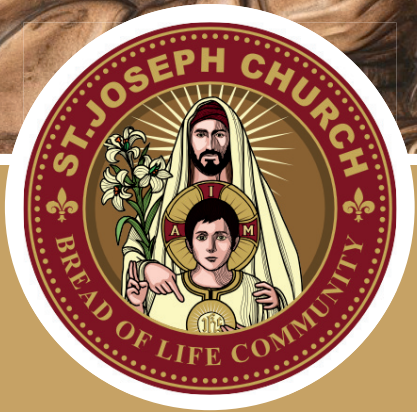


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December 31, 2023 —The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

The Holy Family



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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 week-ends. Please call the parish during office hours to register for the code.



PASTOR'S CORNER

Fr. Larry Richards

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Prayer to the Holy Family

Prayer to the Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
in you we contemplate
the splendour of true love; to you we
turn with trust.

Holy Family of Nazareth,
grant that our families too
may be places of communion and
prayer, authentic schools of the Gospel
and small domestic churches.

Holy Family of Nazareth,
may families never again experience
violence, rejection and division;
may all who have been hurt or
scandalized find ready
comfort and healing.
Holy Family of Nazareth,
make us once more mindful
of the sacredness and inviolability of the
family, and its beauty in God's plan.
Jesus, Mary and Joseph, Graciously
hear our prayer.
Amen.

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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 76 hours are also in need of another committed adoror:

Sunday: 12 AM, 1 AM, 2 AM, 3 AM, 4 AM, 6 AM, 8 AM, 12 PM, 1 PM, 3 PM, 5 PM, 9 PM

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

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

Wednesday: 12 AM, 1 AM, 2 AM, 3 AM, 8 AM, 5 PM, 9 PM, 10 PM, 11 PM

Thursday: 12 AM, 1 AM, 2 AM, 4 AM, 5 AM, 9 AM, 1 PM, 2 PM, 11 PM

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

Please commit to 1 hour



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please keep the following requests in your conversations with God:

Cameron, Phyllis, 80 year old—Healing
Jayme—Safe travels
Erin, Sue—Peace/Comfort
Tim, Ted, Betty—Eternal Rest

The migrants on our border—Peace/Safety

In Thanksgiving for the gift of Jesus Presence in our world and our lives.

SANCTUARY LAMP MEMORIALS

The Church Sanctuary Lamp will be burning
in memory of Rick Neamand
December 24th, 2023-January 6th, 2024
Dorothy Neamand

The Chapel Sanctuary Lamp will be burning
in memory of Betty Jean Sparks
December 31st-January 6th, 2023
Rosalie Tellers



THIS WEEKEND:

Saturday
4:15 pm

12/30/23—Sixth Day within the Octave of the
Nativity of the Lord
+ Living & Deceased Members Of The Parish

Sunday
10 am

12/31/23—The Holy Family Of Jesus , Mary
And Joseph
+Art Freitas (Dale & Leslie Jennings)

Monday
10 am

01/01/24—Solemnity of Mary The Holy Mother
Of God
+ James Zimmerman (Steve & Susan Yurkewicz)

Tuesday
7 am

01/02/24—Saint Basil
+ Alphonse Wedzik (Steve & Susan Yurkewicz)

Wednesday
7 am

01/03/24—The Most Holy Name Of Jesus
+ Arleen & Russel Beam (Mike & Susan Beam)

Thursday
7 am

01/04/24—Saint Elizabeth
- Special Intentions of Bishop Persico (Dan &
Dawn Schaaf)

Friday
7 am

01/05/24—Saint John Neumann
+ Bernie & Viona Oas (Mike & Susan Beam)

UPCOMING WEEK:

Saturday
4:15 pm

01/06/24—Saint Andre'
+ Matson, Elliott, & Sherrer Family (Don &
Barb Matson)

Sunday
10 am

01/07/24—The Epiphany Of The Lord
+ Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

Thank you to our secret Santa
for helping out our food pantry



Say Yes! to the Ninth Annual 1:38 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE APRIL 20, 2024



Luke 1:38 Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word."

For more information:
www.138women.com  

TRADITIONS FROM AROUND THE WORLD



FRANCE

French crèche scenes often include *santons*, or "little saints," which are hand-painted terracotta figurines that represent villagers.



POLAND

Polish nativity scenes, called *Szopka*, are very colorful and focus on distinctive architecture such as baroque domes and Gothic spires.



GERMANY/AUSTRIA

Creche scenes in Germany/Austria are known for hand-cut rounded wooden figures.



CZECH REPUBLIC

Traditional Czech crèches are made of paper and yet are very detailed.

As we prepared to celebrate the Christmas season, we were grateful to welcome back one of our parishioners Gaetano Carvelli. Gaetano, along with his girlfriend Emily were so kind in lending a helping hand to clean and do some finishing touches in decoration our church.

Thank you Gaetano and Emily!!!



Hi St. Joe's

What else can I say? WOW!!! I have not been here for previous Christmas parties, but I KNOW everyone at St. Joe's / Bread of Life gave far more than ever before!!! Your generosity is greatly appreciated and amazing to behold!

Thank you doesn't seem like enough, but **thank you**,

Merry Christmas,
Jenn

Jennifer Kennedy
Donor Relations &
Volunteer Coordinator



Altar Servers- January 6th-7th

4:15: Glenn Holland

10:00: Evie Yurkewicz, Liam Reitzell, Harper Travis, Amelia Normand

Lectors- January 6th-7th

4:15: Steve Dzuricky

10:00: Michelle Neamand

Extraordinary Ministers- January 6th-7th

4:15: Deacon Doug, Cheryl Konzel

10:00: Margaret Palmer, Jack Beaver

Ushers- January 6th-7th

4:15: Tom Nichols, Tom May, Mike Wolfe

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

Greeters- January 6th-7th

4:15: Bill and Nancy Smith

10:00: Donna Snippert, Patty Jarrett, Amy Beaver, Mark Zink

Sacristans- January 6th-7th

4:15: Glenn Holland

10:00: Dan Schupp

Fellowship- January 7th

Nancy Murray

**WE SERVE THE LORD WITH
OUR GIVING!**

*"God loves a
Cheerful giver."*

*Thank
You!*

WEEKLY GIVING REPORT

Number of Households – 384

Offertory	\$ 2,940.64
CSA in Envelope	\$ 904.00
On-Line Offertory	\$ 3,037.00
On-Line CSA	\$ 1,445.00
Total Income	\$ 8,326.64

Weekly Expenses \$11,522.00

Attendance (For Both Masses) 361

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.

Religious Ed—Julie Lampard
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***Merry Christmas &
 Happy New Year
 From Religious Ed!***

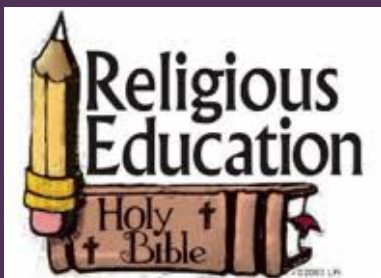


A SAVIOR IS BORN!

Reminder:

***Next Confirmation class is January 7th
 upstairs in the all purpose room.***

***PreK-8th grade classes resume on
 January 14th, 2024***



What's going on at St Joe's?

- Weekday Masses are at- 7 am in the church.
- Adoration Suspended Dec. 29 (Friday) at 12 PM until Jan. 2 (Tuesday) after the 7 AM Mass.
- Mass times for Christmas are as
- January 1st, 2024, Feast of Mary, Mother of God. Mass will be at 7 am. NOT obligated.
- Saturday January 6th, 2024— Appreciation Dinner will be at 5:30 pm
- The Food Pantry is in need of Chips, egg noodles, soups, stew, Chili and Instant Oatmeal. You can drop off items at the office.

*"Christmas
 isn't just a temporal celebration or
 the memory of a beautiful
 (event); Christmas is more ...
 Christmas is an
 encounter!"*

– Pope Francis





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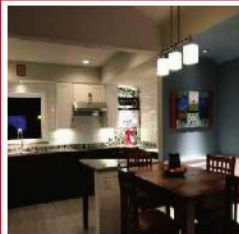
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