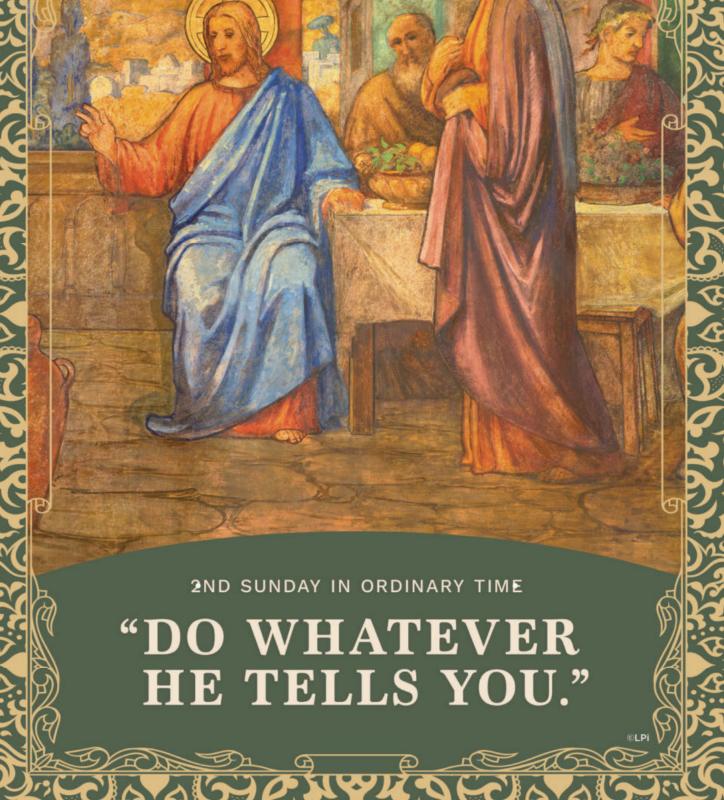
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Offertory collection for 12/22/24 \$2,115.00				
Offertory collection for Christmas (12/24 & 12/25)\$2,745.00				
Offertory collection for 12/29/24 \$1,775.00				
Offertory collection for 01/05/25 \$2,169.00				
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Thank you for supporting St. Joseph Church!				

#### **POPE'S INTENTION FOR JANUARY** For the Right to an Education

Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

"Pray the Rosary everyday to obtain peace for the world." Join us in St. Joseph Church each Tuesday at 6 p.m.

#### **Baptismal Training Sessions 2025**

February 18th 6:30 pm February 20th 6:30 pm 10:00 am March 22nd

St. Boniface 814-885-4488 St. Mark, Emporium 814-486-0569 Sacred Heart Church 814-781-1019

Sunday, January 19-Grades K-5 will meet at the FF building. Edge students will report immediately to the social hall, following 9:15 am Mass. The students will then travel to the Guardian Angel Center in Kersey to deliver the Giving Tree donations. We will leave at 10:45 a.m. Parent pick-up is at 11:45 a.m.

Sunday, January 26-Faith Formation students Grades K-5 will meet for class at the FF building following Mass. Edge students will meet at the social hall.

#### In Remembrance

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Aldo Zuchelli, Dolores Floravit, Leo Calliari, Donald Kentoski, and Francis McCarren. May God grant them eternal rest.

A Family Perspective At Cana, we gain valuable insight into Mary's parenting style. She did not plead, argue, demand, or manipulate. Instead, she simply pointed out the situation and trusted her son to make the best decision.

Parenting Pointer Remember, your children are not a reflection of you. They are souls placed on this earth by God with their own unique purpose. Our job, as parent and guide, is to help them identify this purpose.

## **THANK YOU!!**

We received a Thank You card from the Board of Directors at the Christian Food Bank. "Thank you all for the weekly food collection for the Christian Food Bank! and for the extra over Thanksgiving. Thank you Jeff Gray for bringing it to St. Marys every week. We are most grateful for your support throughout the year! May God bless you all!"

\*St. Joseph Church collected just under 850 pounds of food donations in 2024!



### 2025 Events for St. Joseph Church and Faith Formation

Thirty years ago, when I was taking piano lessons, my teacher told me in January of each year to plan a list of songs; usually six or seven, that he wanted me to learn during that year. Practicing scales up and down the keyboard was expected on a regular basis, but also three songs were to be somewhat accomplished by May, and ready to be performed by mid summer.

What this taught me was how important it is to lay out a plan at the beginning of each year of the work, talent, and other goals you want to complete during that year. With this thought in mind, it leads me to share with you our EVENTS that are being planned and the dates that they will be happening here at St. Joseph Church this year.

The following events that are bolded in **blue** are the event and date for our Church events. The events that are bolded in **dark red** are the dates for our Faith Formation program.

January 19th--Grades K-5 will meet for class at the Faith Formation building. Edge students will report to the Social Hall immediately following 9:15 a.m. Mass. Students will be traveling to The Guardian Angel Center in Kersey to deliver the pajamas that were collected as part of their Giving Tree service project.

January 26th--Grades K-5 will meet for class at the Faith Formation building. Edge students will meet at the Social Hall.

**February 1st--**5:30 p.m. Mass--Blessing of the Throats February 2nd--9:15 a.m. Mass--Blessing of the Throats

February 2nd--Grades K-5 will meet for class at the Faith Formation building. No class for Edge students.

**February 9th**--Grades K-5 will meet for class at the Faith Formation building. Edge students will meet at the Social Hall.

February 15th-- V V Valentine's Day Celebration with wraps and cookies in the Social Hall following Mass on Saturday evening. **\* \* \*** 

February 16th-- **v v v v** Coffee and donuts in the Social Hall following Mass on Sunday morning **\* \* \*** 

February 16th--Grades K-5 will meet for class in the Faith Formation building. No class for Edge students. *continued*  $\rightarrow$ 

# We Celebrate, We Listen, We Pray

Date	Intention	Requested by	Celebration	Scriptures
Monday, January 20, 2025 8:30 a.m. Mass	Poor Souls in Purgatory		Weekday Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr Saint Sebastian, Martyr	Heb 5: 1-10 Mk 2: 18-22 (311)
Tuesday, January 21, 2025 8:30 a.m. Mass	Aldo Zuchelli	A Force neighbor	Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr	Heb 6: 10-20 Mk 2: 23-28 (312)
Wednesday, January 22, 2025 No Mass			Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children	Heb 7: 1-3, 15-17 Mk 3: 1-6 (313)
Thursday, January 23, 2025 8:30 a.m. Mass	Dolores Floravit	Donald & Nancy Chiappelli	Weekday Saint Vincent, Deacon & Martyr Saint Marianne Cope, Virgin	Heb 7: 258: 6 Mk 3: 7-12 (314)
Friday, January 24, 2025 8:30 a.m. Mass	Leo Calliari	Kathleen & Leon	Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	Heb 8: 6-13 Mk 3: 13-19 (315)
Saturday, January 25, 2025 No Mass			Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle	Acts 22: 3-16 or 9: 1-22 Mk 16: 15-18 (519)
Saturday, January 25, 2025 5:30 p.m. Mass	Living and Deceased Parishioners		Vigil of the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	(see below)
Sunday, January 26, 2025 9:15 a.m. Mass	Victor & Geninie Dezanet Family	Walter & Christine Gavazzi	THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Neh 8: 2-4a, 5-6, 8-10 1 Cor 12: 12-30 or 12: 12-14, 2 Lk 1: 1-4, 4: 14-21 (69)

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February 23--Grades K-5 will meet for class at the Faith Formation building. Edge students will meet in the Social Hall.

March 1st/2nd--Commitment Sunday for the annual Catholic Services Appeal.

**March 2nd**--Grades K-5 will meet for class at the Faith Formation building. No class for Edge students. **\*\***A brief meeting for the parents of First Reconciliation students will be in the Conference Room in the Faith Formation building. We will discuss the First Reconciliation Retreat and Sacrament that will be held on Saturday, March 22, 2025.

March 5th--Ash Wednesday--Masses will be at 9:00 a.m. <u>AND</u> 7:00 p.m. Fish Dinners will start today and every Friday during Lent.

March 9th--Grades K-5 will meet for class at the Faith Formation building. Edge students will meet in the Social Hall.

March 9th--Adoration and Benediction will be Sunday evenings beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Church.

March 10th--Adult Faith Formation will meet on Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the Social Hall.

March 15th--After the 5:30 p.m. Mass, The Chosen will be shown in the Social Hall.

**GOD BLESS!** 

