
St. Joseph Church

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Confession

Saturday 4:00-4:30 PM

Prayer Chain

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Pastoral Council

Susan Clark, Chair,

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Masses: March 31-April 5

Tuesday 12:05 pm No Mass

Wednesday 7:30 am No Mass

Thursday 7:00 pm Sue & Tony King

Friday 7:00 pm Good Friday

Saturday 8:00 pm St. Joseph/John Parishes

Sunday 10:00 am Hugh Miller

April 4, 8:00 PM

Lector – Robin & Tony Embry

Server- Hannah Young, Ethan Pierce

Communion - C) Judy Warren

C) Barbara Allen

H) Sharon Smart

Ushers – Danny Allen/Jerry Clemons

Greeters – Mary Decker/Betty Johnston

Gifts –Monica/David Riley Family

Music – Meredyth Lee

April 5, 10:00 AM

Lector – Melanie Crawford

Server – Megan & Gabriel Mudd

Communion - C) Linda Clark

C) Eddie Clemons

H) Laquita Clemons

Ushers – Scott Samuels, David Clemons

Greeters- Betty/LaMont Miller

Gifts – Wade Lashley Family

Music – Bethany Kannapel

Stewardship of Finance

Last Sunday's Collection \$ 2939.50

Children \$ 22.00

Money Counter next week: Jackie Richardson

St. John Church

430 St. John Church Rd.
Sunfish, KY 42210

Website: stjohnch.org

St. John's Prayer List

Lyla Abel, Audrey Burke, Margaret Clark, Jack Coop, Judy Dombrowski, Anna Durbin, James Durbin, Kenny Durbin, Margie Durbin, Catherine Duvall, Leonard Duvall, Doug Farmer, Kevin Hayes, Pamela Hughes, Betty Jennings, Juanita Logsdon, James Pierce, Olen Raymer, Leonard Simon, **Linda Simon**, Maggie Simon, **Ann Vincent**

This Week at St. John:

Sun	9:00 am	5 th Sunday Breakfast
	2:00 pm	Penance Service at St. Joseph
THU	4:00 pm	Confessions
	5:00 PM	<u>HOLY THURSDAY MASS</u>
FRI	4:00 pm	Confessions
	5:00 PM	<u>GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE</u>
SUN	8:00 AM	<u>EASTER SUNDAY</u>
	9:00 am	Easter Egg Hunt and Coffee & Donuts

St. John's Thrift Store:

301 N Main St. in Brownsville
Open 9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Closed Sunday and Wednesday
270-286-0091

*The Thrift Store will be closed on
Saturday, April 4, 2015 for Easter.

Pastoral Council

Margaret Clark, Chair	Dick Dyche
Nancy Farmer, Secretary	Joe Durbin
Barbara Fitzhugh	Margie Durbin
Tom Pohlman, V. Chair	

April 5, 2015, 8:00 AM

Lector- John Gay
Server- Dwayne Fitzhugh
Communion- Peggy Hayes, Chris Wolfe
Sue Kalbfleisch
Usher- Joe Durbin, Jim Sims
Gifts- Dennis & Shelia Durbin
Music – Jeremiah Bush-Barbara Fitzhugh

Wednesday, 4/1/15-No Mass
Thursday, 4/2/15-5:00 pm- Margie Durbin
Friday, 4/3/15 -5:00 pm
Sunday 3/29/2015-Jerome (Jake) Logsdon

Last Sunday's Collection	\$ 412.41
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BIRTHDAY -

James D. Durbin	03/29
76th birthday, today, March 29. He is living at Edmonson Care & Rehabilitation Center in Brownsville	

Judy Dombrowski	04/02
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Message: The message this week is simply to do the suggested homework below.

Homework:

1. Read Psalm 22; Isaiah 53 and Mark 14 and 15
2. Come to church Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil or Easter Sunday.

This Week at St. Joseph:

Sun	2:00 pm	Penance Service at St. Joseph
Tue	3:00 pm	Divine Mercy Devotion
Wed	12:00 pm	Confessions
	6:00 pm	Confessions
<u>THU</u>	<u>7:00 PM</u>	<u>HOLY THURSDAY MASS</u>
<u>FRI</u>	<u>7:00 PM</u>	<u>GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE</u>
<u>SAT</u>	<u>8:00 PM</u>	<u>EASTER VIGIL</u>
SUN	10 AM	EASTER SUNDAY MASS

April:

11	9:30 am	Altar Society
	6:30 pm	Youth Group
14	6:00 pm	Maintenance Committee
16	6:00 pm	Finance Committee
21	6:00 pm	Picnic Committee
23	6:00 pm	Pastoral Council
28	6:00 pm	Cemetery Committee

Confessions: We are having our communal penance service today, Sunday, March 29 at 2:00 pm here at St. Joseph. Extra confession times this week will be on Wednesday, April 1 from 12:00 pm until 1:00 pm and from 6:00 pm until 7:00 pm at St. Joseph and at 4:00 pm on Holy Thursday and Good Friday at St. John.

Holy Week at St. Joseph:

Holy Thursday 7 pm

Mass of the Lord's Supper

Lector: Harold Rhodes

Server: Megan & Lydia Mudd

EM: C) Ann Marshall

C) Brittany Mattingly

H) Laquita Clemons

U: David/Eddie Clemons

Greeter: Jackie Richardson

Gifts: Sharon Smart/Betty Johnston

Music: Bethany Kannapel

Good Friday 7 pm

Good Friday Service

Lector: Narrator: Kim Pennington

Voice: T.J. Dennison

Server: Sarah Young, Nate Pennington

EM: H) Kim Smith

U: Barbara Allen/Jackie Richardson

Greeter: Ernie Johnston/Sharon Smart

Music: Bethany Kannapel

Community Cross Walk: On Good Friday, April 3, you are invited to join other Christians as we journey around the court square in Leitchfield. We will begin at 11:30 am at the United Methodist Church. Come join us as we witness to our faith.

Second Collection: Virginia "Dee" Stony a parishioner from St. Joseph Parish died and was buried in our cemetery on March 17. She had no means to pay for her funeral so the parish paid the \$3,243.00 bill. We are asking our parishioners to help us in the corporal work of mercy. Next weekend, March 28-29, we will be taking up a second collection to help offset the cost.

St. Joseph Prayer List

Delores Alvey, Nellie Alvey, Wayne Alvey, Abby Beeler, Margaret Beckner, Art. Bitsky, Arlene Bitsky, Jim & Jean Charbonneau, Corey Clark, Edmund Collard, Owen Cottrell, Anna Critchelow, Mary Decker, Donald and Mary Lou Durham, Delbert and Rose Durham, Jenny Ann Alvey-Edmonds, Draven Fentress, Maureen Gatto Sr., Cecil Higdon, Sr. Rose Karen, Rachel Kiper, Darlene Kolter, Bobby McDaniel, Bruce Meredith, Margie Meredith, Homer Milliner, Wanda Pierce, Glen Schofield, Betty Stone, John J. Sweigert, All law enforcement and emergency responders. For those serving in the military.

HOMEBOUND LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Nursing Home	SCHEDULE	Homebound
Mike Boone	3/22-3/28	Susie & Jed
Alice Begay	3/29-4/4	Jed Johnston
Carolyn/Bev	4/5- 4/11	Bev/Carolyn
Jim Marshall	4/12-4/18	Delores Alvey
Kim Smith	4/19-4/25	Jim Alvey
Mike Boone	4/26-5/2	Jed Johnston



Attention All Liturgical

Ministers- *Please* pick up you schedules in the vestibule of Church.



Order Your St. Joseph T-Shirt

TODAY! Only \$10

We are taking order for a new blue t-shirt for our parish. We will only be taking orders up to April 15. All sizes are \$10 and payment is due at the time you place your order. We hope that everyone will wear them for our picnic, June 6th.

BIRTHDAYS

Jed Johnston	4/03
Tim Logsdon	4/05
Raiden Warf	4/06
Patricia Boone	4/07

ANNIVERSARIES

Tommy & Tina Higdon	4/01
Tony & Sue King	4/02
Murrell & Jackie Richardson	4/04
Chip & Kim Smith	4/05

St. Paul School

*Many thanks to all those who attended and helped with the St. Joseph Brunch to benefit the school.

*We are grateful to St. Anthony Church for inviting our St. Paul School Choir to sing for Mass this past Sunday.

*Little Caesar's Pizza Kits Sale ends April 1.

*The next SCRIP order will be April 6.

*Many thanks to Mr. & Mrs. Henning for choosing our school to be the recipient of the \$2500 grant from the Monsanto Group-America's Farmers Grow Communities.

Please keep the family of **Regina Meredith** in your prayers. She is the mother of Gigi and a member of St. Joseph Parish.

Condolences to the family of Alice Begay as we pray for her nephew who died this week.

Divine Mercy Holy Hour on Sunday
April 12th at 3:00 PM at St. Elizabeth

REFLECTIONS ON TODAY'S READINGS:

Isaiah 50:4-7: If you have ever experienced injustice or rejection, you understand the feelings expressed in this first reading. The one who is speaking is the Suffering Servant of God. It is easy for us as Christians to identify this servant with Jesus. When he was made to suffer, despite his innocence he did not rebel or seek revenge against his enemies. He trusted that God was at his side and knew that he would "not be put to shame." On this Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, we honor the Suffering Servant who laid down his life for us.

Philippians 2:6-11: This reading is a hymn to Jesus Christ that serves as a preview of the events of Holy Week. It describes how the Son of God "emptied himself" of divine glory and became human like all of us. Out of love and obedience, he accepted his own death on a cross. Because Jesus humbled himself and did not cling to any of his special privileges as God's Son, he was glorified by his heavenly Father. We are called to have the same attitude of humility and obedience as Christ had.

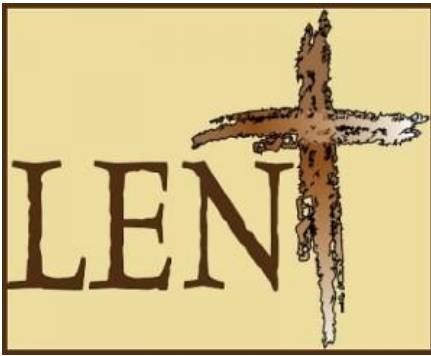
Mark 14 & 15: This Palm Sunday reading of the Passion of the Lord is taken from Mark's Gospel. It was the first written account of how Jesus suffered and died. It is also the shortest version of the Passion and is written almost like a newspaper story that presents "just the facts." The most important truth Mark wants to communicate is that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, whose suffering leads to glory. When Jesus cries out from the cross, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" (Psalm 22:1), he is praying in the words of the psalmist who continues to trust God even when all seems hopeless. As we read or listen to the Passion, we try to unite ourselves with Jesus and all those who suffer injustice in today's world.

The Church Needs You: We need the Church—and the Church needs us. We are the Church. So when you don't show up, something is missing. When you don't show up, the Church can't fulfill its mission. People need community. We need people to do life with, others who can encourage and challenge us. We need others to live for so we don't get swallowed up by our own selfishness.

Why Did God Make You: "God made me to know him, to love him, and to serve him in this world, and to be happy with him forever in the next."

A View of Suffering: Suffering is the enemy of the average American. In America, Christians pray for the burden of suffering to be lifted from their backs. In the rest of the world Christians pray for stronger backs so they can bear their suffering. It's why we look away from the bag lady on the street and to the displays in store windows. Why we prefer going to the movies instead of to hospitals and nursing homes.

Seeking Input: In preparation for a Diocese of Owensboro Pastoral Plan, Bishop Medley seeks your input and invites your participation at the first of three rounds of Broad Consultation Sessions to be held across the diocese. Your input will be conveyed to Bishop Medley in a report submitted by the Steering Committee at the conclusion of all consultation sessions. The First Round of Broad Consultation Session will be held Sunday, April 12 from 1:30 – 3:30 pm at St. Joseph Parish Hall.



The Blessing and Procession of Palms: In Mark's account of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem a donkey plays a central role. It was the custom for pilgrims to enter Jerusalem on foot. Only great kings and rulers would "ride" into the city - and usually on great horses. Jesus, the King of the New Jerusalem, chooses to ride into the city - but not on a majestic stallion but on the back of a young beast of burden. By being led through the city on the back of a lowly, submissive donkey, Jesus comes as a King whose rule is not about being served but giving generous and selfless service to others; his kingdom is not built on might but on compassion.

The Day Jesus Showed Up: There is a story about a little boy who was sick. It was Palm Sunday and the children waved palm branches to open the service. But the boy stayed home from church with his mother. His father returned from church holding a palm branch. The little boy was curious and asked, "Why do we wave palm branches on Palm Sunday, Dad, and why do we call it Palm Sunday?" "You see," his Dad explained, "when Jesus came into town, everyone waved palm branches to honor him, so we got palm branches in the worship service today." The little boy replied, "Aw, Shucks! The one Sunday I miss is the Sunday that Jesus shows up."

See You At Church: Attend our church services together as a family on Holy Thursday and on Good Friday. On Thursday, the Church recalls the Last Supper and Jesus' gift of his Body and Blood. On Friday, parishes hold services to celebrate the Passion of the Lord. On Holy Saturday, pray for those who will be received into the Catholic Church during the Easter Vigil.

Local Catholic Holy Week Services

Holy Thursday-Mass of the Lord's Supper

St. John	5:00 PM
St. Benedict	6:00 PM
St. Paul	6:00 PM
St. Joseph	7:00 PM

Good Friday Service

St. Elizabeth	3:00 PM
St. Anthony	3:00 PM
St. John	5:00 pm
St. Paul	6:00 PM
St. Augustine	6:00 PM
St. Joseph	7:00 PM

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil

St. Augustine	8:00 PM
St. Elizabeth	8:00 PM
St. Joseph	8:00 PM

Easter Sunday Mass

St. Elizabeth	8:00 AM
St. John	8:00 AM
St. Joseph	10:00 AM