

St. Joseph School News

Our prayers and support are with Daniel Wu as he participates in the State Spelling Bee next Saturday.

Please remember to clip Box Tops for Education, and save used ink cartridges for us!! We will collect Best Choice UPCs as long as you have them.

May we never risk the life of our souls by being resentful or by bearing grudges.
St. Gregory of Nyssa

“Thank you to my fellow parishioners for the many prayers said on my behalf during my surgery and rehab these past several weeks. The calls and cards were a much needed pick-me-up. Mike and I really appreciated the delicious food and wonderful Compassionate Cooks meal brought to our home. We are truly blessed to be a part of this church family.” *Jane and Mike Koehler*

LENTEN LUNCHEONS 11:30-12:30

March 7: St. Benedict
March 14: First Assembly of God
March 21: First Baptist

Stations of the Cross: Fridays at 6:30pm
Lectio Eucharist: Tuesdays at 6pm
Lenten Study Group: Thursdays at 6:30pm
Adoration Tuesdays: 6:30-7:30pm
All Fridays of Lent: Abstain from meat (age 14 and older)

Names submitted to the **Prayer Chain**: Ann Gehring/hospice/death; Norma Barnes/cancer.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY this week David Watts, Konnor Lunsford, Brayden Rainwater, Betty Koch, Ashley Goodson, Mary Martin, Randy Koch, Michael Elsken, and Beth Ullrich.

The **Hall Renovation Committee** has placed “**opinion surveys**” in the pews this weekend. If you need to take it home to look it over, please feel free to do so. You may drop it in the collection basket when you are ready to return it.

February 25 Collection: Adult env (43) \$2000. Children: \$12. Loose: \$267.50. Total: \$2279.50.
Miscellaneous Income: Candles: \$10.50. Mass stipends: \$10. Ad: \$100
February School Collection: \$798. Diocesan: Ash Wed: \$401.65. Church in Europe: \$214

Ladies are invited to a Day of Recollection March 6 at IC in Fort Smith. 9am Mass followed by Fr. Andrew Hart’s presentation “Walking Through Holy Week with Jesus.” Lunch will be served. 783-7963

PARENTS OF TEENS & PRE-TEENS: Are you looking for a short series to watch with your preteen/teen? Carve out time for 5 sessions “*Modern Media*” on formed.org: Originally written for teenagers, this study on modern media has been modified and revamped to start a discussion for adults about our increasingly media-savvy world. Smartphones, social networks, apps, data plans, texting, Wi-Fi, tablets, headphones... these things are not necessarily good or bad, but they are incredibly powerful. Using modern media can either hinder our ability to discern God’s voice in the silence of the heart, or it can be a tool for learning and evangelization. This study looks at modern media from a Christian perspective, dives into the unprecedented influence it has on our lives, and gives us some practical tools to live vibrant Christian lives in a media-saturated culture. stjosephparis.formed.org

MARCH BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE

Donna Nehus, Mary Beth Nehus, Rita Nehus, Christa Nehus, Beverly Nehus, Erika Nehus, Paula O’Bar, Michelle Owens, Sarah Perreault, Reba Pfeiffer, Mary Pfeiffer, Rose Pfeiffer, Margie Phillips, Jessica Philmon

Arkansas Catholic is holding a photo contest for the cover of the 2019 diocesan directory. Any professional or amateur photographer in AR can enter their photo of a Catholic church or institution in the diocese. March 16 is the deadline to enter the contest. For rules and an entry form, visit arkansas-catholic.org.

How are you doing on your Lenten resolutions? Keeping them can be easier if you and your spouse hold each other accountable. **What have you done for your marriage today?**

“You shall not carve idols for yourselves in the shape of anything.”

How many “gods” do I put before God? “Idols” do not always take the shape of things we can touch and feel. Those are easy to recognize. Many times they take the form of things we cannot touch and are much harder to spot – like PRIDE, POWER, EGO, TIME, COMFORT, or HEALTH.

Thanks to the generosity of those who attended last week’s Lenten Luncheon, St. Joseph’s was able to donate \$340 to COS to help them continue the good works that they do.