

LOVE GOD—LOVE OTHERS

St. Joseph Bread of Life—Sacred Heart of Jesus Church—St Paul Church

September 22, 2024 Twenty—Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Hope is like the sun, which, as we journey toward it,
casts the shadow of our burden behind us.

-- Samuel Smiles --



PRAY

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SERVE

GROW

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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday–Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
Sunday at Sacred Heart 8:45 - 10 am

Mass Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday Friday

7:00 am at St Joe's

Wednesday

6:00 pm at St Joe's

Confessions 4:45—5:45 pm

Weekends

Saturday at St. Paul's — 4:00 pm

Confessions 3:15—3:45 pm

Sunday at Sacred Heart — 8:45 am

Confessions Saturday 1pm—2 pm

Sunday at St Joe's — 10:45 am



PASTOR'S CORNER

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To my Family of Sacred Heart (St. Paul) and St. Joseph/BOL Parishes,

HUMBLE SERVICE: Are you familiar with these men: Stephen, Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas and Nicholas? They were the first deacons to be ordained by the apostles in the early days of the Church. In Acts 2, we learn that these proto-deacons were to care for widows, wait on tables, and serve the needs of others. Now, some 2,000 years later, the deacons of the Church continue to serve. In fact, the Greek word “diaconia” – Διακονία – has a meaning of humble service. There are dozens of permanent deacons serving in the Diocese of Erie. These are men, most of them married or widowed, who assist the bishop and the priests in carrying out the mission of our local church: to teach, to preach, to evangelize, and in countless ways, to serve. Deacons cannot offer the Sacrifice of the Mass, but they do assist at the altar. They are also ordained to baptize, witness marriages, and to offer the prayers of burial (or as some wag once put it: to hatch, match, and dispatch!). We are incredibly blessed to have two deacons assigned to Sacred Heart, St. Joseph/BOL and St. Paul. Each weekend, Deacon Doug Konzel and Deacon Tony Alleruzzo will be ministering at the altar for one of our three Masses. Deacon Doug is also active with OCIA and bringing Communion to the sick. Deacon Tony often ministers to the grieving and those burying loved ones. I hope you get to know each of our deacons better. Please keep them in your prayers!

WE ARE FAMILY: Sister Sledge recorded their signature hit – “We Are Family” – in 1979. The Willie Stargell led Pittsburgh Pirates took the song as their own. And the pop hit’s lyrical message is certainly one that we want to embrace as we bring our three-church community together. I’ve seen wonderful indications that we are, indeed, becoming a family. For example, many folks who normally attend church at St. Joseph Bread of Life were at Sacred Heart for our Labor Day Mass. When St. Joseph Church hosted a “Faith on Fire” adoration recently, it was great to see Sacred Heart worshippers in the pews. And at St. Paul’s, the Saturday, 4:00 pm Mass has become home for a good number of people who used to go to St. Joseph when we still offered a Saturday evening Mass there. We cannot simply wave a wand, but by stepping out in faith, we can grow as a family of faith. Upcoming events that provide an opportunity to mix and mingle include the Knights of Columbus “Men’s Night Out” on October 5th and the St. Francis of Assisi inspired “Pet Blessing” the following morning. Also, the ushers from all three of our churches are receiving an AED refresher training on September 29. Good things are happening!

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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 64 hours are also in need of another committed adorers:

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

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

Tuesday: 2 AM, 3 AM, 4 AM, 10 AM, 3 PM, 5 PM, 6 PM

Wednesday: 12 AM, 1 AM, 2 AM, 3 AM, 12 PM

Thursday: 1 AM (X2), 2 AM, 2 PM, 11 PM

Friday: 1 AM, 2 AM, 5 AM, 1 PM, 2 PM, 6 PM, 7 PM, 9 PM, 10 PM (X2), 11 PM

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

Please commit to 1 hour



Please Pray For the Following:

Please keep the following requests in your conversations with God:

Recover from covid—Lilli

Surgery/Healing—Jaci

Special intention/Healing—Eva

Healing—Ricarda, Linda, Claire

Peace—Colleen & Family

Eternal Rest—Lois

End to Bullying in all environments

SANCTUARY LAMP MEMORIAL

The Church Sanctuary Lamp will be burning in memory of

Nicholas and Joan Konzel

September 22nd - October 5th, 2024

Michael Tarasovitch



THIS WEEKEND:

Saturday
4:00 pm

09/21/24— *Mass at Saint Paul's*
+ Living & Deceased Members of the Parishes
+ Mary Morrocco (Michael Morrocco)

Sunday
8:45 am (SH)
10:45 am

09/22/24—25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
+ John, Jean, Edward Krahe (Krahe Family)
+ Kathleen Reitzell (Erie Catholic School System)

Monday
7 am

09/23/24—Saint Pius
+
+ Paolo & Rosinna Carbonelli

Tuesday
7 am

09/24/24—Weekday
+
+ Michael Schultz (Sharon Bond)

Wednesday
6 pm

09/25/24—Weekday
+
+ Frances Petruso (Petruso Family)

Thursday
7 am

09/26/24—Saints Cosmas & Damian
+ Jim Rutkowski (Rick & Dorothy Rutkowski)
+ Leo Bruno (Shirley Bruno & Family)

Friday
7 am

09/27/24—Saint Vincent de Paul
- Special intentions of the Holy Father & Pope Francis (Dan & Dawn Schaaß)
+ Patrick Malone (Audrea Malone)

Saturday
4 pm

09/28/24 * Mass at Saint Paul's*
+ Howard Hain (John & Dottie Wurst)
+ Susan Baskit Rizzo (Baskit Family)

There are now 2-3 Mass Intentions during the days because of the partnership and Sacred Heart does not have morning Masses. The top intention is from St. Joe's and the Bottom Intention will be from Sacred Heart/St Paul's.

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DUELING SACRAMENTS: In my own life, I try to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation at least once a month, and I wholeheartedly encourage you to do the same. My wedding schedule, though, has been keeping me out of the Sacred Heart confessional on quite a few Saturday afternoons. I had weddings on September 7 & 14, and I have two more scheduled for October 12 & 26. The Wednesday confession slot at St. Joe's (4:45-5:45 pm) and the St. Paul confession slot (before Mass on Saturdays from 3:15-3:45 pm), though, have been wonderfully busy. Feel free to stop by and allow the Lord's mercy to touch you and to heal you! Christ's mercy is always greater than our sin!

Sacred Heart of Jesus – Have mercy on us!

Mary, Mother of God – Pray for us!

Our Lady of Guadalupe – Pray for us!

St. Joseph – Pray for us!

St. Paul – Pray for us!

Fr. Steve



Tri-Parish Blessing of the Pets October 6 In honor of St. Francis of Assisi

Please bring your pet (dog, cat, horse, iguana or any) to be blessed at **Sacred Heart Church on October 6th-at 9:45 am** (after the 8:45 Mass at Sacred Heart and before the 10:45 Mass at St. Joe's) for a blessing. We will meet in the parking lot side lawn.

St. Francis of Assisi-Feast Day October 4th
This great friar is the patron saint of the environment, animals, and one of the Patron saints of Italy.

A Family Perspective

Disagreements are common in families. But what would you say if Jesus posed the same question "What are you arguing about?" Is it silly and petty? Is it an attempt to impose your will and control on another, or to really solve a problem? Today Jesus tells us and his disciples to give it up. We are meant to serve each other, not control.

Kinship Korner News

Feeding the Hungry and Do You Make a Difference

In the bulletin for the 14th/15th Kinship had stated that our super chef and her sous chefs purchased and served 110 men, women, and children at the SSJ Neighborhood Network Monday meal on 9/9. That figure needs to be updated to 124 individuals being served. A wonderful meal with Chicken drumsticks as the entree was prepared. Our super chef was able to purchase the supplies for this meal for \$276 because she was also able to obtain donations of items from vendors at reduced cost. Kinship does its best to make the most of every dollar you donate to this particular mission. Dividing \$276 by 124 tells us that the fantastic meal with all its fixings cost only \$2.22 per person. That is a great price for the exceptional meal. More importantly, the number of men, women, and children being served grows every month. Serving 124 people set a new record for the monthly meal we prepare. Food insecurity is a significant issue in our area because of the cost of food item. Nationally, 1 out of 5 children do not know where their next meal will come from. Please continue to financially support this important ministry of Kinship. Checks should be made out to Sacred Heart Church with Kinship written on the memo line. Cash donations may be placed in an envelope marked Kinship. These donations may be placed in the collection basket of your respective church. Please know that anyone, including individuals from our 3 churches, can share in this meal. There are no questions asked. The meal starts being served at 4:15 and they usually stop serving around 5.

Update on Refugee Resettlement

Through the abundant generosity of St. Jude's pastor Fr. Ross Micelli, kinship's refugee resettlement efforts have been given a home in St. Andrew's annex at least for the next full year. We have been provided with generous space for both our refugee efforts and those of Bags of Hope, both of which were housed in our gym. Currently, the rooms are being cleared of non-essential items to our ministry by personnel from St. Andrews. We will be working out of the annex along with some ministries and organizations of St. Andrews such as their food pantry. Kinship has toured the building and the spaces we were offered with Fr. Ross and are thankful for the opportunity to restart our resettlement efforts along with Catholic Charities. When we have our rooms set up for both resettlement and Bags of Hope, we will restart collecting needed items. Items currently stored in the gym for both ministries will continue to stay there until the asbestos abatement process begins and we are given a decision as to what is salvageable and what is not. Bids are being sought for that work currently.
Debbi Tarasovitch 814-746-1496 Tom Hudson 814-864-1615 Kinship Ministry Co-Coordinator
Bags of Hope Coordinator Sharon Bond 814-450-7748

1:38  Women

presents

**Thoughts on a conversation
with the mother of Blessed Carlo Acutis**

Saturday, Oct. 12



9:30 to 11:30 am

St. Francis Xavier Church
8880 Main Street, McKean

Open to all women,
this free two-hour
mini-retreat features:

- Brief presentations
- Discussion (bring a friend!)
- Quiet reflection
- Practical tools for growing in your relationship with Christ through the saints

1:38 Women is an initiative of



Led by Anne-Marie Welsh,
director of communications
for the Diocese of Erie, pictured
with Antonia Acutis at the 2023
Eucharistic Congress in Philadelphia

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 29TH

10:45 a.m. at St. Joseph/Bread of Life

Altar Servers: Olivia Grutkowski, Ava Grutkowski,
James Grutkowski, Gavin Grutkowski

Lector: Cheryl Konzal

EMs: Deacon Tony, Dan Schaaf

Ushers: Chuck Swantek, Dave Gustafson, Ed Root,

Greeters:

Donna Snippert, Patty Jarrett, Dawn Schaaf &
Suzana Laus

Sacristan: Deacon Doug

Fellowship:

Mary Penquite & Francine Amendola

Monthly Patriotic Rosary

St. Joseph Bread of Life Parish, 147 W. 24th St., Erie,
welcomes all who would like to pray the Patriotic Rosary
on the fourth Monday of every month at 10:30 am,
seeking the intercession of the Blessed Mother to
protect and guide our nation. Questions? Email Leslie
Jennings at daleandleslie@gmail.com. A special Election
Day Patriotic Rosary is planned at the church for
Election Day, Tues., November 5 at 10:30 am.

Low-gluten hosts available

Low-gluten Hosts are available for anyone who has a
medical condition that makes it unsafe for them to
consume the traditional wheat Hosts. If you need one
of these Hosts, please let the priest, deacon or usher
know and they will set one aside for you. Please do
this before Mass begins. Thank you.

Nursing home and hospital calls

If you, a family member or friend are in the hospital
or nursing home and would like a visit from our
parish, please let the office know at 814-452-2982 or
office@stjoesbol.org. Please provide the patient's
name, address, room number and contact person. This
will help Fr. Steve, Deacon Tony, Deacon Doug and
our team find you. If you tell Father or one of the
deacons right before mass, be sure to include a hand
written note and give it to an usher. That is a busy
time for the celebrant and a note to the usher is an
easier way for us to remember your request.

Thank you and God bless!

WEEKLY GIVING REPORT

Number of Households – 370

**Thank
You!**

Offertory	\$ 4,380.50
CSA in Envelope	\$ 1,024.00
On-Line Offertory	\$ 2,107.00
On-Line CSA	\$ 1,540.00
Total Income	\$ 9,051.50

Weekly Expense: \$11,522.00

Attendance on Sunday 183

*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.*



CLINT BADOWSKI
 faithformation@stjoesbol.org
OR 570-419-7178

DONATIONS NEEDED

Our religious education youth are going to be assembling blessing bags for those in need as a service project in October. We are in need of some items to put in the bags to remind people that they are not forgotten in this world and someone out there cares!

THINGS NEEDED

- Hotel Sized Shampoo, body wash, body lotion, toothpaste
- Toothbrushes (individually wrapped)
- Rain Ponchos
- Individually wrapped snacks
- Small Bottles of Water
- White Tube Socks
- Puzzle Books
- Pens
- Small sticks of deodorant

*DONATION COLLECTION BOXES WILL BE AT THE BACK OF EACH CHURCH
 *ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT CLINT BADOWSKI OR THE PARISH OFFICE

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me" - Matthew 25:35

Thank you all in advance!



*A blessing over all the
 Catechist*



What's going on at St Joe's?

- Bulletin information is due Tuesday by 4 pm. Email Trish the info at trishmcdaid@stjoesbol.org.
- Need volunteers to help with fellowship on Sundays after Mass. Call the parish office.
- Patriotic Rosary—4th Monday of the month at 10:30 am. daleandleslie@gmail.com for more information.
- Mon, Tue, Thurs, Fri Mass at— 7 am.
- Wednesday Mass— 6 pm
- Sunday Mass— 10:45
- Clothing Store—Wednesday— 9-11:30
- Food Pantry—2nd & 4th Monday of the month. 10-11:30

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Saint Teresa of Avila





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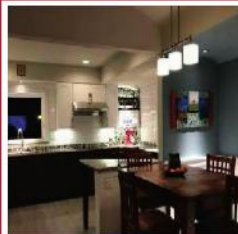
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