

# ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for DECEMBER 2024:

## FOR PILGRIMS OF HOPE

We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.



## ☪ ST. JOSEPH ☪



**December 1, 2024**

10:00 a.m. Barbara Sweitzer

### Tuesday, December 3

6:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

### Wednesday, December 4

7:50 a.m. Rosary

8:15 a.m. Father Uriel

9:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration

### Thursday, December 5

6:00 p.m. Penance Service

### First Friday, December 6

8:15 a.m. Norman Gibbs

8:45 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet

9:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration

## ¡FELICIDADES, PADRE URIEL!

We are proud of our very own FATHER URIEL who will be celebrating his **37TH YEAR** as an ordained priest Thursday, December 5! The St. Joseph and St. Mary Families are thankful for the blessing of your presence, dedication and friendship here.

*Thank you for answering the call to the Priesthood! May God bless you and keep you as you continue the work of the Lord for many years to come.*

And come see Father for a Confession on his special day!

We invite everyone to come experience the love and mercy of Jesus through the Sacrament of Reconciliation at our **COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE** with Father Uriel on *Thursday, December 5, 6:00 p.m. here at St. Joseph.* What a special way to start this wonderful season of Advent! Come, let us prepare our hearts for His arrival.



## Christmas

BAZAAR



The annual **CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**, sponsored by the St. Ann Altar Sodality, is this Saturday, December 7, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. here at St. Joe! The Sodality will also be selling jellies and relish in addition to baked goods, craft items, holiday décor and other knickknacks. Please avail of the **\$6.00 SOUP LUNCH**, which includes two bowls of soup, bread/crackers and a drink, while you browse the hall. Desserts available for sale. **RAFFLE items this year are:** 1. Full-size Quilt by Catherine Gibbs, 2. Crochet Afghan from Jean Cash, 3. Hand-made Earrings by Marilyn Boysen, 4. \$150.00 Framed Lotto Tickets from the Sodality, 5. Artwork by Paulette Aronson, 6. Floral Photo Print by Paul Cash. Drawing will be on December 7 and one need not be present to win. Tickets are \$1.00 per chance or 6 for \$5.00. Also, please continue to bring your donations until Friday, December 6. *Enjoy Christmas in Cobden, come to the St. Joe Hall to warm up, buy amazing items and partake of the Best Homemade Soups in town!*

## FEAST DAYS, EVENTS AND MASS SCHEDULE

December 5 (Thursday): 6:00 p.m. St. Joseph Communal Penance

December 7 (Saturday): 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. St. Joe Christmas Bazaar & Soup Lunch, Christmas in the Village

December 9 (Monday): Immaculate Conception/Inmaculada Concepción;

Mary Patroness of the Americas; Holy Day of Obligation; 7:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph, 8:30 a.m. St. Joseph Cemetery Abortion Memorial Blessing, 6:00 p.m. Mass at St. Mary

December 10 (Tuesday): 8:00 p.m. Christmas Carols Choir practice after the Spanish Mass

December 17 (Tuesday): 8:00 p.m. Christmas Carols Choir practice after the Spanish Mass

## ☪ 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: 4:00 p.m. Mass

## ☪ ST. FRANCIS XAVIER ☪

Sunday: 12:15 p.m. Spanish Mass



## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Dec. 02 Chris Stadelbacher

Dec. 02 John Winzenburger

Dec. 03 Seirra Brumleve

Dec. 04 Patrick Brumleve

Dec. 05 Fr. Uriel Ordination

Dec. 05 Alex Sweitzer

Dec. 07 Valerie Palmer

Dec. 10 Gwen Lehr

Dec. 16 Ken Flamm

Dec. 18 Brenda Masden

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 10:00 a.m.

First Sunday of Advent

Lector: Deb Russell

EM: Luisa Vercide, Liv Cerny, Tom Cerny

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 10:00 a.m.

Second Sunday of Advent

Lector: Patty Flamm

EM: Liv Cerny, JP Russell 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](mailto:stjoecobdenLV23@gmail.com) and/or [stjosephscobden@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephscobden@gmail.com). For questions, please call or text Luisa at (618) 967-4452.

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

NOVEMBER 24, 2024

General Fund \$1,432.00  
Offering \$1,342.00  
For the Needy \$50.00  
Campaign for \$40.00  
Human Development  
Cemetery Fund \$230.00

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:* Special Intention, AB, Barbara Alstat, Alan & EJ Anderson, Paulette Aronson, David Augustine, Dorothy Cirilla, Cade Cohen, Diane Essner, Larry Flamm, Regina Fuse, Ryker Gillan & Family, Gary Jackson, Shawn Knupp, Mary Martin, Cari Hatley Marx, Stan McGee, Yvonne Murray, Sheron Pearson, Dominic Pedrotty & Family, Hannah Perez, Joe Pineau, Stephanie Poletti, TR, Judah Pope, Zetta Ramsey, Donna Shannon, Juanita Small, Linda Spray, Charlie Stadelbacher, Margie Stadelbacher, Jill Treece, Filden Tuliao, Carrie Turner, Reed Uekman, Shari Vandersluis, Tia Villarreal

*Those in the Nursing Home:* Jo Cerny, Diane McClelland

**ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO NORMAN, O LORD** and let your perpetual light shine upon him! We commend into your hands, our brother, **NORMAN GIBBS**, who passed away November 26, 2024. And to his family: wife, Catherine (Cerny) and, son, Larry, extended relatives 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 Family, please keep Catherine and the Gibbs Family in your prayers. St. Joseph, our patron, please pray for Norman!*

*"The most Blessed Virgin Mary was, from the first moment of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege of almighty God and by virtue of the merits of Jesus Christ, Savior of the human race, preserved immune from all stain of original sin."* (Pius X, *Ineffabilis Deus*, 1854). Let us celebrate the Solemnity of **THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** Patronal Feastday of the United States of America, with Masses at 7:00 a.m. here at St. Joseph and 6:00 p.m. at St. Mary on Monday, December 9, 2024. After the 7:00 a.m. Mass, all are invited to join Father Uriel for the **BLESSING** of our new **MEMORIAL** dedicated to the INNOCENT VICTIMS OF ABORTION at the St. Joseph Cemetery. For those who have had to undergo such a loss, there is hope for healing. Please check out PROJECT RACHEL at [hopeafterabortion.com](http://hopeafterabortion.com).

The next Food Pantry **DISTRIBUTION DAY** will be Wednesday, *December 4, from 4:30-5:30 p.m.* This bi-monthly event, in partnership with TRI-STATE FOOD BANK, is held on the first and third Wednesday of the month and open to all members of Union County, without cost or requirements for recipient eligibility. Volunteers for this week are Margaret Dale and Sherry Haddick.

Calling those willing to share their **VOICES** for the celebration of the Nativity of our Lord. How beautiful our Church will sound with a **CHRISTMAS CHOIR!** All music sung will be traditional Christmas Carols. Come, join us for choir practice on *Tuesday, December 10 and 17 at 8:00 p.m.* in church. For questions, please contact Jeannie Wacker (618) 559-8154.

St. Joe **PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS** will be held in December! *Harold Blunt* will be finishing up his terms shortly. If you are looking for a ministry involving regular church matters or to just be in the know of what is happening here at St. Joe, look no further. Please prayerfully consider this invitation and contact Father Uriel, Ken Flamm or any of the council members listed below if you are interested in, or have questions about, serving as a Parish Council member. St. Joseph needs you!

Don't forget to check out what's going on at the **ANNA ARTS CENTER** on Facebook! You and your family might want to see the next play, *INTO THE WOODS, Act 1*, showing on December 6-8, 2024. Come, let us support our local art scene!

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