM Group 1 10:00 AM Group 1 12:00 PM Group 1

#### Lectors

7:30 PM Diane A. 8:00 AM Bob P. 10:00 AM Joe T. 12:00 PM Ed/Cecilia C.

#### Ushers

7:30 PM Dave P. and Group 5C 8:00 AM Bruce P. and Group 8A 10:00 AM Steve S. and Group 10D 12:00 PM Ron D. and Group 12A

#### Counting Collections

April 18, 2022 • Groups 3 and 4

#### Sanctuary Cleaners

April 23rd ● Judi T. and Thelma M.

## YOUTH GROUP

Our Youth group gets together on some Wednesdays and some Sundays. For more information on upcoming activities please contact Nancy Poff at njpoff@gmail.com



# Do you like to

## sing?

Our choir is always looking for new members. If you are interested in joining

the choir, please contact our Music Director, Jeff Richards at musicdirector.stjoseph@gmail.com



#### DO NOT BE MISLED:

A deceptive Constitutional Amendment petition is circulating to allow for unlimited and unregulated abortions in the state. This would legalize abortion at any time of pregnancy, for any reason, and prevent health and safety requirements for abortion facilities. If you are approached by a person collecting signatures, ask to first review the text of the proposal. Decline to sign if the description reads "Constitutional Amendment to: establish new individual right to reproductive freedom..." For more information, go to <a href="https://www.supportmiwomenandchildren.org">www.supportmiwomenandchildren.org</a>.

## St. Monica Ladies Auxiliary Spring Tea

To all the ladies of the parish -- bring your mothers, daughters, grandmothers, aunts, and nieces to the St. Monica Ladies Auxiliary Spring Tea from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. on April 30 at the Columbian Hall. You will be treated to tea, treats of many kinds, and entertainment. Our Blessed Mother will be the focus of the faith sharing. There will be plenty of time for conversation. Tickets are \$5.00 (children under 10 are welcome for no charge) and can be obtained at the Parish Office, the School Office or by contacting a St. Monica member. We hope this event will help prepare us for May, the month of the Blessed Virgin Mary.



Save the dates for VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 20-23, 2022 9:30 a.m. to noon.

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The cost is \$25 per child and includes a t-shirt. Registration forms coming soon, stay tuned.

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

#### For the week ending April 10, 2022

Adults (305) Envelopes/Gifts:	\$25,049.58	
(Including automated debits and online giving)		
Loose Cash:	\$821.65	
Total:	\$25,871.23	

#### **Other Envelopes Received**

Education Trust Fund:	\$432.00
Building Fund:	\$455.00
Tuition Scholarship Fund:	\$72.00

#### Ukrainian Collection:.....\$5,516.91

Our weekly average since July 1, 2021 is \$20,832.24 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:

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# 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 April 30<sup>th</sup> 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.

#### **RELIGIOUS FORMATION**

# First Communion Parent/Child Workshop

All school and parish families with a child preparing for First Communion (this upcoming April 30th/May 1st) are scheduled to meet on Sunday, April 24th. The time for the workshop is 1:00- 2:30 pm in the school cafeteria. For questions, please contact Jen Nelson at dre.stjoseph@gmail.com or call 224-8537.



Our five-year Witness to Hope campaign is in its final months. We have reached the tier where 100% of our parishioners' donations are returned to St. Joe's for our projects.

Thank you to all who have supported the Witness to Hope campaign.

#### Our Witness to Hope Projects

- East parking lot ✓
- Sound system in church ✓
- School roof ✓
- North parking lot ✓

- Church interior Planning in progress
- Organ refurbishing Planning in progress
- School windows to be scheduled

✓ = completed

Our remaining projects are big-ticket items. If you still owe on your pledge and would like more time to pay your balance, contact the Catholic Foundation of the Diocese of Lansing or the parish office.

Do you want to support these projects but you missed the Witness to Hope campaign? You can make donations to our Building Fund through Online Giving or by using the gray envelope in your packet.

## What is the Prayer Tree?



The Prayer Tree is an organized group of individuals who pray for our parish family. Prayer requests are confidential and are not shared with anyone outside of the prayer tree members. Parishioners can add their prayer requests for themselves, family members, or friends by contacting the Parish Office at 989-224-8994. The prayer request will be passed on to the prayer tree participants within one business day.

The prayer list published in the bulletin is not the same as the Prayer Tree.

To add an immediate family member to the bulletin prayer list call the office 989-224-8994.



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



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from the store provide the financial resources to serve residents of Clinton County for one-time emergency assistance. You don't have to be Catholic to request or receive assistance. They serve people of all faiths and some that may not have any church affiliation. To request assistance, please call the client assistance helpline at (989) 292 -7057.

## Have you liked us on FACEBOOK?



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#### EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

## Why Be Registered?

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Often people will attend Mass at our parish for years, but never officially register. Registering in a parish is a declaration of your desire to be a part of a Catholic community and to make a commitment to the St. Joseph parish community.

Being a registered parishioner makes the process much easier when it is time for baptisms, weddings, Faith Formation registrations, baptismal or confirmation sponsorship and even funerals. To register, fill out the form on the right and put it in the Sunday collection or visit

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