

St. Joseph Parish

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December 8th, 2019 †† Second Sunday of Advent

We invite you to the Celebration of

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Sunday, December 8th

12:00 P.M. Mass

Followed by food and music

in the Parish Hall

Feast of

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Thursday, December 12th

Spanish Mass at 6:00 P.M.



Advent, Week Two

The coming of Jesus into our world brings surprises and challenges.

Like the wolf and the lamb, living together peacefully, may we prepare ourselves for the surprises that the message of Jesus will bring.

Let us pray that the Reign of God inspires us to repentance and harmony.



Those we love don't go away. They walk beside us every day.
Unseen, unheard, but always near. So loved, so missed so very dear!

John R. Peissig

March 28, 1943 — November, 2014

**St. Joseph Parish
Mass Schedule & Intentions**



Saturday, December 7

4:00 P.M. † Theresa Elizabeth See
by Mary & Kelly Schmid

Sunday, December 8

**8:00 A.M. † Living & Deceased Members
of St. Joseph Parish**

9:30 A.M. † Deacon Steve Rocchi
by Gary & Carol Williams

12:00 P.M. † Jose Amparo Castillo
(Spanish) by Rosa Castillo

Monday, December 9

8:00 A.M. †

5:30 P.M. †

Tuesday, December 10

8:00 A.M. †

Wednesday, December 11

8:00 A.M. † Dcn. Steve Rocchi
by Family

9:00 A.M. †

Thursday, December 12

8:00 A.M. † Tom Struzynski
by Fr. David

6:00 P.M. † Spanish Mass

Friday, December 13

8:00 A.M. † Agnes Greskowiak
by Fr. David

Saturday, December 14

4:00 P.M. †

Sunday, December 15

8:00 A.M. † Cas Cichonski
by Lorraine Lyttek

9:30 A.M. † Jason & Yalanda Ludtke
by Jerry & Alice Hofmaier

**12:00 P.M. Living & Deceased Members
of St. Joseph Parish**

Financial Report

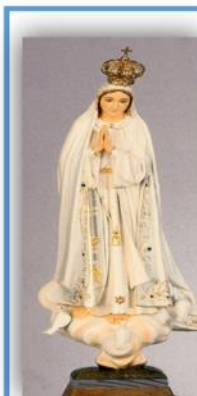
	Week Ending	Year-to-Date
Income (Actual)	12/07/2019	7/1/19-6/30/20
Envelopes	\$ 5,767.00	\$ 98,120.66
Basket	343.76	17,138.34
Other	1,010.52	41,068.88
Scrip	0.00	2,000.00
Raffle	0.00	0.00
Festival	0.00	8,432.16
Total Income	\$ 7,121.28	\$ 166,760.04
Use of other funds	8,500.00	11,700.00
EXPENSES (Actual)		
Parish Festival	0.00	7,692.99
Total Operating	14,360.89	\$ 180,674.38
Over (Under) Cash	\$ 1,260.39	\$ (9,907.33)
BUILDING & GROUNDS		
Income	\$ 1,264.43	\$ 12,114.25
Use of other funds	0.00	14,509.51
Expense	87.08	14,646.97
B&G (Under) Cash	\$ 1,177.35	\$ 11,976.79

**Congratulations to our December 3rd
Raffle Calendar Winners!**

\$60 - Fran Pribnow, Berlin
\$25 - St. Joseph Parish, Wautoma
\$25 - Dave Meier, Pine River
\$25 - St. Joseph Religious Education
\$25 - Glenn West, Wautoma
\$25 - Jayme Albert, Wautoma
\$25 - Nancy West, Wautoma

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SCRIP cards are available after all weekend Masses. Any questions or to place an order, call Jan at 622-3891. The profit since July 1, 2019 is \$1,702.76. Christmas shopping made easy—buy SCRIP cards! Orders for special cards must be made by December 15th, to be available for Christmas.



THE FATIMA STATUE

*The Fatima Statue will be
at the home of
Mary Pat Thompson
during the week
of December 8th
Please join her in your
home praying for peace,
at the request of
Our Lady of Fatima.*

**Liturgical Ministers
December 14 & 15**

Servers

4:00 P.M. Youth
8:00 A.M. Mitchell Stake
9:30 A.M. Youth
12:00 P.M. Valeria & Lupita Barcenas

Lectors

4:00 P.M. Beth Burdick
8:00 A.M. Melanie Stake & Jen Weiss
9:30 A.M. Lance & Lily Erdman

Eucharistic Ministers

4:00 P.M. (H-T) Mark Putskey
(H) Mary Pat Thompson
Jane Putskey
8:00 A.M. (H-T) Kathy Studebaker
(H) Mary Ann Nero
Ken Yeska
Patsy Koenings
Connie Huhn-Melone
Carolann Yeska
9:30 A.M. (T) Greg Palo
Juanita Strader-Palo
12:00 P.M. Cindy Loa



Hospitality Ministers

4:00 P.M. Butch & Helen Cox
Carol Rondou
Geri Harris
8:00 A.M. Harry Handel
9:30 A.M. Ed Schroeder
Dave & Jean Przekurat
Diane Leone
12:00 P.M. Lupe Cervantes
Sergio Sierra

Prayer Requests

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Mary Korleski, Jack Ratzburg, Shirley Barton, Gloria Sanchez, Kathleen O'Connell, Yolanda Cervantes, Jose Contreras, Geoffery Yeska, Holly Kallestad, Jenn Gustafson, Donna Tompkins, Jerry & Mary Ann Berkshire, Gary Russell, Maureen Fahrenholz, Dawn Tyler, Jim Wolter, Sue Strey, Denise Przekurat, Gail Trapp, Jean Unger, Ron Bollig, Paul Duquette, Dick Yeska, Marianne Rubiano, Chuck Mrkvicka.



**The Week Ahead
at St. Joseph Parish**

Monday, December 9 - Immaculate Conception

8:00 A.M. Mass
9:00 A.M. Mission Society
5:30 P.M. Mass

Tuesday, December 10

6:00 P.M. Building & Grounds
7:00 P.M. Finance Council

Wednesday, December 11

Rel. Ed. Class for all Grades
6:00 P.M. Alpha

Thursday, December 12 - Our Lady of Guadalupe

6:00 P.M. Spanish Mass

Friday, December 13

8:45 A.M. Care Ministry

Saturday, December 14

3:00 P.M. Confessions

4:00 P.M. Mass Retirement
Collection

Sunday, December 15

8:00 A.M. Mass
9:30 A.M. Mass
12:00 P.M. Mass

Readings for the Week

Monday *Gn 3:9-15, 20 / Eph 1:3-6, 11-12
Luke 1:26-38

Tuesday * Is 4:1-11 / Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday * Is 40:25-31 / Mt 11:28-30

Thursday * Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab
Lk 1:39-47

Friday * Is 48:17-19 / Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Saturday * Sir 48:1-4, 9-11 / Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday, December 15

Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10
James 5:7-10
Matthew 11:2-11



Advent Wreath Lighting

There is a sign up sheet for individuals or families to volunteer to light the Advent candles at Mass. Choose a Mass that you will be attending and sign up. Fr. David will invite you to come up and participate with the lighting of the candles at the beginning of Mass.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Every Advent, we listen to John the Baptist, as he is the prophet who helps us prepare for the coming of Christ. In today's Gospel, we hear about repentance. The word "repent" means to change one's mind. It requires a willingness to examine ourselves and admit that there are ways we need to change. As a family, think of things you can do or ways you can change so there are no obstacles between you and God.

A reminder there will be practice on Wednesdays, December 11th and 18th at 5:00 for those who will be participating in the Children's Christmas Eve Mass. If you have any questions, please call the office.

Thank you, Father David, for teaching the Compendium Class. We appreciate the time you took out of your busy schedule to share your knowledge with our catechists. The catechists always look forward to growing in their faith and sharing with their students.

Upcoming Important Events



Wednesday, December 11th

Class – all grades

5:00 Practice for Christmas Eve

Wednesday, December 18th

Class for all grades

5:00 Practice for Christmas Eve Mass

6:00 Confirmation Students - Red Kettle Campaign

Tuesday, December 24th

Christmas Eve Mass at 4:00 P.M.

Blessings,

Therese Kasuboski

Coordinator of Religious Education, 1-5

Paula Caswell

Coordinator of Religious Education, 6-11

Nest weekend, our parish will take the **Retirement Collection**. This will be to benefit two groups of people who have served us faithfully. We will have the opportunity to give to the National Retirement Fund for Religious, which helps our retired sisters, brothers and religious order priests. We also have an opportunity to give to the retirement needs of the senior priests in the Diocese of Green Bay. You may donate to both of these groups, or just one. Please use the envelope provided in this bulletin or in the Gathering Space.

In the Diocese of Green Bay about 106 senior priests are receiving retirement benefits. Let's "Share in the Care" of these people in their elder years. Thank you for your generosity!

There will not be a "Mission Ladies" Sale before Christmas, this year. However, we will take orders for items. Just let the office know. Thank you for your generous support.

Anointing of the Sick

Next weekend (14/15 Dec) we will offer the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick after the Masses for anyone who has a need to receive it.



Fresh Bakery Orders

Innish Wall, a 13-year-old parishioner, has created his own small business called "Saint Augustine's Bakery." If you would like to place an order with him for some Christmas goodies we have order forms in the parish office. Thank you.

2019 Community Thanksgiving Dinner

Kathy House and Helen Cox once again thank all the volunteers who helped in any way with the dinner. Can't have a dinner without turkeys and hams so thanks to those who donated the meat. To those who donated money to help defray the cost of the meal, thanks. To those who baked pies, desserts and donated other foods, thank you. To those who helped on Tuesday to cook the turkeys & dressing, on Wednesday to set up tables and on Thursday to warm up food, cut pies, stir squash, serve the food and serve coffee and snacks, and do the dishes!! THANK YOU. Again we served over 200 meals which included deliveries and take outs. Although it was hectic at times, it was worth it. Hopefully those who came, will join us next year and bring their friends and family.



The Ministry of Altar Servers

Here at St. Joseph Parish we are making a concerted effort to attract more young people, particularly boys and teens, to the ministry of Altar Serving. We hope we can be successful in doing so because it is such an important ministry; and so we are running articles in the bulletin regarding Altar Serving. This one is continuation of an article titled: ***“Represent the Angels & Saints”: The Heavenly Role of an Altar Server, According to this Parish Priest,*** by Fr. Dwight Longenecker, dated 28 January 2019 on the ChurchPOP website. *This article originally appeared on Fr. Dwight Longenecker’s blog.*



What I Tell My Altar Servers

First of all, when we come into church, we immediately put on the cassock (or alb). These are your working clothes. We will serve in the Lord’s temple wearing the cassock and be like the boy Samuel who served in the temple of God with simplicity and goodness.

When you move in the house of God, do so with simple solemnity. Not po-faced and pious, but also not silly and jokey. Just go about your business — remembering that you are in the house of God, a serious place for a serious business.

As you light the candles, set out the books, and prepare for Mass, remember that the people in the pews are watching you. Your reverence and care and love for what you do will be communicated to them and help them to pray...

When you process into church, remember that you are leading the whole people of God into the presence of God. Our little procession hearkens back to the procession of David and the priests up into the holy city of Zion. The cross will be lifted high, and you will walk with a solemn and stately posture, for you are leading all of us into the presence of the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Know where you are going, and move there with the grace of a child and the dignity of a prince. Where you go, we will follow.

As you sit in the sanctuary, remember that actions speak louder than words. You may not have many tasks to do, but did you know that they also serve who only stand and wait? Simply by your presence, your reverence, your listening to the Word of God with an attentive ear, you will help to lead the worship and encourage those who see you.

When you have a task to do, do it with simplicity and confidence, as befits a servant of the King. Remember: If you are sloppy and casual in your attitude and your posture, that will be communicated. It will distract people from Christ toward you, and the Mass is not about you any more than it is about me, the priest.

Remember that what we do at Mass is the most important thing in your life. Everything else comes after that. Seek first the kingdom of God, and everything else will be added to you.



Here at Mass, you are seeing that beauty, truth, and love are the three most important treasures on earth, and they are three things you cannot buy. Furthermore, while they are most precious, they are also (from a human point of view) most worthless. What you are doing here when you serve at Mass is not a useful thing. There is no payment. There is no reward — **except the reward of knowing that your heart is right with God, and that you have spent an hour on the threshold of heaven.** And if you have learned how to do that, then throughout your life, whatever else happens, you will be most richly blessed.

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

8 December is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, the Patronal Feastday of the United States. Since it falls on a Sunday this year, its observance has been transferred to Monday, 9 December.

Our Mass schedule for that day will be 8:00 A.M. and 5:30 P.M.



El Ministerio de Monaguillos

Aquí, en la Parroquia de San José, estamos haciendo un esfuerzo concertado para atraer a más jóvenes, en particular niños y adolescentes, al ministerio de Monaguillos. Esperamos que podamos tener éxito en hacerlo porque es un ministerio tan importante; y por lo que estamos presentando una serie de artículos en el boletín sobre Servicio de Altar. Esta es la continuación de un artículo titulado: **"Representar a los Ángeles & Santos": El Papel Celestial de un Monaguillo, Según este Sacerdote Parroquial'**, por el Padre Dwight Longenecker, fechado el 28 de enero de 2019 en el sitio web de ChurchPOP. *Este artículo apareció originalmente en el blog del Padre Dwight Longenecker.*

Lo que le Digo a Mis Monaguillos

En primer lugar, cuando entramos en la iglesia, inmediatamente nos ponemos la sotana (o alb). Esta es tu ropa de trabajo. Serviremos en el templo del Señor usando la sotana y seremos como el niño Samuel que sirvió en el templo de Dios con sencillez y bondad.

Cuando te muevas en la casa de Dios, hazlo con solemnidad simple. No con cara de po y piadoso, pero también no tonto y bromista. Sólo tienes que ir por tu negocio, recordando que estás en la casa de Dios, un lugar serio para un negocio serio.

Al encender las velas, poner los libros y prepararse para la misa, recuerde que la gente en los bancos te está observando. Su reverencia, cuidado y amor por lo que hagan será comunicado con ellos y les ayudará a orar...

Cuando procesen en la iglesia, recuerden que están llevando a todo el pueblo de Dios a la presencia de Dios. Nuestra pequeña procesión se remonta a la procesión de David y de los sacerdotes hasta la ciudad santa de Sión. La cruz será elevada, y caminaréis con una postura solemne y señorial, porque nos estás guiando a todos a la presencia del Rey de Reyes y señor de los Señores. Saber a dónde vas, y mudarte allí con la gracia de un niño y la dignidad de un príncipe. Donde tú vayas, te seguiremos.

Mientras te sientes en el santuario, recuerda que las acciones hablan más fuerte que las palabras. Puede que no tengas muchas tareas que hacer, pero ¿sabías que también sirven a los que sólo están de pie y esperan? Simplemente por tu presencia, tu reverencia, tu escucha a la Palabra de Dios con un oído atento, ayudarás a dirigir la adoración y alentarás a aquellos que te vean.

Cuando tengas una tarea que hacer, hazlo con sencillez y confianza, como corresponde a un siervo del Rey. Recuerda: Si eres descuidado y casual en tu actitud y tu postura, eso será comunicado. Distráera a la gente de Cristo hacia ustedes, y la Misa no se trata de ustedes más de lo que se trata de mí, el sacerdote.

Recuerda que lo que hacemos en la misa es lo más importante en tu vida. Todo lo demás viene después de eso. Busca primero el reino de Dios, y todo lo demás será añadido a ti.

Aquí en la Misa, están viendo que la belleza, la verdad y el amor son los tres tesoros más importantes de la tierra, y son tres cosas que no se pueden comprar. Además, aunque son más preciados, también son (desde el punto de vista humano) más inútiles. Lo que estás haciendo aquí cuando sirves en la Misa no es algo útil. No hay pago. No hay recompensa—excepto la recompensa de saber que tu corazón está bien con Dios, y que has pasado una hora en el umbral del cielo. Y si has aprendido a hacer eso, entonces a lo largo de tu vida, pase lo que pase, serás más ricamente bendecido.

Unción de los Enfermos

El próximo fin de semana (14/15 de diciembre) ofreceremos el Sacramento de la Unción de los Enfermos después de las Misas para cualquiera que tenga la necesidad de recibirlo.



Las Posadas

Celebraremos Las Posadas del 16 al 23 de diciembre a las 6:00 p.m. en la iglesia. Si usted desea patrocinar una de las Posadas por favor ponga su nombre y número de teléfono en la hoja de registro en el Espacio de Reunión. Gracias.





Sarah Leikness Schmitz, Mark Putskey, Michael Leikness, Ryan Reetz, Nikki Bauknecht

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St. Joseph Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00PM

Sunday 8:00AM 9:30AM Spanish 12:00PM

HERE ARE THE CURRENT SCHEDULED COVER SPONSORSHIP DATES

December 15, 2019	TAKEN	January 12, 2020	OPEN
December 22, 2019	OPEN	January 19, 2020	OPEN
December 29, 2019	OPEN	January 26, 2020	OPEN
January 5, 2020	OPEN	February 2, 2020	OPEN

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