

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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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



*Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you;
he will prepare your way.
A voice of one crying out in the desert:
"Prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight his paths."* — Mk 1:2b-3

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**December 4, 2011 ·
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

From Father Pat

The Season of Advent

Beloved, now is the acceptable time spoken of by the Spirit, the day of salvation, peace and reconciliation: the great season of Advent. This is the time eagerly awaited by the patriarchs and prophets, the time that holy Simeon rejoiced at last to see. This is the season that the Church has always celebrated with special solemnity. We too should always observe it with faith and love, offering praise and thanksgiving to the Father for the mercy and love He has shown us in this mystery. In His infinite love for us, though we were sinners, He sent His only Son to free us from the tyranny of Satan, to summon us to heaven, to welcome us into its innermost recesses, to show us truth itself, to train us in right conduct, to plant within us the seeds of virtue, to enrich us with the treasures of His grace, and to make us children of God and heirs of eternal life.

Each year, as the Church recalls this mystery, she urges us to renew the memory of the great love God has shown us. This holy season teaches us that Christ's coming was not only for the benefit of His contemporaries; His power has still to be communicated to us all. We shall share His power, if, through holy faith and the sacraments, we willingly accept the grace Christ earned for us, and live by that grace and in obedience to Christ.

The Church asks us to understand that Christ, who came once in the flesh, is prepared to come again. When we remove all obstacles to His presence He will come, at any hour and moment, to dwell spiritually in our hearts, bringing with Him the riches of His grace.

In her concern for our salvation, our loving mother the Church uses this holy season to teach us through hymns, canticles and other forms of expression, of voice or ritual, used by the Holy Spirit. She shows us how grateful we should be for so great a blessing, and how to gain its benefit: our hearts should be as much prepared for the coming of Christ as if He were still to come into this world.

St. Charles Borromeo

From the Principal

DECEMBER CALENDAR

Dec. 3rd, Saturday	5/6 and 7/8 boys' basketball vs. Plain @ 11:00 AM and Noon
Dec. 11th, Sunday	Basketball vs. Sinsinawa @ noon
Dec. 14th, Wednesday	Christmas Programs, 12:30 PM and 7:00 PM
Dec. 15th, Thursday	Fruit/cheese/sausage arrives..P/U after noon until 7:00 PM
Dec. 18th, Sunday	Basketball HERE vs. Platteville; 5/6 girls at noon; LAST home game
Dec. 22nd, Thursday	Last day of school before Christmas break
Jan. 3rd, Tuesday	Classes resume

BATTLE OF THE BOOK COMPETITION

We took three teams of students to the annual Battle of the Books competition that was held on Tuesday, Nov. 22nd, at City Hall. We ended up with more points, but lost first place. The students read and answered questions from a list of 20 books. Those students included: Jason Horton, Ethan Dickler, Sophia Olson, Trilby Chitwood, Mackenzie Hall, Jackie Frank, Rylee Dressler, Elizabeth Mohning, and Natalie Stewart. Parents who helped were Rod and Paula Hall, Eileen Frank, Sue Horton, and former student, Jet Vellinga. Congratulations and thanks to all of these parents and students for their commitment to this program!

\$\$\$\$\$ for Aluminum Cans

Thanks for bringing in the aluminum cans! We received a check for \$371.20.



KC's Corner

Grand Knight: Jack Hughes
Telephone: 608-935-3227

Next KC Meeting at St. Joe's School
Thursday, December 8th at 7:00pm

Eucharistic Adoration

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

Lectors & Extraordinary Ministers Needed

We are currently looking for volunteers to lector and be Extraordinary Ministers for weekend masses. Please contact the parish office at 930-3392 if you are interested.

Seminarians' Address

The address for Paul Schultz and Vince Brewer is as follows:

Blessed John XXIII
558 South Avenue
Weston MA 02493-2618

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.

Thank You

Thank you to all area churches, businesses and families who volunteered their time to come in and work or bake for the Thanksgiving meal here at St. Joe's. The community members who enjoyed the hot meal were very grateful to those who helped serve, deliver, clean up or bake for the dinner. Our community has been blessed with much generosity and good will. The meal cannot happen without your work and sponsorship. Thank you all again!

Thursday, December 8th Holy Day Of Obligation Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mary said, "Yes," to God, even though it would be hard. If she got pregnant, most people would not understand or believe her. She might lose her friends and her husband. Yet Mary trusted God with her life. She said, "Yes," because she knew God would take care of her.

LPI Resource Center



Help spread some Christmas joy to others! Please choose an ornament or as many as you would like from the tree, wrap the gifts and tape ornaments to the outside. Place gift under the tree no later than 10:00 Mass on December 18th. Feel good knowing your generosity will be greatly appreciated!

Stewardship Corner

Collections for November 26 & 27, 2011

Adult Envelopes..... \$4,259.93
Offertory.....\$257.65

Collections for November 27 & 28, 2010

Adult Envelopes..... \$4,454.50
Offertory.....\$298.86

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.

"May this Advent season be a time for bringing hope, transformation and fulfillment into the Advent of our lives." Author Unknown

Calendar Raffle Tickets

Sold to Date \$9,560.00
Break Even Point \$8,250.00

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

"I am the voice of one crying out in the desert, make straight the way of the Lord." Are we taking time to put the way of the Lord in our marriage? The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are Jan. 27-29 in Brookfield, WI; Feb. 17-19 in Crystal Lake, IL; March 23-25 in Madison, WI. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at alifetimeoflove.org or call (888) 574-5653.

St. Bridget's/Immaculate Conception

Mass Times-

Tues-4:00pm Mass & Adoration-SB

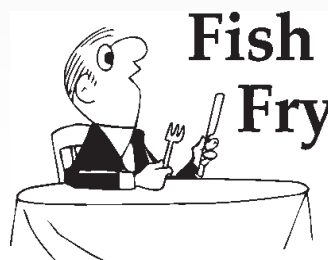
Wed 8:00am-IC Fri-8:00am-IC

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



Voted Best Fish Fry

Friday, December 9th
5:00 to 7:30 pm
(5-8:00pm-carryouts)
School Gym

What's Happening This Week

Wednesday, December 7th

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

School of Religion-- Class 1-11

7:00 pm Vigil Mass for Holy Day

Thursday, December 8th

8:15 am Mass Holy Day Of Obligation

Friday, December 9th

Fish Fry

Sanctuary Lamp December 4th - December 10th
In Memory of Donna Kirschbaum



Grandmas Love Project

We will be collecting items for the empty stocking donation Oct- Dec. Items such as gift cards, iTunes cards, Movie passes, can be bought through scrip and donated or new children and teen items such as toys, educational books, socks, mittens, hats etc. A list of items will be near the donation tote for you to take home and put on your refrigerator as a reminder.

Scrip Sellers December 10th & 11th

5:00 pm Marie Fralick
8:00 am Eileen Frank
10:00 am Sarah Stoughton

Scripture Verse

Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you;
he will prepare your way.

A voice of one crying out in the desert:
"Prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight his paths."- Mk 1:2b-3

Weekly Readings



Readings for the
Week of December 4, 2011

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/2 Pt 3:8-14
/Mk 1:1-8
Monday: Is 35:1-10/Lk 5:17-26
Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Mt 18:12-14
Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Mt 11:28-30
Thursday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/
Lk 1:26-38
Friday: Is 48:17-19/Mt 11:16-19
Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Mt 17:9a, 10-13
Next Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/1
Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Mass Intentions



Saturday, December 3rd

5:00 pm Mass
† For the People

Sunday, December 4th

8:00 am Mass 10:00 am Mass
Frank & Ida † Dan DeMuth
Prochaska Family

Monday, December 5th

No Mass

Tuesday, December 6th

8:15 am Mass
† William Meudt

Wednesday, December 7th

8:15 am Mass
† Fern Sprecher
7:00 pm † Bernard Lawinger

Vigil Mass for Holy Day

Thursday, December 8th

8:15 am Mass
† Melvin Lipska

Holy Day Of Obligation

Friday, December 9th

8:15 am Mass
† James P. Bennett

Saturday, December 10th

5:00 pm Mass
† For the People

Sunday, December 11th

8:00 am Mass 10:00 am Mass
† Justin McGraw † Ethan Smith

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, December 10th — 5:00 pm

Music Roseann Rossing & Mary Rikli
Readers Sue McGraw and Linda Pittz
Servers Rylee Dressler and Kennedy Stumpf
Eucharistic Ministers Jack & Mary Hughes,
Karen Dederich
Ushers Ray Pittz, Don Meuer,
Bill Howe and Pat Esch

Greeters Elaine Stonestreet & Roberta Swatland

Sunday, December 11th — 8:00 am

Music Luanne Greenheck & Marge Daentl
Readers Abby Philipps and Harry Hying
Servers Jackie Frank and Allison Esch
Eucharistic Ministers Lola & David Williams,
Bridget Dickler
Ushers Dick Conway, Phil Brown,
Dave Gollon, Scott Johnsrud
Greeters Steve & Luanne Greenheck & family

10:00 am

Music David Schmitz
Readers Tom Joestgen and Sharon Wimer
Servers Haley Martin and Avery McKinlay
Eucharistic Ministers Joanne Joestgen, Laura Jean Blotz,
Elizabeth Shepler
Ushers Michael Blotz, Bill Helin,
Ryan Lipska and Mike Reilly
Greeters Kurt & Kate Riemenapp and family