

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Congratulations to those who were confirmed on this past Monday evening. The ceremony was wonderful as was the meal before. Thank you to all who made the evening such a wonderful moment. The Greek philosopher Aristotle wrote that virtue lies in the mean. Vice then can be found in the extremes. Another way to think about this is the statement "all things in moderation". St. Thomas Aquinas used this line of reasoning as he wrote about virtues and vices. A virtuous person lives a balanced life in the middle between the extremes.

St Ignatius of Loyola writing in his *Spiritual Exercises* refers to the extremes as laxity on one end and scrupulosity on the other side. Further, he says that Satan tempts people on each end differently. Those on the lax end Satan tempts to be even more relaxed. Those on the scrupulous side to be even more rigid. In other words, Satan tempts people to move further toward the extremes and away from the balance of the middle.

With this understanding St. Ignatius suggests different corrective measures. To those on the lax side, Ignatius suggests greater discipline. To those on scrupulous side, he suggests more moderation (relaxing). In this case, Ignatius suggests that for those on the lax side, relaxing is Satan's trap and for those on the scrupulous side, greater discipline, rigidity and asceticism is Satan's trap.

In each case, Ignatius maintains that we must fight the direction that Satan is tempting us to go. *Father Rick*

PARISH NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS!

The Diocese of Erie recently honored **Jennifer Wortman** for her ten years of service as Faith Formation Director. Jennifer has spent countless hours making our Faith Formation programs some of the finest in the diocese, enriching the lives of children and adults alike.

Thank you for your dedication to our parish!

SUMMER MASS TIME CHANGE: Believe it or not Spring is here and Summer is just around the corner! Beginning **MAY 5th**, the Sunday Mass at St. Joseph will be at **10:00AM**. This change will run through Labor Day weekend.

FINANCE COUNCIL VACANCIES: Do you have a background in finance, accounting and personnel matters, have sound business judgment and experience in business? Then maybe the finance council is the ministry for you. To be considered for appointment by Fr. Rick or to inquire about the committee's duties, please call the parish office.

PASTORAL COUNCIL NOMINATIONS: New members will be needed for our Pastoral Council beginning in June. If you or someone you know would like to be a part of Pastoral Council, stop at the parish office to pick up a nomination form. Pastoral Council is an idea center of the parish that exchange ideas on how to encourage spiritual, educational and social growth. Let us pray that the Holy Spirit guide us during this process of bringing new leadership to our parish.

HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Reminder: Applications must be returned to the Parish Office by Wednesday, April 24, 2019. No applications will be accepted after this date.

SAINT JOSEPH'S SCHOOL 12TH ANNUAL SPRING

FLOWER SALE

The school is taking orders for 10" hanging baskets (shade or sun), 10-12" plastic terra cotta pots with an assortment of flowers for sun or shade and flats of one kind of flower only, no combinations. All money must accompany your order and please make **checks payable to St Joseph's PTU**. The **last day for orders is Wednesday, April 24th**. Pick up day is May 8th in Loranger Hall. There are two pick up times 7:30-9am or 3-5pm. **Please specify on your order form which time you will be picking up your flowers.** Thank you for supporting St Joseph Catholic School! This is the last fundraiser of the school year!

TEACHING POSITIONS: St Joseph Catholic School will have three teaching positions open for the 2019-2020 school year. The position openings are for first grade, fifth grade and sixth grade. Inquiries can be directed to Nancy Warner, Principal, at 723-2030. The application deadline is April 15th. Thank You!

IT'S SACRAMENT SEASON!

Get your Tiny Saints! Clearance Sale! JUST \$4.00 each or 3 for \$10.00! Available in the Parish Office Now!



RIDE SHARE- We are looking for people to add to our ride share pool. There are a number of parishioners no longer able to drive themselves to Mass but desperately want to remain a part of our church community. If you would like to help or have any questions, please call the parish office.

THE PASSION PLAY will be presented by the EHS Club Crossroads on April 19th at 7pm in Eisenhower High School auditorium. The public is welcome and the event is free.



In your charity please pray for the soul of **Constance Albaugh** and the soul of Elizabeth Wojtaszek, **sister of Barb & Mike Smelko** who passed away this past week. We extend our sympathy to their families and friends and ask God's love and strength to bring them peace and consolation.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

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AND DISK CARE CENTER***

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CHILD PROTECTION AND CREATING SAFE ENVIRONMENTS

Child Abuse Prevention Month— Be Vigilant: It is vitally important that we are constantly vigilant concerning the behaviors of those who interact with children. And we must always communicate our concerns to the appropriate parties. Sometimes this means communicating our safety concerns to our children. And sometimes this means communicating our concerns about seemingly inappropriate behavior to those who are in a position to intervene. Parents must also listen carefully to their children and observe both their children's activities and the behavior of older children and adults who interact with them. When children exhibit dramatic behavioral changes, adults must find out what caused the changes. Being aware of what's happening with our children means talking to, listening to, and observing them—at every opportunity. To see what the diocese is doing to help maintain safe environments, visit <https://www.eriecd.org/childprotection/>

LITURGY INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, 4/14	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
8:00am	(St Luke) For the Living & Deceased Members of St Joseph Parish
10:45am	Francis M & Mary A Russo by Estate
Monday, 4/15	Monday of Holy Week
12:00pm	(St Luke) Francis M & Mary A Russo by Estate
Tuesday, 4/16	Tuesday of Holy Week
12:05pm	Margaret Piccirillo by Family
Wednesday, 4/17	Wednesday of Holy Week
9:05am	Mary Walker by Barb & Mike McAvoy
1:30pm	(Warren Manor) Bill Hunter by Jenn & David Wortman Family
Thursday, 4/18	Holy Thursday
7:00pm	Henry & Katherine Weidner by Lynn & Emma Thompson & Bob & Jackie Franklin & Family
Friday, 4/19	Good Friday
1:30pm	Friday Service of The Passion of The Lord
Saturday, 4/20	Holy Saturday
8:30pm	For The Living & Deceased Members of St Joseph Parish
Sunday, 4/21	Easter Sunday of The Resurrection of The Lord
8:00am	(St Luke) For the Living & Deceased Members of St Joseph Parish
10:45am	Shannon Gabel by Dan & Lois Falconi

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES

	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Extraordinary Ministers</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>
4/18 7:00pm	M Sandberg	A Kiehl, H Zaffino, R Kujawa K Courson, B Williams, M Donahue, T Grana	L Fincher O Strandburg A Strandburg A Courson
4/19 1:30pm	M Sandberg L Tyers	T Grana, P Bailey, D Labowski	L Fincher A Strandburg O Strandburg
4/20 8:30pm	D Pusateri L Tyers	J Anderson, K Courson, R & T Fadale, A Kiehl	J Wilson, R Courson 2 Volunteers
4/21 8:00am	M Donahue	R McCanna, C Knapp	R Nuhfer
4/21 10:45am	P Nasman	J Sabat, A & P Webster, B & B Crowley, D Labowski, P Bailey	M Alexander N Alexander E Grosch I Grosch

4/17—The Rouse Home— Marge & Neil Himer
4/21—8:00am Mass Ushers—Becky & Bob Pangallo

WEEKLY SANCTUARY CANDLES IN MEMORY OF
Robert A. Rich & Frank A. Rich by Family

St. Joseph Parish Weekly Offering—April 6th & April 7th
Saint Joseph Church - \$7413.00
Saint Luke Church - \$1058.00
Thank you for your continued weekly support of our Parish!

VOCATION ICON

A special thank you to **Bob Scheer** for praying for vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate, and Religious Life in our Parish and the Erie Diocese this week. Thank You!



ST JOSEPH PARISH SOUP KITCHEN MINISTRY

We serves dinner every Tuesday at 4:30pm for the Warren Community. All are invited!

**Our Special Easter Ham Dinner will be served on April 16th

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	Isaiah 42:1-7; Gospel John 12:1-11
Tuesday	Isaiah 49:1-6; Gospel John 13:21-33,36-38
Wednesday	Isaiah 50:4-9a; Gospel Matthew 26:14-25
Thursday	Exodus 12:1-8,11-14; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Gospel John 13:1-15
Friday	Isaiah 52:13—53:12; Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Gospel John 18:1-19:42
Saturday	Genesis 1:1-2:2; Exodus 14:15-15:1; Isaiah 55:1-11; Romans 6:3-11; Gospel Luke 24:1-12
Sunday	Acts 10:34a,37-43; Colossians 3:1-4; Gospel John 20:1-9

SPECIAL EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 14	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
8:00am	(St Luke) Mass
10:30am	Blessing of Palms in the Park with Trinity Episcopal
10:45am	Mass Cherub Choir sings at the end of Mass
	Liturgy of the Word for Children DOG (Disciples of God)
4:00pm	CCY Movie Night 5th—9th Grades
Monday, April 15	12:00pm (St Luke) Mass
Tuesday, April 16	10:30am (St Luke) Bible Study
	12:05pm Mass
	1:00pm Stations of the Cross
	4:30pm Soup Kitchen
	6:00pm Cub Scouts (Meyer Hall)
Wednesday, April 17	Last Day for SJCS Flower Sale
	9:05am School Mass
	1:30pm Mass @ Warren Manor
Thursday, April 18	Mass of The Lord's Supper
	Parish Office Closed
	10:00am Decorate the Church for Holy Thursday
	12:30pm Early Dismissal for School Students
	7:00pm Mass of The Lord's Supper
	Childcare available
	8-10:00pm Eucharistic Adoration in Mother's Chapel
Friday, April 19	No School & Parish Office Closed
	9:00am Cleaning Side Altar Shrines
	12:00-1:15pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
	1:30pm The Passion of the Lord (Good Friday Service)
	Childcare available
	7:00pm Passion Play presented at Eisenhower High School
	7:00pm (St Luke) Stations of the Cross
Saturday, April 20	
	9:00am (St Luke) Workbee to Decorate for Easter
	9:00am (St Joseph) Decorate for Easter Vigil Mass
	12:00pm Blessing of Easter Food at St Joseph
	8:30pm Easter Vigil Mass
Sunday, April 21	Easter Sunday The Resurrection of The Lord
	8:00am (St Luke) Mass
	10:45am Mass
	Liturgy of the Word for Children DOG (Disciples of God)



Helping Hands Items to be Collected in April

St Joseph Church & St Luke Church
Spaghetti Sauce, Pasta, & Noodles

**Items collected are distributed to the Warren Salvation Army and the Youngsville Food Pantry. *Thank You!*