

**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**                      **12/16.2018**                      **St. Joseph Parish Paris, AR 72855**  
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 Confessions: Saturday 4:30PM & Sunday 8:30AM                      [formed.org](http://formed.org) **parish code 28WKVW**  
 Weekend Masses: Saturday 5:00PM & Sunday 9:00AM  
 Weekday Mass: 8:00AM Wednesday, Thursday, Friday  
 7:30PM Tuesday -- Mother of Perpetual Help Novena followed by Mass  
 \*\*Tuesday 6:30-7:30PM----- Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

**Mass Intentions**

12/17	Monday	NO MASS	
12/18	7:30pm Tuesday	+Paul Schluterman	Ronnie & Joyce Koch
12/19	8:00am Wednesday	+Frieda Schmalz	Mother's Society
12/20	8:00am Thursday	+Adolph Forst	Randy & Melissa Frederick
12/21	8:00am Friday	+Patrica Brown	Katie Elsen Family
12/22	5:00pm Saturday	+Dub Pfeiffer	Kenneth & Lisa Vines
12/23	9:00am Sunday	Living & Deceased Parishioners	Father Eugene

FOURTH WEEKEND: DECEMBER 22 & 23:

**ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTERS**

**Saturday 5:00pm**                      **Marcus & Debbie Rainwater Family**

**Sunday 9:00am**                      **Larry & Sarah Perreault Family**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**

Saturday 5:00PM                      James Nehus, Kurtis & Sarah Simmons  
 Sunday 9:00AM                      Ed & Martha Ullrich, Sharon Pohlmeier

**LECTORS:**

Saturday 5:00PM                      Debbie Rainwater  
 Sunday 9:00AM                      Karen Binz

**ORGANIST & CANTOR:**

Saturday 5:00PM                      Randy Edelhuber  
 Sunday 9:00AM                      Beth Ullrich

**SERVERS:**

Saturday 5:00PM                      Jude Simmons, Ryleigh Oates  
 Sunday 9:00AM                      Emily Simon, Sophie & Jaxon Perreault

**USHERS:**

Saturday 5:00PM                      Nick Neumeier, Raymond & Dottie Neumeier, Donna Mauer  
 Sunday 9:00AM                      Jay & Charlotte Koenigseder, Sheila Law, Raymond Kiefer

**GIFT BEARERS:**

Saturday 5:00PM                      Carl & Jana Stengel Family  
 Sunday 9:00AM                      Joe & Laura Bujarski Family

**ROSARY:**

Saturday 5:00PM                      Mary Martin  
 Sunday 9:00AM                      Jim and Paula O'Bar

COFFEE AND DONUTS next Sunday: DECEMBER 23: Beth Ullrich (Gary picks up donuts)

**Feast Days This Week:** 12/21 – St. Peter Canisius

December 16:    **Christmas Brunch Potluck after Mass sponsored by the Mother's Society**  
 Men's Club Christmas meeting in the school cafeteria  
**December 23: Decorate church for Christmas after 9:00 Mass**  
 December 24:    Christmas Vigil Mass at 5pm  
 December 25:    Christmas morning Mass at 9am

**SAVE THE DATE! Church will be decorated for Christmas after 9:00 Mass next Sunday, December 23.** Please plan now to stay for a few minutes after Mass that day to help.

The Mother's Society is sponsoring a **Christmas Brunch Potluck** in the hall today after Mass. Donations will be accepted to benefit those who come to the church door needing assistance. Please come even if you are not able to make a donation.

Submitted to the Prayer Chain: Nick & Colton Neumeier/travel to CA/eye assessment; Lu Harter/suffered a fall/stitches; Rick Spivey/brain tumor surgery/aggressive cancer.

**EXTRA PIES FROM THE SCHOOL PIE SALE:** 2 Apple, 2 Pumpkin, 2 Boston Crème, 1 Cherry.  
 Contact the school office if interested. 963-2119. \$12 each.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY this week to Larry Pearreault, Debbie Fischer, Gerald Forst, Emerson Komp, Mary Sullivan, Bob Cowie, and Josh Bradley.  
 HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to Josh & Tracy Bradley and Dennis & Tammy Willmann.

*We welcome all visitors and invite newcomers to register at the church office where we would enjoy meeting you. If you regularly attend Mass at St. Joseph's and are not yet a registered parishioner but would like to be, please contact the church office at 963-2131.*

### St. Joseph School News

Classes will dismiss Wednesday, December 19, at 1:30 for our Christmas Break. We will resume on Thursday, January 3. St. Joseph's will not be following the Paris Public Schools Christmas schedule.

The PTO members, the faculty and staff are SO appreciative to all who helped prepare and serve the annual FNB Merchant Christmas Dinner. Current school parents, former school parents, former St. Joseph School students, and St. Joseph Church parishioners all pitched in to help. There were many, many, many comments about the delicious food. It takes a village! God is good!

Please remember to clip Box Tops for Education, Best Choice UPCs, and save used ink cartridges for us.

A REMINDER – **Boxtops have expiration dates on them.**

*Campbell Soup no longer has their label program, so we will not be collecting those any more.*

**What does GRACE look like??**

**A lifetime of being shaped into the beautiful people that God has called us to be.**

Rev. John Burruss

Pictures used around the altar during November may be picked up from the table inside the sacristy.

Dec. 2 Collection: Adult env (48) \$2454. Children: \$16.70. Loose: \$87. Total: \$2557.70.

Misc. Income: Donation: \$500. Mass stipends: \$50. Votive candles: \$24.

Dec. 9 Collection: Adult env (47) \$3604. Children: \$20. Loose: \$188. Total: \$3812.

Misc. Income: Donation: \$150. Bulletin ad: \$100. Mass stipends: \$30. Votive candles: \$28. Hall: \$150.

**New Year's Evening of Recollection at Coury House.** "Prayer and Work: Finding Balance in Our Daily Lives" by Fr. Reginald's. Dec 31- Jan 1. Conferences, confession, Vespers, early champagne celebration, Adoration/Benediction. Solemnity of Mary Mass with the monks. Call 934-4411

**A CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR MARRIED COUPLES:** Want to give each other something really special this Christmas? Worldwide Marriage Encounter, Feb 15-17 in Subiaco & June 7-9 in Memphis. Call Leah & Ben @ 501-733-1235. For Christmas discount use promocode **eb2019** for 25% off application fee.

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*As parents, you are the first teachers of your children. Think back on the past week. What have you taught them about how to love God and others, especially during this Advent season?*

**What have you done for your marriage today?**

**[www.foryourmarriage.org](http://www.foryourmarriage.org)**

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*"Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests know to God." (Philippians 4:6)*

St. Paul reminds us that our God is an abundant God, the ultimate giver of gifts. He promises to give us all that we need. It is easier for us to share what we have been given when we learn to trust and understand that God WILL take care of us.

Our donut room decorator has struck again! We are so appreciative that you make it so festive for us. Your Stewardship donations of your time and treasure are an example to the rest of us. God bless you!!

### The Third Sunday of Advent, December 16, 2018

#### ROSE IS FOR REJOICING!!

*"Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: rejoice!"*

(Philippians 4:4-7)

#### Monday, December 24, 5:00pm Vigil Mass

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Marcus Rainwater, Carl & Jana Stengel

**Lector:** Lainey Rainwater

**Servers:** Samuel, Timothy & Madeline Stengel

**Music:** Jaime Jackson, Rainwater Family

**Gifts:** Brad & Stephanie Simon Family

**Ushers:** Mike & Jane Koehler, Jim & Charlotte Fletcher

#### Tuesday, December 25, 9:00am Morning Mass

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Ed & Martha Ullrich, Mary Beshoner

**Lector:** Vicki Schneider

**Gifts:** Jim & Shirley Kiefer

**Music:** Randy Edelhuber, Beth Ullrich

**Ushers:** Don Ullrich, Rita Robberson, Ernie Hatwig, David Rieder

**Servers:** Volunteers

**The collection taken up at Christmas Masses benefits the Clergy Welfare Fund** which supports the retired and infirm priests of our diocese. Many of these priests still substitute in parishes on weekends. Some provide prayer ministry. Please be generous.