Offertory 2018

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Apr. 1st	\$3,700.00	\$4,206.25	
Apr. 8 th	\$3,700.00	\$4,231.16	
Apr. 15 th	\$3,700.00	\$2,933.00	
Apr. 22 nd	\$3,700.00	\$3,266.01	
Apr. 29th	\$3,700.00		
TOTAL			

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, Carter Bailey, James Rausch for the special intentions of our parishioners and others.

Daily Readings April 30th – May 6th

Mon. – Acts 14:5-18; Joh.14:21-26

Tues. – Gen.1:26-2:3; Mat.13: 54-58

Wed. – Acts15:1-6; Joh.15:1-8

Thurs. – 1Cor.15:1-8; Joh.14:6-14

Fri. – Acts 15:22-31; Joh.15:12-17

Sat. – Acts 16:1-10; Joh.15:18-21

Sun. – Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; 1Joh.4:7-10; Joh.15:9-17

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 ex-cellant 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)

Fifth Sunday of Easter April 29, 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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Sacraments

Sacrament of Penance: Wednesday: 11:45am - 12:15pm, and Saturday: 3:30-4:30pm Other times by appointment* Contact Fr. Joseph for preparation of the Sacrament of Baptism or Marriage and the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Rosary Schedule

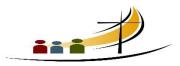
Sun. Rosary: half hour before Mass Every Sunday after the Rosary the Prayer for Vocations (by Bishop Cary) will be said together.

Date: April 29th – Ushers May 6th – Euch. Min May 13th – SVDP May 20th – K of C May 27th - Lectors

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

Prayers to St. Joseph

Oh St. Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires. Oh St. Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me from your divine son all spiritual blessings through Jesus Christ, our Lord; so that having engaged here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of Fathers. Oh St. Joseph, I never weary contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while he reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss his fine head for me, and ask him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath. St. Joseph, patron of departing souls, pray for us. Amen



2018 May Weekly Minister Assignment

Saturday May 5th 5pm:

Acolyte – Tom Norton Lectors – Mitch Viescas

Tawnya Layne

Euch. Min.- Sue Godat

Evelyn Stirnaman

Altar Serv. – Elizabeth Koivisto Johanna Koivisto

Sunday May 6th 10am:

Acolyte – Steve Schilling

Lectors – Ron Wortman

Kirk Giovanini

Euch. Min. – Amy Koivisto Bob Koivisto

Altar Serv. – Blaine Viescas Josh Sherman

Sunday May 6th 12pm:

Acolyte – Rick Nolte

Lectors – Francisco Quero

Juana Villagomez

Euch. Min. – Pedro Gonzalez Onecimo Ambriz

Altar Serv. - Mauricio

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

FR. Joseph's Corner...

...... I love you: An adult education teacher once gave his students an assignment to go to someone they loved before the following week's class and tell that person that they loved him or her. They would then give their report at the next class. It had to be someone to whom they had never said those words before, or at least not for a very long time. At the next class, one man stood up and recounted his story to the class. "I was quite angry with you last week when you gave us this assignment. I could not understand how you dared to tell us to do something so personal. But as I was driving home, my conscience started talking to me. It was telling me that I knew exactly whom I needed to say 'I love you' to. Five years ago, my father and I had a terrible argument which we had never resolved. We had avoided seeing each other since, unless it was absolutely necessary, and even then we hardly spoke to each other. So last week by the time I had returned home after class, I had convinced myself to tell my father that I loved him. It was strange, but just making the decision seemed to lift a heavy load off my chest. When I told my wife, she jumped out of bed, gave me a big hug and for the first time in our married life, she saw me cry. We sat up half of the night talking and drinking coffee. The next day I was up

bright and early as if I had slept soundly all night. I got to the office and accomplished more in a couple of hours than I had the whole day before. At 9AM, I called my father to tell him I wanted to come over after work and talk to him. He reluctantly agreed. By 5:30, I was at the house. When my father answered the door, I didn't waste any time. I took one step inside and blurted out 'Dad, I just came over to tell you that I love you.' Well, it was as if a transformation had come over him. Before my eyes, his face softened, the wrinkles seemed to disappear and he too began to cry. He reached out and hugged me, saying 'I love you too, son, but I've never been able to say it.' My mother walked by just then with tears of joy in her eyes. I didn't stay long, but I hadn't felt that great in a long time. Two days after my visit, my dad, who had had heart problems but hadn't told us, had an attack and ended up unconscious in the hospital. I still don't know if he'll make it. So my message to all of you in this class is: don't wait to do the things you know need to be done. If I had waited, I might never have had another chance to do what I did." (Do It Now. Copyright 1995 by Dennis E. Mannering).

God bless you! Fr. 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 2**nd, **3**rd, **& 4**th **Sunday** after the 9am Mass.

Schedule: 4/29 No Coffee Hour

5/13 Bob & Dolores Koivisto

5/20 Linvia Kaumanns

5/27 Betty & Victoria Maska

<u>Volunteers Needed</u> for Coffee Hour, to help call Kate Erickson at 541-678-8495

Mass Intentions Apr 29th – May 5th

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

(L) =Living (D) = Death

Sun. 10am – For the People

Mon. 8am – Margaret Ontko (D) / Ontko Family

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

Wed. 12:15pm – Margaret Ontko (D) / Ontko Family

Thurs. 8am - Patricia Monohon (D) Anne Porter

Fri. 12:00pm - Edward O'Rourke (D) / Osborne Family

Sat. 8am – Nancy MacDonald (L) / Tom MacDonald

Sat 5pm – Marie Boyden (D) / Boyden Family

Married Parishioners 40-50 years Ralph & Mary Lee 50vrs Dennis & Jacque Rose 50vrs Tom & Nancy MacDonald 50yrs Gary & Kathy Thompson 49vrs Clayton & Kathy Baxter 49vrs Gal & Carolyn Kessel 49vrs Pedro & Marietta Gonzalez 49vrs Sam & Bonnie Morris 48yrs Hans & Linvia Kaumanns 47vrs Gerald & Rose Honl 47yrs Tom & Mary Norton 46vrs Mike & Susie Carroll 46yrs Chuck & Diane Giovanini 45yrs Howard & Gari-Lvn Tocher 45yrs Robert & Sheryl Denfield 45vrs Mike & Jacqueline McCabe 44yrs Stan & Lynn Rodgers 42yrs Ronald & Sandra Wortman 41yrs **New Parishioners** Daniel & Marilyn Gilday 68yrs Fredrick & Lisa Smit 60vrs Bud & Michelle Glivinski 54vrs

Celebration - Sunday, April 29th Mass at 10 am (bi-lingual)

Parish News

Today, April 29th everyone is welcome to come after our 10am mass to the parish hall for the celebration of our parishioners who have shared forty to fifty years of marriage. There will be a potluck and party. All are welcome.

Wednesday, May 2nd is the last day of class for the First Holy Communion
Practice will be in the church and will last until 5:30pm.

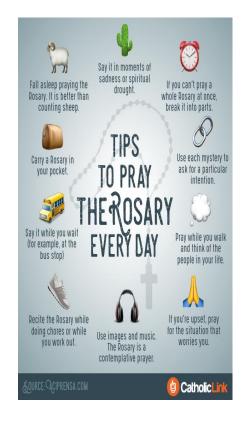
Saturday, May 5th at 9:30am all First Holy Communion candidates and their parents will meet in the church for the Sacrament of Penance.

First Holy Communion, May 6th

There will be a breakfast in your honor after the 9am mass. All are invited so please plan on attending. There will be a **group photo** after the ceremony. We want no one left out so be prompt and ready for the photo and ceremony. The attire for the girls is all white, the attire for the boys is black slacks, white shirt and black tie. This is a proper First Holy Communion attire, it is mandatory. Any questions, please call Barbara Dalton DRE at 541-410-3720.

More Ushers are needed. Any men or women interested in helping in this ministry, please call Mike Carroll 541-462-3043.

Please help a member of our church family who is a cancer patient, and in dire need of good transportation to get her to ongoing appointments in Bend. If you help with driving her to Bend, please call Linvia Kaumanns at 541-416-0604 or 541-760-5269. Thank you for your Christian love and concern.



Fifth Sunday of Easter April 29, 2018

1st R. – Acts 9:26-31

Res. Ps –22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32

2nd R – 1Joh.3:18-24

Gospel Accl – Joh. 15:4a, 5b

Gospel – Joh. 15:1-8

Today's Scripture selections emphasize the need for Christians to abide in Christ as a condition for producing fruits of kindness, mercy, charity and holiness. The first reading, taken from the Acts of the Apostles, testifies to the abundance of spiritual fruits yielded by the apostles because of their close bond with the risen Lord. The reading tells us how the Lord pruned the former Pharisee, Saul of Tarsus, the fanatic who had persecuted the Church, to produce a fruit-bearing branch called Paul, the zealous Apostle to the Gentiles, entirely dedicated to the proclamation of the Gospel. Even Paul's forced return to Tarsus for a brief period is an example of God's pruning of the vine to bring forth a greater harvest, namely, the mission to the Gentiles. In today's second reading,

John, in his first letter to the Church, explains that only if we remain united to Christ by putting our Faith in him and drawing our spiritual strength from him, will we be able to obey God's commandments, especially commandment of love. In the Gospel, taken from the Last Supper discourse, Jesus uses his favorite image of the vine and branches to help his disciples understand the closeness of their relationship with him and the necessity of their maintaining it. They are not simply rabbi and disciples. Their lives are mutually dependent - as close as a vine and its branches. In fact, in using this image, Jesus is explaining to them and to us what our relationship with him should be like.

Abiding in Jesus as condition for fertility: Even a well-pruned branch cannot bear grapes unless it abides in the vine, drawing water and minerals from the main trunk and transporting food prepared in the leaves to the main trunk and to the roots. Jesus reminds us that we cannot bear fruit either, unless we abide in him just as he abides in us. Jesus says, "I am the vine, you are the branches." What Jesus means is that by abiding in him we will bear much fruit, and that apart from him we can do nothing. Abiding in Christ means that God has to be inside us and we have to be inside God. We abide in Christ by drawing near to God and by experiencing His being near to us, that is, by living every moment as He has commanded us to do, with the radiant presence of Christ all around us. This life of intimate union with Christ in the Church is maintained by the spiritual helps common to all the faithful, chiefly by active participation in the Liturgy. Those of us who do not abide in Jesus will wither and be thrown away, just as withered branches are thrown into the fire to burned. "Many scholars see the references to being 'apart from the Vine' as references to the beginnings of splinter groups within the Johannine community, and possibly to the beginnings of heretical groups which were leading people astray." (Dr. Watson). Fruit-bearing in Christian life is not of our own independent and unaided making. The Holy Spirit who dwells within us trims and prunes us, teaching us Himself and reminding us of what Jesus taught. It is He who enables us to love Him and to keep His words (John 14:24, 26).

We need pruning in our Christian life.

Cutting out of our lives everything that is contrary to the spirit of Jesus and renewing our commitment to Christian ideals in our lives every day is the first type of self-imposed pruning expected of us. A second means of pruning is practicing self-control over our evil inclinations, sinful addictions and aberrations. Cordial mingling with people of different cultures, races, religions and orientations in our neighborhood and society enables us to prune away our selfish and prejudicial tendencies and to treat others in our society with Christian charity and openness. Jesus prunes, purifies and strengthens us by allowing us to face pain and suffering, contradictions and difficulties with courage of our Christian convictions.

Let us abide in Christ and let Christ abide in us: The four Gospels teach us how to become true disciples of Jesus and how to abide in him as braches abide in the main trunk of the vine and draw their life from the vine. Personal and liturgical prayers, frequenting of the Sacraments of the Holy Eucharist and Reconciliation, daily and meditative reading of the Bible and selfless, loving acts of kindness and mercy and forgiveness enable us to abide in Jesus, the true Vine, as fruit-bearing branches.

