

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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 7, 2024

10:00 a.m. Leo & Geraldine Stadelbacher Family

Tuesday, April 9

6:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

Wednesday, April 10

7:50 a.m. Rosary

8:15 a.m. Mary Faner

9:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, April 12

8:15 a.m. Emma Sunga

8:45 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet

9:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration

Today is **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY!**

Jesus, we trust in You!

"Divine Mercy Sunday is a very special Sunday when the Divine Floodgates from Heaven are wide-opened and Jesus offers us the total forgiveness of all sins and punishment to any soul who goes to Confession and receives Him in Holy Communion on that day. The "First Sunday after Easter" - which is designated in "The Liturgy of the Hours and the Celebration of the Eucharist" as the "Octave Day of Easter" - was officially called the Second Sunday of Easter after the liturgical reform of Vatican II. Now, by the Decree of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, the name of this liturgical day has been changed to: "Second Sunday of Easter, or of Divine Mercy."



Pope John Paul II made the surprise announcement of this change in his homily at the canonization of Sr. Faustina on April 30, 2000. There, he declared: "It is important then that we accept the whole message that comes to us from the word of God on this Second Sunday of Easter, which from now on throughout the Church, will be called 'Divine Mercy Sunday.' "By the words "the whole message," the Holy Father was referring to the strict connection between the "Easter Mystery of the Redemption" - the suffering, death, burial, resurrection, and ascension of Christ, followed by the sending of the Holy Spirit - and this Feast of Divine Mercy, the Octave Day of Easter." (divinemercysunday.com)

Offer the novena and experience the Mercy of Jesus! To learn more about Divine Mercy with Saint Faustina and Pope Saint John Paul II, please check thedivinemercy.org.

† 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

"Why is the Annunciation celebrated on March 25? The SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION is celebrated nine months before the Nativity of the Lord, a feast which came about earlier historically. The Annunciation recalls the day when the Archangel Gabriel appeared to Mary and revealed God's will that she become the Mother of the Son of God, and she accepted. At that moment, the "Word became Flesh and dwelt among us" (John 1:14). In 2024, because it would otherwise fall during Holy Week, the Annunciation will be observed on Monday, April 8. (<https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/seasons-and-feast-days/annunciation-20873>)"

THANK YOU to all who made Holy Week and Easter beautiful and run as smooth as possible. It was great to see family, friends and visitors for the Paschal Triduum, in unity with our gratitude for the sacrifice and triumph of our Lord, Jesus Christ. *O death, where is thy sting?*

The St. Joseph Family welcomes **KASSANDRA BEASLEY, JUSTIN FORD AND SHELLEY PEREZ** who are now in full communion with the Catholic Church this Easter!



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

April 2 Marge Selinger

April 3 Luisa Vercide

April 4 Aaron Cerny

April 5 Lori Brunmer

April 6 Tristan Brummer

April 7 Liv Cerny

April 7 Eric Guijon

April 7 Jesus Roman

April 7 Yanet Roman

April 7 John & Karen Winzenburger

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

APRIL 7, 10:00 a.m.

Lector: Lori Cohen

EM: Sherry Haddick, Gary Wiggs

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 14, 10:00 a.m.

Lector: Sherry Haddick

EM: Tom Cerny, Luisa Vercide

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 stjosephscobden@gmail.com. For questions, please call or text Luisa at (618) 967-4452.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

March 31, 2024

General Total \$3,902.00
Offering \$2,832.00
Holy Land \$260.00
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, 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 McClelland

Don't forget to make time for **COFFEE AND DONUTS!** Come to the Hall after Mass, grab coffee, a donut or two and share a few relaxing and savory moments to catch up with our fellow parishioners and welcome those new or visiting St. Joe! The Parish would love to share this **TIME OF FELLOWSHIP** with you! All are welcome!

"Prayer enlarges the heart until it is capable of containing God's gift of Himself." - Mother Teresa of Kolkata. Calling our **PRAYER WARRIORS** for those listed in our Prayer List! Please continue to pray especially for **DEACON PAT PATTERSON**, who is still in Barnes Jewish Hospital but is now in a regular room, post-surgery. Your gift of time in prayer for our brothers and sisters in Christ is needed and appreciated.

There is still time for **LENTEN ALMSGIVING!** Donate to CRS Rice Bowl, CSMA and/or bring goods for our Food Pantry as well as \$1 for the Cross. You can turn in your Rice Bowl money to Father Uriel or Jill Skinner anytime. Thank you!

Thank you for all the Fish Fry Dinner dessert donations! Are you missing your **POTS and PANS?** Please check out the Kitchen to see if any of the bakeware dishes are yours and take them. Those unclaimed will be sold at the Christmas Bazaar!

From the Food Pantry: Molly is looking for a few **PEOPLE who would be WILLING to go to the Food Bank** in Vienna on the first and/or third Tuesday to represent the church and build the pallets of food. Time frame would be from 10:00 a.m.-12:30 or 1:00 p.m. You need to be able to lift up to 20-25 lbs. There are volunteers at the Food Bank to help carry when needed. If you are interested in helping, please see Sherry Haddick.

From the Diocese: The Diocese of Belleville is undertaking the formulation of a **DIOCESAN PASTORAL PLAN** to be implemented over the next three to five years. Kindly prioritize five ministries or aspects of Catholic life that you think should be highlighted in our Diocesan Pastoral Plan *in the attached LIST*. Please drop the completed form in a basket at the back of the church. Thank you!

From the Diocese: April is **CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH. WEEK 1:** Did you know... Child abuse comes in many forms. Most people identify child abuse as physically hitting a child. Neglect is also a form of abuse. Failing to provide a child with proper nutrition, housing, and supervision can cause irreparable harm. Expectations that a child be an active participant in the care of home and family, or even age-appropriate jobs is a part of healthy development. However excessive demands can cross into a form of servitude that is beyond the societal norms. Child pornography is a form of sexual abuse, with real victims in every image. The viewing of these images is an offense against the human dignity. *For the children who are wounded and tearful, that they may find comfort and healing, we pray to the Lord.*

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