

MASS INTENTIONS: Sept. 4th - Sept. 12th

Sat. 5pm	†Danielle Mercado (Marilyn Ray)
Sun 7:30am	The People of St. Patrick Parish
9am	†Jim Smith (Susie Smith)
Mon No Mass 8am	* †Fonzy Robertson (Lynn Robertson)
* While away, Father Curtis will offer his daily Mass for this intention.	
Tue 5:30pm	†Mary Aita (Larson Family)
Wed 8am	†Felix & Mary Fuentez
Thur 8am	†Carol Vaverka (Corky & Alice Beachner)
Fri 8am	†Evelyn Bogner (Richard & Debbie Bogner)

NEXT WEEKEND'S INTENTIONS

Sat. 5pm	Bill & †Mary L. Fuentez (Fuentez Family)
Sun. 7:30am	†Robert "Bob" Greenough (Mary Greenough)
9am	The People of St. Patrick Parish

THIS WEEK AT ST. PATRICK'S:

Mon Sept. 6	No Mass	
Tue Sept. 7	Mass	5:30pm
Wed Sept. 8	Mass	8:00am
	PSR	5:30pm
	CYM	7:00pm
Thur Sept. 9	Mass	8:00am
Fri Sept. 10	Day of Penance: abstinence from Meat. Prayer and works of mercy Reading of Sacred Scripture for an Outpouring of God's mercy and The Holy Spirit's gifts of holiness and Strength upon the church.	
	Mass	8:00am
Sat Sept. 11	Confessions	3:30pm
	Mass	5:00pm
Sun Sept. 12	Mass	7:30am
	Mass	9:00am

Tax Credit program for all Parishioners
Join us in supporting Catholic schools by participating in this 70% tax credit program called Support for Catholic Schools. Due to favorable legislation passed last year in our state, St. Patrick Catholic School will now benefit from these funds. We encourage all parishioners to watch this short video and then to participate in this diocesan sponsored program. Go to <https://youtu.be/RdG3pe65WE8>

REMEMBER, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly to thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

Welcome to St. Patrick Catholic Church
Parish Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9am to 3:30pm
Closed Holy Days and Holidays.

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH

	08/29/21	07/1/21 - 08/29/21
WEEKLY COLLECTION:	\$9573.00	\$115,730.00
LOOSE CURRENCY /COINS:	\$169.00	\$1,389.10
OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:	\$ 00.00	\$800.00
TOTAL CONTRIBUTION:	\$9742.00	\$117,919.00
BUDGET:	\$17,500.00	\$157,500.00
OVERAGE/SHORTAGE:	(\$7758.00)	(\$39,580.90)

AMOUNT OF CONTRIBUTION	NUMBER OF CONTRIBUTORS
\$1 - \$24	13
\$25 - \$49	25
\$50 - \$99	28
\$100 - \$199	31
\$200 - \$499	13
\$500 - \$999	1
\$1000 UP	0
TOTAL	111
NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS IN PARISH	531
% OF HOUSEHOLDS CONTRIBUTING	20.9%

NEXT WEEK MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sat: Sept. 11th	5:00pm Mass
Servers:	Noah McIntosh / Zach Collins
Lector:	Chris Allen
Greeters/ Gifts :	Tom & Beth Westhoff
Sun: Sept. 12th	7:30am Mass
Servers:	Antonio Aita / Sebastian Aita
Lector:	Emilo Aita
Greeters / Gifts:	Don & Jane Alexander
Sun: Sept. 12th	9:00am Mass
Servers:	Cole Manners / Owen Feess
Lector:	Leslie Keller
Greeters / Gifts:	Mark & Fatima Mall Family

Church set-up Crew. ...
Please call John Schibi at (620) 820-1331
for any questions or if you would like to sign-up on a crew.

Date: Saturday Crew

Sept 11th	Joel Schibi / Luke Wolgamott / David Wheat Family
Sept 18th	Clay Snider / Robert Barger / John Keene / Peter Kendrick
Sept 25th	Luke Schibi / Joey Alexander / Paul Yanez / Jerrod Stanford
Oct 2nd	Paul Schibi / Vincent Schibi / Bryan Schibi / Daniel Schibi

September 8. The feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary is celebrated each year on the eighth of September. Since September 8 marks the end of summer and beginning of fall, this day has many thanksgiving celebrations and customs attached to it. In the older form of the *Roman Ritual* there is a blessing of the summer harvest and fall planting seeds for this day. This is one of the three birthdays in the Church Calendar — the Birth of Jesus (December 25), the Birth of John the Baptist (June 24) and the Birthday of Mary.

Stewardship Bulletin Reflection - SEPTEMBER 5, 2021 — TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's readings offer us a message of hope — God is with us and wants to heal us. May this message come ablaze in our hearts so that we might live with unwavering faith. The Gospel presents us with the story of the profound physical healing of a deaf man with a speech impediment. People brought him to Jesus and begged for his healing. Jesus took the man off by himself, touched his ears and his tongue, then proclaimed, "Be opened!" Immediately he was healed. This story in our Gospel overwhelms us with comfort and peace because we have a compassionate God who sees our physical needs. Yet if we reflect further on this reading, we see that God uses this moment of physical healing as an opportunity to restore something much deeper—our souls. Often, we are blind and deaf to God in our lives. We miss countless opportunities to see God working in our day-to-day moments—through our loved ones, our community, or even a stranger. We miss the quiet voice of Jesus in our hearts telling us to choose Him instead of sin, respond in love instead of anger, or care for someone else in a moment instead of ourselves. These are how we need to be spiritually healed. And the scriptures remind us that God is with us and wants to heal us. This week let us seek God to heal our souls and transform our hearts. Let us pray that our eyes and our ears might "be open" to His workings, words, and promptings in our lives.

St. Joseph: Just Comfort of the Troubled

Joseph was no stranger to troubles. He was deeply disturbed to discover Mary pregnant. He endured anxiety throughout the journey to Bethlehem, made difficult with Mary ready to give birth. He experienced distress in his desperate futile search for a room in an inn where Son of God could be born. Fear gripped his heart at news of the death-threat against Jesus. He knew the worry of an uncertain future ignited by the frantic escape under the cover of darkness to a far-off unknown land. A shadow of unease fell at Simeon's prophecy that Jesus would be a sign contradicted and that a sword would pierce Mary's heart. Were there perhaps times of sorrow at not being able to provide more for Jesus and Mary? He knew the tediousness of work. He knew the ups and downs of living peaceably with friends and neighbors. Did he feel a failure as father and guardian when Jesus was lost for three days in Jerusalem? Joseph suffered with Jesus who surely shared intimately the news of his future passion and death. Aging... illness... the moment of death. He rejoiced at the nearness of his eternal reward, yet suffered in his heart that he would not be able to console Jesus during His passion, nor be a support to Mary beneath the cross. St. Joseph is "Comfort of the Troubled." It's not only because he himself experienced difficulties and suffering. And there's a lesson here. It's because Joseph bore all with a faithful heart of unflinching love and trust. It's because he persevered through all by uniting himself with Jesus and His sufferings. When we unite our trials and sufferings, whether great or small, to Jesus and His passion, they are transformed by His grace to the benefit of ourselves and others. They become redemptive. St. Joseph is called "just." Justice is giving others their due. What does enduring troubles have to do with justice? Maybe a bit out of the ordinary for a consideration of "justice," but in this context, perhaps Joseph reveals his justice to God by the steadfastness of his faith in our Father's love and compassion for the child he had created, no matters the circumstances, no matter the pain. Perhaps Joseph reveals the due he gives to God by his self-surrendering trust in our Redeemer's abundant saving grace in every circumstance and through every pain. Perhaps Joseph reveals the due he gives to God by his reliance on the Spirit's guidance and providential care, regardless of circumstance and in spite of pain. St. Joseph is our model when troubled. He is our comfort in difficulties. He understands. He is listening. We only need to call out to him. "St. Joseph, Comfort of the Troubled, mold our hearts in justice to be like your own: full of unwavering faith and hope in and love of God - no matter what. St. Joseph, help me see what your example means for me?" St. Joseph was not simply the Guardian of Christ; he was the faithful Guardian of Christ. St. Joseph shows us what it means to be faithful to our vocation in life. Joseph was faithful to every point of the Mosaic Law. He was faithful to his vows to Mary, to his obligations as a father. He attended to all the duties toward God, toward his family, toward neighbor, and toward society. St. Joseph's unwavering faithfulness was unselfish. He cheerfully gave of himself in service to Jesus and Mary, no matter the cost. Often enough the living out of his fidelity was heroic. Fidelity, especially in uncertain and difficult times, is the measure of true love. It is the proof of true strength. Joseph guarded Jesus by means of his fidelity. And more, St. Joseph was the obedient and faithful Guardian of Christ. Joseph's obedience covered every aspect of his life: his marriage to Mary, the journey to Bethlehem, fleeing to Egypt, living in Nazareth. Every moment was consecrated to the Lord: work, rest, sleep... Joseph didn't put limits on his obedience; he never said, "No more!" St. Joseph recognized the true meaning and beauty of obedience. He knew that obedience is a means to freedom, not something that limits it. It is a gateway to authentic and lasting happiness, a guardian against danger, a remedy for egoism, and a defense against the enemy of our soul. St. Joseph was obedient to God. And he was obedient to all others who had authority over him. He understood that they stood in the place of God; therefore, he took their orders as being from Him. St. Joseph's degree of obedience was not measured by the intelligence, possession of virtue, or perfection of the person with authority. It rested on faith, his trust in God and divine providence. When he came face-to-face with worrisome situations, with divine plans that differed from his own, even in the face of his own humility, he trusted and faithfully obeyed. Joseph guarded Jesus with his obedience.

O most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. O Star of the Sea, help me herein and show me here you are my Mother.
O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity. (make request) There are none that can withstand thy power.
O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (three times).
Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands (three times).

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Prayer to St Michael The Archangel
St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

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Sunday: 7:30am & 9:00am

WEEKDAY MASSES
Mon, Wed, Thur, Fri: 8:00am
Tuesday: 5:30pm

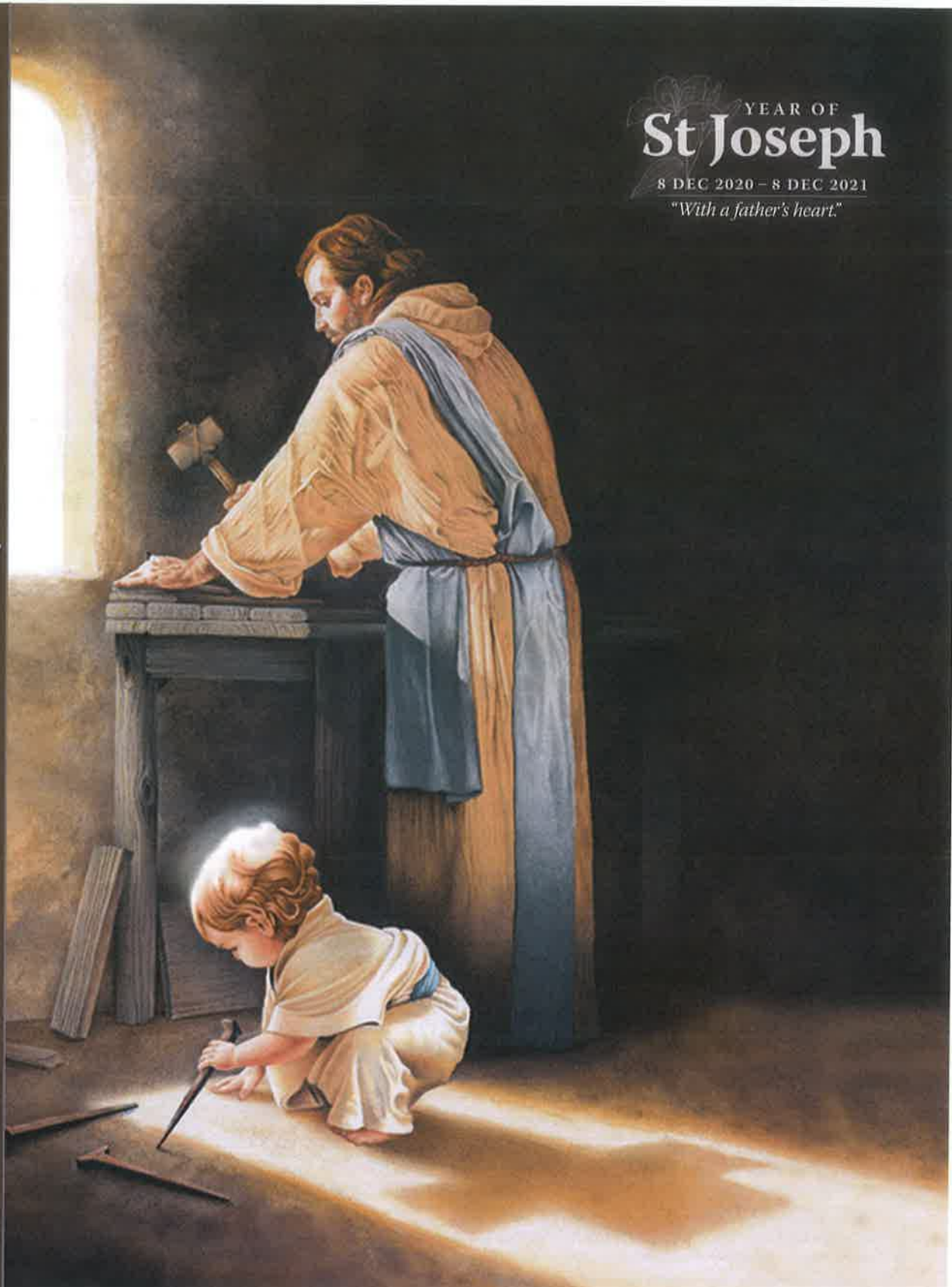
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