



# SAINT JOSEPH

Catholic Church, Port Saint Joe, Florida

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 10, 2021



#### SUNDAY MASS

SATURDAY - 4:00 PM  
SUNDAY - 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM

#### CONFESSIONS

SUNDAY - 10:15-10:45 AM  
OR CONTACT US TO SET UP AN APPOINTMENT.

#### WEEKDAY MASS

MONDAY - No scheduled Mass  
TUESDAY - No scheduled Mass  
WEDNESDAY - 5:30 PM  
THURSDAY - No scheduled Mass  
FRIDAY - No scheduled Mass

## *Gospel Reflection*

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up, knelt down before him, and asked him, “Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Mark 10:17

This story starts out looking quite good. Here is a young man who is quite wealthy who comes to Jesus with a question grounded in faith. By asking Jesus what He must do to inherit eternal life, this man most likely believed that Jesus had the answer. And in his excitement, he wanted direction from Jesus.

Jesus tells him that he must keep the Commandments, to which the young man responds that he has observed them from his youth. But then Jesus says something that this young man never expected Him to say. He says, “You are lacking in one thing. Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” Ouch!

This must have stung this rich young man in the heart. The passage continues by stating that this young man walked away sad as a result of what Jesus said.

The young man started with good intentions, that is clear. But good intentions are not enough.

Following Jesus and gaining eternal life is an all-consuming and radical commitment of every part of our lives. It’s not enough to tell Jesus that we will keep the Commandments but that’s all. Sure, that may get us into Purgatory, but what we should desire is Heaven! So how do we obtain Heaven?

We only obtain Heaven through a life of perfection. Yes, it’s true. If we want Heaven, we must ultimately become perfect in every way. Every worldly attachment must disappear, and every sin must be overcome. Our good intentions must turn into a radical and total gift of self to Jesus, seeking Him and only Him.

The rich young man walked away sad because he failed to realize that Jesus’ invitation to him to give everything away was actually an act of love. He did not understand that he would find happiness in this radical commitment to follow Christ. *My Catholic Life*

## *St. Joseph Parish Contacts*

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## *Prayer List*

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| Ron Treutel       | Marie Henderson   |
| Jim Newton        | Albert Magness    |
| Tanya Osley       | Jeanette Amerson  |
| Maureen Carroll   | †Salvador Salerno |
| Yvonne Cambuli    | †Gail Keigley     |
| Rita Sikora       | Kathleen Walsh    |
| Karl Bowen        | Mary Springer     |
| Dan Wombles       | Jack Rink         |
| Lisa Baggett      | Carol Wood        |
| Fr. Ray Kellerman | Reed Carpenter    |
| Jason Richter     | Pat Hartman       |
| Denise Ayotte     | †Milton Alexander |
| Wayne Watkins     | Luna Valverde     |
| James Henry Trim  | Valarie Fabry     |

*To request that a name be placed on the prayer list, please call or email the parish office. Names will remain on the list for three months. If they need to stay on longer or come off early let us know and we’ll take care of it.*

## *Bulletin Announcements*

If you have an announcement for the bulletin, you may send it to [office@stjosephpsj.org](mailto:office@stjosephpsj.org). Please keep it to 100 words or less and submit it by the Monday prior to the weekend you would like it to be in the bulletin.

## *Food Donations*

Don't forget our food basket at the entrance of the church which is open daily. It is there all year for dropping off nonperishables. If you're visiting the area, and have nonperishables that you didn't use, consider donating them before you make your trip back home. Thank you for thinking of those in need.

## Stewardship of Treasure

### Offertory

Weekly Need: \$3,200.00

Last weekend's offertory: \$4,746.00

Year-to-date\* need: \$44,800.00

Year-to-date giving: \$54,593.00

\*July 2021 - June 2022 fiscal year

### Catholic Sharing Appeal 2021

Pledge Goal: \$16,540.82

Total Pledged: \$17,364.00

Total Received: \$14,619.22

Variance\*: -\$1921.60

Number of Families Pledged: 43

\*Variance is Pledge Goal minus Total Received



### Altar Flowers

If you would like to donate altar flowers for a special occasion or in memory of a loved one, please contact the office at least 2 weeks in advance.

### Reporting Abuse

The Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee is committed to the healing of sexual abuse victims. It has established Victims Assistance Coordinators, experienced and trained counselors, who are available to help persons who have been sexually abused. The coordinator for the Panama City/Tallahassee area is Dr. James Gagnon, MSW, LCSW. He may be reached at (850)877-0205. Or call the Florida Child Abuse hotline: (800) 962-2873.

## Mass Intentions

**Saturday, October 9, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:00 pm -

**Sunday, October 10, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am - For the People of St. Joseph

11:00 am - Byron Eells Jr. *by Barbara Eells*

**Monday, October 11, 28th Week in Ordinary Time**

No Scheduled Mass

**Tuesday, October 12, 28th Week in Ordinary Time**

No scheduled Mass

**Wednesday, October 13, 28th Week in Ordinary Time**

5:30 pm

**Thursday, October 14, 28th Week in Ordinary Time**

No scheduled Mass

**Friday, October 15, 28th Week in Ordinary Time**

No scheduled Mass

**Saturday, October 16, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:00 pm -

**Sunday, October 17, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am -

11:00 am - For the People of St. Joseph

*To request Mass intentions, please contact the parish office.*

## Liturgical Ministers

### October 9 & 10

4:00 Sandy Partridge

9:00 Lorinda Gingell

11:00 Barbara Conway

### October 16 & 17

4:00 Marianne Warhol

9:00 Jack Rink

11:00 Barbara Eells



## Thank You

Thank you to our high school RE class and teachers, Betsy and Adrienne Welle, for coffee and refreshments after each Mass last weekend. Also, a big thank you to all who supported them with a donation to help fund their youth conference trip to Atlanta. They received a total of \$246.80 and are very appreciative. It was wonderful to have Sunday refreshments once again at our parish. Remember, they will be providing this service the first Sunday of each month after both Masses.

## Meditation

Reflect, today, upon the radical call of Jesus in your life. He wants every part of your life. You may have good intentions of trying to be good, but are you willing to go all the way following Christ in a full and unlimited way?

*Lord, I love You, and I want to love You more. I want to love You with my whole being. Help me to realize that following You requires a radical and complete gift of myself to You. May I be ready and willing to let go of any attachment in life that keeps me from following You. Jesus, I trust in You. My Catholic Life*