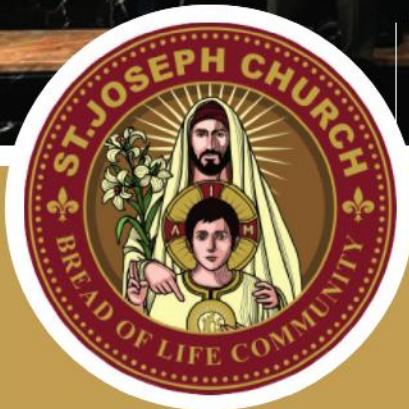


LOVE GOD—LOVE PEOPLE

April 21, 2024 —Fourth Sunday of Easter

Congratulations to Our Confirmands!



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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday–Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

THERE IS A PLACE FOR YOU!

The deepest need in everyone's heart is to be loved. That's it. Only Jesus Christ can fill this need in your heart, and we want to help fill your heart here at our parish! We are not a perfect parish but we want you to know that you are welcome to come home to Your Father's House. Everyone is welcome in our Father's House - come home!

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 weekends. Please call the parish during office hours to register for the code.



PASTOR'S CORNER

Fr. Larry Richards

814-452-2982

flarryrichards@stjoesbol.org

Praised Be Jesus Christ!

Once again, I want to congratulate all those from our parish that received Confirmation last week at the Cathedral! I am so proud of all of you! Know that we are praying for you to grow more and more in love with Jesus and the power of the Holy Spirit! I would encourage you all now to get involved in various ministries in the church – we NEED you!

Next, as we talked about last week, we now have a plan to move forward for the future with our parish. Again, the plan is on July 9, 2024 (which is a Tuesday – I have NO IDEA why) – we will partner with Sacred Heart Church and will include St. Paul's. St. Paul's will be merged into Sacred Heart. Sacred Heart and St. Joe's BOL will both continue to be their own parishes but will have one pastor. The parish offices will be combined into one office at whatever place will be best, details will come later. Each parish will continue to have their own finance council but, will have a leadership (parish) council that consists of equal members from St Joe's, Sacred Heart, and St Paul's. We will all work together with staying separate parishes. There are many things that still have to be worked out, that is why we have all this time before it officially starts. We will start coming together and discussing what will happen in the near future, but we cannot do this until we know who the pastor is going to be. I have NO IDEA when this will happen, but I am hoping and praying it will happen as soon as possible. As I told you, I have asked to stay here and be the pastor of both parishes, but that is up to the personal board and ultimately Bishop Perscio. So, pray God's Holy Will be done!

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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 68 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, 2 PM, 3 PM, 5 PM, 9 PM
Monday:	12 AM, 1 AM, 2 AM, 3 AM, 5 AM, 8 AM, 2 PM, 3 PM, 4 PM, 5 PM, 9 PM, 11 PM
Tuesday:	2 AM, 3 AM(X2), 4 AM, 3 PM, 5 PM, 11 PM
Wednesday:	1 AM, 2 AM, 3 AM, 8 AM, 9 PM, 10 PM, 11 PM
Thursday:	1 AM, 2 AM(X2), 4 AM, 11 PM
Friday:	1 AM, 2 AM, 5 AM, 6 AM, 8 AM, 2 PM, 5 PM, 6 PM, 7 PM, 9 PM, 10 PM, 11 PM
Saturday:	12 AM, 1 AM, 2 AM, 3 AM, 4 AM, 2 PM, 3 PM, 4 PM, 5 PM, 6 PM, 9 PM, 10 PM, 11 PM

Please commit to 1 hour



SANCTUARY LAMP MEMORIAL

The Church Sanctuary Lamp will be burning in memory of
Harry & Henrietta Fischer
 April 21st-May 4th
Bill and Nancy Smith



THIS WEEKEND:

Saturday 4:15 pm	<u>04/20/24</u> —Easter Weekday + Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
Sunday 10 am	<u>04/21/24</u> —Third Sunday of Easter + Mary Rugh (Larimer Family)
Monday 7 am	<u>04/22/24</u> —Easter Weekday + Dan York (Uncle Ed Czulewicz)
Tuesday 7 am	<u>04/23/24</u> —Saint George + Thelma Bene' (Bud & Mary Penquite)
Wednesday 7 am	<u>04/24/24</u> —Saint Fidelis + Joan Konzel (Geoff & Amber Dietz)
Thursday 7 am	<u>04/25/24</u> —Saint Mark - Father Larry (Mary & Bud Penquite)
Friday 7 am	<u>04/26/24</u> —Easter Weekday + Stephanie Buckel (Tim & Eileen Nowakowski)

UPCOMING WEEK:

Saturday 4:15 pm	<u>04/27/24</u> —Easter Weekday + Clarence Kennerknecht (Jim Kennerknecht)
Sunday 10 am	<u>04/28/24</u> —Fifth Sunday of Easter + Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

God Hears Prayer



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please keep the following requests in your conversations with God:

- New Direction—Mary
- Peace/Comfort—Gary, Connie, Chris
- Eternal Rest—Cheryl, Nancy
- Peace/Strength—Cary
- Peace/Healing—Rick, Alex, Kim
- Healing/Health—Mary, Jan, Fred, Sharon, Scott
- Safe Travels/Healing—Special friend & family

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Thank you to all of you who went to Sacred Heart last week and supported their chicken fundraiser – they were very happy that so many of us went! Thank you! The Knights of Columbus who ran it came out and told me that they will help at our Oktoberfest – God is good! I know that God has great plans for all three churches, we are going to THRIVE not just survive!

Today, April 21st is my 35th anniversary of priesthood. I am so, so thankful that I have been a priest for so long and I look forward to many more years of ministry, God willing. I can say that I am more excited about being a priest today than I was when I got ordained 35 years ago, and that is saying something because I was VERY excited when I was ordained! Thank you for being with me for so many of these years. Your prayers, love and encouragement means SO MUCH to me – thank you!

As always, know that I pray for you everyday and that I love you.

In His love,

Fr. Larry



Dr. John Flamini

Euthanasia, Assisted Suicide & Ethical End of Life Decisions

Blasco Memorial Library
Admiral Room
160 East Front Street, Erie, PA

**JOIN US at 6:30 p.m.
Monday, April 15, 2024**

Good Shepherd Collection

This weekend all parishes and missions in the Diocese of Erie are taking a special collection for the Retired Religious. Please show your gratitude and support for those priests who have cared for us and our spiritual needs and faithfully served our parishes. Help provide them the same love and generosity they provided us for generations.

Welcome the Newest Member

Natalie Grace Kossbiel



*You're cordially invited to the Diocese of Erie
Mother-Daughter Tea*

April 21, 2024 April 28, 2024

St. Mary's Church
1:00 - 4:00 PM
315 Church St.
St. Marys, PA 15857
RSVP by 4/14

Saint Mark Catholic Center
1:00 - 4:00 PM
429 E Grandview Blvd.,
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RSVP by 4/21

a special time to connect, talk about becoming a woman,
prepare for puberty together



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Thank You Father Larry For Your "YES"



This Sunday, April 21st, Father Larry will celebrate 35 years to the priesthood, and we couldn't be more grateful for his service to our community. Father Larry's devotion to Jesus and his people is evident in everything he does, and we feel blessed to have him as our spiritual leader. He has always been a source of inspiration and has challenged us to deepen our relationship with Jesus and to love one another with an open heart.



Father Larry's passion for his vocation is contagious, and his love for the Holy Spirit shines through his work. We are grateful for his tireless efforts, and we pray that he continues to inspire us in our spiritual journeys. In celebration of Father Larry's 35 years of priesthood, we ask for his continued guidance and support for our community. Please keep Father Larry and all our priests in your prayers during these times of change in our diocese. Let us pray that they may embrace these changes with open hearts. Thank you, Father Larry, for everything you have done and continue to do for our parish. We are blessed to have you here at St. Joseph Church Bread of Life Community.

Altar Servers- April 27th-28th

4:15: Bill Smith
10:00: Iain and Anthony McGeary, Michael Brown, Rosa Reisdorph

Lectors-April 27th-28th

4:15: Cheryl Konzal
10:00: Peter Trabold

Extraordinary Ministers-April 27th-28th

4:15: Deacon Doug, Bill McLellan
10:00: Dan and Dawn Schaaf

Ushers- April 27th-28th

4:15: Tom Nichols, Tom May, Dale Desser
10:00 Chuck Swantek, Dave Gustafson, Al DeLuca, Ed Root

Greeters- April 27th-28th

4:15: Mary K and Jim Jagodzinski
10:00: Donna Snippet, Darlene Arndt, Patty Jarrett, Suzana Laus

Sacristans-April 27th-28th

4:15: Glenn Holland
10:00: Dan Schaaf

Fellowship-April 28th

NO FELLOWSHIP

WE SERVE THE LORD WITH OUR GIVING!

"God loves a Cheerful giver."

Thank You!

WEEKLY GIVING REPORT

Number of Households – 380

Offertory	\$ 3,947.00
CSA in Envelope	\$ 1,261.00
On-Line Offertory	\$ 2,755.00
On-Line CSA	\$ 1,385.00
Total Income	\$ 9,348.00

Weekly Expense: \$11,522.00

Attendance (For Both Masses) 317

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.

The CHOSEN

Livestream & small group discussion of **Season 4, Episodes 1-4**
Sundays in May/June, 3:30-5 pm

A collaboration between our newly partnered parishes, open to all!

Sacred Heart will host:

May 5: Season 4, episode 1
May 19: Season 4, episode 2



St. Joseph/BOL will host:

June 2: Season 4, episode 3
June 9: Season 4, episode 4



A perfect occasion to gather our parishes together: To reflect on the story of Jesus Christ, the stories of the diverse disciples who love Him, & to meet one another as fellow disciples, too.

RSVP by May 1 to indicate which sessions & who in your family will attend. Either:

Email Jessie Hubert (SH)
jessie.sacredheart@gmail.com or
Call/text Jillian Zaczek (SJ/BOL)
814.460.9863

A brief small group discussion will follow the screening of each episode, as will time for fellowship. More details are forthcoming.

Religious Ed—Julie Lampard
www.julielampard@stjoesbol.org

Save the date:

May 5th at 10am

The Crowning of Mary &
 First Holy Communion



*Congratulations to the 2024 Confirmation
 Class of St Joesph's !*

- Robert Brown- St. Sebastian*
- William Rozenweig- St. Michael*
- Ben Hedderman- St. Anthony of Padua*
- Adam Lathan- St. Peter*
- James Grutkowski- St. Padre Pio*
- Ann Catherine Brown- St. Maria Goretti*
- Lily Gallagher- St. Cecelia*
- Sophie Chiocco- St. Therese of Liseux*
- Oscar Golden- St. Joseph*
- Liam Dietz- St. Augustine of Hippo*
- Ryan McLaughlin- St. Francis of Assisi*
- Michael Corritore- St. Pier Giorgio Frassati*
- Braden Beckes- St. Peter*
- Matt Bandsidhar- St. Sebastian*
- Suzana Laus- St. Anna the prophetess*
- Rachell Maggio- The Blessed Mother Mary*

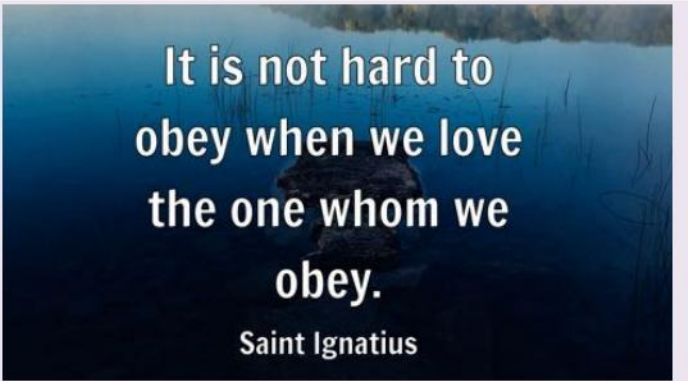
*Please keep our teens in your prayers as they
 continue to grow in their relationship with Jesus and
 being a witness of their Catholic faith.*

What's going on at St Joe's?

- *Weekday Masses are at 7 am in the church and also live streamed.*
- *Father Larry's podcasts are Thursday's at 3pm. Go to YouTube and search Anchored in Hope Father Larry Richards.*
- *Confessions are Saturdays from 3-4 pm and Sundays 9:30-9:55 am.*
- *Did you know you can preplan your funeral Mass? Preplanning your funeral Mass allows you to decide the details, readings, music, and who you would like to participate at your funeral Mass. You may include your family in the process to help them feel connected in both life and death, knowing that your planning reflects your desires. If you are interested, please call Diane in the parish office.*

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