



Fifth Sunday of the Year February 7, 2016 Mass Intentions



Sunday

8:00 AM Living & Deceased of St. Joseph Parish
10:30 AM ✠ Ed Feeney / Altar Society

Monday

8:00 AM ✠ Ed Shunski / Peg Misztal

Tuesday

8:00 AM Nicole Fehn (birthday) / R. & B. Fortunati

Ash Wednesday – Fast & Abstinence; Almsgiving

8:00 AM Annie Geri (birthday) / R. & B. Fortunati

Thursday

8:00 AM Thanksgiving to Blessed Mother / I
Bob & Margaret Nail

Friday - Abstinence

8:00 AM ✠ Elizabeth P. Fayard / Pat & Joyce Langan

Saturday

8:00 AM Reparation to Immaculate Heart of Mary
5:00 PM ✠ Ed Feeney / Deacon Richard & Hope
Sullivan

Sunday

8:00 AM Gillman Sullivan / (birthday) Fortunati
10:30 AM Living & Deceased of St. Joseph Parish

There are dates available for Mass intentions for a
deceased loved one or for a special intention.
Please contact the office.

Office Hours: 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Weekend priest ~ Msg. Theodore Hay

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

*Kindly pray for our parish family and all
those who are journeying in a special
way with Our Lord, Jesus Christ.*



Larry Bovat, Paul **Bruechner**, Patricia Caudill, Pat Chubb, Deacon Pat Clemens, Ginny Cook, Diane Dickerson, Ed Dubin, Eleanor Feeney, **Harry Fletcher**, Jo Flynn, Antonieta Geronilla, **June Henderson**, **Dot Holman**, **Marvin Jenkins**, **Margie Kings**, Barbara Kuntz, Joe Lacoy Cece LaManna, Germaine LaPlante, Mary Link, Evan Linville, Monk Manning, Monroe Matheny, **Sara Manning**, Mary Miller, Bob & Margaret Nail, **Vera Patterson**, Claire Patton, **Marvin Peterson**, Sal Pinzone, Sandra Pollock, Marsha Porter, Sr. M. D. Richardson, **Babe Rohan**, **Anita Sanford**, Ruth Sas, Margaret Schaff, Kristie Toohey, **Rick Van Norden**, Bootsie Williams

~ Prayer Requests ~

Terry Danson – 251-961-2165 or tsdanson@gmail.com

First Friday Memorial Mass Association

Our Loved Ones – Bob & Margaret Nail

Living & Deceased Kaiser, Klein & Murphy Families

Living & Deceased Scott & Weiss Families

Living & Deceased Bush, Alvarez & McAleer Families

Living & Deceased Mullek & McCandless Families

Living & Deceased Patton & Norton Families

Living & Deceased Shields & Self Families

Living & Deceased Cretaro Family

✠ James E. Link

✠ Deacon John

Cartaro

✠ Anita Warriner

✠ Joseph LaManna

✠ Doris Mullek

Mignon Kilday

Living & Deceased Kilday Family

Living & Deceased Chubb & Burns Families

Living & Deceased Fehn Family

Living & Deceased Lacoy & Clancy Families

Living & Deceased Kearns & Paterson Families

Living & Deceased Altar Society Members

For the Baptized Who Do Not Practice Their Faith

The Holy Souls in Purgatory

This Week's Schedule

Sunday	9:00 AM	"Coffee with the Padre"
Monday	8:30 AM	Rosary Cenacle
Tuesday	8:30 AM	SVdP Meeting – IM Hall
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Adult Faith Formation
Wednesday	10:30 AM	Choir Practice – Church
Wednesday	4:30 PM	Catechism Class – IM Hall
Thursday	5:30 PM	RCIA/Faith Formation – IM Hall
Friday	2:30 PM	Stations of the Cross



ATTENDANCE LAST WEEKEND

5 PM = 105 8 AM = 92 10:30 AM = 80 Total = 277

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory gift for January 31 = \$2,304.00

Maintenance = \$76.00

2nd Collection – **next week** – Black & Indian Missions
(envelopes are in the pews)

Jubilee Year Prayer ~ Lord Jesus Christ,

You have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly
Father and have told us that whoever sees you sees
Him. Show us your face and we will be saved.

Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew
from being enslaved by money; the adulteress and
Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created
things; made Peter weep after his betrayal; and
assured Paradise to the repentant thief. Lord let us
hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words
that you spoke to the Samaritan woman:

"If you knew the gift of God!"

You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of God
who manifests his power above all by forgiveness
and mercy; let the Church be your visible face in the
world, its Lord risen and glorified. You willed that your
ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order
that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance
and error; let everyone who approaches them feel
sought after, loved, and forgiven by God.

Send your spirit and consecrate every one of us with
its anointing so that the Jubilee Year of Mercy may
be a year of grace from the Lord and your Church,
with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to
the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the
oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother
of Mercy, you who live and reign with the Father and
the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen. (Pope Francis)

Gospel Reflections

GOD'S SUMMONS

Confronted with God's power and majesty, the
first response of the prophet Isaiah was to
acknowledge his sinfulness. "Woe is me, I am
doomed! For I am a man of unclean lips," he said
aloud. Likewise, with his empty fishing nets
dramatically filled at Jesus' instruction, Peter fell to his
knees and cried out, "Depart from me, Lord, for I am
a sinful man."

Next, Peter got up. He docked his boats, then left
to follow Jesus. Isaiah also had a dramatic change of
heart. When he heard the Lord say, "Whom shall I
send? Who will go for us?" Isaiah answered, "Here I
am, send me."

We are summoned daily by the Risen Lord. We
are reminded of the saving power of the gospel and
know in our heart of hearts that, as St. Paul wrote,
believing in anything else won't lead to anything.

What will it take for you to move past your
sinfulness? What will it take for you to get off your
knees? What will it take for you to bring to dock what
is unimportant and to accept your call to be God's
messenger?

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Many Catholics who are not active in the Church
will still seek out ashes this Wednesday. Likewise,
many Jews who are not otherwise observant will follow
the Day of Atonement, Yom Kippur, with great
exactness, fasting and refraining from work and
entertainment. People customarily dress in white as a
symbol of purity and a reminder of God's promise that
our sins will be made white as snow. While the
overture to Ash Wednesday for Christians may be a
festive Mardi Gras celebration, for Jews it is the New
Year feast of Rosh Hashanah. Ten days before the Day
of Atonement to God, people are expected to repair
breaks in human life. These are days for offering
forgiveness and seeking to repair harmed relationships
with family, friends or coworkers. Everyone is
expected to seek out someone and "clear the air" by
asking for understanding for any mean words or
thoughtless deeds in the past year.

Perhaps the ashes you receive will be invested with
deeper meaning if you follow a similar plan. This year,
Rosh Hashanah will be September 5, and Yom Kippur
September 14. A conversation with some Jewish
friends or neighbors about their experience of a season
of repentance may be a blessing on your Lent.

St. Joseph Parish Cookbook

An ideal gift or keepsake. Preorders and
gift certificates are available by contacting
Harriet Shields at 961-1611. Information is also available
in the church office. The expected delivery date is the
end of April, **but don't wait**—they'll go fast!



Catholic Charities Appeal Drive ~ We are in the
final weeks of the Catholic Charities Appeal and are
very close to achieving our parish goal of \$21,700.
We have received 43 responses and met 2/3 of our
goal. If you have not returned your Catholic Charities
pledge envelope, please take a few minutes now to
complete it. Please return your envelope and save
our Parish Chair a phone call. If you are unable to
give the basic pledge, please give what you can
afford. We ask that everyone complete an envelope
so that the Archdiocesan database can be
updated. Results will be reported in the Catholic
Week on Friday, February 19. God bless you for your
generosity.

Lenten Reminder

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of FAST
(one full meal for those 21 to 59) **and** TOTAL
ABSTINENCE (no meat for those over 14). All other
Fridays are days of abstinence only – no meat. There is
no obligation to fast on weekdays of Lent, but
voluntary acts of self-denial are recommended.



"Coffee with the Padre" – Today hosted
by the Altar Society. All are invited to join
us from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM for fellowship on the
first and third Sundays of each month in IM Hall.

Annual Friday Lenten Fish Fry

February 12, 19 & 26; March 4, 11 & 28 ~ 5 - 7:30 PM

Saint Bartholomew Benedictine Hall, Elberta
Adult \$8.00/Child \$4.00. For menu, see flyer
on bulletin board or call Bill Patton at 850-
607-7151. Proceeds benefit Saint Benedict
Catholic School, Knights of Columbus Council
#2736 and St. Bartholomew Catholic Church.



Valentine Dinner & Dance

February 14, 2016 – 5:00 PM – St. Bartholomew Parish
Hall sponsored by Council #2736 Knights of Columbus
and Ladies Auxiliary. Tickets are available after Mass
or call Peg Slevin at 961-3055.

End-of-Year Tax Report ~ Anyone needing their
contributions for 2015 may call the church office.

Prayer for Someone Who Needs Forgiveness

*"Lord, lead [him, her, me, etc.] in the ways of Thy light and
Thy Love and give [them, etc.] the power to follow. Amen."*
From Fr. Richard's Sermon, Jan. 30, 2016

The Old Country Philosopher Sez - Bob Nail

Are things black and white; are there shades of gray?
Do things stay the same or change from day to day?
One thing you can count on is God's love for you,
And His love will never change—it remains forever true.

NOTICE: The auditorium, kitchen and rooms in
Immaculate Mary Hall are available for rent. For
more information, please contact the office.