ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for FEBRUARY2024:

FOR THE TERMINALLY ILL

We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.



+ ST. JOSEPH +



February 4, 2023

10:00 a.m. Kassandra Beasley, Justin Ford & Shelly Perez

Tuesday, February 6 7:00 p.m. Spanish Mass Wednesday, February 7

Wednesday, February 7 7:50 a.m. Rosary 8:15 a.m. Richard Cerny

9:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, February 9

8:15 a.m. Madison Pedrotty 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



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Feb. 07 Raymond Wacker

Feb. 11 Tex & Gwen Lehr

Feb. 14 Donna Brumleve

Feb. 14 Joseph Eck

Feb. 19 Sarah Coleman

Feb. 27 Bill & Linda Spray

LENT IS ALMOST HERE!

The penitential season of LENT is Wednesday, February 14 - Thursday, March 28, 2024.

ASH WEDNESDAY: Please bring your old PALMS to church soon. They will be used on February 14, Ash Wednesday.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The time for St. Joseph's annual FISH FRY dinners is quickly approaching. Your help is needed to make this year our best year ever. Volunteers are needed each week for both prep on Thursday and to cook, serve, and clean up each Friday. Thursday prep takes only a couple of hours, but is vital to make Friday run smoothly. There are two 3-hour shifts each Friday, 2:00-5:00 p.m. and 5:00-8:00 p.m. The early shift helps get the hall set up and food ready to serve, and the second shift serves and cleans up the hall and kitchen. *Please help by signing up for one or more shifts.* If enough people sign up everyone would only have to work once or twice. Sign up sheets are in the back of church. Thank you for your willingness to help.

FRIDAY FISH FRY DINNERS will start soon! The Dinners, \$15.00 for adults, \$7.50 for kids (5-10 years old), 4 and under, free, will begin Friday, February 16 and will continue every Friday (February 23, March 1,8,15,22) from 4:00-7:00 p.m.

EASTER AT ST. JOSEPH: We have three parishioners who are preparing to receive Sacraments, the outward signs of inward grace, this Easter. SHELLY PEREZ will be Baptized and receive the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation. KASSANDRA BEASLEY will receive the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation. Kassandra is accompanied by JUSTIN FORD, who will complete his Sacraments of Initiation by receiving Confirmation. All are currently attending weekly sessions at St. Mary and are regular Mass attendees at St. Joseph. Join in prayer for these candidates as we celebrate their RITE OF ACCEPTANCE into the Catechumenate and WELCOMING OF CANDIDATES today. St. Joseph will also be offering a BLESSING OF THROATS for the protection, and for those

suffering, from throat maladies at the end of Mass. Come and be blessed!

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO SCOTT, O LORD and let your perpetual light shine upon him! We commend into your hands, our sister, Paulette Aronson's husband, ARTHUR SCOTT ARONSON, who passed away January 28, 2024. Scott was a good father, former nurse and longtime parishioner. He was also a great supporter of St. Joseph Church and instrumental in her remodeling in the 1970s, making, by hand, the wooden arch surrounding the crucifix and the lectern matching the altar. THANK YOU, SCOTT! And to his family: Paulette, sons - Zachary and Caleb, daughter - Anna, extended family members and friends, our heartfelt condolences and prayers go out to you. May God's love give you comfort and hope during this difficult time. St. Joseph, our patron, please pray for Scott!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 10:00 a.m.

Lector: Becky Morgan

EM: Lori Cohen, Geof Skinner

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 10:00 a.m.

Lector: Deb Russell

EM: Liv Cerny, Gary Wiggs

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

January 28, 2024 \$1,592.00 Offering First Offering \$14.00 Solemnity of Mary \$25.00 **Defray Salaries** \$25.00 **Building Fund** \$25.00 Cemetery Fund \$120.00

Thank you for your continued support of St. Joseph!

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, Paulette Aronson, Cade Cohen, Larry Flamm, Regina Fuse, Shawn Knupp, Cari Hatley Marx, Diane McCleland, Stan McGee, Liz Moore, 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, Sandy Zamora

Those in Nursing Homes: Jo Cerny, Judy Flamm

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

"Prayer is an aspiration of the heart, it is a simple glance directed to heaven, it is a cry of gratitude and love in the midst of trial as well as joy; finally, it is something great, supernatural, which expands my soul and unites my to Jesus." - St. Therese of Lisieux. Calling our PRAYER WARRIORS for those listed in our Prayer List! Your gift of time in prayer for our brothers and sisters in Christ is needed and appreciated. And, if you are praying for someone in need of healing, turn especially to OUR **LADY OF LOURDES**, Patroness of the Sick, on her feast day next Sunday, February 11.

According to catholicculture.org, "the month of February is dedicated to the HOLY FAMILY. From Feast to Fast: Though the shortest month of the year, February is rich in Liturgical activity. It contains a feast (Presentation of our Lord) that bridges two other seasons (Christmas and Easter)! The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on February 2nd harkens back to the Christmas mystery of Light except that now, Christ, the helpless babe, is "the Light of Revelation to the Gentiles who will save his people from their sins." Candles, symbolizing Christ our Light, will be carried in procession this day, as will be the Paschal candle during the Easter Vigil Liturgy. In addition, the faithful may receive in February three of the four major public sacramentals that the Church confers during the liturgical year: <u>blessed candles and the blessing of throats and blessed ashes.</u>"

St. Joe TIDBITS: Your 2023 FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS are now available and can be found at the back of the church along with the 2024 Donation Envelopes. Please stop by and get your copy before or after Mass. For questions, please contact Karl Sweitzer (karl sweitzer@hotmail.com). The 2024 CENSUS for new and current parishioners allows the addition of changes or deletion of old information in our church records. Please take a moment to fill out a form from the back of the church. If you are interested in taking the first and third Wednesday monthly FOOD DISTRIBUTIONS on, please contact Mark or Sherry Haddick for more information. It would be good for the community to be able to continue this much needed ministry here at St. Joe. CLEAN-UP HELP will be appreciated during the Cobden Lions Club dinners held monthly here at St. Joe. If you wish to assist, please come around 6:30 p.m. every second Monday of the month.

From the K of C (Carbondale/Murphysboro): This year's PRO-LIFE MARCH will be held TODAY from 2:00-4:00 p.m., starting at St. Francis Xavier Church in Carbondale. Please come and join us to support both the born and unborn!

From the WVCCW: The West Vicariate SPRING DAY of RECOLLECTION will be held on Tuesday, February 27, 2024 at St. Andrew Church (Murphysboro). All are invited! Speakers will be Molly King (Cradle of Hope) and a Deacon. Look forward to relevant talks, good fellowship and a great meal! For questions, please call Joan Derringer at (618)534-6697.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2024. Holy Week will be March 24-31, 2024.

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