

April 4, 2021 Easter Sunday

St. Joseph (SJ) and St. Patrick (SP) Weekly Mass Schedule						
Date			Place	Time	Mass Intention	Sacred Scriptures
Mon	Apr	05			NO MASS	Acts of Apostles 2: 14,22-33; Matthew 28: 8-15
Tues	Apr	06	SJ	6:15 PM	+ Albert & Angela Hill	Acts of Apostles 2: 36-41; John 20: 11-18
Wed	Apr	07	SJ	8:00 AM	+ Richard Williams	Acts of Apostles 3: 1-10; Luke 24: 13-35
Thurs	Apr	08	SP	5:45PM	+ Vivian Johnson	Acts of Apostles 3: 11-26; Luke 24: 35-48
Fri	Apr	09	SJ	8:00AM	+ Jeffrey Elliott	Acts of Apostles 4: 1-12; John 21: 1-14
Sat	Apr	10	SJ	5:00 PM	For the Confirmandi	Confirmation: Acts 4:32-35;1 John 5:1-6; John 20: 19-31
Sun	Apr	11	SP	8:00 AM	For Our Parish	Acts 4:32-35;1 John 5:1-6; John 20: 19-31
Sun	Apr	11	SJ	10:00AM	+ Marcia Sparks	Acts 4:32-35;1 John 5:1-6; John 20: 19-31

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.

Prayer Chain: Nellie Bindel, Shirley Bittinger, Maxine Brunzman, Mike Burgus, Patty Burgus, Bob Casper, Kellen Casper, Jay Eveler, Joe Hoffman, Dr. Joe Johll, Sharon Lawson, Bruna Massolini, Joanne Nichols, Jody Pugh, Linda Sullivan, all Coronavirus patients, all medical personnel and other family members and neighbors in need of prayers. If you would like to be added to our parish prayer chain, please email Terri Sullivan @ stmnsully@gmail.com or call Patricia Corkrean at 462-4251 or Rosemary Stuchel at 462-4152. If adding someone other than yourself, please make sure the family is OK with the request. Our plan is to leave you on the prayer chain for 30 days unless you let us know that you need more or less time.

St Joseph Food Pantry: Please feel free to take a look at our food pantry which is located across the hall from Father's office. It has been a source of food for several needy families over the last few months. We are always in need of donations and appreciate your generosity. A "most needed" list of items is on the table in the foyer. If you can help, please leave your donations in the pantry room.

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) will end with our next meeting on Sat. Apr. 10. 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.

Annual Diocesan Appeal: As of March 19, St. Patrick's has received 14 pledges or gifts for a total of \$8,500 toward its 2021 ADA goal of \$15,775 leaving a shortfall of \$7,850 and St. Joseph has received 39 pledges or gifts for a total of \$17,900 toward its goal of \$36,129 leaving a shortfall of \$18,259. **Please remember that any shortfall at year-end will have to be paid to the Diocese by the parish and is paid out of the general tithing collections.**

Food Pantry Collection: Because of our Easter celebrations, our food pantry collection in April will take place the weekend of April 10 & 13. Thanks as always for your generous contributions.

From the Pastor's Desk: The darkness and gloom of our Lenten penance has passed; a new and brilliant light has dawned upon the world. Sin and death reign no more, Christ has conquered and the promise of eternal life has been offered to us. Today, **Easter Sunday**, is the greatest and oldest of Christian Feasts. It celebrates Christ's resurrection from the dead. **Easter** is the feast of feasts; it is the Great Sunday, a model for all the Sundays throughout the year.

In 325 a.d. at the **Council of Nicaea** the ancient Churches agreed that **Easter** should be celebrated on the Sunday following the first full moon after the Spring Equinox. This accounts for the reason why **Easter** is celebrated anytime from the end of March to the end of April.

No matter the date, the importance of **Easter** is that it tells us of **Christ's victory** over sin and death. His resurrection from the dead is a promise for those who are faithful that they too will rise from the dead and will inherit everlasting life. Every celebration of **Holy Mass** is entering into this great mystery. The Mass makes present to us today in a real and tangible way the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection. It is a foretaste for the eternal banquet of Heaven.

I would like to take this opportunity to **welcome** all our guests and visitors to St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's. If you have been away from the Church awhile, I would really like to **invite you** to consider joining us throughout the year to worship God and to become part of our **church family**. It is through the Mass that we find strength and encouragement for daily living. Each of us is called to strive to imitate Christ and to share the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Fr. Thomas Dooley

Confirmation: next Saturday April 10 at the 5pm Mass, Bishop Joensen will be at St. Joseph's to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with our 10th and 11th grade young adults. Please be mindful that the first two pews in each section will be reserved for the Confirmandi and their sponsors. So, plan accordingly for the church will be fuller than normal.

Face Mask Requirement: Bishop Joensen has extended the requirement for Face Mask until Divine Mercy Sunday. For all those five years and older you are asked to wear a mask while attending events. Thoughtfulness of one's neighbor should motivate us. The Bishop has asked therefore we humbly obey.

Livestreaming of the Mass made easy: You can find the Mass Livestream on the homepages of both www.saintjosephchurch.com and www.ouririshsettlement.com. OR you can subscribe to the SJCC Youtube page by clicking on the red Youtube Play-Button at the bottom, very bottom of the St. Joseph Website and then clicking the red subscribe button and the notification bell on our youtube page. This way you will be notified any time St. Joe's posts a video or goes live for Mass.

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.

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. Consider spending some time in prayer with the Lord Jesus. Mass at 6:15 pm.

FORMED this week: for Kids: Benjamin Cello shares the Easter Story; For adults Holy Week by Dr. Brant Pitre; Triduum in the Holy Land, I Thirst reflections of Mother Teresa. Go to formed.org click on "I belong to an organization", type in Winterset's zip code "50273", enter your name and then email.

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"*