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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"There is need of only one thing.
Mary has chosen the better part
and it will not be taken from her."

Luke 10:42



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.

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

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Business Manager • Susan Mahoney
Maintenance • Dave Klein

Family Ministries

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

**Medical Emergencies requiring an
Anointing of the Sick, please call 989-227-1244.**

St. Joseph School: (989) 224-2421

Religious Education Office: (989) 224-8537

Regular Mass Schedule (See page 2 for location)

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday • 6:30 pm
Saturday • 4:00 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 • July 18

*Saint Camillus de Lellis**Micah 6:1-4, 6-8/Matthew 12:38-42**No Mass*

Tuesday • July 19

*Micah 7:14-15, 18-20/Matthew 12:46-50**7:00 p.m. Mass (in the Day Chapel)**Mass Intention: †Margaret Bomba By: Chuck and Linda Biewer*

Wednesday • July 20

*Saint Apollinaris**Jeremiah 1:1, 4-10/Matthew 13:1-9**12:05 p.m. Mass (in the Day Chapel)**Mass Intention: †Barb Minarik By: Robert Nurenberg*

Thursday • July 21

*Saint Lawrence of Brindisi**Jeremiah 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Matthew 13:10-17**8:30 a.m. Mass (in the Day Chapel)**Mass Intention: †Bob Waryas By: Deacon Jerry and Alice Fust*

Friday • July 22

*Saint Mary Magdalene**Songs 3:1-4b | John 20:1-2, 11-18**8:30 a.m. Mass (in the Day Chapel)**Mass Intention: †Andrew Minarik By: Knights of Columbus*

Saturday • July 23

*St. Bridget of Sweden**Jeremiah 7:1-11 | Matthew 13:24-30**5:00 p.m. Mass (in the Wilson Center Auditorium)**Mass Intention: †People of The Parish*

Sunday • July 24

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Genesis 18:20-32 | Colossians 2:12-14 | Luke 11:1-13**8:00 a.m. Mass (in the Wilson Center Auditorium)**Mass Intention: †Doris Andrews By: Marie Fox and Family**10:00 a.m. Mass (in the Wilson Center Auditorium)**Mass Intention: †Donald and Josetta Ott By: Family**12:00 p.m. Mass (in the Wilson Center Auditorium)**Mass Intention: Carol Burns by Diane Burns and family**6:00 p.m. Spanish Mass (in the Day Chapel)*

Rest In Peace

Our prayers and
sympathies to the family and friends
of

*Bonna Rae Henning,
Don VeCasey, and
Virginia Eisler*

July Office Hours

The parish office will be open with reduced hours in
the month of July.

Mondays through Thursdays - 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Fridays - closed

The answering machine and emails will be checked on
a regular basis. We will do our best to get back with
you in a day or two. Thanks for your patience!

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

WILL BURN FROM JULY 17TH - JULY 23RD

In Memory of

*Herb and Marion
Armbrustmacher*

KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for
our parishioners
and their families,
especially:

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Beverly
Sawyer Ballinger
Daniel Blair
Bob
Joan Bozung
Carol Burgtorf

Joseph Caudy
Rhonda Chamberlain
Jacob Epling
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Marcia Goerge
Alan Gove
Korine
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

Please pray for
our parishioners
in the service,
especially:

Bryce Bongard
William Hess
Jake Hoskins
Jacob Longoria
Eric Martin
Jessica Mitchell
Colby Munger

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

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WE ARE ALL EVANGELIZERS

(and whatever else is on
Deacon Eric's mind)

Sunday, Funday

(Since I am on vacation this week, primarily to attend a special recognition day for one of my granddaughters in Tennessee, I thought I would leave my readers with some light-hearted fare. If I'm having fun, why shouldn't everyone else, right? Hence we have "Sunday, Funday." So grin, groan or guffaw at a couple of Catholic-oriented jokes I'm leaving back in mid-Michigan. Church renovation reminded me of this first one. It's a Golden Oldie (or Moldy Oldie if you don't like it.)

A parish solicited bids for the repainting of the exterior of its grade school. All of the bids came in at about the same price point, except for one from a parishioner that was considerably lower by almost half. The parishioner with the low bid had a good

reputation around town, so the finance council approved his bid.

The painter took a closer look at his bid just before starting the job and realized he had made a huge mistake in the numbers he quoted. It would be too embarrassing, he thought, to admit such a calculation error in his home parish. There was only one way to get the job done for the quoted price, and that was to thin his paint with water.

The painter completed the job on a Saturday and drew many compliments from parishioners the next day after Sunday Mass. But Sunday afternoon, there was a great thunderstorm in town, and when it was over, half the paint had come off the school building.

The painter knew that Pastor Sherman Williams, who knew a thing or two about painting, would be calling him in to his office soon. So in a pre-emptive effort to get ahead of that situation, the painter went in to church to pray.

"Oh Lord," he lamented, "What

can I possibly do now?"

And God replied quite loudly: "Repaint, repaint, my son, and thin no more."

(And today's second one is for the kids, or just the young at heart.)

It was the last week of school before summer vacation at St. Eve Catholic School and the final lunch of the year was set up in the cafeteria. At the head of the table was a large bowls of apples, with a note from Sister Ida Red that said, "Take only one, God is watching."

At the other end of the line sat a pile of chocolate chip cookies where one student whispered to the other, "Take as many as you want, God's watching the apples."

(Enjoy your week everyone. In this space next week, we'll be "talkin' talking.")

Deacon Eric

deaconeric@hotmail.com



"Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her." Luke 10:41

Although it can seem very difficult to take time to sit at the feet of Our Lord when we are feeling burdened by life, this is what Our Lord calls us to do. This does not mean that our work does not still need to be done, but God will help to renew and strengthen us during our times of prayer and help us to perform our work while keeping Him as our focus.

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**AUGUST
8-9, 2022**



This is the first of a three-part series on the architectural styles of our church.

Renovation Reflection - Architecture 101

The beautiful architectural styles of the worship space of St. Joseph church each tell us something about the God that we gather to worship. Our God, and are faith in Him, are orderly, beautiful, and living.

A goal of the renovation is to enhance the beautiful elements already present, and repeat the style of these for new elements. A quick preview of architectural styles will help.

Romanesque architecture uses basic geometrical shapes: squares, circles, arcs, and even triangles. Semi-circular arches, like our church's barrel value ceiling, are Romanesque. The semi-circular pattern repeats in the arches along the north and south walls, and the arches on either side of the sanctuary. Each sanctuary wing has a ceiling of four intersecting triangles forming a pitched feature. In the renovation, rectangular geometric trim will adorn the facade of the choir loft.

Our God gives us a universe which is orderly and can be understood. Our beliefs are consistent, and integrated. The order and simplicity of the Romanesque styles represents this.

Renovation Prayer

St. Joseph, patron of craftsmen, through your intercession may the Holy Spirit guide all who work to renovate our worship space.

May God provide them the grace to safely transform our historic faith home into a lasting, beautiful, and welcoming place of worship.

St. Joseph, patron of families and our parish, be with us as we undertake this journey together. Amen

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

July 23/24

Altar Servers

5:00 PM	Group 1
8:00 AM	Volunteers
10:00 AM	Volunteers
12:00 PM	Group 1

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 PM	Group 2
8:00 AM	Group 2
10:00 AM	Group 2
12:00 PM	Group 2

Lectors

5:00 PM	Ann P.
8:00 AM	Dean H.
10:00 AM	Joe T.
12:00 PM	Debbie T.

Ushers

5:00 PM	Jay H. and Group 5A
8:00 AM	John T. and Group 8D
10:00 AM	Jim S. and Group 10A
12:00 PM	Mike S. and Group 12B

Counting Collections

July 18, 2022 • Group 1

Day Chapel Cleaners

July 23rd • Lori P. & LuAnn K.

STEWARDSHIP

For the weekend of July 10, 2022

Adults (295) Envelopes/Gifts:.....	\$22,037.38
(Including automated debits and online giving)	
Loose Cash:.....	\$675.00
Total:.....	\$22,712.38

Other Envelopes Received

Education Trust Fund:.....	\$566.00
Building Fund:.....	\$219.00
Tuition Scholarship Fund:.....	\$203.50

Our weekly average since July 1, 2022 is \$11,202.00. If we continue to keep this average, we will not meet our budgeted goal.

THE CHILDREN'S COLLECTION

The Children's Collection will be donated to:

ST JOHN'S BABY PANTRY

PART-TIME BOOKKEEPER NEEDED!



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

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