

February 21, 2021 1st Sunday of Lent

St. Joseph (SJ) and St. Patrick (SP) Weekly Mass Schedule

| Date | | | Place | Time | Mass Intention | Sacred Scriptures |
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| Mon | Feb | 22 | | | No Mass | Chair of St. Peter: 1 Peter 5: 1-4; Matthew 16: 13-19 |
| Tues | Feb | 23 | SJ | 6:15 PM | + Dave Sullivan, Sr. | Isaiah 55: 10-11; Matthew 6: 7-15 |
| Wed | Feb | 24 | SJ | 8:00 AM | + John Tiernan | Jonah 3: 1-10; Luke 11: 29-32 |
| Thurs | Feb | 25 | SP | 5:45 PM | + Dan Mulvihill | Esther 12: 14-16, 23-25; Matthew 7: 7-12 |
| Fri | Feb | 26 | SJ | 8:00 AM | Special Intention | Ezekiel 18: 21-28; Matthew 5: 20-26 |
| Sat | Feb | 27 | SJ | 5:00 PM | + Phyllis Brichacek | Gen.22:1-2,9,10-13,15-18; Rom. 8: 31-34; Mark 9: 2-10 |
| Sun | Feb | 28 | SP | 8:00 AM | + Michael Tiernan | Gen.22:1-2,9,10-13,15-18; Rom. 8: 31-34; Mark 9: 2-10 |
| Sun | Feb | 28 | SJ | 10:00AM | For Our Parish | Gen.22:1-2,9,10-13,15-18; Rom. 8: 31-34; Mark 9: 2-10 |

Spiritual Communion: I wish, my Lord, to receive you with the purity, humility and devotion with which your most Holy Mother received you, with the spirit and fervor of the saints. Amen.

Scam Warning: Father Dooley will NOT text or email anyone to asking for gift cards or donations. Scammers during this time of pandemic are treading upon the generous heart of folks to steal. A scam even used Bishop Joensen name to make it seem more realistic. Beware.

A Prayer to End the Coronavirus: Loving Father, may the merits of your son's death on the cross gain for us the protection from this virus. Protect the nations, this community, my family and friends from all harm. In your mercy halt the spread of this virus so that others will not suffer. Let the light of your glory destroy this virus and cleanse the world. May Mary our mother intercede for us in hour. May all the saints petition you for your mercy. May Jesus your son who died for love of us grant us healing. We ask this through the same Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayer Chain: Nellie Bindel, Shirley Bittinger, Maxine Brunsman, John Burgus, Patty Burgus, Bob Casper, Kellen Casper, Bob Denton, Jay Eveler, Joe Hoffman, Dr. Joe Johll, Joanne Nichols, Marge Peterson, Linda Sullivan, Lucas & Jason Villa, Debbie Williams, all Coronavirus patients, all medical personnel and other family members and neighbors in need of prayers.

St. Joseph Food Pantry: Our Food Bank: The food bank has been relocated to the room across from Father's office. We are open to the public from 10AM - Noon on the first Thurs. of the month and also by appointment through the office. However, our pantry is open to any parishioner in need at any time that the church is open. Once again, thank you for your generous support.

St. Patrick's Ministry: Father Dooley has resumed his Thursday afternoon ministry at 4 pm. He will be in the sacristy waiting for you to come visit.

That Man Is You. The second semester (The Fight of Faith) has begun, next meeting will be Sat. Mar. 6. We meet at St. Joseph on Saturday morning. The doors of the hall open at 6:30 AM and the video presentation begins at 7:00 AM followed by a discussion after the video and we will be finished at 8:00 AM. All men from both parishes are invited.

Rest in Peace: Please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of Lester Berry who was baptized at St. Joseph in Winterset. He passed away on February 16 in Phoenix, AZ.

From the Pastor's Desk: This is the first Sunday of Lent and many of us are looking forward with hope to our lives getting back to somewhat a more normal stance, covid wise. The dreariness of the past year with mask and social distancing of canceling most of our common activities have really weighted us down. This lent will be a time of optimistic hope in the future. That together we have undergone a great trial, some might say a great purification.

The word lent itself come from the old English word for Spring. And of course, spring to most of us means a time for new life after the long cold winter. The spiritual meaning of Lent has a similar understanding it is a time of spiritual new life using the three spiritual disciplines of prayer, fasting and alms giving.

Although we are not able to have some of the familiar events of Lent there are still opportunities to grow spiritually; weekly Station of the Cross, evening Masses, Adoration of the blessed sacrament and of course the wonderful livestreaming service of Formed.

It is my desire that we have as many different opportunities as possible to grow in our faith and to build a strong parish family. Now I realize that folks have a busy schedule and as the weather gets warmer (someday) even more things will pop up on our calendars. But I genuinely want to encourage you to work hard this Lent and take advantage of every opportunity, especially the times of Reconciliation/Confession.

It is by living our faith and growing in our faith that we can come to inherit the promise of eternal life offered to us through the Paschal Mystery (Christ's Death and Resurrection) revealed to us that first Easter and made present to us at every Mass at the altar. By following Christ in faith and love will we come to the fullest experience of Easter and the new life offered to us by God. Fr. Thomas Dooley

Livestreaming of the Mass: You may link from the website www.saintjosephchurch.net, click the Facebook link on the bottom left on the home page, this will take you to the parish Facebook page. Scroll down to "Post" which will get you to Youtube. Then click the **sjcc** logo it will take you to St. Joseph's channel.

Confessions: Father will be available for confessions at the regular time: Sat 3:30pm St. Joe's and 7:15 am Sun at St. Patrick. And will try to remember to head to the confessional following every Mass during Lent.

Lenten Devotions: Father will lead the Stations of the Cross St. Patrick's on Thursdays follow the evening Mass. At St. Joseph's stations will be at 6pm on Fridays. There will be no booklet available due to the Covid restrictions.

St. Patrick: Please check out the updated parish website www.ouririshsettlement.com There you will find the latest information of the parish. The weekly bulletins are posted there. If there are committees or parish organizations that we should link to or provide a web page, please contact Justin or Katie O'Neal or Ayden Pugh who have work so diligently on our website.

Eucharist Adoration: on Tuesdays from 11 am to 6 pm the Lord is exposed on the altar at St. Joseph's. Benediction (the blessing) at 6pm. Mass Follows at 6:15 pm.

Prayer to St. Joseph. *"Hail, Guardian of the redeemer, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen"*

FORMED this week: The Search; The Bible Study of the Gospel of Matthew; The Whole 40, Making a Spiritual Plan for Lent; Bernadette. Go to formed.org click on "I belong to an organization", type in Winterset's zip code "50273", enter your name and then email.