Offertory 2017 Needed

Balance to cover

	Wkly Offering	Needed	Difference	Monthly Exp. \$14,000.00
Feb 5 th	\$4,569.75	\$3,500.00	+ \$1,069.75	\$9,430.25
Feb. 12 th	\$2,791.81	\$3,500.00	(\$ 708.19)	\$6,638.44
Jan. 19 th				
Jan. 26th				
Total				

Daily Readings Feb 20th – Feb 26th

Mon – Sir. 1:1-10; Mar. 9:14-29

Tues – Sir. 2:1-11; Mar. 9:30-37

Wed - 1Pe. 5:1-4; Mat. 16:13-19

Thurs – Sir. 5:1-8; Mar. 9:41-50

Fri – Sir. 6:5-17; Mar. 10:1-12

Sat – Sir. 17:1-15; Mar. 10:13-16

Sun. – Isa. 49:14-15; 1Cor.4:1-5; Mat. 6:24-34

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, Harley Mayfield, Julie Nolte 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

Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time February 19, 2017

Parish Office Administrative Assistant: Anne Greenwood
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Sun. Rosary: half hour before Mass

Date: March 5, 2017 Led by: Ushers

Sacraments

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 18th – Feb 24th

One must never forget the infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass which benefit ones soul.

(L) =Living (D) = Death

Sat. 8am – Lu Streetman (D) / Streetman Family

Sat. 5pm –Edna Godat (D) / Sue Godat Sun. 9am – Armand Bilodeau (D)/ Paul

Emile Bilodeau Sun. 12pm - Glafira Campos y

Cresensiano Martinez (D) / Juan Martinez

Mon. 8am – Dolores Myers (L) / Karin Davis

Tues. 8am- Margaret Tomaszewski (D) / Cathy Baxter

Wed. 8am – Fr. Joseph Kunnelaya (L)/ Anne Greenwood

Thurs. 8am – Dolores Myers (L) / Karin Davis

Fri. -12:15pm - Ida Resz (D) / Cathy Baxter

2017 Feb. Weekend Ministry **Assignments**

Sat. Feb 25th 5pm:

Lectors – Brett Edgerly Elle' Edgerly

Euch. Min. – Dee Wettstein Barb Dalton

Altar Serv. – Brian Solis Shane Viescas

Sun. Feb 26th 9am:

Lectors – Ron Wortman Shane Viescas

Euch. Min. – Kathy Thompson Evelyn Stirnaman Ralph Lee

Altar Serv. – Isabel Sherman Roman Stenbeck

Sun. Feb 26th 12pm:

Lectors – Angela Toledo Rubi Ruiz

Euch. Min. – Alfredo Villagomez Eva Tapia

Altar Serv. – Allen Sotelo Uber Gonzalez

If you cannot be available please find a substitute.



Fr. Joseph's Corner...

Who'll Take the Son?

A wealthy man and his son loved to collect rare works of art. They had everything in their collection, from Picasso to Raphael. They would often sit together and admire the great works of art. When the Viet Nam conflict broke out, the son went to war. He was very courageous and died in battle while rescuing another soldier. The father was notified and grieved deeply for his only son. About a month later, just before Christmas, there was a knock at the door. A young man stood at the door with a large package in his hands. He said, "Sir, you don't know me, but I am the soldier for whom your son gave his life. He saved many lives that day, and he was carrying me to safety when a bullet struck him in the heart and he died instantly. He often talked about you, and your love for art." The young man held out his package. "I know this isn't much. I'm not really a great artist, but I think your son would have wanted you to have this." The father opened the package. It was a portrait of his son, painted by the young man. He stared in awe at the way the soldier had captured the personality of his son in the painting. The father was so drawn to the eyes that his own eyes welled up with tears. He thanked the young man and offered to pay him for the picture. "Oh, no sir, I could never repay what your son did for me. It's a gift." The father hung the portrait over his mantle. Every time visitors came to his home he took them to see the portrait of his son before he showed them any of the other great works he had collected. The man died a few months later. There was to be a great auction of his paintings. Many influential people gathered, excited over seeing the great paintings and having an opportunity to purchase one for their collection. On the platform sat the

painting of the son. The auctioneer pounded his gavel. "We will start the bidding with this picture of the son. Who will bid for this picture?" There was silence. Then a voice in the back of the room shouted. "We want to see the famous paintings. Skip this one." But the auctioneer persisted. "Will someone bid for this painting? Who will start the bidding? \$100, \$200?" Another voice shouted angrily. "We didn't come to see this painting. We came to see the Van Goghs, the Rembrandts. Get on with the real bids!" But still the auctioneer continued. "The son! The son! Who'll take the son?" Finally, a voice came from the very back of the room. It was the long-time gardener of the man and his son. "I'll give \$10 for the painting." Being a poor man, it was all he could afford. "We have \$10, who will bid \$20?" "Give it to him for \$10. Let's see the masters." "\$10 is the bid, won't someone bid \$20?" The crowd was becoming angry. They didn't want the picture of the son. They wanted the more worthy investments for their collections. The auctioneer pounded the gavel. "Going once, twice, SOLD for \$10!" A man sitting on the second row shouted. "Now let's get on with the collection!" The auctioneer laid down his gavel. "I'm sorry, the auction is over." "What about the paintings?" "I am sorry. When I was called to conduct this auction, I was told of a secret stipulation in the will. I was not allowed to reveal that stipulation until this time. Only the painting of the son would be auctioned. Whoever bought that painting would inherit the entire estate, including the paintings. The man who took the son gets everything!" God gave his son 2,000 years ago to die on a cruel cross. Much like the auctioneer, His message today is, "The son, the son, who'll take the son?" Because you see, whoever takes the Son gets everything.

- Prayerful wishes, Father Joseph

Rosary Schedule

February 12th - Lectors February 19th - Choir February 26th - 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 19th – Betty Viescas February 26th – Sammi Pedersen March 12th – Carol Smith

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 ordinary 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.

Today, February 19th 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.

Sunday Feb. 26th Barry Metzentine will be assisting Fr. Joseph as the acolyte for the 9a.m. mass. We can learn the duties and responsibilities of an acolyte and Barry will talk about being an acolyte.

<u>Bible Studies</u> will resume March 8th, 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 1st), 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.

Thank you for those that have volunteered at the Senior center on the days that the Catholic Church was on duty. We are now serving only on the 4th Tuesday of the month now. If you have any questions call Joyce Jollo 541-923-5562.

Join us for our next Saturday Night Live — Catholic Style event at St. Thomas Parish in Redmond on April 8th. Beginning immediately after 5:30 Palm Sunday Vigil Mass we'll participate in a special "Dinner Pageant" that will emphasize the Jewish roots of our Catholic faith. After that we'll head over to the Church and listen to a deeply moving and spirit-filled concert called "Come Hold My Son" by Daniel Oberreuter. Tickets go on sale March 18/19th, you can call for your tickets at the Parish Office 541-923-3390 by April 3rd. Tickets are \$15.

Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time



1st R. Lev. 19:1-2, 17-18 Res. Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 2nd R. 1Cor. 3:16-23 Gospel Accl. 1Jn.2:5 Gospel Mat. 5:38-48

Introduction: Today's readings explain why Christians are expected to be holy and how we are meant to become holy people. The first and second readings give us reasons why we should be holy and the Gospel describes four methods of becoming holy people prescribed for us by Iesus.

The first reading, taken from the book of Leviticus, teaches us that we should be holy because it is the command given to us by God through Moses: "Be holy, for I the Lord, your God, am holy." It also shows us the way to share in God's holiness: "Love your neighbor Introduction: Today's readings explain why Christians are expected to be holy and how we are meant to become holy people. The first and second readings give us reasons why we should be holy and the Gospel describes

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Scripture lessons: The first reading, taken from the book of Leviticus, teaches us that we should be holy because it is the command given to us by God through Moses: "Be holy, for I the Lord, your God, am holy." It also shows us the way to share in God's holiness: "Love your neighbor as yourself." The Responsorial Psalm (Ps 103) challenges us to be holy as our God is holy by becoming kind and merciful and forgiving.

In the <u>second reading</u>, St. Paul gives us an additional reason to be holy. We are to keep our bodies and souls holy because we are the temples of the Holy Spirit, and the Holy Spirit lives in us.

In the Gospel passages taken from the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus teaches us four methods of becoming holy as God is holy. 1) The first method is to abstain from all forms of retaliation. Jesus discards even the milder form of retaliation developed by Hammurabi in ancient Babylon and passed on to Israel through Moses. The policy was one of limited, proportional retaliation "an eye for an eye, a tooth for tooth," rather than allowing unlimited vengeance. In place of this limited, proportional retaliation, Jesus gives his new law of love, grace, forgiveness, reconciliation and no retaliation. For Jesus, retaliation, or even limited vengeance, has no place in the Christian life, even though graceful acceptance of an offense requires

great strength and discipline of character and strengthening by God's grace. 2) The second method of becoming holy as God is holy is to take the offense gracefully and love the offender. Jesus illustrates this in three images: "turning the other cheek, freely giving the tunic and adding the cloak to it, and walking the extra mile." Jesus tells us that what makes Christians different is the grace with which they treat others, offering them loving kindness and mercy, even if they don't deserve this treatment. We are commanded to love our enemies as Jesus loves us, with agápe love, not because our enemies deserve our love, but because Iesus loves them so much that he died for them as he did for us. 3) The third method of sharing in God's holiness is by unconditionally and whole-heartedly forgiving the offender without planning revenge in any form. This means not only loving one's neighbors, but also forgiving those enemies who hurt us and willfully cause us suffering, hardship and unhappiness. 4) The fourth method of becoming holy as God is holy is to seal our determination to forgive our enemies by sincerely praying for their spiritual and physical welfare and for the grace needed for their conversion and renewal of life. Thus today's Scripture readings challenge us to become holy as our God is holy by loving, forgiving and blessing others as our Holy God does.

We need to love our neighbors and our enemies too: The Greek word used for loving enemies is not *storge* (natural love towards family members), or *philia* (love of

close friends), or *eros* (passionate love between a young man and woman), but *agápe*, which is the invincible benevolence or good will for another's highest good. Since *agápe* is not natural, practicing it is possible only with God's help. *Agápe* love is a choice more than a feeling. We choose to love, not because our enemies deserve our love, but because Jesus loves them so much that he died for them. We have in the *Acts of the Apostles* the example of St. Stephen, the first martyr, who prayed for those who were putting him to death.

We need to have a forgiving heart: Jesus demands that we should forgive, pardon and be generous whether or not our offenders deserve it, and even if we are not loved in return. He also tells us to pray for those who willfully cause us suffering, hardship and unhappiness.

We are to try to be perfect, to be like God: We become perfect when we fulfill God's purpose in creating us, i.e., when we become Godlike by cooperating with His grace. We become perfect when we try to love as God loves, to forgive as God forgives and to show unconditional good will and universal benevolence as God does.

