

Offertory 2018

	Needed	Weekly Offering
Mar. 4 th	\$3,700.00	\$4,055.00
Mar. 11 th	\$3,700.00	\$2,613.24
Mar. 18 th	\$3,700.00	\$3,796.00
Mar. 25 th	\$3,700.00	\$2,954.70
Total	\$14,800.00	\$13,418.94

Please Remember the Following:

Patricia Carroll; David & Carol Leonard; Billie Lanier; Sammi Pedersen; Bob & Lola Godat; Fred Vandehey; Gal Kessel; Katie Jordon; Joanne Besio; Mike Mulvihill; Jennifer Christy; Chuck & Dee Wettstein; Paul Paquin; Jeff Born; Glen Johnston; Jessie & Gilbert Sharp; Ann Pedersen; Jan Sletager; Richard Moore; Jim Lanning; Bernice Dubisar; Heather Messick; Family of Ralph and Mary Lee; Deborah Horrell; Hernán Enrique Natalia Chávez; María, Sol Montel; Verónica Rodríguez; Luz Alejandra Bringas, Rodolfo Martin Arruabarrena; Susan Markie, Nettie Irene Downing, Harley Mayfield, Sam Lane, Ron Edgerly, Naomi Blankenship, Bill Nicholson, Bud Gilvinski; Joanne Gleason, Betty Salgado, Courtney Lynn Viescas, Howard Tocher, Rose Varghese, Leo Kuper, Elizabeth MacDonald Casey, Patricia Monohon, Sandy Shriver, Patrick Arnold, Virginia Martell, Kara Bachand for the special intentions of our parishioners and others.

Daily Readings April 2nd – April 8th

Mon. – Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mat. 28:8-15

Tues. – Acts 2:36-41; Joh. 20:11-18

Wed. – Acts 3:1-10; Luk. 24:13-35

Thurs. – Acts 3:11-26; Luk. 24:35-48

Fri. – Acts 4:1-12; Joh. 21:1-14

Sat. – Acts 4:13-21; Mar. 16:9-15

Sun. – Acts 4:32-35; 1Joh. 5:1-6; Joh. 20:19-31

A CATHOLIC GUIDE TO End-of-LIFE DECISIONS

Directive and proxy forms are available in the parish office for \$2.50. the GUIDE gives an excellent overview of Catholic end of life teaching that will help you decide in advance on foreseeable treatment options as your life draws to a close.

St. Joseph Catholic Church

(120 S. Main St. Prineville, Oregon)

Easter Sunday

April 1, 2018



Vigil Mass Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday Mass 9:00 am English

12:00 Noon Spanish

Holy Days 8:00am and 6:00pm

Monday- Tuesday –Thursday 8:00am

Wednesday and Friday 12:15pm

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Rosary Schedule

Sun. Rosary: half hour before Mass
Every Sunday after the Rosary the Prayer for Vocations (by Bishop Cary) will be said together.

Date: April 1st – Lectors

April 8th – Euch. Min.

April 15th – Knights of Col.

Every committee is responsible for the rosary being said each Sat. & Sunday



Divine Mercy

Jesus promised: “I am offering people a vessel with which they are to keep coming for graces to the fountain of mercy.” The vessel is this image signed, “**Jesus, I trust in You.**”

The prayer: The Divine Mercy Chaplet is said especially for the sick, dying and all sinners. On nine days it is said, along with the novena requests, on Good Friday until Divine Mercy Sunday as a special devotion.

Please join others this 2018 Easter Season in the praying throughout the nine days: March 30th through April 8th.



2018 April Weekly Minister Assignment

Saturday April 7th 5pm:

Acolyte – Tom Norton

Lectors – Kathie Leonard
Matt Kutcher

Euch. Min. – Barb Dalton
Kathy Thompson

Altar Serv. – Roman Stenbeck
Tanner Joyce

Sunday April 8th 9am:

Acolyte – Steve Schilling

Lectors – Izzy Sherman
Kirk Giovanini

Euch. Min. – Cathy Baxter
Joan Vetter

Altar Serv. – Sam LeFerve
Max LeFerve

Sunday April 8th 12pm:

Acolyte – Rick Nolte

Lectors – Ruby Ruiz
Juana Villagomez

Euch. Min. – Eva Tapia
Marilu Lopez

Altar Serv. – Julissa Hernandez
Uber Gonzalez

***If you cannot be available please find a substitute. *Altar Servers* call Rick Nolte @ 541-954-2331**

FR. Joseph's Corner...

Easter Reflection

Jesus, the Nazarene, was born more than 2,000 years ago. He lived just like any other human, except that He was a person of principles. He valued life more than law and sought to give dignity to every human—regardless of caste, creed, gender, occupation, etc. He never feared to “call a spade a spade” and confronted those who burdened the weak and lowly. He was a radical preacher and went about doing good.

More than anything else, Jesus revealed who the God He believed in was by His words and deeds. He revealed a God He could address as *Abba* (Father)—someone who cared for each person, and someone who sought the good of humanity.

What Jesus preached was in conflict with what the religious leaders of his time taught, and for this He was put to death. The death of Jesus was a consequence of His steadfastness to the values He preached and lived by. He would die rather than “water down” His truth convictions. He preferred to remain faithful to His God.

We believe that God raised Jesus from the dead and restored Him to the heavenly place prepared for Him. In this, each of us can also hope for an eternal future time in the presence of God.

The Spirit of Jesus is alive among us. We see countless people in history, and in our own time, who have stood for and

even given their lives for “life-promoting” values. The mission of Jesus needs to be continued by you and me.

The mission of Jesus is universal—it is not only for Christians or any other particular group. Our world today is marked by war and violence, discrimination and abuse, corruption and nepotism, and environmental degradation. How many of us dare to stand up and challenge those in authority and make them accountable? How many of us actually bother about the poor people in our towns and cities? How many of us are willing to “let go” of our comforts and take the side of the disadvantaged? How easy it is for us to keep doing “our” work and to be blind to the reality around us! How difficult it is to keep walking the path that Jesus took—the “road less travelled.”

Easter should not be merely a celebration. It should be a time for us to rededicate ourselves to the cause for which Jesus died. If you really believe that *Jesus is risen* . . . then, well, we have to live a life that Jesus expects and invites us to live!

May the Risen Jesus fill you with much joy so that your life will be full.

May the Risen Jesus bless you with strength and courage so that you will be able to stand for the values Jesus preached and lived.

May the Risen Jesus flood you with peace so that you’ll know that you are doing God’s work—and He is laboring with you!

*With warm Easter greetings and much love,
—Father Joseph*



The Knights of Columbus Offer breakfast every first Sunday of the month after the 9am Mass. **May 6, 2018**

Coffee Hour

Please join us for coffee and donuts **every 2nd, 3rd, & 4th Sunday** after the 9am Mass.
Schedule:4/08 Diane & Cassie Giovanini
4/15 **Volunteers Needed**
4/22 Sue Williams & Kate Erickson
4/29 **No Coffee Hour**
5/13 **Volunteers Needed**
5/20 Linvia Kaumanns
5/27 Betty & Victoria Maska
Volunteers Needed for Coffee Hour, to help call Kate Erickson at 541-678-8495



Mass Intentions Mar 31st – Apr 6th

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 – No Mass
Sat. 5pm – For the People
Sun. 9am - Roy Hutley (D) / Jean Hutley
Sun. 12pm – Alejandra Robles (D) / Sylvia Robles
Mon. 8am – Curtis Godat (D) / Sue Godat
Tues. 8am – Marie Boyden (D) / Boyden Family
Wed. 12:15pm – Robert Maska (D) / Betty Maska
Thurs. 8am – Sally & Melanie Pentkowski (L) / Charles Pentkowski
Fri. 12:15pm – Marie Boyden (D) / Boyden Family



**Married Parishioners
40-50 years**

Ralph & Mary Lee	50yrs
Dennis & Jacque Rose	50yrs
Tom & Nancy MacDonald	50yrs
Gary & Kathy Thompson	49yrs
Clayton & Kathy Baxter	49yrs
Gal & Carolyn Kessel	49yrs
Sam & Bonnie Morris	48yrs
Hans & Linvia Kaumanns	47yrs
Tom & Mary Norton	46yrs
Mike & Susie Carroll	46yrs
Chuck & Diane Giovanini	46yrs
Gerald & Rose Honl	46yrs
Howard & Gari-Lyn Tocher	45yrs
Robert & Sheryl Denfield	45yrs
Mike & Jacqueline McCabe	44yrs
Stan & Lynn Rodgers	42yrs
Ronald & Sandra Wortman	41yrs

If you have been married 40 -50 years please contact the parish office before Wednesday, April 11th, at 541-447-6475 and we will add your name. Celebration - Sunday, April 29th Mass at 10 am (bi-lingual)

Parish News

There is no K of C breakfast on Easter April 1st.

The Office will be closed Monday, April 2nd.

There will be no weekday masses Mon. – Fri., Apr. 9th – Apr. 13th. Fr. Joseph will be at a Priest Retreat.

Congratulations and Thank you to Mike Budde, our 50/50 raffle winner of our Ham Dinner Celebration. Mike has given his winnings to our Roof Fund for the Church.

Bible Study Wednesday, April 4th at 6:00pm, at the parish school room 1. We are studying the Book of James.

Meetings for April: St. Joseph Annual Christmas Bazaar Meeting: Monday April 9th @ 1pm in the parish hall meeting room. Brainstorming and craft day, bring a project and ideas. Everyone welcome. Questions please call Nancy Redfern 541-508-9872.

Liturgical Meeting Monday April 16th at 5:30pm in Fr. Joseph’s office.

Executive Meeting Tuesday, April 17th at 5:30pm in Fr. Joseph’s office.

Tuesday, April 17th Knights of Columbus Meeting 7pm in the parish hall.

Finance Meeting Monday, April 23rd at 4:30pm in Fr. Joseph’s office.

Pastoral Meeting Tuesday, April 24th at 5:30pm in the conference room of the parish hall.

Sunday, April 29, 2018, 10am bi-lingual mass 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 **forty to fifty years of marriage**. There will be a party after the Mass in the Parish Hall to celebrate. **If you will have been married for forty - fifty years by the year 2018, please let us know by email: stjosephparish@bendbroadband.com or calling Anne Greenwood in the Parish office. We need the information of those parishioners who have shared forty to fifty years of marriage before April 11th.**

CRS Rice Bowl is one way Catholics can enhance their Lenten fasting practice by giving up meals and donating the cost of those meals to [Catholic Relief Services](http://CatholicReliefServices.com). . . in order to help those who do not have enough to eat. You will find the rice bowls in the vestibule of the church. **Please bring in your bowls either to the office or Sunday Offering basket before May 1st.**

Wednesday April 25th, will be the last day for **Religious Ed**, for those not receiving a **Sacrament**.

Fr. Joseph wishes every one of the parish and our visitors a Very Happy Easter!!

EASTER

April 1, 2018

1st R. – Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Res. Ps – 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

2nd R – Col. 3:1-4

Gospel Accl – 1 Cor. 5:7b-8a

Gospel – Joh. 20:1-9

A certain kindergarten teacher was telling her students the story of Jesus. In her class was a little boy who came from a non-Christian family. He was paying very close attention to the story because it was all new to him. As the teacher told how Jesus was condemned and nailed to the cross to die the boy's countenance fell and he murmured, "No! That's too bad!" The teacher then went on to tell how on the third day Jesus rose from the dead and came back to life. The boy's eyes lit up with delight and he exclaimed, "Totally awesome!" On Good Friday we heard the story of the suffering and death of Jesus. Like the little boy many of us felt like "No! That's too bad!" Today we hear the rest of the story and again with the little boy we

can now exclaim "Yes! Totally awesome!" Today we can again sing "Halleluiah" that we have not sung all through Lent. **This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad** (Psalm 118:24).

Why do we rejoice today? We rejoice because our faith in Christ has been vindicated, truth has triumphed over falsity, justice over injustice and tragedy has turned into comedy. It is like watching one of the episodes of Batman. First you see an innocent and helpless victim being attacked, robbed, kidnapped, assaulted and tortured by a wicked assailant. And we feel so bad seeing the triumph of the bad guy. Then, almost at the point where the victim has given up hope and is at the point of death, down from the skies comes Batman to the rescue. He battles and defeats the bad guy and rescues the innocent victim. And we feel happy inside at the triumph of justice.

The story of the suffering and death of Jesus on Good Friday is the story of the triumph of falsity over truth, of injustice over justice, of evil over goodness. Jesus was falsely charged of crimes he did not commit, and unjustly sentenced to a death he did not deserve. His good friend betrayed him, his trusted companions deserted him and his number one man denied him. The people he loved

demanded his crucifixion and chose to have the bandit Barabbas released in his place. It is a story of betrayal and lies, dishonesty and meanness, unfaithfulness and wicked violence directed against an innocent and apparently helpless victim. All this comes to a head on Good Friday when we see Jesus scourged, mocked, led on the death march, nailed to the cross where he dies after a few hours and hastily buried in a tomb. If that were the end of the story that would be a bad story, a tragedy. But glory be to God it is not.

Death is not the end of the story. There is one more chapter. This is the most important chapter because, as the saying goes, they who laugh last laugh best. And in the last chapter of the story of Jesus we see him rise from the dead in all glory and majesty. He is vindicated. His enemies are shamed and confused. Jesus regains his eternal glory with the Father. He is the Lord who will prevail over all humankind, his enemies included. For us his embattled followers this is good news.

It is good news to know that truth is immortal. We can suppress Truth, accuse it of being a lie, condemn it, torture it, kill it, bury it in the grave but on the third day Truth will rise again. Remember this and do not give up on Truth even when

everybody seems to give up on it. Do not give up on Truth; do not give up on Justice. Do not give up on doing what is right. True will always be true. Just will always be just. Right will always be right even when the world around us would have it otherwise. We must learn to believe in the sun even when it is not shining, knowing that by and by it will shine again. It is the end of the story that counts. That is why the church asks us today to rejoice and be glad. Even when we are going through very difficult times: through betrayal, unjust discrimination, lies, misrepresentations; even when the enemy seems to be winning the battle in our lives. Today Christ has won. And we know that in Christ we shall overcome. Halleluiah, Praise the Lord!



