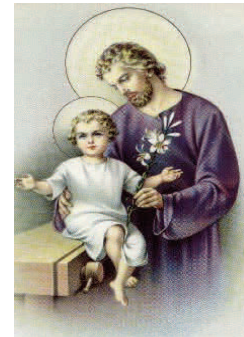


# St. Joseph Catholic Community

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## January 27, 2019



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**Welcome!** We extend our hearts and hands to all who celebrate with us at St. Josephs. We would like to invite any guest to fill out the form below, if interested in becoming a registered member of this Parish.

**Thank you for worshipping with us! Again Welcome, Bienvenidos, Benvenuto, Willkommen, Nno-nu, Byenveni!**

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[ ] New Parishioners, please send a Parish Registration Form

[ ] We've Moved, here is our new information

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, January 26

8:00 a.m. No Mass Intention

8:30 a.m. Rosary

4:00 p.m. Confessions

4:35 p.m. Rosary

5:00 p.m. Dennis Heyne +

### Sunday, January 27

#### - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time -

7:10 a.m. Rosary

7:30 a.m. Joseph Mayer +

9:40 a.m. Rosary

10:00 a.m. Parish Family

### Monday, January 28

8:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of Gene & Kay  
Keys Family

8:30 a.m. Rosary

### Tuesday, January 29

7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. Adoration

8:00 a.m. Bessie & George Harvey +

8:30 a.m. Confessions

8:30 a.m. Rosary

### Wednesday, January 30

6:25 p.m. Rosary

7:00 p.m. Evelyn Morrissey

### Thursday, January 31

8:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of Dave &  
Margie Huss Family

8:30 a.m. Rosary

### Friday, February 1

8:00 a.m. Mary Ellen Welling +

8:30 a.m. Rosary

### Saturday, February 2

8:00 a.m. No Mass Intention

8:30 a.m. Rosary

4:00 p.m. Confessions

4:35 p.m. Rosary

5:00 p.m. Dennis Heyne Family +

### Sunday, February 3

#### - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time -

7:10 a.m. Rosary

7:30 a.m. Parish Family

9:40 a.m. Rosary

10:00 a.m. Rose Marie & Robert Bates +

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## MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Mon., Jan. 28 - Third Week in Ordinary Time - St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church-**  
Heb 9:15,24-28/ Mk 3:22-30

**Tues., Jan. 29** - Heb 10:1-10/ Mk 3:31-35

**Wed., Jan. 30** - Heb 10:11-18/ Mk 4:1-20

**Thurs., Jan. 31 - St. John Bosco, Priest** - Heb 10:19-25/ Mk 4:21-25

**Fri., Feb. 1** - Heb 10:32-39/ Mk 4:26-34

**Sat., Feb. 2 - The Presentation of the Lord - World Day for Consecrated Life** - Mal 3:1-4/ Heb 2:14-18/ Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

**Sun., Feb. 3 - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time** - Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/ 1 Cor 12:31-13:13 or 13:4-13/ Lk 4:21-30

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**Our Love & Prayers Go Out To...** Bud & Sharon Miller, Genevieve Lohmuller, Becky Biberstein, Fern Britton, Evelyn Morrissey, Betty Meyer, David Carr, Ronnie & Bonnie Burns, Michael Green, Rick Cotterman, Frances Carr, Kelsey Peters, Tom Richhart, Carol Lochtefeld, Priscilla Rhodes, Tom Williams, Betty Anderson, John R. Smith, and Carol Leitner.

## Scriptural Reflection for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

After much suffering, Israel has at last returned to the promised land in our first reading (Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10). Though their freedom from Babylon was long awaited, Israel found itself returning to a land ravaged and destroyed nearly a century and a half after King Nebuchadnezzar conquered Jerusalem. Though they began to restore Jerusalem under the guidance of Nehemiah and Ezra, the destruction around them would have seemed so overwhelming. Under the order of Nebuchadnezzar, the Temple had been destroyed, the city razed, and the Davidic line seemingly destroyed. Even though they had begun to rebuild the city walls, the few who had returned with Nehemiah fell to grumbling and complaining. And, yet, the walls were eventually restored and many others returned from Babylon to join Nehemiah and Israel to resettle the promised land.

To best understand what they were undertaking in their return to Jerusalem, Ezra, as the priest, gathers those returning from captivity and reads aloud to them from the book of the law. Though Israel's infidelity led to their exile and the ruins of their city served as a constant reminder of their sin, God still remains faithful to His covenant. He will not allow His chosen people to perish. Israel, in turn, renews their covenant as they prostrate themselves before the Lord. Recognizing how they had gone so far astray from the Lord, the people begin to mourn and lament for their past sinfulness. Nehemiah and Ezra call the people back from mourning and weeping and extol them to rejoice. While Israel had strayed from the Lord, He now calls them back to Himself as they return to the promised land. Israel is to always find their true strength in God Himself.

As Israel experienced such great emotions through the recitation of the book of the law in our first reading, they do so again in our Gospel (Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21). When Jesus returns to Nazareth, He enters the synagogue and reads from the prophet Isaiah as the people gaze on Him intently. News of the beginning of Jesus coming out of the desert quickly spread throughout the whole region as He comes to the town of His youth. Though they knew Him, something was different at this moment as He read from the scroll. His words at the conclusion of this Gospel signifies the fulfillment of the Old Testament prophecy, from which He had just read, in Him. Questions would have continued to arise within the hearts of those gathered if Jesus of Nazareth could truly be the Christ, the long-awaited Messiah.

Like the Israelites with Ezra and Nehemiah, those with Jesus in the synagogue are greatly affected by hearing from the Word of God. As our psalm response says today, the words of the Lord "are Spirit and life." God's Word is alive. Just as it affected those in our readings today, it must also affect us. The reading of and meditation on the Scriptures should be a part of our daily lives. The Word of God will speak to us in ways that we may have never expected. But, it cannot do so if we are not willing to make it a part of our lives. I would encourage each of us to set some time apart each and every day to read from the Sacred Scriptures. Whether it be meditating upon the daily Mass readings or reflecting on a specific book of the Sacred Scriptures, allow the Word of God to be a familiar part of our day. If we are willing to do so, we will see how it changes our lives.

## What is Father Wearing? - Liturgical Vestments

As mentioned last week, we will dedicate a portion of our homily each week-end to walk through the different parts of the Mass. Having heard of how the Mass is the sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the Cross, we are now prepared to look at the preparation for this sacrifice. From the first moment we walk into the Church, whether we realize it or not, our minds and hearts are being drawn from the worldly to the heavenly. We begin our prayer even before the Mass itself has begun.

The insert to this bulletin provides a look at the various vestments that the priest wears to offer Mass, as well as their meaning and the prayers the priest prays when vesting for Mass. Similar to the practice of the Levitical priesthood (described in Exodus 28), Christian liturgical vestments serve as a special kind of clothing to be used exclusively in the performance of liturgical rites. They serve as a "uniform" of the priest's sacred office and, when vested, signify that we are breaking from the worldly as we are approaching the heavenly realities revealed to us in the liturgical rites of the Church.

Christian liturgical vestments themselves arose from the secular dress of the faithful in the early Church. Vestments as we see today most accurately reflect the dress of Greek and Roman cultures in the 4<sup>th</sup> Century, following the legalization of Christianity by the Emperor Constantine. The color of the vestments reflect the color associated with each liturgical season. Purple represents Penance and Preparation and is used during Advent and Lent; Red represents Sacrifice and is primarily used during Pentecost and the feast day of Martyrs; Rose represents Anticipation and is used on the third Sunday of Advent and the fourth Sunday of Lent; Green represents Hope and Life and is used during Ordinary Time; White/Gold represents Joy and Purity and is used during Easter and Christmas and the feast day of the Saints who weren't martyred.



**ALPHA- Deepen Your Faith and  
Fall in Love with Jesus**  
Alpha begins tomorrow,  
January 28, 6:30-8:00 p.m.  
**YOU Won't Want To Miss It!!**

### Bolivian Mission News...

Thanks to everyone who sponsored a Bolivian child's/children's Catholic education for 2018. You will be receiving a picture and letter from your child along with a contribution statement in a few weeks.

We are looking for some additional sponsors for the 2019 school year, which starts in February and ends in October. There is always a need for new sponsors due to moves and other changes. St. Joseph has been aiding 55 Bolivian students for 30 plus years.

The cost to sponsor one student is \$10 per month for 9 months, or a total of \$90. Many sponsors choose to give an additional amount as a Christmas gift as well. If you are interested in sponsoring a child for the 2019 school year you may call or email the church office.



### MEETING REMINDER!

The Knights of Columbus will meet Tuesday, February 5, 2019, with recitation of the Rosary at 6:40 p.m. in Church and the meeting will follow at 7:00 p.m. in the social hall.

### ALL DAY ADORATION EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

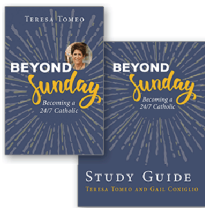
Thursday, February 7, 2019 - 8:30a.m. - 7:00 p.m. /  
Litany of the Eucharist/Benediction- 6:45 p.m.

Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex  
and come spend an hour with Jesus in quiet prayer.



### ST. JOSEPH WOMEN'S GROUP NEWS!

For the ladies who attended the last women's group meeting and didn't have a book, there are more *Beyond Sunday* books available in the Parish office. If you wish, you may pick up a book and study guide before the next meeting on Tuesday, February 12th. The cost of both the book and study guide is \$19.92. Thank you!



### PARISH CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mon., Jan. 28 - Mon., April 8 - **Alpha** 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the social hall.
- Tues., Feb. 5 - Knights of Columbus, with recitation of the Rosary at 6:40 p.m. and meeting will follow in social hall at 7:00 p.m.
- Thurs., Feb. 7, 2019 - 8:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. / Litany of the Eucharist/Benediction- 6:45 p.m. Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex and come spend an hour with Jesus in quiet prayer.
- Tues., Feb. 12 - St. Joseph Women's Group meeting- 7:00 p.m. in the conference room.
- Wed., Feb. 13 - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament- 5-7:00 p.m., Mass at 7:00 p.m.
- Sun., Feb. 17 - Juice & Donuts after 7:30 & 10:00 Masses served by St. Joseph Women's Group

### WEEKEND OF February 2/3, 2019


#### CANTORS:

 **5:00** Jay Crisp (Choir Mass)  
**7:30** Mike Morrissey  
**10:00** Nichole Decker


#### LECTORS:

 **5:00** Knights of Columbus  
**7:30** Carol Butler  
**10:00** Michelle Paxton


#### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

 **5:00** Knights of Columbus (need 4)  
**7:30** Jill Morrissey, Barb Ault, Donna Geisel  
**10:00** Monica Harris, Diana Cole, Kathy Marshall, Larisa Sudhoff, Sandy Smythe

#### MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY:

 **5:00** Knights of Columbus  
**7:30** Doug/Janet Lehman  
**10:00** Todd Hartman Family, Chris Reifsteck Family

#### SERVERS:

 **5:00** Knights of Columbus  
**7:30** Mitchel/Justin Mayer, Clayton Vachon  
**10:00** Quinn Dreiband, Grant Reifsteck, Kody Coyne

#### Collection for Weekend of January 19/20, 2019

Adult Envelopes- \$1,838.00  
Child Envelopes- \$13.51  
Loose- \$176.00  
Religious Ed. Fund- \$192.00  
Repair/Rainy Day Fund- \$170.00  
Votive Candles- \$19.81  
Spiritual CDs- \$26.00  
**Total- \$2,435.32**

#### The amount needed each week to make budget is \$5,116.40.

We are \$913.84 behind our  
monthly budget.

#### Other Collections within our Parish:

St. Vincent de Paul Fund- \$375.00

*Thank you for your gifts  
to St. Joseph's!*

### FAITH ~ HOPE ~ LOVE



#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Knights of Columbus  
All You Can Eat Fish Fry  
Friday, April 5, 2019 - 4:30-7:30 p.m.

#### ONLINE GIVING COMING FEBRUARY 1ST

Visit our website, [stjosephchurchbluffton.org](http://stjosephchurchbluffton.org) to sign up to begin contributing automatically to our parish. This convenient new system does not require you to contact your bank to sign up or to make changes. You can use any of your checking or savings accounts and the funds will be automatically transferred to our parish bank account. Online Giving helps maintain your giving even if you cannot be at Mass. If you choose to sign up for Online Giving, you will still continue to receive your offering envelopes; you would simply mark the box "I give online" and place in the collection basket as usual. If you sign up and no longer wish to receive your offering envelopes, contact Michelle in the parish office.



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T - is it true?  
h - is it helpful?  
i - is it inspiring?  
n - is it necessary?  
k - is it kind?