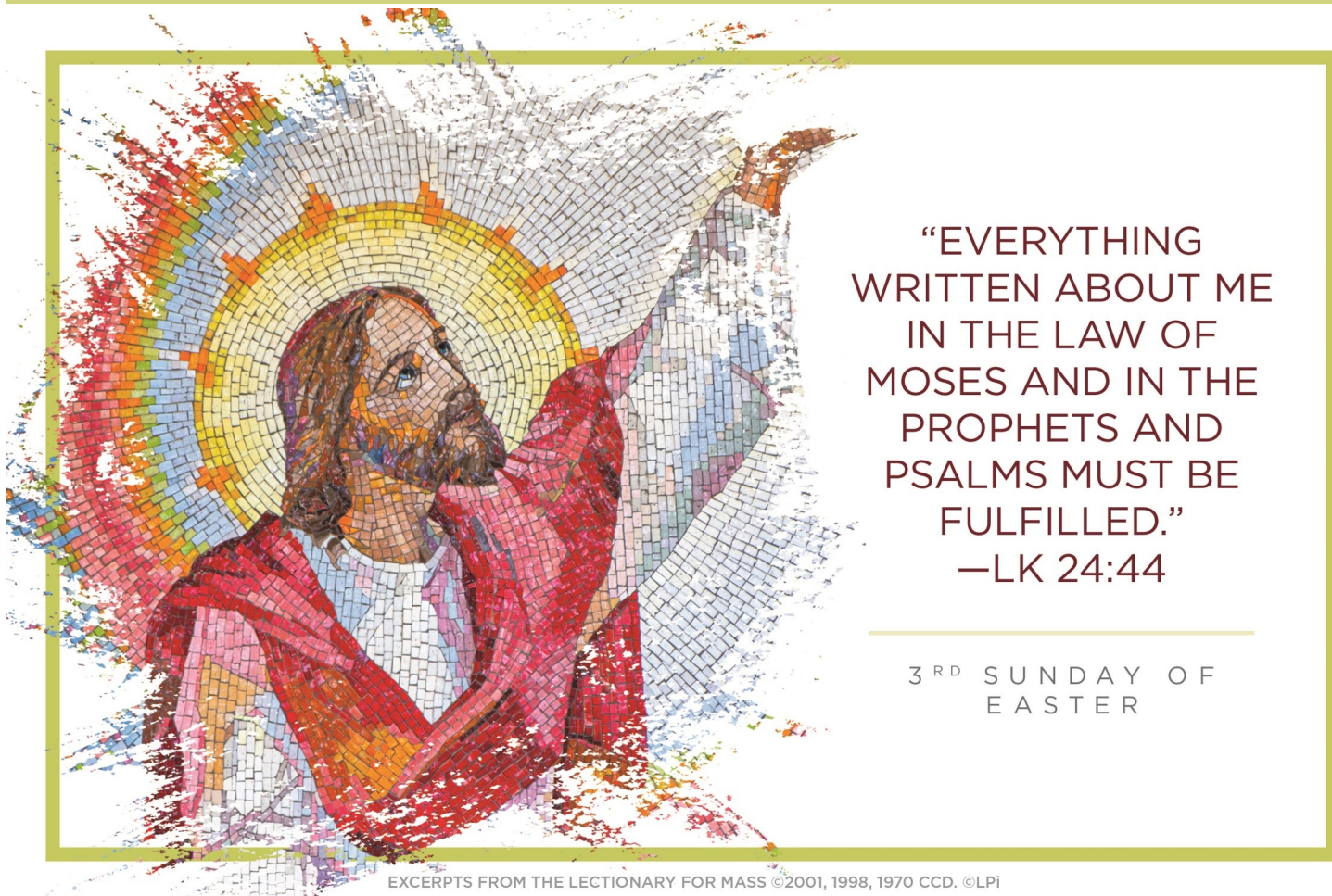




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April 14, 2024



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MASS TIMES

Saturday - 4:00 pm

Sunday - 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 6:30 pm

Weekend Mass may be viewed online: www.saintjosephparish.org

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday - 12:05 pm

OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Thursday: 9:00 am-3:00 pm

Friday: 9:00 am-12:00 pm

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CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Marriage: Active parish membership of 6 months is required before a wedding date may be set.

Reconciliation: Saturdays from 9 until approximately 9:30 am or call for an appointment.

Baptism: Please call the Parish Office 2 months in advance.

Anointing of the Sick: Please call the Parish Office anytime.

REACHING IN, REACHING OUT, REACHING GOD

Br. Ray's Reflections

On Monday, the whole country stopped for 3 minutes to witness the solar eclipse. People traveled across the country to obtain the best viewing spots. They camped out overnight waiting for that 3-minute experience. The Trading on Wall Street and the Stock Exchange slowed to a halt as employees ran out of offices donning their safety glasses to catch a glimpse of the event. Workers, no matter how busy, stopped for those few moments to witness this miraculous event. Yes, just for a moment, everyone looked up to the skies to see the moon dance with the sun. It was a moment of awe and transcendence for all of us. People said they couldn't describe the feeling but that they felt deeply connected to the people around them and to something greater than themselves. In the 21st century United States, we often deceive ourselves in thinking that we are in control. We feel there is nothing new under the sun! And then we have an eclipse that reminds us that we are surrounded in mystery and the Divine is still more wondrous than our greatest thought or our most innovative creation. This week reminded me that we all long for moments of awe and transcendence when we need to connect to the part of ourselves that is eternal. We need to feel that connection in our lives and we don't have to wait for the next eclipse to witness it, again. We only have to take a walk on one of these springs days and see the flowers blooming and feel the warmth of the sun on our face to realize we are surrounded by Holy Mystery! As we celebrate the Earth this month, may we be open to all those moments of awe that God prepares for us each day. God, give us eyes to behold your beauty in all creation and hearts that embrace the eternal in all our lives.

First Communion Next Weekend

Next weekend there will be ten of our second graders who will make their First Holy Communion on Sunday, April 21, at the 10:00 am Mass. Please pray for these children and their families that this will be a special day in which Jesus loves them.

SCM—Earth Day Helping Hands Event—Volunteers Needed



Members of our St. Joe's Parish community will be helping our parishioners with their spring yard work on April 20 and 21 from 11:30 am to 3:00 pm.

We are still in need of youth, families and/or adults to help cleanup these properties, especially on Sunday, April 21. Lunch and a long sleeve t-shirt will be provided. If you are able to help, please call the Parish Office before April 17 at: 920-734-7195. Thank you for your help!

Welcome...



We welcome into the St. Joseph Community through Baptism...

Haven Joy Basto
Breanna Mary Kannys
Bryan AJ Kannys
Kabriella Ineko Kannys

Parish Council

The Parish Council will be meeting in Holly Hall of the Parish Center on **Tuesday, April 16 at 6:30 pm**. Parishioners are welcome to join us as we discuss budget recommendations for the 2024-25 parish budget.

Habitat for Humanity

Thank you for your generosity in helping us finance Habitat for Humanity Homes. We set a target of \$10,000. We not only met the goal, but actually surpassed it. We currently have collected \$17,536.50. God reward your kindness!

Bishop's Annual Appeal



We're into week eleven of the Bishop's Annual Appeal. A target is assessed to each parish based on its annual contributions. Our target for this year is **\$88,667**. So far, 342 parishioners have contributed **\$71,452.40**, which is 80% of our target. Thank you to all who contributed so far!

Congratulations Calendar Raffle Winners

March 31—Carol & Don Rietreld—\$100
April 1—Gregory J. Wellnitz—\$25
April 2—Jim Biesterveld—\$25
April 3—Caleb Vogel—\$25
April 4—Liam Wenzel—\$25
April 5—Pillars Adult Shelter—\$25
April 6—Sandi Halron—\$25

Please Pray For...

Please pray for all our parishioners who are ill:

Dave Hendricks

Remember also our nursing home residents and shut-ins, and pray for the intentions recorded in our Prayer Book of Intentions.

Please pray for our parishioners or family members of parishioners who have died:

Lucille Engel, Sharon Kunstman

APRIL 14, 2024 / THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Parish & Family Life

Roller Skating Event: Are you all ready to have a “wheely” good time? Then let’s roll! Mark your calendars for **Saturday, April 27, 4:30 – 6:30 PM** for the private Parish Family Roller Skating Bash at Skate City in Kimberly. Cost is \$5 per person or \$20 per family. Fee includes skate rental, spectators are free. Bring your friends and grandchildren! Please send in your registration and payment to the Parish Office by Monday, April 22.

Upcoming Event

Flights and Bites: Food trucks and beverages in the parish parking lot on **Saturday, June 1, after the 4 pm Mass**. More information to come.

Celebrating the Gift of Life and Legacy

We invite you to join us on **Thursday, April 18, at 6:30 pm** in Holly Hall to discuss how to choose scripture readings and music for a funeral, either your own or a loved one. Please pre-register by calling the Parish Office: 920-734-7195.

Young Adult Supper

Sunday, April 28, at 5 pm in Holly Hall

We encourage anyone in their 20’s or 30’s to join us for pizza, salad and dessert. We’d like to listen to your suggestions about how our parish can support you and how you can support each other. Children are welcome to attend.

Please call the Parish Office: 920-734-7195 before Friday, April 26, at noon to let us know how many will attend so that we will have enough food for everyone. We will be finished in time to celebrate the 6:30 pm Mass for those attending.

Chair Yoga

The Senior Committee is sponsoring chair yoga on **Tuesday, May 7th, at 1:00 pm**. Come join us for 45 minutes of senior friendly chair yoga with instructor Anna Mewshaw. Fruit and veggies will be provided after yoga.

Please call the Parish Office: 920-734-7195 by Friday, May 3rd, at noon to reserve your chair.

Appleton MacDowell Male Chorus—Special Concert

Our first concert is scheduled on **Saturday, April 27th at 7:00 pm at St. Joseph Church in Appleton**.



Appleton MacDowell Male Chorus welcomes the Staples Area Men's Chorus, joining us from Staples, Minnesota to celebrate our special anniversary! For more information, visit: <https://www.staplesmen.org>. The two choruses will perform selections from their individual programs scheduled this year. They will also perform together as a combined chorus.

Because of the special nature of this concert, no tickets are required to attend. In place of an admission charge, free-will donations are accepted at the door. You will be helping support future performances of the chorus, a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. Thank you for helping us continue to be part of the vibrant Fox Cities arts scene to which we have contributed for the past 90 years!

Financial News

(3/30/24 - 3/31/24)

Tithing Needed\$16,777.00
Last Week’s Tithing.....\$14,318.98
Auto Withdrawal\$665.00
Children’s Collection.....\$60.00
IRA’s/Donations\$2,225.00

Parish Support Through Collections

(7/01/23—3/31/24)

Budgeted

\$665,925.03

Actual

\$743,146.09

March Outreach Programs

Milk Money.....\$1,878.25
St. Joseph Food Program\$230.00
LEAVEN..... \$5.00
Pillars..... \$55.00

Green contribution envelopes for our Outreach Programs are on the radiator in back of Church.

Thank you for your financial support!

Readings for the Week of April 14

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 (7a)

1 Jn 2:1-5a

Lk 24:35-48

Monday: Acts 6:8-15

Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30

Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51—8:1a

Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab

Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8

Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a

Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40

Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20

Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20

Ps 117:1bc, 2

Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42

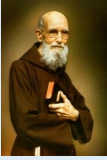
Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17

Jn 6:60-69

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SCHEDULED MASS INTENTIONS



*Blessed Solanus Casey
Pray for Us*

Tuesday, April 16

12:05 pm Dec. Margaret Fries
12:30 pm St. Anthony Devotions

Wednesday, April 17

12:05 pm Dec. Bill Vanden Elzen

Friday, April 19

12:05 pm The Ott Family

Saturday, April 20

4:00 pm Members of St. Joseph Parish

Sunday, April 21

8:00 am Dec. Beth Gorski
10:00 am Dec. James DeGroot
6:30 pm

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Tuesday, April 16

1:00 pm Prayer Shawl, Holly Hall
1:30 pm Faith Sharing, Room 209
6:30 pm Parish Council Meeting, Holly Hall

Wednesday, April 17

4:45 pm Grades K-5 Faith Formation Classes
6:30 pm Grades 6-11 Faith Formation Classes

Thursday, April 18

6:00 pm Journey of Grief Session, Room 209
6:30 pm Gift of Life & Legacy, Holly Hall

Friday, April 19

6:00 pm First Communion Practice in Church

Saturday, April 20

9:00 am Private Reconciliation

Sunday, April 21

10:00 am First Communion Mass
1:00 pm OFS Gathering, Holly Hall

**Blood pressure screenings after 4pm Mass on
Saturday and after 8 & 10am Masses on Sunday*

Janssen Forum

Join us for Janssen Forum on **Thursday, April 18, 2024** as the SPIRITUS Missionaries share how the Holy Spirit has worked through them in their retreat ministry. The program begins at 11:15 am with Mass held in the Mount Tabor Center Chapel, followed by a light lunch. SPIRITUS will begin speaking at 12:10 and conclude by 1:00 pm. The program cost is \$10. Register online at www.spiritusministries.org/janssenforum or by calling Annette Hovie at: 920-722-8918 x0.

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Church Chuckle

Teaching her Sunday school students about Easter, Mrs. Wolf said Jesus was buried in a borrowed tomb. "I know," remarked Sally, "He used it only three days!"

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