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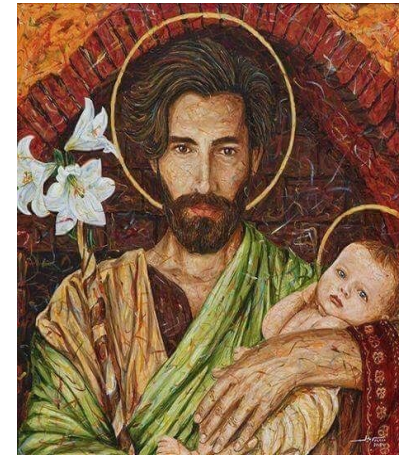
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Parish Information

Mass Times
Weekday
Tues/Wed/Fri. 8:30AM / Thurs. 12noon
(Rosary Recited before these masses)
Weekend
Sat. 5:00PM / Sun. 10:00AM

Office Hours
Tues. & Thurs. 9:00AM to 4:00PM

Parish & Community Groups
C.W.L. / Annette Dunford
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Tina McCarthy & Amy Melanson

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Reception of Sacraments
Marriage / arrange min. 6 months prior
Baptism / call parish office
Reconciliation / Sat. 4PM-4:30PM
Home Communion upon request.

Second Sunday of Advent

"In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias was tetrarch of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, ..." (Luke 3:1-2). The opening line of today's Gospel may seem unimportant, but it is very intriguing.




Many people have contemplated the reality of these two verses. It shows that Jesus comes in time and at this specific time. We have an amazing God who inserts himself into our time through his only son. Jesus came in time to be with us in our time.

The magnitude of this idea is baffling to many but profound for the faithful. Advent is a time to remember that Jesus did come in time, and he will come again at the end of time. May this Advent fill you with the joy of contemplating the reality of Jesus coming in time to take on our human nature and love us so we can love others. God Bless Fr. Randy

"I rejoiced when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord." Psalm 122.1

We welcome all visitors and parishioners who have come to worship here today on this the **Second Sunday of Advent**. To our visitors, you may come as a stranger to us, yet you are known to Our Lord, Jesus Christ. In His name, we pray you will find peace, hospitality, and friendship with us. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, we are glad you're here and hope that you come back again. The doors of our parish and our hearts are open to you. Please be in touch. If you are a resident in this area, we hope that you will continue to grace us with your presence and register with us. You may call 705-652-3231 or stop by the parish office to register. If you are a visitor, we thank you for



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WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH

Second Sunday of Advent

Dec. 8—Dec. 14, 2024

Mass Intentions for this Week

Tuesday, Dec. 10 8:30 am

+Jack Holland by Pawl & Ingrid Zbieranowski

Wednesday, Dec. 11, 8:30 am

+Nora Sweeney by Mike & Rosemary Towns /family

Thursday Dec. 12, noon

+Margret Yasyszczuk by Bernard Sullivan & family

Friday, Dec. 13 9:15 am School mass

+Wayne Carlow


3rd Sunday of Advent

Saturday Vigil Dec. 14 5pm

Mass for the people of the parish

Sunday, Dec. 15 10 a.m.

+Kevin Patrick Diamond & +James Carlow Jr by Anne, Colom, Diamond & James Carlow Sr.



Parish Office: Maryann is off on sick leave please continue to pray for her. (Fr. Randy) .

Patrica Stanley (sectary from St. Anne) will be in few times a month to help with some of the parish administrations.

Please feel free to leave a phone message, so I can return your call.

Pope Francis Decembers Intentions

For pilgrims of hope:

We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian Hope.

Liturgical Ministry Sat. 5:00pm mass Sun. 10:00am mass

	<u>Lector</u>	
Dec. 7, 8	John Gennaro	Lorraine Moher
Dec. 14,15	Gerard Sullivan	Tom McInnis
	<u>Eucharistic Minister</u>	
Dec. 7,8	Wendy Thedford	Maureen Sullivan
Dec. 14,15	Dcn Paul Dunford	Dcn Paul Dunford
	<u>Ushers</u>	
Dec. 7, 8	Gerald Heffernan	John Sullivan
Dec. 14, 15	Murray Carlow	Ray Carlow
	<u>Cleaners</u>	
Week of Dec. 9	Jean Heffernan & Rosemary Towns	
Week of Dec. 16	Dorothy Perdue & Bernice Heffernan	
	<u>Counters</u>	
Dec. 10	Pawl & Ingrid Zbieranowski	
Dec. 17	Daryle Fitzgerald, Dorothy Perdue, Carrie Conroy	

Parish Meetings & Community Events

Dec. 15 Blessing of Baby Jesus for you home nativity

Dec. 18 Advent Taizé Musical Reflection 6:30pm

Dec. 15 All Christmas Flowers donations envelopes return please.

Christmas Liturgies

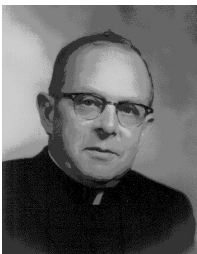
Dec. 24 Christmas Eve 5p.m. 7p.m.

Dec. 25 Christmas Day 10 am.

Dec. 31 New Years 5p.m. **Jan. 1** New Years Day 10am.

December 29, 2025 10:30 a.m. mass @ St. Peter's Cathedral, Bishop will open the Holy Year with a special liturgy. All are most welcome to attend this wonderful event.


1971, our Ninth Pastor being Fr. Francis Kenneth Malane numerous property improvement were undertaken, beginning with the creation of the parking lot, washrooms was installed in the vestry. New furnace were provided for the church and the hall. Church and rectory metal roofs as well at the fence were repainted. 1980 new carpet & furniture in the sanctuary and a new sound system. Pointing on the buttresses/chimneys, and work done on the frame for the bell. 1977 Vatican II changes—Saturday evening mass, choir was moved downstairs and he started the Legion of Mary in the parish.



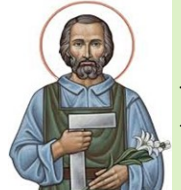
Thursday's pray for Vocations

Let us pray for all Marriages and those to be married this coming year.

The **BLESSED MOTHER** Candle burns this week **Special Int. for Marg Duck by Lortto Coones**



The **ST. JOSEPH** Candle burns this week for: **Our Students**




The outside Nativity scene, lights and angles were put up by Bernard, Daniell Leahy and Paul Meade – thanks guys! I was informed that it has been 25 years putting up of this beautiful hand-crafted Nativity and 25 years for the “Keep Christ in Christmas “ sign on hwy 28.

We do let our LIGHT SHINE!

Parish Stewardship Collection - past week—Your generously gave **\$3,495.00** which includes from Pre-Authorized giving.


Your love of this parish community is in keeping with your forefathers and foremothers hard work and service that built this parish. Today, you help to keep it alive and thriving through your time, talent, and donations.

PRAYING FOR and WITH OUR LOVED ONES

Let us remember in our prayers those who have recently died and those who remain in the silence of our hearts.

Let us keep in our prayers those in Nursing Homes, Retirement Residences or are shut-ins/hospitalized. .

In a special way, let us pray for the health and well being of **Joe Ross, Jonathan Noyce, Maryann Clancy, & Marie Moher.**




Persons on the above prayer list will be listed for 3 months. If further prayers are needed, or to add/keep/remove someone from the list, please contact the office/ Fr. Randy Thank you!

It was a lovely gathering for our annual Advent/Christmas pot-luck dinner this past Tuesday evening. Food as always wonderful and delicious. Company was great as well. Thanks to those who help in any way!

353 Rosaries prayed for your intentions in November.

Reminder, that all donations for this year 2024 (exception of Sunday collections) must be submitted in the office no later than December 29, 2024, to be applied on this year tax receipt. **Thank in advance for your kindness Fr. Randy**

If you wish to make a donation to the Christmas decoration/flower in memory of a deceased loved one. Envelops are located at back of the church and place inside the name of whom you wish to remember through out our Christmas Celebrations or use a plain white envelope with your name & envelope #. Kindly have this done by Dec. 15.



Thank you for your kindness and adding to the beauty of your faith community Christmas Celebration. Fr. Randy

Lord God, help us to see your face in the most needy - the outcasts of society. Do not let us be indifferent to their pain. Awake in us the initiative to want to help others without expecting any servants being recognized. In the Name of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, Amen.

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We humbly ask all parishioners to keep in your prayers the children of our parish family who are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation, as well as their parents and catechists.

Loving God, pour out your blessings upon the children of our parishes, that during this time of sacramental preparation they may come to know you and grow closer to you. You have called their parents and guardians to be the living presence of your love for these children, entrusting them with the development of their growth and spiritual formation. Bless them now so that they, together with their children, may grow more deeply in faith and love. May this time of preparation be a time of blessing for our families and community and unite us all in your great love. Amen.