

## February 18th & 19th, 2023 The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Joseph's (SJ) & St. Patrick's (SP) Mass Schedule						
Date			Place	Time	Mass Intention	Sacred Scriptures
Mon	Feb	20		No Mass		Sirach 1: 1-10; Mark 9:14-29
Tues	Feb	21	SJ	6:15 PM	+ Samuel Kasap	St. Peter Damien: Sirach 2:1-11; Mark 9: 30-37
Wed	Feb	22	SJ	12:10 PM	Spirit & Remembrance	Ash Wed:Joel 2:12-18; 2 Cor. 5:20-6:2;Matt 6:1-6,16-18
Wed	Feb	22	SP	5:45 PM	+ Fr. John Maier	Ash Wed:Joel 2:12-18; 2 Cor. 5:20-6:2;Matt 6:1-6,16-18
Wed	Feb	22	SJ	7:15 PM	+ Dave Sullivan, Sr.	Ash Wed:Joel 2:12-18; 2 Cor. 5:20-6:2;Matt 6:1-6,16-18
Thurs	Feb	23	SP	5:45 PM	+ Kahle Family	Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Luke 9: 22-25
Fri	Feb	24	SJ	8:00 AM	+ Jill Johnson	Isaiah 58: 1-9; Matthew 9:14-15
Sat	Feb	25	SJ	5:00 PM	+ Merallene Dooley	Gen. 2:7-9;3:1-7; Rom.5:12-19; Matthew 4: 1-11
Sun	Feb	26	SP	8:00 AM	For Our Parish	Gen. 2:7-9;3:1-7; Rom.5:12-19; Matthew 4: 1-11
Sun	Feb	26	SJ	10:00 AM	+ Shirley Corkrean	Gen. 2:7-9;3:1-7; Rom.5:12-19; Matthew 4: 1-11

**Prayer Chain:** Nellie Bindel, Shirley Bittinger, Patty Burgus, Steven Cain, Bob Casper, Dee Dalton, Danielle Eivins, A.J. Gengler, Christina Hefe, John Paul Jacobs, Josetta Mulvihill, Clare Ritchie, Dixie Rushing, Linda Sullivan, Joe Tiernan, Clara Venia. If you would like to be added to our parish prayer chain, please email Terri Sullivan @ stmnsully@gmail.com or call Patricia Corkrean ( 515-462-4251) or Rosemary Stuchel (515-462-4152).

**Eucharist Adoration:** at St. Joe's: Tues from 11 am to 6 pm. St. Pat's; Thursday from 4:30 pm to 5:30pm

**Parish Family Directory:** Inserted in last week's bulletin was a flyer announcing we will be preparing a new Parish Directory. Both St. Joseph and St. Patrick's parishioners can schedule appointments on March 7-11 from 2:00-7:00 PM. Scheduling instructions are found at the bottom of the flyer. Please contact Cindy Cooper at 515-249-2217 if you do not want to schedule online.

**Bookkeeper Position:** St. Joseph's is looking for a part-time bookkeeper, 15 to 20 hours a week, to take care of the finance records of both St. Joseph, Winterset and St. Patrick, Irish Settlement. Familiarity with basic computer knowledge, processing accounts payable and receivable, willing to be trained in the diocesan ParishSoft program, prepare reports for parish finance councils, do payroll, taxes and reports. Please contact Fr. Dooley for an expanded list of duties or to present your resume by mail or email tdooley@saintjosephchurch.net.

### Next Weekend's Ministry Schedule for February 25 & 26, 2023

Ministry	St. Joe's Sat. 5:00 PM	St. Pat's Sun 8:00 AM	St. Joe's Sun. 10:00 AM
Lector	Sarah Cowman	Bob Holtzbauer	Heather Honkomp
Extra Com.	Terry Cowman	J. Watts, R. Glassell, B. Holtzbauer	Jeff Honkomp
Gifts		Jim & Mary Jane Watts	
Servers			M. Sents, M. Pugh, Marshall Back
Usher		Jim Watts, Michael King	
Greeter		Bob Holtzbauer	
Coffee & Rolls			B. Prunty, D. Raymond, Jacobsens

**From the Pastor's Desk:** The back and forth weather that we have been having reminds me how our faith lives sometimes are. One moment we are making great progress in prayer and our hearts are ready to commit to begin a faithful discipleship; then all of a sudden life gets busy or some difficulty arises and we slip back into our old habits. The idea of prayer and sacrifice and our love for God seems to diminish.

Next Wednesday February 22<sup>nd</sup> is Ash Wednesday, marking the beginning of Lent. Now is the time to consider personally a plan for a holy Lent. The spiritual exercises that are part of the holy season, Stations of the Cross, Daily Mass, Extra Rosaries, and Scripture Readings etc... are meant to help us continue to draw close to the Savior. Lent is an opportunity to build better faith lives that will sustain us when life gets busy or some difficulty strikes. The six weeks of Lent trains us to grow stronger in our prayer, our sacrifices, and our love of Almighty God

During Lent I would ask you to renew your commitment to prayer and loving service to neighbor. Finally, I would like to invite you to come to Mass and have an enriching encounter with Jesus Christ. Place yourself in the middle of each weeks Gospel stories. This will encourage you to enter into the most solemn liturgies of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday which will celebrate the Lord's Paschal Mystery, His suffering, death and resurrection. It is from these Holiest of days that we will enter into the promise of New Life and hopefully the promise of Spring.

**Confession Times:** St. Pat's 7:15 am on Sundays; St. Joe's 3:30pm on Saturdays

**That Man is You:** We will meet again on Saturday Feb.25. Men from both parishes are invited to participate. The video presentation begins at 7:00 AM followed by a discussion afterwards and ends at 8:00 AM.

**Italian Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner:** Sunday Feb,26 at Churchville Assumption Shrine Hall, 870 West St., Churchville, IA ( 2 miles northwest of Martensdale). All you can eat. Serving 11AM to 2:30 PM. Adults \$8, Kids \$4. Carry out available. Silent auction and raffle.

**Iowa Catholic Radio Network:** Spring Fundraiser will take place February 27– March 3, 2023.

**Holy Season of Lent:** Have you planned your Lent? We plan our projects at work. We plan out the kids' sporting activities. How about making a plan for Lent? The Diocese created a template for planning how we might share with those in need during the Lenten season. Find the template and other creative family activities at dmdiocese.org/Lent2023. Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent is February 22.

There is more information and pricing on a flyer on the St. Joseph parish hall bulletin board.**Rwandan Genocide Survivor:** Immaculee Ilibagiza will bring her message of faith and forgiveness to Earling, Iowa on April 1, 2023 with a retreat at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 212 2nd St, Earling, IA 51530.

**Catechesis:** NCYC update: If you are thinking about joining the group going to Indianapolis in November, keep in mind that Monday, March 27th is the last day to request a ticket. It's an uplifting, inspiring, invigorating, chock-a-block Catholic good time, however: There is a **March 27th deadline** to order a ticket through St. Joseph's. Please contact Kristin Swalve or Mary Strickler to order or for more information."

To everyone who shopped at the bake sale last weekend, we want to send a sincere thanks. We are excited about going to the National Catholic Youth Conference Rally in November and are very appreciative of the support, both in capital and in kindness.

**Catechesis:** The St. Thomas More Center in Panora offers week long summer camps for kids in third grade to high school. It is a chance meet other Catholic youth, experience a taste of independence, and grow in faith. "Looking to ignite a child's faith? Catholic Youth Camp is an oasis for young people to leave the difficulties of life to discover adventure, community, and discover God's profound love. We combine dynamic Catholic spirituality with the fun and activities of camp. " Tuition assistance is available, if needed. Please contact the St. Thomas More Center. More information is available at this site: <https://stmcenter.com/sponsorships>. St. Joseph's is also offering some scholarship; please contact the church office for more information.