

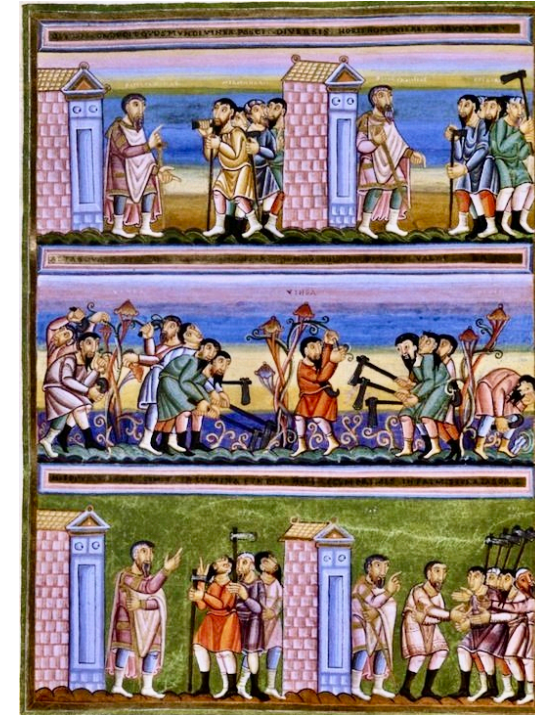


SAINT JOSEPH

Catholic Church, Port Saint Joe, Florida

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 24, 2023



SUNDAY MASS
SATURDAY - 5:00 PM
SUNDAY - 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM

CONFESSIONS
SATURDAY - 4:30 PM-4:45 PM
SUNDAY - 10:15 AM-10:45 AM
FRIDAY - 8:30-9:30 AM (FIRST FRIDAYS)

WEEKDAY MASS
MONDAY - 12:00 PM at Sacred Heart Hospital
TUESDAY - No Mass, Rosary 11:00 AM
WEDNESDAY - 5:30 PM
THURSDAY - 8:00 AM
FRIDAY - 8:00 AM followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Welcome Msgr. Tugwell

Msgr. Tugwell will be back next weekend to fill in for Fr. Mathew while he is away.

Adult Confirmation

If today you hear his voice... Are you being called to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation? Bishop Wack is welcoming all of the baptized Catholics who are not confirmed to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this fall. He is asking all of us to welcome and invite them to receive this Sacrament. Call the office at 850-227-1417 for more information and preparation.

50th Anniversary of Ordination

Congratulations to Fr. Paul Stewart on his 50th Anniversary of Ordination. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be celebrated on Friday, October 6 at 5:00 CST/ 6:00 EST at St. Dominic Catholic Church, 3308 E. 15th Street, Panama City.

Adult RCIA and Adult Sacramental Preparation Class

Are you looking to become a Catholic? Perhaps now is the time to hear the voice of the Lord. Our RCIA program will be starting this fall. Please call the office at 850-227-1417 for more information.

Altar Society Meeting

The Woman's Altar Society will have their monthly potluck meeting on Monday, September 25 at 5:00 in the church hall. All ladies are welcome to attend.

Wedding Congratulations

Congratulations to Jacob and Jane Robbins Faulkner from Nashville, Tennessee who were married in our church Saturday afternoon. May God bless their marriage and fill it with faith, love and joy.

Youth Religious Education

We had 26 children and six volunteer teachers sign up for our religious education program. It is with great anticipation and excitement that we welcome you. Whether you have a returning student or are brand new to the parish, we are happy that you chose to grow in a relationship with Jesus and his church. May God touch your hearts, minds and lives. If you have not signed your child up in grades 1 through 12, it is not too late.

St. Joseph Parish Contacts

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Bulletin Announcements

If you have an announcement for the bulletin, you may send it to: **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.

Prayer List

Jason Benedick	Gordon Shafer
Bailey Rish	Doyle Faulkner
Joey Saternis	Charles Radcliff
Keith Liesemeyer	George Dooling
Jim Newton	Jack James
Jared Arnold	Juliann Rainford
Greg Klapp	Jeremy Thompson
Joanne Terhorst	†Joel Thiel
†Marsha Young	†Kaye Lee
Donna Haddock	Jim Conway

To request that a name be placed on the prayer list, please contact the parish office.



Wisdom of Saints

"Pray, hope and don't worry. Anxiety doesn't help at all. Our Merciful Lord will listen to your prayer."
—Saint Padre Pio of Pietrelcina

Stewardship of Treasure

Offertory

Weekly Need: \$4,663.00

Last weekend's offertory: \$4,696.00

Year-to-date giving: \$49,620.00

Year-to-date* need: \$55,956.00

**July 2023 - June 2024 fiscal year*

Catholic Sharing Appeal 2023

Pledge Goal: \$16,855.41

Total Pledged: \$17,522.33

Total Received: \$15,736.33

Variance:* -\$1,119.08

Number of Families Pledged: 38

**Variance is Pledge Goal minus Total Received*

Gospel Reflection

Reflect, today, upon how deeply you desire to see those who have not yet given their lives to God to come to Him and receive the fullness of grace. Look at them within the context of today's parable. Examine how you feel about those laborers who have not yet begun their service of God. Examine, also, your feelings toward those who seem undeserving of the fullness of God's grace. If you find that you have jealousy, or judge others from the perspective of earthly justice, work to eliminate that perspective so that your heart's deepest desire is to see God bestow the fullness of mercy upon everyone in this world when they turn to Him with a contrite heart. *My Catholic Life*

Second Collection

Last weekend we took up the annual **Seton Fund Collection**. With your generous contributions, we collected \$581.00 to benefit our Catholic schools and religious education programs. Thank you for your generous support.

Meditation

Most merciful Lord, You are generous beyond comprehension. You bestow mercy upon those who turn to You from their sin and seek to serve Your holy will. May I be among those who labor in Your vineyard, and may I also be among those who desire to see everyone accept the invitation to receive the fullness of Your grace. Jesus, I trust in You. *My Catholic Life*

Cover Art: "Codex Aureus of Echternach," This large manuscript has 41 miniatures, thirteen decorated pages and more than 250 golden initials. The miniatures depict different images, among which is a cycle of seven images of St. Stephen, the first martyr. The codex is also called 'codex Aureus', because the text is written in golden letters. The manuscript contains the four gospels of Mark, Luke, Matthew and John. Place of Production: Echternach, c. 1030. Held at Royal Library of Belgium, Brussels.

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, September 23, Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm - Christopher Michael Heaps *by the Heaps Family*

Sunday, September 24, Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am - Celso Baticados & Norma Villarruz *by May Fuze*

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

Monday, September 25, Twenty-fifth Week in Ordinary Time

12:00pm - Byron Eells Jr *by Barbara Eells*

Tuesday, September 26, Twenty-fifth Week in Ordinary Time

11:00am - No Mass, Rosary

Wednesday, September 27, Twenty-fifth Week in Ordinary Time

5:30pm - Fr. Fausto Stampiglia *by Barbara Eells*

Thursday, September 28, Twenty-fifth Week in Ordinary Time

8:00am - Shirley Poore, Maria & Oliver Lovasz

Friday, September 29, Feast of Sts. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels

8:00am - Zeferino DeOliveira & Tom Knieriem

Saturday, September 30, Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm - Marsha Young *by Cletus & Peggy Heaps*

Sunday, October 1, Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

11:00am -

To request Mass intentions, please contact the parish office.

Words for Thought

"Love all, trust a few, do wrong to none."

William Shakespeare