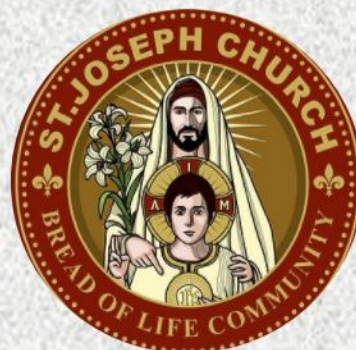


Welcome to our Parish



Sacred Heart of Jesus Church and
Saint Joseph/Bread of Life Church
St. Paul Church (mission)

September 29, 2024
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you:
not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not
your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

(John 14:- 27 KJV)

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at St. Joseph Bread of Life

Phone: 814-452-2982

SUNDAY HOURS:

9:45-11:00 am

at Sacred Heart

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday 4:00 pm @ St. Paul

Sunday 8:45 am @ Sacred Heart

10:45 am @ St. Joseph BOL

WEEKDAY MASSES:

at St. Joseph Bread of Life

Monday & Tuesday at 7:00 am

Wednesday at 6:00 pm

Thursday & Friday at 7:00 am

CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays

1 pm – 2:00 pm @ Sacred
Heart

3:15 pm – 3:45 pm @ St. Paul
and

Wednesdays, 4:45 – 5:45 pm
@ St. Joseph

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September 29, 2024
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To my Family of Sacred Heart (St. Paul) and St. Joseph/BOL Parishes,

ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH: Although their liturgical feast is not celebrated on Sundays, today, September 29th, is the feast day of the archangels Michael, Gabriel and Raphael. Then, this coming Wednesday, the Church will observe the feast of the guardian angels. God's creation goes beyond what we can see or touch, and the angels – brilliant beings of pure spirit – are an integral part of God's creative action. The Bible speaks often of angels, our Lord's incarnation was announced to Mary by an archangel, and each of us is given a guardian angel to watch and to guide. We profess in the Creed each Sunday that we believe in that which is seen and that which is unseen. The unseen world: expansive, filled with angels, and no less real than the visible universe, is a place of wonder worth our prayerful contemplation.

LIFE GIVING WOUNDS: Erie native and theologian, Dr. Daniel Meola, along with his wife, Bethany, have founded a beautiful, national ministry called - Life Giving Wounds (www.lifegivingwounds.org). The ministry works to help young adults and adults with divorced and separated parents to give voice to their pain and to find transformative healing in Christ. Life Giving Wounds is a Catholic, peer-led movement that provides unique programs and means for Christ to transform life-draining wounds into *life-giving resources* of faith, hope, love, and joy for those bearing the pain of family dysfunction. I have been in conversation with Dan about bringing a chapter of Life Giving Wounds to Erie. If you are a young adult or an adult who has known the hurt of having separated or divorced parents, and if you are moved to learn more about this ministry, please contact me via email or Flocknote. I would love to talk with you and work toward making a local chapter come to life.

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP: When we began to offer Mass on Wednesday evenings, it was with some trepidation. We were not sure if it would “work.” By God's grace, though, people are attending in good numbers. Recently, we had almost 40 people in church. That's wonderful! Our 7:00 am weekday Mass is perfect for the early risers and those on their way to work. Wednesday evening offers an opportunity for those who are not “early birds” to still attend Mass. Please remember that Mass is at 6:00 pm on Wednesdays (and finishes right around 6:25 pm). Confessions precede from 4:45 – 5:45 pm. I invite you to give Wednesday worship a try!

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI: Finally, this Friday, October 4, is the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi. It is a little-known fact that “Francis” was your pastor's confirmation saint name, but it is a well-known fact that St. Francis is the patron saint of animals. Famously, he tamed a wolf that was terrorizing a town! Next Sunday, October 6, we invite you to bring your own animal(s) to Sacred Heart to be blessed after the 8:45 am Mass (please . . . no wolves). Admittedly, the logistics are a bit complicated, but we figured that between our two Sunday Masses was a good time to give this a try. Feel free to hitch your horses or oxen to any of the signposts in the parking lot. Your sheep and cattle are welcome to graze in the grass while Mass is being offered. If he didn't have to be with the Sisters of St. Joseph for Mass, I'm sure that Fr. Simmons would reptile-sit your lizards and iguanas. Anyway, I'll see you in the Sacred Heart courtyard at around 10:00 am to bless whatever furry or ferocious creature shows up.

God bless you all and have a beautiful week!

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

Mass Intentions

Monday, September 30 /7:00 am, St. Joseph
Saint Jerome

+Andrew Eisenman (Janet Greer)

Tuesday, October 1 /7:00 am, St. Joseph
Saint Therese of the Child Jesus

+Tom Doyle (Carol Doyle)

Wednesday, October 2 /6:00 pm, St. Joseph
The Holy Guardian Angels

+Denise Lorei (Nancy Pace)
+ Michael Veshecco Jr (Mom Bettie Veshecco)

Thursday, October 3 /7:00 am, St. Joseph
Weekday

+Don Weibel (Sacred Heart Knights of Columbus)

Friday, October 4 /7:00 am, St. Joseph
Saint Francis of Assisi

+Samuel & Mary Elizabeth Schaaf (Dan and Dawn Schaaf)
+ Betty DeSantis Rush (Don, Al & Floyd Rush)

Saturday, October 5/ 4:00 pm at St. Paul
+ Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
+ Evelyn Nesterick (Family & Friends)

Sunday, October 6 / 8:45 am Sacred Heart

+Frank Faraglia (Anna & Nick)

Sunday, October 6 / 10:45 am St Joseph BOL
+ Michael Montefiori (Patty Montefiori)



*This week the Church Sanctuary
Candle will burn in memory of:*

At Sacred Heart:
Eileen (Betza) Romeo
from Debbie Buettner

At St. Joseph-September 22-October 5:
Nicholas and Joan Konzal
from Michael Tarasovitch

Please Pray For the Following:
**Please keep the following requests in your
conversations with God:**

Healing—Lilli, Ryan

Strength/Peace—Mary

Welcome to the world—Ryan

Safe Travels—Betsy, Dave, Louise



Ministry Schedule: October 5 & 6



SATURDAY at St. Paul/4:00 p.m.

LECTOR: Marie Troyer

EMs: Lew Nordin & Kathie Iarussi

SUNDAY at Sacred Heart/8:45 a.m.

LITURGY of the WORD with CHILDREN: Mary & Renee

LECTOR: Annette & Mike Ahrens

EMs: TEAM 1-*check new schedule*

COUNTERS: Team Jones/Malthaner

SUNDAY at St. Joseph/BOL/10:45 a.m.

Altar Servers: Landon Long, Landry Long,
Lennox Long

Lector: Tim Laher

EMs: Dan Schupp Nancy Schupp

Ushers: Chuck Swantek, Ed Root, Al DeLuca,
Domenica Huston

Greeters:

Donna Snippert, Patty Jarrett, Tom Parr &
Nancy Murray

Sacristan: Tim & Mary Milloy

Fellowship: Nancy Murray & Jason Young

Sacred Heart Church Cleaning: OCTOBER 11
Team 7 - Charlene Michael

Perpetual Adoration

We are always in need of Committed Adorers in our Adoration Chapel at St Joseph BOL. Please sign up for an hour with Jesus! Call or text Geoff & Amber Dietz at 814-403-3921 to sign up .

The following **60** hours are 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

Thursday: 1 AM, 2 AM, 2 PM, 11 PM

Friday: 1 AM, 2 AM, 5 AM, 1 PM, 2 PM, 6 PM, 7 PM, 9 PM, 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 for Jesus!

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ST JOSEPH BREAD OF LIFE OFFERINGS



OFFERTORY—	\$ 2,583.50
CSA—	\$ 695.00

OFFERTORY ONLINE—	\$ 1,435.00
CSA ONLINE—	\$ 425.00

TOTAL—	\$ 5,138.50
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WEEKLY EXPENSES —	\$11,522.00
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SUNDAY ATTENDANCE	209
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September 15, 2024

Offertory: \$3,611.50

CSA paid \$58,782 2024 Goal-\$64,411

***Please make your offertory and CSA checks
payable to Sacred Heart Church.***

*To ensure that you get credit for your offerings, please
mark the amount on the outside of the envelope.*



Too busy raking leaves to cook? Come to the Chiavetta's BBQ Chicken Dinner Drive-Thru on Sunday, October 13th from 11:30-4 or till sold out. Proceeds benefit the charitable acts of our Sacred Heart Knights of Columbus. Dinners include: a Delicious Chiavetta's BBQ Chicken Half, Baked Beans, Mason Farm Corn, Mini Croissant, Bottled-Water, and a Cookie! Dinners cost only \$15 ea.

Cash-Credit-Debit accepted.

All are Welcome to the Tri Parish Family Dinners The first one is hosted by St. Joseph Bread of Life Church



OCTOBER 23rd at 6:30 pm

in St. Joseph Community Center (the old school building)

The dinner begins after the 6 pm mass at St. Joe's
This month's dinner includes Octoberfest Pork &
Sauerkraut meal, dessert, water, and coffee.

PLEASE RSVP by signing up on the clipboard in the
vestibule of church after mass. OR calling Jean or Trish at
the Parish Office at 814-452-2982. You can also email your
reservation to triparish.secretary816@gmail.com. We
need your name, number, and how many are attending!
Reservations are due by October 14th.

There is no cost but a free will donation will be accepted.

Parishioners from all 3 churches (Sacred Heart, St. Joseph
BOL and St. Paul) are invited. Enjoy a nice meal, get to-
gether with friends, and make some new ones.

Hospitality Sundays coming up:

St. Joe's Fellowship-Join us for Coffee & Donuts
every week in the Community Center

Sacred Heart-October 6 for Coffee & Donuts in
Sacred Heart Audi

Saint Paul-October 12 for Wine & Cheese in
St. Paul Center

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Help Wanted

We are in need of people to assist with the cleaning and groundskeeping of the St Joseph Parish Campus
CLEANING NEEDS: 8 HOURS PER WEEK

Church & Community Center

Refuse removal in all areas as noted above

Vacuum carpets and sweep all floors

Mopping

Dust and wipe down all areas to clean and sanitize

Clean and sanitize all restrooms and public areas of the campus

Window cleaning as needed

Church floors cleaning

Church pews wipe down

Monthly dusting in church

Adoration chapel floor cleaning

Adoration chapel wipe down weekly

LAWNCARE SERVICES: WEEKLY 1-2 HOURS PER WEEK (SEASONAL CLEANUPS NOT INCLUDED)

Weekly lawn mowing & edging of landscaping

Monthly weeding of landscaping

Spring clean up

Removal of debris and litter

Preparing flower beds and planting

flowers

Pruning trees and shrubs

Fall clean up

Raking of leaves

Trimming plants, flowers, trees and

shrubs

Removal of debris and litter

Mulch installation

For more information including compensation and more details regarding scope and schedule, please contact Trish in the Parish office Monday-Friday or e-mail at trishmcdaid@stjoesbol.org



**Saint
Francis
of Assisi**

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@Sacred Heart and before the 10:45 mass@St. Joe's) for a blessing. We will meet in the parking lot side lawn.

Kinship Korner News Refugee Resettlement News

As stated in last week's bulletin, 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. When the rooms have been rekeyed, we will set up the rooms with items purchased and donated since the gym's closure. Obviously, we will not have sufficient items to start assembling needed items for the 6-9 individual families coming in each month as we did before the gym's closure. However, at that time we will be able to restart collecting donated items needed to restock our inventory in our new home. We will let you know when donations may resume, where you can drop them off, and what are the critical needs. We will have drop off containers located within all 3 churches to assist with this effort. When we receive sufficient donations to assist Catholic Charities with at least a couple of families, we will let them know. When we had to pause our resettlement with the gym closure, you had in the past 2 years assisted 158 families of refugees from multiple counties relocate to Erie after living in refugee camps for an average of 10 years.

Items currently stored in the gym for Kinship including the furniture donated from the Avalon Hotel will continue to stay there until the asbestos abatement process begins.

Bags of Hope

The Bags of Hope ministry has continued to be active throughout the summer and into this fall season. Below is a picture of one of the bags that are being sewn by a wonderful sewing group and distributed to individuals. Thank you sewists!



Bags of Hope is still collecting the following **travel size only** personal care items for distribution to the men and women served by the Community of Caring's residential program: deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, Chapstick, bar soap, and Kleenex/tissue packets. These items can be dropped off in the marked Kinship donation boxes now located within all 3 parishes.

Debbi Tarasovitch 814-746-1496 Tom Hudson 814-864-1615
Kinship Ministry Co-Coordinator
Bags of Hope Coordinator Sharon Bond 814-450-7748

**Attention: ALL Men from Sacred Heart,
St. Joseph BOL and St. Paul**

Don't forget to register for **Men's Night Out**
October 5th at 5:30pm in Sacred Heart Audi
RSVP to Jean or Trish at 814-452-2982 or
triparish.secretary816@gmail.com
No charge-just lots of fun!

Faith Formation

Clint Badowski

faithformation@stjoesbol.org



2024/2025 Religious Education Kickoff

We kicked off our Religious Education school year this past Sunday. Over 50 youth with their parents joined our Catechists to hear how this religious education year is going to work and the exciting programs we have in store for them. We are very excited to continue fanning the flames of our faith in these young hearts. Please keep the youth and our catechists in your prayers!

BLESSING BAG 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!

Donations Drop Boxes will be available until October 13.

THINGS NEEDED

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

Coats for Kids Campaign **October 1-31**

Our churches can help by donating new or gently used coats for the youth of all ages, as well, as winter accessories such as hats, scarves, mittens, snow pants and boots. Just bring these items to church and place in the boxes provided in the vestibule marked "Coats for Kids". Or during the week, drop them off in the church office at 147 West 24th Street. Those who prefer to make a monetary gift can visit icm@icmeriecounty.org or mail a check to Inter-Church Ministries at 250 West 7th St, Erie, PA 16501. A gift of \$25 will provide a child with a new high-quality coat! Thank you for donating to Coats for Kids.

WHEN IT COMES TO HUMAN DIGNITY, WE CANNOT MAKE COMPROMISES.

~ Angela Merkel

I believe that most of you are familiar with the tongue-in-cheek prayer to St. Anthony in hopes of finding a lost item, "Please St. Anthony come around there's something lost that can't be found." Well, the "Deacon Dabblings" were never lost; they were just put aside briefly while we were feeling our way through the change in leadership and the reorganization of our parishes. Now that we have a combined bulletin that includes all three parishes, "Deacon Dabblings", I am happy to say, will again become a weekly column in the bulletin and on behalf of Sacred Heart and St. Paul, I would like to extend a warm welcome to our partnered brothers and sisters of St. Joe's Bread of Life parish.

A college student was crossing the campus on his way to class when he came upon a crucifix lying on the sidewalk. The crucifix was desecrated. Someone had broken off the arms and legs and threw it on the ground. The student picked up the crucifix and took it to the campus chaplain and asked, "Should I burn the Corpus?" The priest replied, "No, don't do that. Put it up on your wall. Let it remind you that you must be the arms and legs of Christ. If anyone needs a glass of water, you must give it to him or her. Jesus will be reaching that person through your hands. If anyone needs a visit, you must go. Jesus will be using your legs." The student understood.

Scripture time and time again reminds us that we must be Christ to all whom we meet by treating them with dignity and reaching out to help when there is a need. The two greatest Commandments don't mince words when we ask, what is the greatest way to love God and to find our way to heaven? Jesus says, "Love God with your whole heart, mind, and soul, and love your neighbor as yourself." But if you think about it, these are not *two* commandments but rather only one. You cannot love God if you do not love your neighbor.

A few weeks ago, I witnessed a beautiful gesture by an individual who exemplified the meaning of being the arms and legs of Christ. My family and I were in Toronto, Canada, and we attended mass at a church nearby. Sitting behind us was what appeared to be a homeless person who had some degree of intellectual disability. Throughout the mass, this person talked to herself, and made raspy noises. As we were coming back to our pew after receiving Eucharist, an individual ahead of me dropped a 20-dollar bill on the floor, and asked the homeless person, "Did you drop this?" He picked it up and handed her the bill and kept going without giving her a chance to answer whether she dropped it. What I witnessed was not only an act of charity, but also a way to reach out to her and allowing her to keep her dignity.

My brothers and sisters, Jesus healed and forgave everyone who reached out to Him. He did so without chastising or punishing. He did it out of love. May we show that kind of love to all who need our help.

Peace of Christ,
Deacon Tony





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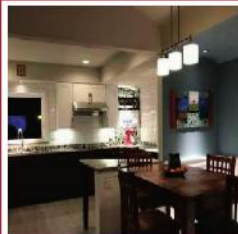
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