

Offertory 2019

Needed Weekly Offering

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| Mar. 3 rd | \$3,700.00 | \$ 4502.00 |
| Mar. 10 th | \$3,700.00 | \$ 3143.32 |
| Mar. 17 th | \$3,700.00 | \$ 2941.16 |
| Mar. 24 th | \$3,700.00 | \$ 3033.16 |
| Mar. 31 st | \$3,700.00 | \$ 2846.16 |
| TOTAL | \$14,800.00 | \$ 13,432.64 |

“Give to the Most High as he has given to you, for the Lord is one who always repays, and He will give back to you sevenfold.” (Sirach 35:10)

Please Remember the Following:

Stephanie Keeler(niece of Fr. Greiner); Sheila Nehls; Patricia Carroll; David & Carol Leonard;; Billie Lanier; Sammi Pedersen; Bob & Lola Godat; Fred Vandehey; Katie Jordon; Joanne Besio; Mike Mulvihill; JenniferChristy; Dee Wettstein; Paul Paquin; Glen Johnston; Ann Pedersen; Gloria Wilcox, Kate Erickson, Erin Lowrie, Jim Lanning; Bernice Dubisar; Heather Messick; Family of Ralph and Mary Lee; Hernán Enrique Natalia Chávez; María, Sol Montel; Verónica Rodríguez; Luz Alejandra Bringas, Rodolfo Martin Arruabarrena; Susan Markie, Linda Arian Nettie Irene Downing, Harley & Cleta Mayfield, Sam Lane, Shelly McAlary Bill Nicholson, Joanne Gleason, Betty Salgado, Rose Varghese, Leo Kuper, Sandy Shriver, Patrick Arnold, Virginia Martell, Kara Bachand, Carter Bailey, Charlene McMann, Marie Annette, Teri Burke, Nancy Meyers, Arelene Mura, Marisa Hazelton, Tuff Penhollow, Debbie Kern, Dennis Rose; Kim Remppel and for the special intentions of our parishioners and others.

Daily Readings Apr. 8th - 14th

Mon. - Dan 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; John 8:12-20

Tues. - Num 21:4-9; John 8:21-30

Wed. - Dan 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; John 8:31-42

Thurs. - Gen 17: 3-9; John 8:51-59

Frí. - Jer 20:10-13; John 10:31-42

Sat. - Eze 37:21-28; John 11:45-56

Sun. - Isa 43:16-21; Phil 3:8-14; Joel 2:12-13; John 8:1-

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St. Joseph Catholic Church

Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 7, 2019



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 - Saturday 8:00am

Wednesday and Friday 12:15pm

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Sacraments

Confessions: Wednesdays: 11:45am – 12:15pm, and Saturdays: 3:30 -4:30pm other times by appointment.

Contact Fr. Joseph for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Baptisms will be every 4th Saturday of the month: Spanish Baptisms at 12pm and English Baptisms at 5pm vigil mass. Parents of children to be baptized must be registered members of the parish 6 months prior to the baptism. A Baptismal preparation class is mandatory for both parents and godparents. For more information call the parish office.

Marriages: Couples need to make an appointment with Fr. Joseph six months before the proposed date. Marriage Preparation course is mandatory.

Rosary Schedule

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

Date: Apr. 7th – Lectors
Apr. 14th – K of C
Apr. 21st - Ushers
Apr. 28th – Chior



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

Prayer for Priestly Vocations

Lord Jesus Christ, Living Bread come
down from heaven, in Your Name we
ask the Father to bless the Diocese of
Baker with vocations to the
priesthood. By the prompting of the
Holy Spirit call forth from among us
men who are able to sympathize with
our weakness and deal gently with the
wayward, men who will give us
confidence to draw near to the font of
Mercy and find grace in the time of
need. Send us priests to bring comfort to

the afflicted, pardon to the sinner, and
peace to the dying; priests to hand You
over to us in the Breaking of the Bread.
High Priest, of the New and Eternal
Covenant, we place our trust in You.
To You be glory and praise forever.
Amen

~Composed by Bishop Liam Cary~



Mar. 2019 Weekly Minister Assignment

Saturday Apr. 13th 5pm:

Acolyte – Tom MacDonald
Lectors – Kathie Leonard
Tom MacDonald
Euch. Min. – Sue Godat
Barbara Dalton
Altar Serv. –

Sunday Apr. 14th 9am:

Acolyte – Tom MacDonald
Lectors – Doug Bristow
Kat Rodosevich
Euch. Min. – Joan Holland
Barbara M. Kurtz
Altar Serv. – Elizabeth Koivisto

Sunday Apr. 14th 12pm:

Acolyte – Tom Norton
Lectors – Juana
Norma
Euch. Min. – Juan
Onecimo
Altar Serv. –
*If you cannot be available please find a
substitute. *Altar Servers* call Rick Nolte
@ 541-954-2331

The Gift of Compassion

*I feel your pain and long to touch the hurt and make it
melt away. Yes, I know that I can't really see the breadth
and depth of this dark valley you're in.
I can't truly know how sharp the knife is in your soul –
for it is you in its path, not me.
But I have known other valleys, and in my heart still bear
knife wound scars. Even so, I would walk your road and
take your pain if I could. I cannot. And yet, perhaps in
some way I can be a hand to hold in the darkness: In some
way try to blunt the sharpness of the pain. But if not, it
may help a little just to know I care.*

Fr. Joseph's Corner

Lunch with God

Too often we underestimate the power of a
touch, a smile, a kind word, listening ear, an
honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring,
all of which have the potential to turn a life
around. People come into our lives for a reason, a
season, or a lifetime. Embrace all equally! People
touch our lives in many different ways. I will
explain this with a story.

A little boy wanted to meet God. He knew it
was a long trip to where God lived, so he packed
his suitcase with Twinkies and a six pack of root
beer and he started his journey. When he had
gone about three blocks, he met an old man. He
was sitting in the park just staring at some
pigeons. The boy sat down next to him and
opened his suitcase. He was about to take a drink
from his root beer when he noticed that the old
man looked hungry, so he offered him a Twinkie.
He gratefully accepted it and smiled at him. His
smile was so pleasant that the boy wanted to see
it again, so he offered him a root beer. Again, he
smiled at him. The boy was delighted! They sat
there all afternoon eating and smiling, but they
never said a word. As it grew dark, the boy
realized how tired he was and he got up to leave,
but before he had gone more than a few
steps, he turned around, ran back to the old
man, and gave him a hug. He gave him his

biggest smile ever. When the boy opened the
door to his own house a short time later, his
mother was surprised by the look of joy on his
face. She asked him, "What did you do today that
made you so happy?" He replied, "I had lunch
with God." But before his mother could respond,
he added, "You know what? He's got the most
beautiful smile I've ever seen!" Meanwhile, the
old man, also radiant with joy, returned to his
home. His son was stunned by the look of peace
on his face and he asked, "Dad, what did you do
today that made you so happy?" He replied, "I ate
Twinkies in the park with God." However, before
his son responded, he added, "You know, he's
much younger than I expected."

We have experienced love, concern and care
from our parents, grandparents, children, siblings
and friends and near and dear ones. We take their
love for granted. We forget to appreciate them till
they leave this world. When they are alive let
them know how important they are. How much
we love them and appreciate them. Why should
we wait till they depart from this world to tell
them how much we love and appreciate them?
NOW IS THE TIME.

... Prayerful Wishes, Father
Joseph



The Knights of Columbus offer
Breakfast every first Sunday of the
month after 9am Mass **May 5, 2019**

Coffee Hour

Please join us for coffee and donuts every
2nd, 3rd, & 4th Sunday after the 9am Mass.
Schedule:
Volunteers Needed for Coffee Hour, to
help call Kate Erickson at 541-678-8495

Mass Intention Schedule



Mass Intentions Apr. 7th –Apr. 13th
One must never forget the infinite graces
that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass
which benefit ones soul.
(L) =Living (D) = Death

Sun. 9am- Gal Kessel (D)/ Carolyn Kessel
Sun.12pm – For the People
Mon. 8am –James Kuper(D)/ Jerome Kuper
Tues. 8am – Fr. Joseph(L)/ Bruce & Anne
Greenwood
Wed. 12:15pm– No Mass
Thurs 8am – No Mass
Fri. 12:15pm – Most Rev. Joseph F Mcgrath (D)/
KofC
Sat. 8am – Jeff & Danielle Wheeler (L)/ Bob &
Kathie Leonard
Sat. 5pm – For the People

The Chrism Mass

The Chrism Mass is a solemn Mass
celebrated by the Bishop along with the
priests of the diocese. This Mass is meant
to bring forth unity of the priests with the
Bishop. There is actually a part where the
Bishop calls upon the priests to renew their
sacred promises. This is a great experience
to witness because not only is this an
expression of unity amongst priests, but
also for all of the baptized in Christ. This is
a call for renewal and for unity of the entire
mystical body of Christ. During the
Chrism Mass there is a blessing of three
oils: oil of catechumens, oil of the infirm
(sick), and sacred chrism. These oils are
used for the sacraments that are given
throughout the year such as Baptism,
Confirmation, Anointing of the Sick, and
potentially Holy Orders. The word “Chrism”
comes from the Greek “Christos” which
means “anointed one.” The anointing that
the faithful receive in the sacraments in a
sense make us like “little Christs” when
considering it as a share in the mission of
Christ. After the Chrism Mass, the oils are
then distributed to each parish
representative for use throughout the year,
most proximately at the Easter Vigil Mass
only a couple of days later. Please take the
opportunity to join us for this very special
occasion on 11th of April !

Parish News

Fridays During Lent

Starting March 8th Stations of the Cross
will be said at 6pm with a Soup supper
afterwards in the parish hall.

New Parish Directory: it has been four
years since the last parish directory was
published. Father has requested that we
obtain a new parish directory. We have
approached Lifetouch who published the
last directory and have set up three days
to shoot photos for the new directory.
Those dates are: Thursday April 25th, 26th
and 27th. The photo shoots are scheduled
every 10 minutes for families with 1-6
members and 20 minutes for families of 7
or more. They style of the directory will be
like the last edition and pets are allowed
to be a part of the sitting. Sign up sheets
are available after Mass in the vestibule, at
the Parish office, at the Ham Dinner, Soup
Suppers, and K of C Breakfast. Part of
building our Parish Community is being
able to recognize and identify fellow
Parishioners and the directory helps do
that. A portrait is free plus a directory to
those who participate. For more
information please contact Gary
Thompson at (541)447-5001.

We will celebrate our Parish Day on
Sunday, May 19, 2019, to 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 completed 25 to 40
years of marriage. There will be a special
bilingual Mass at 10 am. There will be a
celebration in the Parish Hall from
11:30am -2pm. Coffee and punch and
cake will be provided. There will be no
noon Mass on May 19th. If you will have
been married for twenty five – forty years
by the year 2019, please let us know by
email:
stjosephparish@bendbroadband.com or
calling Alejandra in the Parish office at
541-447-6475. We need the information
of those parishioners who have shared
twenty five to forty years of marriage
before April 20th

Attention Parishioners: Our current
Diocesan Chronicle has a mistake, ‘Bishop
Cary’s Schedule’ says that the Chrism Mass
is at 1:00pm when it is in fact at 11:00am.

Holy Week Schedule

April 13th 5pm – Palm Sunday Vigil
Mass
April 14th 9am and 12pm- Palm
Sunday
April 18th 7pm- Holy Thursday
April 19th 3pm- Stations of the Cross
April 19th 6pm – Good Friday
(veneration of the cross)
April 20th 7pm – Holy Saturday
(Easter Vigil)
April 21st 9am and 12pm – Easter
Sunday Masses

Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 7, 2019

God imposed the death penalty in the Old Testament for all types of serious sins: for idolatry, murder, blasphemy, using the Lord's name in vain, profaning the Sabbath, cursing or striking father and mother, kidnapping, and several sexual sins (see Exodus 19, 21, 22, 31, 35 and Leviticus 20). The Church still teaches that there is still a "death penalty," an eternal death penalty, associated with such grave sins. That is why we call this type of sin "mortal," or "deadly." When we commit such an act with knowledge and deliberate consent, we die spiritually, we commit spiritual suicide, and we cause definitive self-separation from God. When we understand why the death penalty is just for such sins, we will appreciate in its depth God's merciful love on the Cross. Besides, God Himself revealed, especially through the Prophets Jeremiah, Isaiah, Hosea, and Ezekiel that every sin is an act of adultery because it is being unfaithful to the spousal covenant of love we have entered into with God (see Jer 3:20, Is 1:21, Is 57:8, Hos 2:2-5, Hos

3:1-5, Hos 9:1, Ez 16:30). Hence, the story of the woman caught in adultery helps us recognize and receive the immensity of God's mercy. That is why Pope Francis in his first Sunday homily as Pope declared: "God never tires of forgiving us.... It's we who tire of asking for forgiveness." Then he prayed, "May we never tire of asking for what God never tires to give!"

Reminding us of God's readiness to forgive sin, give the sinner a second chance, bind up broken lives, and restore people to His friendship, today's readings challenge us to show the same mercy to the sinners around us and to live as forgiven people, actively seeking reconciliation with God and with one another. The central theme of all three readings is a merciful God's steadfast love. The readings remind us that we should not be self-righteous and condemn the lives of others when God is calling them tenderly to conversion.

Explaining how a merciful God forgives the sins of His chosen people and leads them back from the Babylonian exile, the first reading reminds us that we too are forgiven, and we are saved from our own sinfulness. In the second reading, Paul presents himself as a forgiven sinner who has been

completely transformed by his Faith in Christ Jesus. His life is an example of the Gospel exhortation, "Sin no more." Paul loves Christ so much he wants to share in His sufferings and even in His death so that he may share Christ's Resurrection. The sinful woman's story of sin committed, and sin forgiven in today's Gospel, shows the inexhaustible mercy and compassion Jesus gives to repentant sinners. In addition, by making sinlessness the condition for throwing the first stone, Jesus forces the accusers to assess their own souls and to leave. Thus, He grants justice to the accusers and mercy to the sinful woman. In our own lives, we bear witness to the Justice of God by confessing our sinfulness and resolving to avoid sin, and we bear witness to God's Mercy by accepting the forgiveness of our sins and promising to forgive those who have offended us.

We need to become forgiving people, ready for reconciliation: Jesus has shown inexhaustible mercy and compassion to sinners by dying for our sins. But we are often self-righteous, like the Pharisees, and ready to spread scandal about others with a bit of spicy gossip. We are judgmental about the unmarried mother, the alcoholic, the

drug addict and the shop-lifter, ignoring Jesus' command: "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." Let us learn to acknowledge our sins, ask God's forgiveness every day and extend the same forgiveness to our erring brothers and sisters. We need to learn to hate the sin but love the sinners, showing them mercy, compassion, sympathy and acceptance, leading them to Jesus' ways by our own exemplary lives.

We have no right to judge others: We have no right to judge others because we often commit the very faults we condemn, we are often partial and prejudiced in our judgments, and we do not know the circumstances which have led someone to sin. Hence, let us leave the judgment to our merciful God Who does read people's hearts. We should show mercy and compassion to those who sin because we ourselves are sinners in need of God's forgiveness. The apostle Paul reminds us: "But if we judged ourselves, we would not come under judgment." (1 Cor 11:31).