# Offertory 2017 Needed

		Balance to cover expenses
	Week \$3500.00	Month \$14000.00
Feb 5 <sup>th</sup>	\$4,569.75	\$9, 430.25
Feb. 12 <sup>th</sup>		
Jan. 19 <sup>th</sup>		
Jan. 26th		
Total		

### Daily Readings Feb 13th - Feb 19th

Mon – Gen. 4:1-15, 25; Mar. 8:11-13 Tues – Gen. 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Mar.8:14-21 Wed – Gen. 8:6-13, 20-22; Mar. 8:22-26 Thurs – Gen. 9:1-13; Mar. 8:27-33 Fri – Gen. 11:1-9; Mar. 8:34-9:1 Sat – Gen. Heb.11:1-7; Mar.9:2-13 Sun. – Lev. 19:1-2, 17-18;1Cor.3:16-23; Mat. 5:38-48

### **Please Remember the Following:**

Lloy McDaniel; Linda Arian; Lorin; Jack Thompson; Ron & Tanya Deasly; Dan Browning; Patricia Carroll; Savanna King; Rita Witchman; David & Carol Leonard; Billie Lanier; Kate Erickson; Born Family; Dan Christ; Linda Christ; Sammi Pedersen; Bob & Lola Godat; Fred Vandehey; Gal Kessel; Debbie Enneberg Carmen Orsi; Katie Jordon; Mindy Hopfer; Joanne Besio; Mike Mulvihill; Jennifer Christy; Chuck & Dee Wettstein; Paul Paquin; Carlos Coit; Rosemary Boe; Jeff Born; Peggy Kasberger; Glen Johnston; Jessie Sharp; Hazel Engstrom; Ann Pedersen; Jan Sletager; Richard Moore; Hans Kaumanns; Jim Lanning; Cal and Bernice Dubisar; Dolores Myers; Heather Messick; Family of Ralph and Mary Lee; Jeanne Enos; Kim Remppel; Deborah Horrell; Hernan Enrique Caceres; Verconica Natalia Chavez; Maria Sol Montel; Veronica Rodriguez; Luz Alejandra Bringas,; Carolina Silvia Brizuela Perez; Rodolfo Martin Arruabarrena; Gustavo Caceres, Susan Markie, Anne Pimentel Hehr; Nettie Irene Downing, Kara Bachand, Doug Bristow,Harley Mayfield for the special intentions of our parishioners and others.

St. Joseph Catholic Church

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Vigil Mass Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday Mass 9:00 am English 12:00 Noon Spanish

> Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time February 12, 2017

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Sun. Rosary: half hour before Mass Date: February 19, 2017 Led by: Choir <u>Sacraments</u> Sacrament of Penance

Sacrament of Penance Saturday: 3:30- 4:30pm Other times by appointment Contact Fr. Joseph for the preparation of the Sacrament of Baptism or Marriage and the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Mass Intentions Feb 11th – Feb 17th One must never forget the infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass which benefit ones soul. (L) = Living (D) = DeathSat. 8am – John MacDonald (L) / Tom Tom MacDonald Sat. 5pm – Fr. Timothy Collins (D) / Gary Thompson Sun. 9am - Armand Bilodeau (D)/ Paul **Emile Bilodeau** Sun. 12pm - Maria Acencion Nunez (D) / Elias Villagomez Mon. 8am – Tuff Penhollow (L) / Budde Family Tues. 8am Ethan MacDonald (L)/ Tom MacDonald Wed. 8am – Sarah Elizabeth MacDonald (D) / Tom MacDonald Thurs. 8am – David Budde (L) / Budde Family Fri. – 12:15pm – Betty Salgado (L)/ Anne Greenwood

### 2017 Feb. Weekend Ministry Assignments

Sat. Feb 18<sup>th</sup> 5pm: Lectors – Tom MacDonald

Mitch Viescas

Euch. Min. – Rick Christensen Mary Norton

Altar Serv. – Blaine Viescas Ethan Edgerly

Sun. Feb 19<sup>th</sup> 9am: Lectors – Kirk Giovanini Diane Giovanini

Euch. Min. – Nancy Redfern Cathy Baxter Amy Koivisto

Altar Serv. – Elizabeth Koivisto Shane Viescas

### Sun. Feb 19th 12pm:

Lectors – LorenaNunez Melissa

Euch. Min. – Martha Villagomez Joel Hernandez

Altar Serv. – Eddie Ruiz Edgar Tapia

If you cannot be available please find a substitute.



# Fr. Joseph's Corner...

## <u> 3 Bullets</u>

There once was a man who had nothing for his family to eat. He had an old rifle and three bullets. So, he decided that he would go out hunting and kill some wild game for dinner.

As he went down the road, he saw a rabbit. He shot at the rabbit and missed it. The rabbit ran away. Then he saw a squirrel and fired a shot at the squirrel and missed it.

The squirrel disappeared into a hole in a cottonwood tree. Then he saw a squirrel and fired a shot at the squirrel and missed it.

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As he went further, he saw a large wild "Tom" turkey in the tree, but he had only one bullet remaining. A voice spoke to him and said, "Pray first, aim high and stay focused." However, at the same time, he saw a deer which was a better kill. He brought the gun down and aimed at

the deer.

But, then he saw a rattlesnake between his legs about to bite him, so he naturally brought the gun down further to shoot the rattlesnake. Still, the voice said again to him, "I said

'Pray, Aim high and Stay focused." So, the man decided to listen to God's voice.

He prayed, then aimed the gun high up in the tree and shot the wild turkey. The bullet bounced off the turkey and killed the deer.

The handle fell off the gun and hit the snake in the head and killed it. And, when the gun had gone off, it knocked him into a pond. When he stood up to look around, he had fish in all his pockets, a dead deer and a turkey to eat for his family. The snake (Satan) was dead simply because the man listened to God.

Moral of the story:

Pray first before you do anything, Aim and shoot high in your goals, and stay focused on God. Never let others discourage you concerning your past. The past is exactly that, "the past." Live every day one day at a time and remember that only God knows our future and that he will not put you through any more than you can bear. Do not look to man for your blessings, but look to the doors that only He has prepared in advance for you in your favor.

Wait, be still and patient: keep God first and everything else will follow.

—Prayerful wishes, Father Joseph



## **Rosary Schedule**

February 12<sup>th</sup> - Lectors February 19th <sup>-</sup> Choir February 26<sup>th</sup> – The Youth



The Knights of Columbus Offer breakfast every first Sunday of the month after the 9am Mass. **March 5th 2017** 

### Social Time

Please join us for coffee after the Sunday 9:00 am Mass Sunday Coffee Hour Schedule February 12<sup>th</sup> - Carol Smith February 19<sup>th</sup> - Betty Viescas February 26<sup>th</sup> - Sammi Pedersen

## Who is an Acolyte ?

**Definition:** The Instituted Acolyte has a special place in the Church but he is not a member of the clergy. In the setting of a seminary, an acolyte is a minor order.

When you think of those who give communion, there are ordained clergy (bishops, priests, and deacons) who are <u>ordinary</u> ministers with all the rights conferred upon them by the Church. In order that the faithful may be better served, the Church permits the Bishop to appointment lay people as Extraordinary Ministers. Instituted Acolytes are Extraordinary Ministers but by virtue of their Instituted office they take precedence over other Extraordinary Ministers. By virtue of the Rite of Institution, they become the principal assistant to the Celebrant, and are also permitted to purify vessels and perform other duties that are not permitted to other lay Extraordinary Ministers. In addition, the Pastor will assign them responsibility to assure that the Sacristans have properly set up for the Mass, and give

other instructions, as required, to keep Sacristans, Extraordinary Ministers, and Altar Servers fully informed about liturgical activities.

**Responsibilities:** As an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, an acolyte must possess certain characteristics and qualities. You are called on to serve the body of Christ, the Church, as it performs its most important work—the celebration of the Eucharist. Like all ministry, this is a great honor and a great responsibility. Undertake it with intention to grow in your devotion to the Mass, to the Church that celebrates it, and to Christ our Lord. Like all ministry, being an acolyte is about service and humility. An acolyte must be reverent, lead an exemplary life, and by example, be a teacher of reverence. The reverence that we owe to the presence of Christ in the Eucharist we also owe to the Scriptures, the gathered assembly, and the priest, because Christ is present in all of them

**Duties:** Acolytes have specific duties before, during, and after Mass. In some circumstances, in the absence of a sacristan, it is expected that an acolyte will perform these duties. Likewise, on occasion, the acolyte may need to also perform the functions of an altar server. Specific duties before, during and after Mass will be informed during the training.

# **Parish News**

#### Welcome Visitors

If you are coming for the first time or visiting us, you are welcome. We are happy to have you in our midst. Please fill out the registration form with the ushers. Those who have not registered in the parish should please do so. Ask the ushers for the registration form.

**<u>Bible Studies</u>** will resume March 8<sup>th</sup>, 6-7:30pm. We will be studying the series of Forgiven by the Diocese details will follow.

Sunday, April 30, 2017, we will celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph (May 1<sup>st</sup>), the head of the Holy Family and the patron saint of our Parish. On this day we will honor our parishioners who have shared fifty or more years of marriage. There will be a special mass and a party in the Parish Hall to celebrate. Look for details of the celebration in the Sunday Bulletin during February and March.

Although we have the names of many of our couples who have been married for fifty years or more, we want to make sure to include everyone. If you will have been married for fifty years or by the year 2017, please let us know by calling Anne Greenwood in the Parish office at 541-447-6475 Mon- Thurs. 9am-5pm.

#### **Need for Mass Intentions**

**A Mass Intention** is a special way to remember a friend or loved one after death or to honor someone on a special occasion.

(anniversaries, birthdays, special intentions, health, death anniversaries.) The Mass will be said by our Parish Priest or visiting Priests. To schedule a Mass Intention, come by the Parish Office, Monday-Thursday 9am-5pm (closed 12pm-1pm). If you can't make it to the Parish Office, we have envelopes in the pews. Please write who your intention is for and from who with your donation.

**<u>Reverse Collection Note:</u>** Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month. My brothers and sisters there are many people around us who are less fortunate than we are. Jesus wants us to remember them. February 19<sup>th</sup> is reversed collection for the poor among us. If you want to donate money, please ask for an envelope from the ushers to mail it to St. Vincent de Paul. Thanks for your understanding and cooperation.

Winter is here. The Parish needs more volunteers to remove snow from the sidewalks, stairs and areas around the Church, Rectory and Parish Hall. There is a sign-up sheet in the Vestibule for volunteers. Please sign up for a week you will be available. Thank you!

#### A volunteer Court Appointed Special

<u>Advocate</u> is a trained, caring, consistent adult who advocates for a child who has experienced abuse and neglect. For more information on our program, please to <u>casaofcentraloregon.org</u>. There are flyers in the vestibule for more information.



## Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time



1<sup>st</sup> R. Sir. 15:15-20 Res. Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34 2<sup>nd</sup> R. 1Cor. 2:6-10 Gospel Accl. Mat. 11:24 Gospel Mat. 5:17-37

Today's readings challenge us to choose freely and wisely to observe the laws given by a loving and caring God. He revealed His laws through Moses and the prophets in the Old Testament and through His own Son, Jesus, in the New Testament. For the Israelites, the Torah was not a set of laws but the instruction or *teaching* intended to promote the holiness and wholeness of each believer. It was the revealed will of a caring God for the people with whom He had made His covenant. The first reading, from Sirach, contains the clearest statement in the Old Testament concerning the God-given freedom of the human will and exonerating God from all responsibility for evil in

the world. "If you choose, you can keep the commandments . . . before you are life and death, whichever you choose shall be given you." In the second reading, Paul challenges his Corinthian believers to appreciate the wisdom of God's saving plan for His people, a plan hidden for ages but now revealed by the Spirit. In today's Gospel, while challenging his disciples to live a life of justice and righteousness which would exceed that of the scribes and Pharisees, Jesus sets forth his own position with regard to the Law given through Moses by providing a new interpretation and meaning for the old laws. Jesus shows us how to go to the root of the commandments about murder, adultery, divorce, taking foolish oaths, retaliation and love of neighbor.

We need to obey God's Law, appreciating its basic principles: In obeying God's law and Church law, let us remember the two basic principles on which these laws are based, namely, the principle of reverence and the principle of respect. In the first four of the Ten Commandments, we are asked to reverence God, reverence His holy Name, reverence His holy day and reverence our father and mother. The next set of commandments instructs us to respect life, one's personal integrity and good name, the legal system, another's property and another's spouse. Our obedience to these laws must be prompted by love of God and gratitude to God for His blessings.

We need to forgive, forget and move toward reconciliation as soon as possible. St. Paul advises us "Be angry (righteous anger) but do not sin" (Eph 4:26). When we keep anger in our spirit, we are inviting physical illnesses like hypertension and mental illnesses like depression. Let us relax and keep silence when we are angry, wait before acting on our anger, give it time to detoxify and cool off, pray for God's strength for self-control, and give the Holy Spirit time to help us to see the event through Jesus' eyes instead of through anger's eyes.

We need to be true to God, to ourselves and to others. Let us allow God's word of truth to penetrate our minds and hearts and to form our consciences, making us men and women of integrity. All the three Scripture Readings today speak about true freedom and urge us to find true wisdom. We soon come to realize in this life that the free choices we have to make to become moral people are not always black and white, like the choices Sirach uses. Freedom is an eminently Christian virtue and value. But then, life and its choices are complex. To be wise means to choose carefully what choices we make, not through blind obedience, but through thought and prayer. With Christ, there is no new standard, but there is a higher standard that places Christianity heights above the world's measures. It is definitely harder and not just higher, because many of us have not fully understood what true freedom entails. It requires so much more discipline and regularity and only then it becomes spontaneous in the sense that we spontaneously choose Christ anytime, anyplace over anything and everything else. The meaning of spontaneity is not wild abandonment. Instead, it is a freedom to spontaneously choose God above all else. "Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!"

