
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,

Billy Dallas,

Sharon Smart V. Chair,

David Clemons,

Tim Nelson

Phyllis Payne, Secretary

Finance Council

Charles Corbett. Beverly Harrison, Ben Hodges, Chair

Masses: April 21-April 26

Tuesday 12:05 pm Sr. Jean Peak

Wednesday 7:30 am Melvie Clemons

Thursday 12.05 pm Marian Korl

Friday 7:30 am Alfonza & Harriett Newton

Saturday 5:00 pm Regina Meredith

Sunday 10:00 am Carole Petrocelli

April 25, 5:00 PM

Lector – Harold Rhodes

Server- Ethan Pierce

Communion - C) Susan Rhodes

C) Jim Marshall

H) Judy Warren

Ushers – Jackie Richardson/Jerry Clemons

Greeters – Joyce Green/Betty Johnston

Gifts –William/Spilman Families

Music – Bethany Kannapel

April 26, 10:00 AM

Lector – Rhonda Nelson

Server – Gabriel Mudd, Lydia Mudd

Communion - C) Linda Borland

C) Linda Clark

H) Eddie Clemons

Ushers – David Clemons/Scott Samuels

Greeters- Rick/Frankie Smith

Gifts – Tim Nelson Family

Music – Bethany Kannapel

Stewardship of Finance

Last Sunday's Collection \$ 2973.00

Cemetery 540.00

Youth 147.00

Money Counter next week: Dian Cecil

Remarkable: Eight of our youth and eight of our children contributed a total of \$147.00 over the past two weeks. How remarkable is that. May God bless their generosity!!!

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, Dorothy Fredrick, Kevin Hayes, Pamela Hughes, Betty Jennings, Juanita Logsdon, James Pierce, Olen Raymer, Leonard Simon, **Linda Simon**, Maggie Simon, **Ann Vincent**, **Grey Vincent**.

This Week at St. John:

Wed 5:00 pm Mass
Sun 8:00 am Mass

UPCOMING

May:

3 9:00 AM Coffee and Donuts
6 3:30 pm Pastoral Council
10 9:00 am Mother's Day Breakfast

Volunteers Needed: St. John's Thrift Store in Brownsville is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. For more information contact Barbara at 246-1252.

Welcome: We were happy to celebrate with Brandon Hayes the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion and Madelyn Highsmith's First Holy Communion on Easter Sunday. Congratulations to both of them.

Pastoral Council

Dick Dyche
Nancy Farmer, Secretary
Tom Pohlman, V. Chair

Joe Durbin
Barbara Fitzhugh

Pastoral Council Nominations: We will accept nominations until next Sunday, April 26 to select two women to serve of our parish pastoral council. Drop their names in the box at the back of the church. On May 3 at Mass I will draw out the names of two women to serve on our pastoral council.

BIRTHDAYS

Wes Younguist	4/28
Catherine Duvall	4/30

April 26, 2015, 8:00 AM

Lector- Chris Wolfe
Server- Dick Dyche
Communion- John Gay, Peggy Hayes,
Dwayne Fitzhugh
Usher- Bill Duvall / Dwayne Fitzhugh
Gifts- Joe Durbin & Paula Wilson
Music - Jeremiah Bush-Barbara Fitzhugh

Wednesday, 4/22/15-Bob Clark
Sunday 4/26/2015-Sts. John & Joseph Parishes

Last Sunday's Collection	\$ 475.00
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Message: The author of life is more powerful than death.

Homework: Tell someone this week why you go to church.

This Week at St. Joseph:

Tue	3:00 pm	Divine Mercy Devotion
	6:00 pm	<u>Picnic Committee</u>
Wed	5:30 pm	Religious Ed
	6:00 pm	First Communion Practice
Thu	6:00 pm	Pastoral Council
Sun	1:00 pm	First Communion Mass

UPCOMING

April:

28 6:00 pm Cemetery Committee

May:

1 8:00 am Eucharist Adoration
5:00 pm Benediction

Picnic Meeting: Our annual church picnic is only seven weeks away. We will be having a meeting this Tuesday, April 21 at 6:00 pm in the parish hall. This will be an important meeting as we begin to finalize our planning. Please make every effort to attend so that we may have our Best Picnic Ever.

Second Collection: On the weekend of May 2-3 we will be taking up a second collection to help pay for two extraordinary expenses. We had all the floors in the parish hall building and the church stripped and waxed at a cost of \$2,500.00 and we have had the parish hall repainted at a cost of \$1,200 plus the cost of the paint. Thank you in advance for your generosity in helping us pay for these maintenance items.

Secretary's Week: Next week would be a good time to thank Joanne Deweese for all the work she does for our parish. We are blessed by her dedication and gracious service.

Pastoral Council Nominations: We will be accepting nominations for our parish pastoral council until May 17. One the weekend of May 30-31 we will selecting one man and one woman who will both serve a three year term. Please put the names of those you would like to nominate in the collection basket.

St. Joseph T-Shirts: We sold 174 shirts and have around 25 business who have made donations toward our picnic.

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, **Susan Rhodes**, 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
Jim Marshall	4/12-4/18	Delores Alvey
Kim Smith	4/19-4/25	Jim Alvey
Mike Boone	4/26-5/2	Jed Johnston
Alice Begay	5/3-5/9	Jed Johnston
Jim Marshall	5/10-5/16	Bev/Carolyn
Father Babu	5/17-5/23	Delores Alvey

BIRTHDAYS

Caroline Hodges	4/21
Diane Lee	4/21
Knox Allen	4/22
Melvie Clemons	4/22
Minor Messenger	4/22
Dennis Hall	4/23
Helen Butler	4/24
Daniel Horn	4/26
Sandy Johnston	4/26

Welcome: We were happy to celebrate with Jeff "Tinker" Wilson and Felicia Stone the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion on Holy Saturday Night. We also celebrated Bryan and Rita's newborn son Brycen and his brother Blaine Aubrey Baptisms and Blaine's First Communion on Easter Sunday Morning. Congratulations to all of you.

Volunteers Needed: St. John's Thrift Store in Brownsville is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. For more information contact Barbara at 246-1252.

Pastor's Visit: I would enjoy visiting you in your home for a little while, however, it probably won't happen unless we schedule a day and time. I hardly ever turn down a cup of coffee, a glass of wine, a beer or a meal.

Excited About Our Faith: If you have not listened to or watched Matthew Kelly talk on *The Seven Pillars of Catholic Spirituality*, I urge you to do so. We need to wake up this sleeping giant, our Catholic Church. We have so much to offer the world which is much need of hearing the Good News. Audio (blue) cds and video (yellow) dvds are available in the back of church. **Let's Get Fired Up!**

SAINT JOSEPH

!! Picnic News !!

Saturday, June 6




Raffle tickets are here ! Please be sure and take a bundle of 5 tickets each. They are \$5.00 per ticket. The prizes are:

1 st	\$ 1500.00
2 nd	\$ 750.00
3 rd	\$ 250.00

We are only selling 1500 so get yours today !

Are you interested in working with the Silent

Auction  at the picnic? Benefits...you're your own boss. You are inside where it is cool during the picnic. You get to be the first to swoon over the items for sale. Win/win situation. Call the Parish Office @270-259-3028 to volunteer.



Speaking of the Silent Auction....

We need items to sale ! This is the perfect time to discard all those valuables you no longer use.

We've all heard that "it takes a village". We're asking our parish village to pitch in for the picnic. The items we'll need per family are:

- 2 Cakes (The cake ladies have asked us to mark the cake "cake booth" or "serve".
- 2 Pies
- 5 lbs. of boiled potatoes, diced and cooled (we need these early Saturday morning.)
- Powdered lemonade
- 2-2 liter sodas (Prizes for cola toss game)
- Jars with surprises inside for the jar booth.



When the "game" plans are finalized the sign-up sheets will be handed out. Keep looking out for them.

Games

Bar-B-Q

Band-Graffiti Layne

Food Court

Silent Auction

BLOW UPS FAMILY

Friends

REFLECTIONS ON TODAY'S READINGS:

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19: If you have ever made a serious mistake out of ignorance, you will have some idea how the people in today's reading felt when they heard Peter's speech. It was shortly after Jesus' death and resurrection. Peter wanted them to understand that they had disowned their own Messiah when they insisted that Pilate release Barabbas rather than Jesus. They did not expect a suffering Messiah. So they "put to death the Author of Life." But now they have an opportunity to recognize the truth about Jesus and accept him as the Savior sent by God. Peter urges them to reform their lives and turn back to God.

1 John 2:1-5a: In past ages, it was common for parents and grandparents to write letters of advice and encouragement to their children. Today's reading is from a letter of John to his spiritual children, the Christian community. The letter assures us that even when we sin, Jesus continues to love us. He intercedes for us with the Father. And the Father hears Jesus' prayer because Jesus gave his life as a sacrifice to take away the sins of the world. If we live by John's advice, we will show our love for God by keeping his commandments. We will forgive others as we have been forgiven.

Luke 24:35-48: This reading from Luke's Gospel could be called "The Ghost Story That Wasn't." Two disciples who had just met the risen Jesus on the road are telling their story to the other disciples. Then right in the middle of their story, Jesus appears and says, "Peace be with you." The frightened disciples think they are seeing a ghost. Jesus has to show them his wounds and even eat a piece of fish to prove that he is real. The good news is so good that the disciples find it hard to believe at first. Because they are still not sure what to make of him, Jesus explains how he has fulfilled the Scriptures by his suffering, death and resurrection. In his name, they will go out to preach repentance and forgiveness of sins for all people.

Church Attendance: In the April 16 issue of The Record I saw a surprising poll. The results of the online poll of the question of the week, "Did you attend an Easter service?" was 33% Yes and 67% No. Now I know that this is not a scientific study but on the holiest Sunday of the year it struck me as sad to see such a statistic. It is also why I keep assigning as homework to **invite someone to church** because there are a lot of people who don't come.

Best Birthday Ever! I can honestly say that I had the best birthday ever this year. I had a surprise party last Saturday after Mass and it was only after Mass that I realized that Amanda Roberts had put "Happy Birthday Fr. Tony" on the outside church sign. Then I had a second surprise party at St. John's this past Wednesday after Mass. I am so grateful to all who planned these events, for all the well wishes, cards, emails, facebook messages, phone calls, cakes and other very generous gifts. I am so blessed to be pastor here at St. Joseph and St. John. You have been too good to me and I thank you.

Community Women's Conference: The Grayson County Baptist Associational Women on Mission Groups will host their annual Ladies Day Christian Conference on Saturday, April 25 at Leitchfield First Baptist Life Center. The day begins at 8 a.m. with check-in/fellowship and morning snacks. The program is 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. with singing, workshops, lunch. This event is FREE to ALL ladies. Call Brenda at 270-230-3015