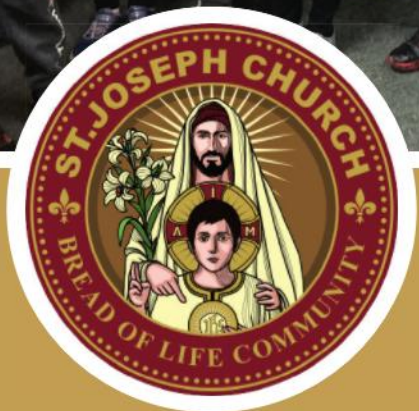


LOVE GOD—LOVE PEOPLE

March 12, 2023 — Third Sunday Of Lent

Reconciliation Retreat

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Monday–Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

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Mass Schedule

Monday – Friday
7:00 am in Church

Weekends in Church

4:15 pm Saturday Traditional
10:00 am Sunday Contemporary

3:00 pm – 4:00 pm Saturday
Confessions

PERPETUAL ADORATION

Our Adoration Chapel is **ALWAYS** open! You need a code to get in at night and week-ends. Please call the parish during office hours to register for the code.



PASTOR'S CORNER

Fr. Larry Richards

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Praised Be Jesus Christ!

I hope everyone's Lent is going well and I hope that everyone has been reading the Gospels and writing in your "Getting to know Jesus" Journals every day. This past week we finished the Gospel of Matthew, and I was really struck by how many times that Jesus talked about the need for faith and how many times He healed people who had it. I hope you are getting to know Jesus more and more and will continue as we read the Gospel of Matthew. I have found this to be fantastic and have really gotten so much out of it.

We have completed our two weeks of the overflow shelter. Shawn Tubbs and his team did a terrific job! Some, like Shawn, volunteered EVERY NIGHT to offer these people the love of Jesus. Thank you Shawn and all who volunteered your time to show people who are struggling that they are not alone. THANK YOU!

We also want to congratulate Sean's wife Erin Tubbs on becoming the Executive Director of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Erie! What a great accomplishment and we are so proud of her. Her and Shawn are a spiritual powerhouse!

Don't forget that our St. Joseph Triduum will be different this year. St. Joseph day falls on a Sunday. The Church moved the day of celebration to Monday the 20th, so our Triduum will be Saturday, Sunday, and Monday at 7:00 PM. Please come and honor our great Saint!

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PERPETUAL ADORATION

We are always in need of Committed Adorers in our Adoration Chapel – please sign up for an hour with Jesus! Call or text Geoff and Amber Dietz at (814) 403-3921 to sign up or ask questions.

The following 66 hours are also in need of another committed adorer:

Sunday: 12 AM, 1 AM, 2 AM, 3 AM, 4 AM, 6 AM, 8 AM, 12 PM, 1 PM, 3 PM, 5 PM, 6 PM

Monday: 12 AM, 1 AM, 2 AM, 1 PM, 6 PM, 9 PM, 11 PM

Tuesday: 2 AM, 3 AM, 4 AM, 5 AM, 3 PM, 4 PM, 9 PM, 11 PM

Wednesday: 12 AM, 1 AM, 2 AM, 3 AM, 6 AM, 12 PM, 9 PM, 10 PM

Thursday: 12 AM, 1 AM, 2 AM, 4 AM, 8 AM, 1 PM

Friday: 1 AM, 2 AM, 4 AM, 8 AM, 12 PM, 4 PM, 5 PM, 9 PM, 10 PM, 11 PM

Saturday: 12 AM, 1 AM, 2 AM, 3 AM, 4 AM, 8 AM, 10 AM, 12 PM, 3 PM, 4 PM, 5 PM, 6 PM, 9 PM, 10 PM, 11 PM

Please commit to 1 hour

God Hears Prayer

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please keep the following requests in your conversations with God:

Heidi—Healing
Terry & JoAnn—Healing
Earline—Healing
Annie—Healing
Carmen—Healing
Domenica—Healing

*The Saints did not
all begin well
but they ended well.*

~Saint John Vianney



THIS WEEKEND:

Saturday 4:15 pm 3/11/2023—Lenten Weekday
+ Living & Deceased Members Of The Parish

Sunday 10:00 am 3/12/2023— Third Sunday Of Lent
+ Jim Rutkowski (Dan & Dawn Schaaf)

Monday 7:00 am 3/13/2023— Lenten Weekday
+ John Adler (Dietz Family)

Tuesday 7:00 am 3/14/2023—Lenten Weekday
+ James Knoll (Mary Therese Craig)

Wednesday 7:00 am 3/15/2023—Lenten Weekday
- Intentions of Reason For Our Hope

Thursday 7:00 am 3/16/2023—Lenten Weekday
+ George Macaluso (Carol & Kevin)

Friday 7:00 am 3/17/2023—Saint Patrick
+ Sandy Verbish (Dietz Family)

UPCOMING WEEK:

Saturday 4:15 pm 3/18/2023— Lenten Weekday
+ Shirley Billingsley (John & Audrey Reese)

Sunday 10:00 am 3/19/2023—Fourth Sunday Of Lent
+ Living & Deceased Members Of The Parish

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OK, let us continue to pray, fast, and give to the poor this Lent. Let us fall more in love with Jesus and His people. Please pray for me this week because I will be away preaching a parish mission at St. Mary's in Sherman Texas, one hour outside of Dallas Fort Worth area. Please pray for me and the people I will be speaking to.

Remember I love you – God Bless+++

In His Love,
Fr. Larry

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AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE

The Greater Erie Area Habitat for Humanity is a nonprofit, ecumenical Christian ministry founded on the conviction that every man, woman and child should have a decent, safe, and affordable place to live.

Seeking to put God's love into action, Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities, and hope. They build with people in need regardless of race or religion and welcome volunteers and supporters from all backgrounds. Habitat for Humanity is dedicated to a world where everyone has a decent place to live.

The Greater Erie Area Habitat for Humanity is an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International. Their mission is to change lives and communities and build hope through simple, decent homeownership in partnership with volunteers and community support.

Maybe there is a possibility your Lenten plan hasn't yet reached the potential you expected. This would be a great opportunity to make this Lent one of the best ever by getting involved and volunteer to help provide the opportunity for a local family to earn a simple, affordable home for their family. If you are interested here are a few ways to get involved.

1. On-Site Construction
2. Provide a snack for the volunteers.
3. Go and offer a morning devotion. This could be a scripture reading and prayer, a song, or a reflection.
4. Monetary donation-this will help with the cost of building materials.

If this is something that may fit into your schedule, please call, or email Diane in the parish office. There are many opportunities and days to volunteer.



"Yes, God will give you much so that you can give away much and when we take your gifts to those who need them they will break out in thanksgiving and praise to God for your help."

2 Corinthians 9:11

Deacon- March 18th

4:15 PM Deacon Doug

Altar Servers-March 18th-19th

4:15 PM Bill Smith, Dylan McCullough

10:00 AM Olivia, Gavin, and James Grutkowski

Lectors-March 18th-19th

4:15 PM Cheryl Konzel

10:00 AM Eve Hanlon

Extraordinary Ministers-March 18th-19th

4:15 PM Cary and Georgia Chludzinski

10:00 AM Carol Doyle, Mary Therese Craig

Ushers-March 18th-19th

4:15 PM Mike Wolfe, Rob Preedit, Tom May

10:00 AM Chuck Swantek, Ed Root, Dave Gustafson, Paul Miller

Greeters-March 18th-19th

4:15 PM Nancy and Bill Smith

10:00 AM Patty Jarrett, Karol Taylor, Carol Hoffman, Gretchen Scavella

Sacristans-March 18th-19th

4:15 PM Glenn Holland

10:00 AM Nancy Murray

Fellowship-March 19th

McGeary Family

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WEEKLY GIVING REPORT

Number of Households – 415

Offertory	\$ 10,177.02
CSA in Envelope	\$ 6,762.00
On-Line Offertory	\$ 4,876.00
On-Line CSA	\$ 1,180.00
Total Income	\$ 22,995.02
Weekly Expenses	\$11,522.00

Attendance (For Both Masses) 296

Please remember us in your will! You can help us even after the Lord has called you home! Simply ask your attorney to have the following statement included in your will: I leave St. Joseph Church, Bread of Life Community, Erie, PA, the sum of _____ or _____% of the residue of my estate for its religious, education and charitable works.

***If today you
hear his
voice,
harden not
your hearts.***



Our Elementary children will be meeting for RE this morning from 8:30-9:45 am.

HS/Confirmation group will meet that evening at 6 – 7:45 pm. Service hours are due for Confirmation candidates.

First Reconciliation Service on March 18th @ 11 am.

Reconciliation Retreat 2023 2nd graders enjoying Craft time



Meet The Boyd Family



My husband Nate and I live in the Harborecreek area with our two girls, Myra and Olivia. The girls and I started attending St. Joe's in November of 2021 and immediately felt drawn to this beautiful family of faith. We are thankful to now call this parish our home and look forward to strengthening our connections here.

Julia



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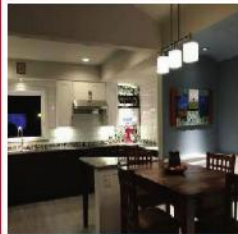
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