



ST. JOSEPH & ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



March 29, 2020 • Fifth Sunday in Lent

St. Joseph Catholic Church

Parish Center:

Address.....228 E Hendricks St.
Phone & Website.....(317) 398-8227 stjoeshelby.org
Office Hours.....Mon-Fri: 8am-4pm, Tues: 8am-5pm

School:

Address.....127 E Broadway St.
Phone & Website...(317) 398-4202 sjsshelbyville.org
Office Hours.....Mon-Fri: 8am-3pm

Perpetual Adoration Chapel:

Address.....228 E Hendricks St
Phone & Website.....(317) 398-8227 stjoe.weadorehim.org

Staff (all emails are @sjsshelbyville.org):

Fr. Mike Keucher, VF, Pastor.....(812) 391-0047.....frmike
Dcn. Tom Hill, Deacon.....thill
Billy Cross, Pastoral Associate.....bcross
Bryan Fischer, Buildings & Grounds.....bfischer
Fr. Mike Keucher, VF, Interim Principal.....frmike
Jan Lux, Parish Secretary.....jan
Rebecca Makowski, Business Manager.....rebecca
Gaye McKenney, Parish Council President.....gaye
Kathleen Simpson, School Secretary.....simpson.kathleen
Bill Turner, Facilities Manager.....turner.bill
James Velez, Hispanic Ministry Director.....james

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church

Parish Center:

Address.....4218 E Michigan Rd
Phone & Website.....(317) 398-4028 svdpcc.com
Office Hours.....Call Sr. Joan

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SVdP Society of Shelby County

Contact Information:

Help Line.....(317) 395-7027
Website.....svdpshelby.org
Store Address.....424 E Jackson St.
Store Hours.....Sat. 10am-2pm
Warehouse Address.....628 Hodell St.
Warehouse Hours.....1st Sat. 9am-11am

Contacts:

Email.....shelbycountysvdp@gmail.com

March 29, 2020

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die."
John 11:25-26

General Information

- **Parish Membership:** Register online or at either parish office
- **Mass Schedule:** Mass schedule & intentions are inside on pg. 2
- **Adoration:** Perpetual Adoration Chapel is located at St. Joe
- **Confessions:** Saturday 4pm (SJ), Sunday 8am (SV), Monday 5:30pm (SV), and 3rd Friday 9am-9pm (SJ), or call Fr. Mike for appt.
- **Baptisms:** Classes are held the 2nd Monday of the month in the Office (English) and the 2nd Sunday of the month in the church (Spanish). Scheduling takes place at the end of class.
- **Marriage:** Marriage preparation is available for registered members. Arrangements should be made at least 6 months in advance. Contact Fr. Mike or Sr. Joan.
- **Anointing of the Sick:** 1st Tuesday of the month after the 8:15am Mass (SJ), or call Fr. Mike for a visit. Call anytime. Fr. Mike make homebound visits every First Friday.
- **Vocations:** Contact Fr. Mike or Sr. Joan
- **Rosary:** Saturday 4:30pm (SJ) & Wednesday 5:30pm (SV)
- **Religious Education, Faith Formation & Youth:** See pg. 8

Schedules, Counts, & Prayers

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sat., March 28	John, Mary and Donnie Veerkamp
Sun., March 29	For the Parishioners' Intentions
Mon., March 30	John and Mark Lewis
Tues., March 31	Martha Keith
Wed., April 1	Don Brown
Thur., April 2	Fr. Rick Edlred
Fri., April 3	Fr. Mike
Sat., April 4	For the Parishioners' Intentions
Sun., April 5	Jeff Goodin

Readings for the Week

Sunday: Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 3b-45]

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56

Sunday: Mt 21:1-11 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54]

Daily Masses Intentions

Fr. Mike will say Mass privately each day and include the Mass Intention for the corresponding day in his prayers. We will do our best to reschedule the unpublished Mass Intentions. Thank you in advance for your understanding.

Weekly Numbers

March 22, 2020

St. Joseph Sunday Collection

Budgeted Sunday Collection.....\$14,500.00
 Sunday Collection.....\$ 6,076.00
 Sunday's Surplus (Deficit).....\$ (8,424.00)

St. Joseph Year-To-Date Collection

YTD Collection Budget.....\$551,000.00
 YTD Collection Total.....\$ 601,861.60
 TD Surplus (Deficit).....\$ 50,861.61

St. Vincent de Paul Collection

March 22, 2020

Sunday Collection.....\$2,591.55
 Children Collection.....\$ 1.00

Thanks for your generosity!
 It is amazing what God can do when we are generous.
 Please be sure to remember your parish in your will!

Prayer List

Jan Chandler	Betty Knight
Ronnie Chandler	Jerry Lawrence
Leonardo Leon	Rico Mangalindan
Chavez	Rose Mary Martin
Kathleen	Randy McQueen
Chudzinski	Millie McVey
Rick Comstock	Pat Miller
Alice Cossairt	Elizabeth Morgan
Tom Dant	Mary Myers
Danielle DeWitt	Richard Oyerbides
Sandy Fisher	Ruth Pennycuff
Kate Freeman	Grant Plue
Libby Gallagher	Dixie Redelman
Marcelino Gob	Michael Schreiner
Leopoldo Gomes	Sue Schuck
Diane Hargitt	Sloan
Colleen Hradnansky	Wayne Sparks
Greg Jones	Jerry Thomas
Jan Jones	Char Rene'
Liam Kapfhammer	Thompson
Jim Knecht	Rosie Young

If you would like to place a name on our Bulletin Prayer List, please send an email with your loved one's name along with your name and phone number to Bulletin@sjsshelbyville.org or call the Parish Office at 317-398-8227. Be sure you have their permission before submitting their name.

**Lent =
 Prayer + Fasting + Almsgiving**

St. Joseph News

Pastor's Column

Dear Parish Families,

Thanks for remembering your church during these hard days! Last week, over 1,700 watched the Mass I offered at St. Joe in English. Another 800+ watched the Spanish one. I am recording daily prayers, holy hours, Divine Mercy Chaplets, vespers, Stations of the Cross. I am happy to see so many watching online.

Please be safe and stay home if able. Please pray for those who are sick and unemployed. Please also pray for all medical professionals, especially those who are parishioners here.

It is a somber thought that there is not a single public Mass in the USA, and in many other places too. This is a unique time, and a very sad one. Let us keep our prayers going and our heads held high. We will get through this!

I can't wait till we are together again!

Blessings
Fr. Mike

New Principal Announcement— Welcome Mrs. Borland!

Dear St. Joe Family,

It is with great joy that I announce to you the new principal for St. Joe School. Currently the full-time assistant principal at St. Luke's on the north side of Indianapolis, Mrs. Bethany Borland will take the reins at our school starting July 1.

Mrs. Borland was kind enough to create a biography page and invited me to share with you all: www.smores.com/6pk23.

As we get closer to the new year, we will have a warm welcome for Mrs. Borland after Mass on Sunday. We will have many other opportunities to welcome her as well.

I want to thank the search committee for all their work, and I'd also like to thank God. We are very blessed to have Mrs. Borland join our family!!

Blessings and prayers,
Fr. Mike

Society & God—A Conversation

Society: What about my plans?!

God: My plans for you are always better than your own. Don't worry. I'm going to work this all out for your good.

Society: We're not going to get anything done!

God: That's the point. You know how you keep spinning your wheels—always working, moving, doing—but never feeling satisfied? I've given you permission to stop. I've cleared your calendars for you! Your worth isn't tied to busyness or accomplishment. All you have to do is take care of each other.

Society: What does this all mean?

God: It means I'm in control. It means you are human and I am God. It means I've given you a wonderful opportunity to be the light in a dark world. It means you are going to learn to rely on me.

Society: What are we supposed to do when we can't leave our homes?

God: Rest. You are always so busy and overwhelmed, crying out to me weary and exhausted. Can't you use a break from your fast-paced and over-scheduled lives? Go ahead and rest. Pray. Love your families. Be still and spend time with me.

Society: You mean we're supposed to stay home with our kids all day, every day?

God: Yes. And you're going to be just fine. This time together is a rare gift. The rush of daily life has come to a halt. Play games. Bake cookies. Work on projects you've never had the time for. Teach them kindness and grace. Show them how to endure difficult circumstances and steer them toward me.

Society: We better start hoarding anything we can get our hands on!

God: Prevention, yes. Precaution, yes. Preparedness, yes. But after that, it's time to put the needs of others before your own. When you see someone in need, help them. Offer up what you have. Do not worry about tomorrow! Haven't I always taken care of you? Now, go take care of someone else.

Society: Why is this happening?

God: To remind you that I'm in control. To bring your attention back to me. I'm bringing you together as families and neighbors. I'm showing you patience and perseverance. I'm reminding you of your purpose and priorities. Now is the time to learn and teach your children what this life is really about.

Society: We don't know who to believe.

God: Believe in me. Trust me. Ask me for wisdom and I will surely give it.

Society: We're scared!

God: I've got this and I'm with you

St. Joseph News

A Note from Fr. Mike

+JMJ

Dear Parishioners:

Given the hard times we are in, I am asking you to remember your parish. While we need \$14,500 a week to cover our budget, last weekend, without an in-person collection, we received \$6,076.

Our staff is still working. With e-learning, our teachers are still teaching, doing class prep, and grading. The office staff has become a nerve center for coordination of our parish's response to COVID-19. We still need to pay them and the other bills we have to pay.

Please continue to tithe. The necessity and call is still there for the work of the Church continues. This includes our parish's outreach efforts during this time, especially through our St. Vincent de Paul Society. To our parishioners in need in any way, we are here for you. Don't be afraid to ask.

You can mail your contribution in. Better yet, you can contribute online VERY easily by making a one-time gift or by setting up weekly/bi-weekly/monthly giving, as I have. Just go to this secure website and follow the directions:

<https://www.stjoeshelby.org/online-giving/>

We are keeping our costs down. Please help us carry on the work we must and make sure those who work for you in this parish can be paid so they can take care of their families.

You are in my prayers!
Fr. Mike

Online Resources

Did you know that you can listen to the Sunday homily online? Go to stjoeshelby.org and click on the Homilies link. You can also read Fr. Mike's daily blog at unendingmercy.com. If you look on **Facebook** for "St. Joseph Catholic Parish" and "St. Joseph Catholic School," you can see all kinds of daily encouraging photos, news and inspirations. Finally, you can opt to receive **Elements of Faith** e-mails on Monday mornings that include a video from Fr. Mike or Dcn. Tom. Email stjoeshelby@gmail.com to opt in. Please share all these electronic resources!

No St. Joe Festival—May 7-10

Sadly, we had to make the decision to cancel our annual festival. Bummer!

St. Joseph Catholic School—Enroll Now

St. Joe School is a glorious place!! Please consider sending your child to our school. Scholarships are available and other assistance as well. Money should NEVER be a reason to not send your child to St. Joe. And St. Joe School will make all the difference in the world for your child! Please check out the new video about our school at <https://sjsshelbyville.org/welcome-to-st-joe-video/>

Mission Statement

The mission of St. Joseph Parish is to be the living body of Christ in Shelby County through worship, service, formation and community. We live this statement in practical, concrete ways every day, and then post how we are doing that on the office wall.

2020 High School and College Graduates

Save the date!! St. Joseph Church would like to honor all St. Joseph Graduates on **Sunday, May 31st at the 10:00 a.m. Mass**. More details to come, watch for them in the Bulletin.



From Pope Francis During COVID-19

Tonight before falling asleep think about when we will return to the street. When we hug again, when all the shopping together will seem like a party. Let's think about when the coffees will return to the bar, the small talk, the photos close to each other. We think about when it will be all a memory but normality will seem an unexpected and beautiful gift. We will love everything that has so far seemed futile to us. Every second will be precious. Swims at the sea, the sun until late, sunsets, toasts, laughter. We will go back to laughing together. Strength and courage!

AMEN!

St. Vincent News

Sr. Joan's Corner

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend's Gospel story is about Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead. There is so much more for us to think about in this story than that. We see Mary, Martha and Jesus weeping. Even Jesus is sad because of his friend's death. Martha and Mary both say to Jesus, "If you had been here, my brother would not have died.". They are telling Jesus that he could have prevented Lazarus' death if he had wanted to do that. But Jesus had other plans—even more beneficial for them.

Let's compare this to our situation today. We are all praying that the Coronavirus will go away quickly. God could make it happen in short order, but I have the faith to believe that some good will come from this crisis. People are showing that they care about others. Families are eating together and spending more time together. Hopefully, people are spending more time in prayer. Maybe we will have time to get our priorities in life in proper order. We can learn that our health is more important than any possession or amount of money. This week as we pray, besides praying for all the health workers and scientists that are on the front lines to combat this virus, may we also pray that we will have the patience to survive this crisis.

Sr. Joan

Stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure Form

Reminder: Please pray and then fill out your Stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure Form. Return it by dropping it in the collection basket or mailing it back to the St. Vincent's Church office. Thank you to those who have already done so.

On Line Giving

Thank you to all who have signed up for On-line Giving at St. Vincent. If you would like to give electronically, visit our website: svdpcc.com or contact the church office: 317-398-4028.

Parish Council Nominates

Due to not having a March Parish Council meeting, we will be asking you to nominate people who would be good to serve on the Parish Council. Please pray and be prepared to share these names by texting or sending them to Sr. Joan at 812-455-9348.

April Newsletter

The April Newsletter is available on our website: svdpcc.com

NO St. Ann's Rummage Sale—April 3/4

The Spring rummage sale has been postponed to a later date to be determined. Please **do not** bring your rummage to Sister's garage. It is full. Watch the bulletin and newsletter for further information.

NO St. Vincent Charity Tea —April 25

The Annual St. Vincent Charity Tea has been postponed to a later date to be determined. Please watch the bulletin and newsletter for further information.

St. Vincent de Paul Parish and Cemetery Endowment Funds

When someone donates to these Endowment Funds, it is leaving a legacy to the future of St. Vincent de Paul Parish and Cemetery. Contact Sr. Joan Miller at St. Vincent Church, 317-398-4028.

St. Vincent Parish Picnic—June 14

We are trying something different this year for our parish picnic. We will have a brunch after the 8:30am Mass on June 14th. Margaret Haehl is organizing this. For this to be a success she needs help! Anyone interested in helping with activities, decorations, and a menu that you will not have to bring, please contact Margaret: 317-402-3991 or email: mrhaehl@sbcglobal.net

Today's Readings—March 29

I will put my
spirit in you that
You may live.



First Reading — Thus says the Lord GOD: I will open your graves, have you rise from them, and settle you on your land. Then you shall know I am the LORD, O my people! (Ezekiel 37:12-14).

Psalm — With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption (Psalm 130).

Second Reading — If Christ is in you, the spirit is alive even if the body is dead because of sin (Romans 8:8-11).

Gospel — Lazarus, dead for four days, came out of his tomb when Jesus called his name (John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]).

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Statement of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis

Statement of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis on the Suspension of Public Celebration of Mass and the Temporary Closure of the Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara Catholic Center and Agencies (03/17/20):

As the health and safety conditions in our archdiocesan community have shifted, the spread of the COVID-19 virus is a moment for Catholics and all people of goodwill to offer special prayers of intercession for the healing of those infected, for the protection of the elderly and infirm who are at greatest risk, for the prevention of the disease's spread, and for the courage and strength of care providers who minister to the sick, their families and those most in need. With deep trust in the Lord and with a close attentiveness to the guidance given by experts in the fields of health and safety, the following decisions have been made about our operations and the liturgical life of those within the Archdiocese of Indianapolis.

Based on the recommendations from health officials concerning the danger of the COVID-19 pandemic and the urgency to stem the spread of the virus, the five Catholic bishops of Indiana have suspended effective March 18 and until further notice all public Sunday and weekday Masses throughout the Province of Indianapolis, which is comprised of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis and the Dioceses of Gary, Evansville, Fort Wayne-South Bend, and Lafayette. Archbishop Charles C. Thompson, the Archbishop of Indianapolis, has also suspended all other liturgical services and gatherings of the faithful effective Wednesday, March 18 and until further notice. Of course, the archbishop's dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass from March 13 continues until further notice.

- We encourage all priests to celebrate Mass privately for the good of the People of God, the Church and the intentions of the day. The archbishop has given permission (GIRM, 374) for the Masses and Prayers for Various Needs and Occasions as well as Votive Masses on Lenten weekdays during this time.
- Televised and online Masses provide opportunities for the faithful to remain connected in some way to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass during this difficult time. Parishes with the potential to broadcast their own Masses should do so. All permission requirements for the online use of the prayers and readings of the Mass in both English and Spanish have been granted.

Statement of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, cont'd

- The archbishop and some of the priests on his staff will be making online Masses available soon. Please visit the homepage of the archdiocese: www.archindy.org, for more information.

During a time of prayer on Sunday or while viewing the Mass on T.V. or online, the faithful are encouraged to make an act of Spiritual Communion. This beautiful devotional practice in the Church is a real source of grace in communion with our Lord. Below is an example of a prayer for spiritual communion:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

- The faithful are also encouraged to prayerfully read the readings of Sacred Scripture for the day or to pray the rosary.
- To provide for the pastoral needs of the people, pastors and parish life coordinators are invited to utilize staff in parishes in a safe and limited way to perform the most essential functions and to attend to routine maintenance.
- Out of an abundance of caution, parishes and chapels, including perpetual adoration chapels, should remain closed until further notice.
- Decisions about the celebrations during Holy Week and beyond will be made in the coming days.
- As to the celebration of other Sacraments, whenever possible any scheduled celebrations should be postponed until further notice. This includes the celebration of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Matrimony.
- More information will be forthcoming regarding the health precautions that should be taken for the celebration of the Sacraments of Penance and the Anointing of the Sick (and other Rites in Exceptional Circumstances), which should be administered whenever possible for those in danger of death. Regularly scheduled visits to vulnerable persons and to the homebound should be suspended until further notice.

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Statement of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, cont'd

- Finally, the celebration of funerals should be postponed whenever possible. If a funeral is offered, then it should be celebrated outside of Mass and in the presence of a very small number of the faithful who practice the prescribed precautions for hygiene and social distancing. A Mass for the intention and the repose of the soul of the deceased may be offered privately by the priest.
- Additionally, the archbishop has mandated the closing of the Catholic Center and related agency offices until further notice. Those employees who are able to work remotely from home are encouraged to do so.
- All Catholic schools in the archdiocese will continue to be closed until at least April 6.
- Information related to compensation and care for our employees and for the financial well-being of our communities is being compiled.



Lent Dates!

Mark your calendars:

- Every Friday during Lent - Stations of the Cross
- April 9 - Holy Thursday
- April 10 - Good Friday
- April 11 - Holy Saturday
- April 12 - Easter Sunday

Mass and service times are online at stjoeshelby.org and will be printed in the bulletin as they near.

40 Days For Life

This Lent, the campaign of Prayer and Fasting is known as 40 DAYS FOR LIFE. Beginning February 26th - Ash Wednesday - through April 5th. Please go to archindy.org/humanlifeanddignity/index.html or 40daysforlife.com for more information.

NO Stations of the Cross—Lenten Fridays

There will be No Stations of the Cross at St. Joseph until after Monday, April 6th.

Remember to Read Your Bibles!!

No Bible, No Breakfast. No Bible, No Bed.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Dear All,

After considerable consultation and thought; **The Shelby County SVDP store will be closed immediately.** A reassessment will be made after April 5th, 2020. This decision was not made lightly. Hopefully this will help mitigate our little part in this effort to fight the pandemic of Covid 19 Coronavirus and the resurgence of the flu. As of this date, we are not aware of any people having the Covid 19 virus in Shelby County.

Those clients that have been invited to the store for help will be contacted and told of the closing so that they do not make an unnecessary trip to the store. Signs will be posted today at the store.

Client Needs: Our Home Visiting Manager knows of this closing and we will still serve our clients to the best of our ability. This may put a strain on our funds as we anticipate a greater need later by those that may lose their jobs. We will be limited, but we will do our best. Fortunately, due to your past generosity, we have funds available to serve our clients.

Store: Of course we all know that the SVDP Store does not provide essentials such as food and drugs. Sometimes however we *do* provide clothing and things that are necessary. With that in mind, we will consider how best to keep in mind those needs.

Home Visits: We still consider home visits most valuable. We will consider each of these types of things on a case by case basis.

Questions: SVdP Help Line: 317-395-7027
Email: shelbycountysvdp@gmail.com
Website: www.svdpshelby.org

Donations may be accepted through:
St. Joseph Catholic Church or
St. Vincent DePaul Catholic Church

Thanks to all, Jim Carrier

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Upcoming Events & Meetings

NO events are scheduled until after April 6th as directed by the Archdiocese of Indianapolis.

Flocknote for St. Joseph and St. Vincent

St. Joseph and St. Vincent Parishes are using a powerful communication tool called FLOCKNOTE. Please sign up to receive important notifications about Holy days, events, cancellations, etc. It's free. You can receive information via email or text. There are three ways to join:

- Via text messaging: Text: sjparish to 84576
- Visit: flocknote.com/parishioners
- Visit our website: scroll down all the way www.stjosephshelby.org

With this tool, we will be able to keep our Parishioners well informed. You can choose to stop receiving messages anytime and your privacy is secured.

Adoration Chapel—Closed

The Adoration Chapel is closed until further notice by directive of the Archbishop.



Joint Parish Mission—Aug. 12-14

St. Joe and St. Vincent parishes will join together in hosting the 2020 Parish Mission! More details to come, but please mark your calendars. We are in for a treat!

Give Glory to God

On the Fifth Sunday of Lent, just before we begin to enter Holy Week, we are summoned to Bethany. If we had been friends of Mary, Lazarus, and Martha, and found out that Lazarus was gravely ill, we probably would have dropped everything to be with them. This was what was so surprising about the behavior of Jesus. Although he was their close friend, he chose to stay away, that God's glory would be manifested. This is a persistent theme in John's Gospel. Right to the very end, Jesus' works were meant to give glory to the Father. As our Lenten journey reaches a crescendo, let us be mindful that, as people who have "put on Christ" in baptism, we are also called, by our attitudes and actions, to give glory to God.

Knights of Columbus News

Monday thru Saturday

Lunch from 11:00am - 1:00pm
Phone: 317-398-9914

Dinners

Friday evening from 6:00 - 8:00pm
2nd Sunday of each month from 11:00 - 1:00pm

Wing and Shrimp Night

Wednesday evening from 6:00 - 8:00pm
Served Hot, Honey Garlic and BBQ

Bingo

Thursday evening from 7:00 - 10:00pm

Knights of Columbus Meeting Dates

Council Meeting: 8:15pm (1st & 3rd Wednesday)
Finance Meeting: 7:00pm (1st Wednesday)
Columbian Homes Mtg.: 7:00pm (3rd Wednesday)

K of C Carry-Out Lunches, Wednesday Night Wings and Friday Night Dinners

The K of C are open for carry-outs only. The hours for carry-out will remain the same as posted above. The only thing that has changed is that all meals are carry-out. Call 317-398-9914 to place your order. Thank you for your continuing support.

Joint Parish Picnic—Aug. 19

Mark your calendars. The annual St. Joseph and St. Vincent Joint Parish Picnic will take place on Wednesday, August 19th!! It will be at Blue River Park shelter house.

Amazing Possibilities —Sept. 15

Matthew Kelley will be speaking at East Central High School Performing Arts Center, St. Leon, Indiana, on September 15th, 2020 (his first stop on his North American Tour) at 7:00pm. To purchase a ticket/tickets go to www.dynamiccatholic.com. Tickets are \$39.00 each and are available now. They will sell out fast. If there are enough people interested, there is a possibility of taking the bus from St. Joe to this event but tickets must be purchased online.

About this event: God is constantly trying to open your eyes to the amazing possibilities that he has unfolded in your being. Matthew Kelly's inspiring, high-energy event will help you take time to reflect. To look deeper. To seek out the unseen opportunities that you have overlooked at first glance. Possibilities abound. You are capable of incredible things. While you might underestimate yourself, God never does.

News for Both Parishes

Faith Formation is for EVERYONE at St. Joseph and St. Vincent!

Faith formation is for everyone. That is to say, all our life we are seeking to be formed into Christ, into saints. This looks different at various stages of life:

Preschool through 5th Grade go to one or more of the following:

- St. Joe School
- Religious Ed classes at SJ meet Sundays from 11:00am - 12:00pm
- Religious Ed classes at SV meet Wednesdays from 6:15pm - 7:30pm
- As a supplement, Children's Liturgy of the Word also takes place every Sunday during the 8:30am and 10:00am Masses. All preschoolers, kindergartners, and first graders are welcome!

Middle Schoolers go to:

- Sunday morning Religious Ed at St. Joseph
- Wednesday night Religious Ed at St. Vincent
- As a supplement, Middle Schoolers are encouraged to attend the monthly enrichment opportunities (social, service, and spiritual). Details to be shared in classes.

Confirmation Candidates (generally HS freshmen) go to Confirmation Preparation.

- St. Joe and St. Vincent do Confirmation preparation together. The Confirmation class meets the First and Third Sundays at St. Joseph.
- Dates: Apr. 5, Apr. 19, May 3 - updates possible
- Retreat and service hour dates TBA

High Schoolers go to HS Youth Group

- Every Sunday from 6:00 - 7:30pm. Come!
- Trips, service projects, etc. as announced

Adults take part in Adult Faith Formation Programs, such as:

- Fr. Mike's weekly Bible study on Mondays at St. Vincent at 10am
- Adult Formation during Sunday Religious Ed times at SJ (English and Spanish available)
- Deacon Tom's Book Studies
- Adult Education Nights
- RCIA every Monday at 7pm at St. Vincent
- Retreats, talks, workshops as announced
- Elements of Faith/Fr. Mike Minute emails

We all must take faith formation very seriously! We are never done being formed in the faith, and its riches are endless.

It's Three O'clock Somewhere+ How to Live the Divine Mercy Devotion



St. Joseph Parishioner, Jennifer Lindberg has written and published a free e-book about the Divine Mercy Devotion. Tekton Ministries is offering this free as a spiritual aid to help people grow in their faith. An international pilgrimaging company, they care about souls and this is one way to embrace their mission.

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Vacation Bible School—June 1-5



Take a trip around the world and encounter Christ through Mary this year at St. Joe's VBS June 1st - 5th. It is a great week filled with song, dance, crafts, stories, and games that will help the children get to know more intimately the mystery and beauty that is Our Blessed Mother. To sign your child up for VBS go to www.stjoeshelby.org and click the link for the registration form. More information about VBS can be found on the form.

If you still wish to volunteer and help during this event please contact Billy Cross at bcross@sjsshelbyville.org or 317-452-0408.

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