

# St. Joseph Congregation

Faith on Center

March 2022

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## Saint Joseph, Feast Day: March 19th



This is how Jesus Christ came to be born. His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph; but before they came to live together she was found to be with child through the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being an upright man and wanting to spare her disgrace, decided to divorce her informally. He had made up his mind to do this when suddenly the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because she has conceived what is in her by the Holy Spirit.

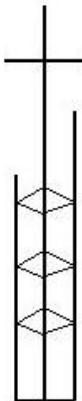
She will give birth to a son and you must name him Jesus, because he is the one who is to save his people from their sins.” Now all this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken through the prophet:

Look! The virgin is with child and will give birth to a son whom they will call Immanuel, (see Isaiah 7:14) a name which means “God-is-with-us.” When Joseph woke up he did what the angel of the Lord had told him to do: he took his wife to his home; he had not had intercourse with her when she gave birth to a son; and he named him Jesus.  
—Matthew 1:18-25 NJB

A few verses in Matthew and Luke tell us all we know about St. Joseph. They provide just enough information to demonstrate why he was the divine choice to become the husband of Mary and the foster father of Jesus. Joseph was genealogically perfect for these roles. A distant descendant of King David, he gave Christ the King his royal lineage. Joseph also came from the right hometown. He was from Bethlehem, the city that Scripture predicted would produce the messiah (see Micah 5:1). And as a carpenter (see Matthew 13:55), Joseph was poor—Christ’s condition of preference.

### St. Joseph Chapel

The chapel is open  
Monday– Friday  
7:00 am-8:00 pm.



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# Rising to New Life In Christ

## Building Our Lenten Faith

A collaborative Lenten offering from the Formation Team at St. Joe's. These are ALL Virtual sessions that are open to the entire family! Hosted/Facilitated by Dennis Sylva & Stephanie McDermot

**Tuesday, March 8th 7:00pm—8:00pm**

Fresh Perspective on Fasting & Almsgiving:  
Building Your Generosity

**Tuesday, March 22nd 7:00pm—8:00pm**

Our Lenten Conversation with God:  
Building Your Confidence In God's Love

**Tuesday, April 5th 7:00pm—8:00pm**

What Easter Means for a New Life:  
Building Your Hope For The Future

Please email [mcdermots@stjoetosa.com](mailto:mcdermots@stjoetosa.com) to register

## Lenten Regulations



Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.

Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age and are under 59 years of age. Those who are bound to this are to take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if needed to maintain strength according to one's needs but eating between meals is not permitted.

Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves for these prescribed minimal penitential practices.

## Stations of the Cross

Please join us for Stations of the Cross 6:30 pm Fridays in church during Lent.



## Our Lenten Project

This year we are collecting books and money for our sister parish in Punta Gorda Belize.

The teachers have requested certain books and other teaching aids....

Each week we will be collecting certain books.

**March 5/6              Big Books (story books) and I Can READ books**

**March 12/13            Dr. Seuss and Verna Wilkins "Dave and the Tooth Fairy"**

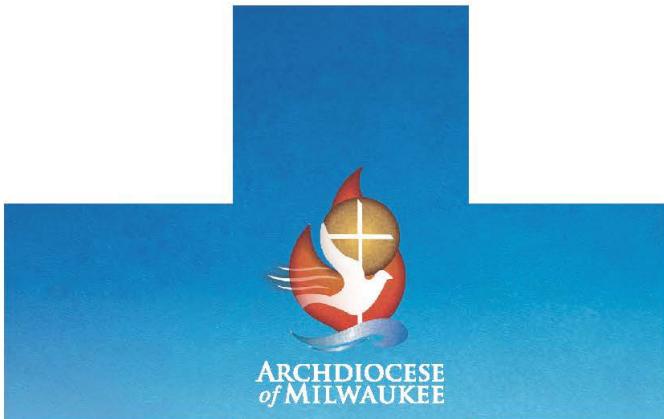
**March 19/20            Pop up Books and The Berenstain Bears**

**March 26/27            Big Picture books and Eric Carle books**

**April 2/3                Lady Bird Series and Beverly Cleary books**

**The money collected will be used for sight word cards, flashcards, letter cards, picture cards, sentence strips, anchor charts, flip charts and alphabet puzzles**

*Thank you for sharing your love of books and learning!*



# *Pray, Reconcile & Rejoice* Lenten Day of **RECONCILIATION**

**Tuesday, April 5, 2022**

**ST. KATHARINE DREXEL PARISH, BEAVER DAM**  
511 S. Spring Street • 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

**ST. DOMINIC PARISH, BROOKFIELD**  
18255 W. Capitol Drive • 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

**ST. CHARLES BORROMEO PARISH, BURLINGTON**  
441 Conkey Street • 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

**HOLY FAMILY PARISH, FOND DU LAC**  
271 Fourth Street Way • 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

**ST. MARY PARISH, HALES CORNERS**  
9520 W. Forest Home Avenue • 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

**ST. CHARLES PARISH, HARTLAND**  
313 Circle Drive • 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

**OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH, KENOSHA**  
5400 19th Avenue • 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**BASILICA OF ST. JOSAPHAT, MILWAUKEE**  
2333 S. 6th Street • 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

**ST. MARGARET MARY PARISH, MILWAUKEE**  
3970 N. 92nd Street • 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

**ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE PARISH, RACINE**  
6400 Spring Street • 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

**ST. PETER CLAVER PARISH, SHEBOYGAN**  
1439 S. 12th Street • 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

**ST. PETER PARISH, SLINGER**  
200 E. Washington Street • 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

**ST. MONICA PARISH, WHITEFISH BAY**  
5681 N. Santa Monica Blvd • 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.



St. Joseph Middle School Presents

DISNEY'S

# THE LITTLE MERMAID JR.



THURSDAY, MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup>, SATURDAY, APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup> & SUNDAY, APRIL 2<sup>ND</sup>

Tickets will be available in the school office beginning

**Thursday, March 10th**



Advance Tickets Only - \$6 Each

- STUDENTS, ADULTS & CHILDREN -



Please include the number of tickets you will be purchasing each night with payment.

# of Tickets	Total
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THURSDAY, MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup> 6:00PM      \_\_\_\_\_ x \$6    \$ \_\_\_\_\_

FRIDAY, APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup> 7:00PM      \_\_\_\_\_ x \$6    \$ \_\_\_\_\_

SATURDAY, APRIL 2<sup>ND</sup> 7:00PM      \_\_\_\_\_ x \$6    \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## MEETING MINUTES

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Meeting Location: St. Joseph Room

Re: Pastoral Council Meeting

Date/Time: February 16, 2022, 6:30 pm

Notes By: Padge Haas

Attendees: Father Adam Fernandez, Jerry Leveille, Joe Herro, Joe Schueller, Audrey Szews, Wendy Krause, Julie McKendry, and Padge Haas

Excused: Chuck Bongert, Phil Bain, Paul Monson, Arturo Renteria, Joy Towell, Bill Solberg, Mike Patterson, and Tony Mallinger

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- A. Meeting started at 6:35 PM with an opening prayer by Father Adam.

### Old Business

- B. "Love One Another" is a capital campaign of the Archdiocese. The amount of money targeted for St. Joseph Parish to raise is \$1,311,441.00. \$786,865 would remain at St. Joseph. This money is to be raised for future expenses, stewardship, education and outreach. If we do not reach the goal St. Joseph will receive 60% of what we do raise. The preparation stage will take place in May/June. The fundraising will begin in July. This is being done at this time because the Archdiocese is having a Capital Campaign and we are combining the two efforts. Pastoral Council members need to be reaching out to their committees for needs and wants of the committees. Once our plan is established it cannot be changed. Some suggestions so far include using the money for improvements to the church including a new boiler which will need replacing in a few years, repair to one bell in the bell tower that is not working, for our ministries, for outreach, many wishes for the school including new lockers, some new windows, new ceiling tiles throughout the school, screens for the windows, upgraded internet bandwidth, working window blinds, a window or skylight in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade classroom, upgrading the intercom system and replacing the library furniture.
- C. "Come to Me," is the evangelization program from the Archdiocese. Audrey Szews reported that she had done a zoom session to become familiar with the tools of this program. She did say that 85% of evangelization comes from a personal invitation. Personal interaction appears to be much better than use of the computer. Food is a great incentive to go with the personal invitation.
- D. Communication tool: Jerry Leveille has sent an invitation to the Pastoral Council Members for a new app. It would be used as a way for the council to communicate. We will try it for a while.

- E. The position for St. Joseph School Principal has been advertised statewide. The key words the search committee is using are community, faith, education and service. So far, they have heard from six applicants.
- F. The Stewardship Committee made announcements at the weekend Masses on February 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> which was well received. One usher and two lectors stepped forward with interest in the job. To get additional people involved a personal invitation should be extended.

## New Business

- G. The Parish Auction is coming in March. The Pastoral Council usually puts together a basket for the auction. It was decided it would be a "Mystery Basket." Jerry will be sending out additional information to the council members.
- H. The Leadership Group that is looking at tools available from the Archdiocese has not met since January. At this point they need to figure out what they want to do and who they are serving. Once they have a plan they will come to the Pastoral council for help. Some of the money we pay to the Stewardship Appeal helps pay for the help we receive from the Archdiocese in this endeavor. St. Joseph parish was about to start this process when the pandemic hit. It has been on hold since then.
- I. The Communications Committee has been talking about doing a survey of the parish to address many topics including getting people back to church, Mass attendance, day school and religious ed programs and what people are thinking about our parish. There was a discussion on when and how this should be done. It is a work in progress at this point.
- J. The Prayer and Worship Committee has recommended that there be a silent prayer time in church after Mass. Visiting would be in the vestibule or outside. They are working with Father Adam on this. It will start the beginning of Lent.
- K. Our parish used to have something to recognize volunteers, including an individual adult and a youth recognized for their contributions. This has not happened for the past couple of years. Jerry Leveille said he would like to bring this back.
- L. Next Pastoral Council meeting will be March 16<sup>th</sup>.
- M. Jerry Leveille closed the meeting with a prayer.
- N. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

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Scripture portrays Joseph as open to God, obedient, upright, and, above all, kind. The saint displayed all of these qualities in his handling of Mary's surprise pregnancy. Imagine the confusion of emotions that must have flooded him when Mary confided that she was going to have a baby by the Holy Spirit! But Joseph was open to God, and in a dream a divine messenger told him to take Mary home as his wife. Joseph did exactly as he was told.

Joseph understood the importance of work. He was a carpenter—a builder—and probably taught Jesus his trade. Through his work, Joseph honored the Father in heaven and continued the act of creation. He lived in dignity.

To give workers a patron, the Church turned to Joseph, who had been made the Patron of the Universal Church by Pope Pius IX in 1870 and the model for fathers of families. Joseph was named protector of workers by Pope Benedict XV, and in 1955, the feast of Saint Joseph the Worker on May 1 was proclaimed by Pius the XII.

Let us pray to Saint Joseph for his help in all our work and for those many people who want and need jobs but cannot find them.

***St. Joseph Pray for us!*** From Saint Stories at [loyolapress.com](http://loyolapress.com)

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## Rummage Sale 2022



The Christian Women Society of St. Joseph is happy to announce plans for our 2022 Rummage Sale . Donations and Set Up begin Saturday, June 11. The Sale dates are June 23, 24, 25. Once again this year the Sale will be held in the Parish Hall (School Cafeteria), Gym and tents on the east side of the building. Unfortunately we cannot sell men's and women's clothing with the exception of furs, leathers, and better coats and jackets. Donations of Designer Purses, Bikes, Framed Art, Furniture, New or Slightly Used Gifts and Collectibles are appreciated. For a list of more items we are selling watch the Church bulletins or go to the website [stjoetosa.com](http://stjoetosa.com) Events. For questions or comments contact Fran at [Dntolly@aol.com](mailto:Dntolly@aol.com) Subject: Rummage Sale or leave a phone message at the Parish Center, 414-771-4626.

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*Jen H., earns for hockey*

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<b>Name:</b>		<b>Evening Phone:</b>				order dates: 02/17 03/03 03/17 03/31			
<b>Delivery option (please circle one):</b>		<b>School folder / Parish Office</b>				deliver dates: 02/24 03/10 03/24 04/07			
<b>Child to deliver with and grade they are in:</b>									
Retailer	amount	% profit	QTY	Total \$	Retailer	amount	% profit	QTY	Total \$
Aeropostale	\$25	10.00%			Macy's	\$25/100	10.00%		
Alioto's	\$25	10.00%			Maggiano's	\$25/\$50	11.00%		
Amazon.com	\$25	2.50%			Marcus Theatres	\$25	9.00%		
American Eagle	\$25	10.00%			Marshalls/T.J. Maxx	\$25	7.00%		
Applebee's	\$25/50	8.00%			Menards	\$25	3.00%		
Arby's	\$10	8.00%			Meijer	\$25	3.00%		
Barnes & Noble	\$10/25	8.00%			<b>MURF'S</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>20.00%</b>		
Bass Pro shops	\$25	9.00%			Noodles & Company	\$10	8.00%		
Bath & Body Works	\$10	13.00%			Office Depot/Office Max	\$25	5.00%		
Best Buy	\$25	4.00%			Panera	\$10	9.00%		
<b>BP</b>	<b>\$50/100</b>	<b>1.50%</b>			Papa John's	\$10	8.00%		
Build-a-Bear workshops	\$25	8.00%			Papa Murphy's	\$10	8.00%		
<b>BUNZEL'S</b>	<b>\$20/\$50</b>	<b>10.00%</b>			Petsmart	\$25	5.00%		
Burger King	\$10	4.00%			<b>PICK 'n' SAVE/Kroger</b>	<b>\$25/100</b>	<b>4.00%</b>		
Cabela's	\$25	11.00%			<b>PIGGLY WIGGLY</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>3.00%</b>		
Cheesecake Factory	\$25	5.00%			Pizza Hut	\$10	8.00%		
Chil's/Maggiano's	\$25	11.00%			Odoba	\$25	7.00%		
Chipotle	\$10	10.00%			<b>REI</b>	\$25	8.00%		
Cousins	\$10	9.00%			<b>SENDIK'S FOOD MARKET</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>4.00%</b>		
Cracker Barrel	\$10	8.00%			Sentry	\$10/50	3.00%		
Crate and Barrel	\$25	8.00%			Subway	\$10	6.00%		
<b>CULVER'S</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>10.00%</b>			Talbots	\$25	13.00%		
Dick's Sporting Goods	\$25/\$100	8%			<b>STARBUCKS</b>	<b>\$10/25</b>	<b>7.00%</b>		
Disney	25/100/1000	3.00%			<b>TARGET</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<b>2.50%</b>		
Exxon/Mobil	\$50	1.50%			TGI Friday's	\$25	9.00%		
Foot locker	\$25	8.00%			ULTA	\$25	4.00%		
Gamestop.com	\$25	3.00%			Under Armour	\$25	11%		
GNC	\$25	8.00%			VISA Five Back Gift Card	50/100/250	1%		
Great Harvest Bread	\$10	6.00%			Walgreens	\$25/100	5.00%		
Gymboree	\$25	13.00%			Walmart/Sam's Club	\$25/100	2.50%		
Hallmark	\$25	4.00%			Wendy's	\$10	4.00%		
Hilton	\$100/\$500	2.00%			Williams-Sonoma	\$25	8.00%		
Home Depot	10/25/100/500	4.00%							
iTunes	\$15	5.00%							
J Crew	\$25	13.00%							
JC Penney	\$25	5.00%							
JoAnn Fabrics	\$25	6.00%							
<b>KOHL'S</b>	<b>10/25/50/100</b>	<b>5.00%</b>							
Kwik Trip	\$25/100	4.00%							
Land's End	\$25	16.00%							
Landry's	\$25/\$100	9.00%							
Little Caesars	\$20	8.00%							
LL Bean	\$25/100	16.00%							
Lowe's	\$25/500	4.00%							
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## Inclement Weather Closing Policies for St. Joseph's

- If Elmbrook Schools and/or Wauwatosa Schools close, St. Joe's is closed
- If St. Joseph School is closed, all daytime and all evening activities are cancelled
- If a weekday snow event falls on a Holy Day there will be Mass, even if school is closed
- If a snow event falls on a Saturday or Sunday there will be Mass. Other events may be cancelled at the director's discretion.
- All closings will be posted on TMJ4 (TV), 620 WTMJ (AM) & 94.5 (FM) as well as [tmj4.com](http://tmj4.com). You can also sign up for the TMJ4 mobile app to get closings.

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The next newsletter deadline is March 21st.  
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