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Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for APRIL 2024:

FOR THE ROLE OF WOMEN

We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.



+ ST. JOSEPH +



April 21, 2024 10:00 a.m. Scott Aronson

Tuesday, April 23 6:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

Wednesday, April 24

7:50 a.m. Rosary 8:15 a.m. Vicki Lyerla

9:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, April 26

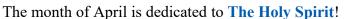
8:15 a.m. Shane Coleman 8:45 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet 9:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration

+ ST. MARY + OF THE IMMACULATE **CONCEPTION**

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. Mass Tuesday: 8:15 a.m. Mass Thursday: 8:15 a.m. Mass Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Mass

† ST. FRANCIS XAVIER **†**

Sunday: 12:15 p.m. Spanish Mass Monday: 12:15 p.m. English Mass and Holy Hour



"As our Lenten journey comes to a close we prepare to follow Christ all the way to the cross and to witness His glorious Resurrection. Hopefully we have sacrificed and prayed so that we are now able to more fully reap the fruits of a well spent Lent. After our solemn commemoration of the last days and death of Our Lord we will spend the remainder of the month of April celebrating. As Spring breaks forth even nature will join us as buds and blooms begin to surface and we spend this month basking in the joy of the Resurrection. We continue throughout the entire month our cry, "Christ is risen, Christ is truly risen."

Easter is the feast of feasts, the unalloyed joy and gladness of all Christians. This truly is "the day that the Lord has made." From Sunday to Sunday, from year to year, the Easters of this earth will lead us to that blessed day on which Christ has promised that He will come again with glory to take us with Him into the kingdom of His Father."" (catholicculture.org)

"Breathe in me, O Holy Spirit, that my thoughtsmay all be holy. Act in me, O Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy. Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit, that I love but what is holy. Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit, to defend all that is holy. Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit, that I always may be holy. Amen." - St. Augustine



CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS! Our Faith Formation/PSR students who made their FIRST RECONCILIATION last April 6: Claire Flamm, Kevin Flores, Waylon Collins, Nathan Webb, Estrella Ambrosio and Maira Zamora. Congratulations! Our Faith Formation/PSR students who will be making their FIRST RECONCILIATION on April 24: Abbey del Rosario, Kenny Diaz, Leyla Guijon, Daisy Gomez, Lily Gomez, Benjamin Mendez, Leslie Mendez, Miguel Mendez and Fernando Salas.

We ask the St. Joseph Family to pray for our **FIRST COMMUNION** students getting ready to celebrate this important Sacrament on May 5, 2024: Estrella Ambrocio, Crystal Amezquita, Alyna Calderon, Miguel Calderon, Waylon Collins, Kenny Díaz, Emiliano Flores, Rider Ford, Daisy Gomez, Lily Gomez, Jaylah Martinez, Miguel Mendez, Andres Morales, İker Nava, Chelsea Olivera, Michelle Olivera, Mariana Palmerin, Madalyn Pérez and Abbey del Rosario. Also include in your prayers their families, mentors and all who are helping to prepare them for this sacramental year and those who will continue to help them in their faith formation and spiritual growth.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

April 7 Liv Cerny

April 7 Eric Guijon April 7 Jesus Roman

April 7 Yanet Roman

April 7 John & Karen Winzenburger

April 16 Dianne McCleland

April 17 Jennifer & Jonathan Lintz

April 20 Katelyn Wiggs April 28 Marilyn Boysen

DEACON PAT PATTERSON is currently at Carbondale Memorial Hospital while waiting for readmission to Barnes Jewish Hospital. Although his medical battles are not over yet, he misses his St. Joseph Family and would love to visit with you while he is still here. As always, prayers for him and his family are greatly appreciated!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 10:00 a.m.

Fourth Sunday of Easter Lector: Becky Morgan

EM: Mark Haddick, JP Russell

SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 10:00 a.m.

Fifth Sunday of Easter Lector: Deb Russell

EM: Lori Cohen, Geof Skinner

Sacrament of RECONCILIATION: Wednesday & Friday after Mass and by appointment

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. JOSEPH

The deadline to submit an announcement for the BULLETIN is Thursday evening. You may email it to: stjoecobdenLV23@gmail.com and/or stjoecobden@gmail.com. For questions, please call or text Luisa at (618) 967-4452.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

April 14, 2024
General Total \$2,684.00
Offering \$2,679.00
Easter \$5.00
Cemetery \$60.00

Thank you for supporting St. Joseph Church!

PRAYERS OF PETITION

Those in the Military (Active Duty): Scott Bourne, Aaron Cerny, Katie Eck, John Russell, Lauren Sweitzer, Devin Vitt

Those in Need of Healing: Barbara Alstat, Alan & EJ Anderson, Bob Antill, Paulette Aronson, David Augustine, Dorothy Cirilla, Cade Cohen, Ted Ernst, Larry Flamm, Regina Fuse, Gary Jackson, Shawn Knupp, Cari Hatley Marx, Stan McGee, Yvonne Murray, Pat Patterson, Sheron Pearson, Dominic Pedrotty, Hannah Perez, Cliff Phillips, Stephanie Poletti, Zetta Ramsey, Clayton Richardson, Donna Shannon, Juanita Small, Linda Spray, Charlie Stadelbacher, Margie Stadelbacher, Jill Treece, Filden Tuliao, Carrie Turner, Reed Uekman, Shari Vandersluis, Susan Whitemountain, Sandy Zamora

Those in the Nursing Home: Jo Cerny, Diane McCleland

To update the List after four weeks, please call or text Luisa at 618-967-4452.

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO PETER, O LORD and let your perpetual light shine upon him! We commend into your hands, the late John Morgan's brother and Becky Morgan's brother-in-law, PETER MORGAN, 96, who passed away Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024 at his home in Franklin Park, Illinois. And to his family: wife, Eileen, siblings-in-law, extended family members and friends, our heartfelt condolences and prayers go out to you. May God's love give you comfort and hope, as we celebrate Jesus' rising from the dead, during this difficult time. St. Joseph, our patron, please pray for PETER!

Did we (or will we) MISS YOUR BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY? Are you on our list? Are you new to St. Joseph or have welcomed a new baby into the family? Help St. Joseph update our files with your new information! This 2024 CENSUS for new and current parishioners allows the addition of changes or deletion of old information in our church records. Please check the back of the church for forms and spend a few minutes to complete them. You may leave the completed form in the folder at the back of the church at your convenience. Thank you!

From the Diocese: Next week we will take up the CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL which generously supports ministries and programs of our Belleville Diocese each year. Today, over 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are unable to find the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

From the Diocese: **RESPECT LIFE CORNER**. "Suicidal individuals – with or without a terminal illness – typically do not want to die; they want to escape what they perceive to be an intolerable situation, and they inaccurately believe that suicide is their only way out. The patient requesting assisted suicide is often asking, 'Does anyone want me to be alive, or care enough to talk me out of this request and support me through this difficult time?" - USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Every Suicide is Tragic" (usccb.org/every-suicide-tragic)

From the Diocese: April is CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH. WEEK 3: Did you know... Hope is rising. Throughout scripture, there is evidence that we are called to be ambassadors of hope and healing. Did you know children of abuse long to hear this message of hope? Victims of crime, their families, and loved ones need to know that their voices are heard. Organizations throughout the nation are striving to share the message that He has risen and that there is hope. Each of us has a unique ability to support individuals who are hurting, to promote healthy relationships, and to build communities that are safe from those who may want to do harm. How has He called you to be an ambassador of hope and healing? For the children who are wounded and tearful, that they may find comfort and healing, we pray to the Lord.

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