

ST. JOSEPH

PARISH

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*To grow in the love and knowledge of Christ
through worship, education and service to others.*

~ Parish Mission Statement

PARISH OFFICE

Office Hours

Monday-Thursday: 9 am - 4 pm

Friday: 9 am - 2 pm

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Email: sjoffice@mhtc.net

Business/Office Manager

Renee Roycraft

MASS SCHEDULE

Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri.: 8:15 am

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday Masses: 8:00 & 10:00 am

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL PRE-SCHOOL OFFICE

305 E. Walnut

Phone: 608-930-3392 x4

Email: stjoseph@mhtc.net

Principal: Sharon Wimer

ST. JOSEPH DAY CARE

310 S. Ellwood

Phone: 608-930-3392 x6

Director: Peggy O'Flaherty

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

(confessions)

Saturday: 4:15 pm or other times by appointment

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Children:

Parishioners seeking to have a child baptized are asked to contact the Parish Office for information about Baptismal Preparation and scheduling. Baptisms will be held after the 5 pm mass on Saturday and the 10:00 am mass on Sunday, or during any Mass.

Adults:

Adults seeking full membership in the Catholic Church through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist are welcome to contact the Parish Office for information on the RCIA program.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

(Marriage)

Parishioners preparing for marriage should contact the priest at least ten months in advance of celebrating the sacrament.

DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Written announcements for the bulletin are to be submitted to the Parish Office no later than Tuesday of each week.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

All Catholic adults 21 years or older, who regularly participate in the liturgy at St. Joseph should consider becoming registered members. We would be happy to have you join our parish family. To register and for more information call the Parish Office (930-3392).

WILLS AND BEQUESTS

Please consider the needs of our parish and school. The Corporate title is: St. Joseph Congregation Dodgeville, WI



"For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." - Lk 2:11-12

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December 25, 2011 ·
CHRISTMAS: NATIVITY OF THE LORD

From Father Pat

My prayer this Christmas season, which starts this weekend, is that each and every one of you will receive the love of God throughout your lives. I pray you will see the love of Jesus in everyone you meet. I pray that God's love will strengthen you in every trial in this upcoming year. I pray you will spread God's love wherever you go. I pray in thanksgiving for all of you.

*May God Bless You Always,
Fr. Pat*

"God So Loved The World"

Christmas means Emmanuel, God with us. And that till the end of times.

It is the unfolding of the everlasting love with which God loved us. It is God making Himself a gift to us. In return, He bids us to abide in His love.

It is the first and greatest Commandment, the love of God and good will to men. In loving God I love myself most wisely, most fully, and most purely. Because He is the center of my being, the fountain of my life, and the source of my well-being, contentment, satisfaction, and happiness. As I understand His boundless goodness, wisdom, power, and love for me, I can more easily prefer His will for me.

I know I am not created for naught. God has committed to me some work, given me a mission which He has not committed to another.

I shall be fulfilling that mission, doing His work, and therefore, doing good, as long as I do His commandments. Therefore, I trust Him. I know I can never be thrown away, whatever, wherever I am...

As my appreciation of God deepens, my heart will over flow with gratitude. I shall have a stronger desire to express my love through prayers, good will, and service to my fellow men.

FATHER JACOB KALAYIL

From the Principal

CHRISTMAS WISHES

On behalf of the students and staff we wish everyone a blessed Christmas and hope the Christ Child brings you a safe, healthy, and happy 2012! We thank you for all that you do to make St. Joseph School a reality in our parish!

THANKS, EVERYONE!!!

Thanks to all who purchased, sold, or helped with the fruit/cheese/sausage distribution. We were able to get orders ready for delivery in record time with the help of many great volunteers and some energetic 7th and 8th grade students. Thanks, also, to Mrs. Heim and Ms. Stanek-Noble for their help!

CHRISTMAS DVDs

Thanks, also, to all who attended either of our Christmas programs. We appreciate the support! There will be DVDs of both performances available for purchase. The cost is \$12/set. Money needs to come in with the order. Just stop and give the order at the SCRIP table or send the money to school.

Our New York visitor, Hank Fellows, was amazed at our attendance and was at both performances. His song, "The Spirit of America", was perfect for the anniversary year of the New York attack on the twin towers. And the students loved the time he spent talking with them!

SCRIP CHANGES

Beginning January 1st, we will be adding some new options to our SCRIP program. Parishioners will be able to order online, and if you choose, set up a Presto-Pay account that would debit directly from your checking account. Then some SCRIP certificates could also be printed at home. We will also continue to sell at weekend Masses and at school, so that will not change. We are going to try to expand the program for six months to see if it is worthwhile to continue these changes into next year.



KC's Corner

Grand Knight: Jack Hughes
Telephone: 608-935-3227
Next KC Meeting at St. Joe's School
Thursday, January 12th at 7:00pm

Eucharistic Adoration

There will be Eucharistic Adoration the first Thursday of every month 7 to 8 P.M. Mark your calendars.

Scrip Sales

Scrip will be sold in the parish office from December 27, 2011 thru December 30, 2011.

Thank You

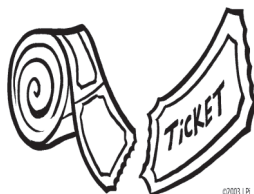
Due to your generous donations for the Immaculate Conception collection we were able to donate \$459.25 to help the homeless here. A check for \$161.70 was given to the Food Pantry for the sale of cole slaw from our last fish fry and Thanks giving donations.

*"What can I give him,
Poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd,
I would bring him a lamb;
If I were a wise man,
I would do my part;
Yet what can I give him—
Give him my heart."
Christina G Rossetti*



Calendar Raffle Tickets

Please return your sold tickets to the office or collection basket. We ask that you sell the tickets and return both the money and the ticket stubs to the parish office by Tuesday, December 27, 2011 or place in the weekend collection prior to that date.



All winners will be posted in the bulletin.

Stewardship Corner

Collections for December 17 & 18, 2011

Adult Envelopes..... \$3,143.50
Offertory \$352.65

Collections for December 18 & 19, 2010

Adult Envelopes..... \$6,094.50
Offertory \$247.73

Thank you for your gifts!

MOTHER TERESA PRAYER GROUP

You are invited to join the MOTHER TERESA PRAYER GROUP. One group is set up to be notified by email and there are five other groups that are notified by telephone. Each member is asked to say one Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be each day for all the intentions on the prayer list. Please join us today. Call Dolores Brennan, 935-5925, Betty Dolan 935-5219 or email Carolyn Tiber, windstar@mhtc.net if you are interested in joining.

St. Bridget's/Immaculate Conception

Mass Times-

Tues-4:00pm Mass & Adoration-SB

Wed 8:00am-IC Fri-8:00am-IC

Thurs-8:00am-SB

Sat 5:00pm-SB Sun 8:30am-IC 10:30am-SB

Confessions- Sun-8:00-8:20am, IC

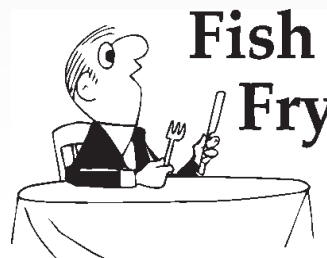
Sat-4:20-4:45pm, SB or by appointment anytime

Natural Family Planning Class

Natural Family Planning Class at St. Mary's in Bloomington to be held Saturdays, Feb. 4, Mar. 3 and 31 from 10:00 am to Noon. To register go to www.madisondiocese.org/nfp or contact Alison Hetue at 608-821-3134 or nfp@straphael.org. Additional classes available in Madison.

Calendar Raffle Tickets

Sold to Date \$14,950.00
Break Even Point \$8,250.00



Friday, January 13th
5:00 to 7:30 pm
(5-8:00pm-carryouts)
School Gym

What's Happening This Week

Wednesday, December 28th

9:00–10:00am Eucharistic Adoration
(Divine Mercy)

School of Religion-- No class

Sanctuary Lamp December 25th - December 31st
In Memory of George Gates



Care Ministry Update

We are looking to revamp our Care Ministry. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please call Father Pat, at 930-3392 ext. 3.

Scrip Sellers Dec 31 & Jan 1st

5:00 pm Ev Schmelzer
8:00 am Regina Bakker
10:00 am Lisa Zoet

Scripture Verse

"For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." - Lk 2:11-12

Weekly Readings



Readings for the
Week of December 25, 2011

Sunday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Acts 13:16-17,
22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25
Midnight: Is 9:1-6/Ti 2:11-14/
Lk 2:1-14
Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ti 3:4-7/
Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/
Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

Monday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/
Mt 10:17-22

Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Wednesday: 1 Jn 1:5--2:2/Mt 2:13-18

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Lk 2:22-35

Friday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6;
21:1-3 or Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17
or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19/
Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Jn 1:1-18

Next Sunday: Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Mass Intentions



Saturday, December 24th—Christmas Eve

4:00 pm Mass 10:00 pm Mass
Bob & Marie White † Anna Brokish

Sunday, December 25th—Christmas Day

8:00 am Mass 10:00 am Mass
Don Evans For the People

Monday, December 26th

No Mass

Tuesday, December 27th

8:15 am Mass
† Bernard Lawinger

Wednesday, December 28th

8:15 am Mass
† George Gates

Thursday, December 29th

8:15 am Mass
† Sharon E. Trace

Friday, December 30th

8:15 am Mass
† Special Intention—DB

Saturday, December 31st

5:00 pm Mass
† Father Kalscheuer

Sunday, January 1st

8:00 am Mass 10:00 am Mass
For the People † Anna Brokish

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, December 31st — 5:00 pm

Music To be Determined
Readers Sue McGraw and Linda Pittz
Servers Cortney Grady and Kelsey Anderson
Eucharistic Ministers Margaret Brown, Volunteer,
Dan McGraw
Ushers Jerry Brown, Don Meuer,
Ray Pittz and Pat Esch

Greeters Anderson Family

Sunday, January 1st — 8:00 am

Music To be Determined
Readers Abby Phillips and Karen Thuli
Servers Kara Crowley and Cassara Carey
Eucharistic Ministers Dave & Lola Williams,
Bridget Dickler
Ushers Dick Conway, Dave Gollon,
Ted Evans, Scott Johnsrud

Greeters Kevin & Jill Zajicek and family

10:00 am

Music To be Determined
Readers Tom Joestgen and Sharon Wimer
Servers Madelyn Hall and Mackenzie Hall
Eucharistic Ministers Joanne Joestgen, Laura Jean Blotz,
Elizabeth Shepler
Ushers Michael Blotz, Bill Helin,
Ryan Lipska and Mike Reilly
Greeters Paul & Karleen Kleeman and family