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PASTORAL STAFF

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DRE	Jan Dye
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Director of Music	Jodi Swiderek
Knights of Columbus	Ed Harless
Women's Group	Barbara Callan

MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil Mass	4 pm
Sunday (English)	8 am and 10 am
Sunday (Spanish)	12:00 pm
Daily Mass (Tue -Fri) and 1 st Saturday	9 am

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Mass at 9 am and 7 pm (Bilingual)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday 9:30 am – 1 pm
Bulletin items due Tuesday before 12:30 pm
Call office to schedule facilities.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptismal preparation is required for parents who desire their baby / child to be baptized. Parents must be registered with the church. Forms and information are available in the office.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE DUE TO COVID PLS CALL

Saturday 3pm Sunday 9:15 – 9:45 am or upon request
Domingo 12:00 pm Spanish

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

If one is seriously ill or having surgery, please call the parish office or the rectory for Anointing of the Sick. A Priest or extraordinary minister of Holy Communion will administer Holy Communion on a weekly basis to shut-ins.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples should contact the Pastor a minimum of six (6) months in advance. Dates may not be set prior to the second meeting with the priest. The Diocese requires that couples attend an Engaged Encounter or Picture of Love Weekend.

First gathering: Sept. 16, 1992 Blessing of Building: May 25, 2001
Consecration of Altar & Church January 12, 2003
Canonically erected Parish May 1, 2006 Feast of St. Joseph the Worker



St Joseph the Worker, as a happy faith community, welcomes you and your family with joyful hearts to our church. If you are not registered and want to belong to this happy family of worshippers, please stop one of the ushers or myself, Fr. Julius, and request a registration form. Or you may always call the office at (423) 442-7273.



A Week Ahead in our Parish

Mon Sept 20- No Mass

Tues Sept 21 - 9 am Mass Dr. Herman Miller
By: FFL

Weds Sept 22 - 9 am Mass Dr. Herman Miller
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9:30am Rosary,

Thu Sept 23 - 9 am Mass Marie Wardle
By: Galante

7 pm Rosary (MH)

Fri Sept 24 - 9 am Mass Mary Thompson
By: Family

9:30 – 3:00 pm Adoration

Sat Sept 25 - 4 pm Mass † Clare Misslin
By: Pete Misslin

Sunday Sept 26 - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8 am Mass People of the Parish
By:

10 am Mass † Alan Beavers
By: Family

12:30 pm Mass (Spanish) no request made
By:

	Saturday/Sunday Sept 25/26		
Usher	4pm Donna T Steve/Cami	8am Frank U Gary K	10am Mike Huffor
Server	Conrad K Michael M	Katie E Ashton H	James L Andrew H Raeleigh T
Reader	Jackie Hull	Eric C Carolyn C	Teri S Art S
EMHC	Please check with Fr Julius before Mass		
Clean Church:	Mon.Sept. 27 – J & M Croker		
Counters:	Karen	Susan	

ONLINE GIVING

Visit our website at www.sjtwrcc.org
click on the **Donate Now** button

September 18-19, 2021

10:00 AM Mass. Contact the office if you can help.



Altar Flowers: If you have a special occasion coming up, please consider purchasing flowers for the **WEEKLY FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP:**

September 11-12, 2021

Week 11

Attendance: 262 weekly
Need: \$ 4063



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Capital Exp. 175 Capital Build Fund 75
Good Shepherd 185 Feed My Sheep 71
Thanks to all who give so generously. God Bless you!

Pray for the Sick of our Parish

Dale Bauer Mary Cornejo Charles Downs
Ron Eydt Maria Figueroa Raymond Hinkle
Jeanne Huffor Alvaro Pina Karen Ruggiero
Susie Ryan Hugo Schielke Patty Swatzell
Dennis Wilson

Please pray for the soul of past parishioner Larry Worcester, who died last month in Florida.

Any parishioner who is sick or having surgery, notify Fr. Julius or the office (privacy extended to those who request it).

Event of Death: notify the office if you would like the Parish to share your grief if a family member dies. Mass can be offered immediately or at a date convenient to the family.

Happy Birthday – Larry Adkins, Nicanor Almanza, Carolina Banda, Maria Cortez, Valentin Gallardo, Sharon Haley-Smith, Donna Hodnicki, Jeanne Hoffer, Edwin Lopez, Sandra Mejia, Sebastian Mora, Mary Thompson

Happy Anniversary – Ron & Teri Schmieder, Michael & Judith Hogan

To add or remove a name from the list, please contact the office.

Our Blessed Mother has asked us to pray the rosary for world peace. Join us to recite the rosary together at **7:00 PM on Thursdays at the grotto.**



**Thought for the week:
Give your hands to serve and your hearts to love.**

Mother Teresa

Bible Study



Bible study on Wednesdays, 1:30 PM. We will study the book of Romans. Contact Marion Croker: 423-420-0135

Women's Group Bereavement Committee: If you can help in any capacity, contact Barbara Callan at bcallan111@aol.com Please note your phone information as well as email.

RCIA: Classes begin on Sept: 22, 2021, 7 P.M. in the parish hall. For more information, contact Mike Huffor mhuffor@yahoo.com.

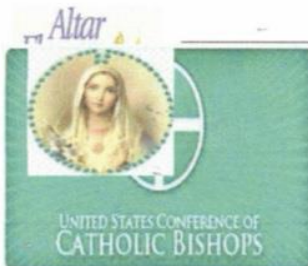


Coffee & Donuts: are served downstairs in the parish hall after the 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM Masses. All are welcome to join us.

Volunteers Needed: Teachers are needed for our CCD classes for Sundays after the altar. We can place your intention in the bulletin. The cost is \$45. Call the office for scheduling.

This week's altar flowers are in memory of + Joseph P Callan by Daniel Callan.

September 18-19, 2021



Louisville Archbishop Kurtz is planning his retirement:

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) - Louisville Archbishop Joseph Kurtz is planning for retirement after sending a required resignation to the Vatican.



Kurtz, who turned 75 Wednesday, announced that he has sent a resignation letter to Pope Francis. He has served as head of the Archdiocese of Louisville since 2007. Roman Catholic Bishops are required to send in their resignation at age 75.

Kurtz, a Pennsylvania native, will retain the title of archbishop when he leaves the archdiocese, spokeswoman Cecelia Price told the Courier Journal. Joseph Kurtz was born in Mahanoy City, the son of George and Stella Kurtz.

One of five children, he entered St. Charles Borromeo Seminary in 1964, from where he obtained a bachelor's degree in philosophy and a master's in divinity. Kurtz was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Joseph McShea on March 18, 1972, and did his postgraduate work at Marywood University in Scranton, earning a master's degree in social work.

During his priestly ministry in the Diocese of Allentown, Kurtz served as a

high school and college teacher, an administrator, and a pastor in Catasauqua and Bethlehem.

He was raised to the rank of Monsignor in 1986. Prior to becoming Archbishop (with his brother's death) he had a close bond with his brother George. George would have a large impact on him and his church community forming relationships with staff and parishioners.

"Usually an archbishop will stay in the diocese until a successor is appointed by the Holy Father, which may take a number of months," Cecelia Price said.

While he may be resigning formally, Kurtz said he would continue to be a resource for the archbishop after him.

"I want to be as much of service to the next archbishop as Archbishop (Thomas) Kelly was to me 14 years ago," Kurtz said. "He was a good man. So I had a good model to emulate. And I hope to be able to do that also."

Kurtz is a former bishop of Knoxville, Tennessee, and served as president of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops from 2013 to 2016.

In 2019, Kurtz underwent months of treatment for bladder cancer. He has been in remission since January 2020.

The archdiocese includes 24 Kentucky counties and counts more than 200,000 Catholics as members.

Mark 9:30-37 - Jesus Predicts His Death a Second Time

In Mark 9:30-32, Jesus predicts his death and resurrection for a second time (the first was in Mark 8:31-33). Although the disciples' reaction by this point is unsurprising, they have no idea what he is talking about. Their fear precludes them from even asking. Fear, in Mark's gospel, is the paired opposite of faith. For example, in the calming of the storm, Jesus asks the disciples: "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" (Mark 4:40). Faith in Mark is not intellectual assent to a series of ideas or articles to be believed. Faith is more about what is in your gut, fortitude. In Mark 9:32 we see the disciples unable to ask Jesus about what confused them, which for Mark is emblematic of a lack of faith.

The second episode confirms the disciples' ignorance. Jesus asks them what they had been arguing about, and it turns out the topic had been who was the greatest. The fact that their time had been spent with apostolic jostling confirms just how hardened their hearts have become (an idea first suggested in Mark 6:52). Juxtaposing Jesus' words about his coming suffering and their argument about who is the greatest is Mark at his ironic best and contributes to the continued depiction of the disciples and Jesus.

Jesus then describes what the kingdom of God is like, and how its "reality" is construed differently than any human reign. Those who are most honored in the Kingdom are the servants and those who are least. This idea has been shown time and again throughout the gospel; the kingdom breaks into the world in the least likely of places. The twelve disciples are constantly ignorant and afraid.

This story in chapter 9 gives us another insight into what the kingdom is like — the reception of a child. The ancient world was infused with a strong sense of honor and shame. Those who were rich and powerful hoped to demonstrate their honor by the company they kept. At the same time, they could further curry favor and influence through highly respectable social relations. Within the elite world, honor was incredibly important. The components of honor and shame were common: The rich wanted to associate only with other rich, they would intentionally insult and demean those who were slightly less rich, and hoped to accumulate favor with those who were above them.

Against such a backdrop, the words of Jesus in Mark's gospel stand out. Saying that the way to gain honor is to receive those who are without honor goes against the logic of the ancient society. The Kingdom of God assesses and assigns value differently than the human realm. God will receive those who receive the child. This will give access to true power, the power of the one who sent Jesus.

While our modern society is different from the ancient one, there are several similarities and core anthropological dynamics we ought to consider. We seek status through cars, clothes, houses, titles, and electronics. When the Apple Watch was released, it was revealed that it came in aluminum, stainless steel, and gold versions. This is a piece of electronics that will be obsolete in 2 or 3 years. The only conceivable need for a \$10,000 gold version is status, to proclaim to the world that money can be spent with no correlation to value. Actions we take every day may have ramifications on "the least" that we might never consider. Taking seriously the vision of the kingdom of God here in Mark's gospel might cause us to consider those with whom we socialize, what food we eat, and whether we ought to water our lawns — decisions about which can impact the least among us. (Taken from workingpreacher.org)

