

Offertory 2018

| | Needed | Weekly Offering |
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| Feb. 4 th | \$3,700.00 | \$4,012.02 |
| Feb. 11 th | \$3,700.00 | \$3,871.93 |
| Feb. 18 th | \$3,700.00 | |
| Feb. 25 th | \$3,700.00 | |
| Total | \$14,800.00 | |

Please Remember the Following:

Linda Arian; Dan Browning, Patricia Carroll; Savanna King; Rita Witchman; David & Carol Leonard; Billie Lanier; 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; 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 Cáceres; Verónica Natalia Chávez; María, Sol Montel; Verónica Rodríguez; Luz Alejandra Bringas, Carolina Silvia Brizuela Pérez; Rodolfo Martin Arruabarrena; Susan Markie, Nettie Irene Downing, Harley Mayfield, Sam Lane, Ron Edgerly, Naomi Blankenship, Bill Nicholson, Bud Gilvinski; Joanne Gleason, Danilo Salgado, Betty Salgado, Courtney Lynn Viescas, Howard Tocher, Rose Varghese, Leo Kuper, Rick Hughlett, Elizabeth MacDonald Casey, Patricia Monohon, Sandy Shriver for the special intentions of our parishioners and others.

Daily Readings Feb. 19th – Feb. - 25th

Mon. – Lev.19:1-2, 11-18; Mat.25:31-46

Tues. – Isa.55:10-11; Mat.6:7-15

Wed. – Jon.3:1-10; Luk.11:29-32

Thurs. – 1Pet.5:1-4; Mat.16:13-19

Fri. – Eze.18:21-28; Mat.5:20-26

Sat. – Deu.26:16-19; Mat.5:43-48

Sun. – Gen.22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Rom.8:31b-34;
Mar.9:2-10

St. Joseph Catholic Church

(120 S. Main St. Prineville, Oregon)

First Sunday of Lent

February 18, 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

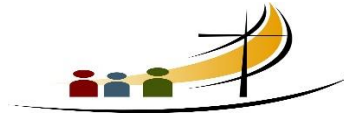
Sun. Rosary: half hour before Mass
Every Sunday after the Rosary the Prayer for Vocations (by Bishop Cary) will be said together.

Date: Feb. 18th – Knight of Columbus
Feb. 25th – Lectors
March 4th – Ushers
March 11th – Euch. Min.
March 18th – Knights of Columbus

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 Feb. Wkly Min. Asgmt.

Saturday Feb. 24th 5pm:

Acolyte – Tom Norton
Lectors – Tom MacDonald
Tawnya Layne
Euch. Min. – Sue Godat
Evelyn Stirnaman
Altar Serv. - Roman Stenbeck
Trevor Hockett

Sunday Feb. 25th 9am:

Acolyte – Steve Schilling
Lectors – Holly LeFerve
Gary Thompson
Euch. Min. – Kathy Thompson
Cathy Baxter
Altar Serv. – Josh Sherman
Johanna Koivisto

Sunday Feb. 25th 12pm:

Acolyte – Rick Nolte
Lectors – Angela Renteria Toledo
Martha Villagomez
Euch. Min - Onecimo Ambriz
Joel Hernandez
Altar Serv. – Eddie Ruiz
Allen Sotelo

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

FR. Joseph's Corner...

Words and Actions should be the same

There once was a boy who loved eating sweets. He always asked for sweets from his father. His father was a poor man. He could not always afford sweets for his son. But the little boy did not understand this, and demanded sweets all the time.

The boy's father thought hard about how to stop the child asking for so many sweets. There was a very holy man living nearby at that time. The boy's father had an idea. He decided to take the boy to the great man who might be able to persuade the child to stop asking for sweets all the time.

The boy and his father went along to the great man. The father said to him, "O great saint, could you ask my son to stop asking for sweets which I cannot afford?" The great man was in difficulty, because he liked sweets himself. How could he ask the boy to give up asking for sweets? The holy man told the father to bring his son back after one month.

During that month, the holy man gave up eating sweets, and when the boy and his father returned after a month, the

holy man said to the boy "My dear child, will you stop asking for sweets which your father cannot afford to give you?"

From then on, the boy stopped asking for sweets.

The boy's father asked the saint, "Why did you not ask my son to give up asking for sweets when we came to you a month ago?" The saint replied, "How could I ask a boy to give up sweets when I loved sweets myself. In the last month I gave up eating sweets."

A person's example is much more powerful than just his words. When we ask someone to do something, we must do it ourselves also. We should not ask others to do what we do not do ourselves.

Always make sure that your actions and your words are same.

~ Prayerful wishes, Fr. Joseph ~





The Knights of Columbus Offer breakfast every first Sunday of the month after the 9am Mass. **March 4, 2018**

Coffee Hour

Please join us for coffee and donuts **every 2nd, 3rd, & 4th Sunday** after the 9:00 am Mass. **Volunteers Needed for Coffee Hour, to help call Kate Erickson at 541-678-8495**

Mass Intentions Feb 17th – Feb. 23rd

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 – Jan Nizinski (L) / The Parish

Sat. 5pm – Fred J. Jr. Smit (D) / Fredrick & Lisa Smit

Sun. 9am – Lu Streetman (D) / Streetman Family

Sun. 12pm – Jose & Bricia Apolinar (D) / Gilardo Toledo

Mon. 8am – Rick Hughlett (L) / The Parish

Tues. 8am – Betty Salgado and Family (L) / Anne Greenwood

Wed. 12:15pm – Mannis O’Donald (D) / Ed McNamara

Thurs. 8am – Sue Godat (L) / Anne Greenwood

Fri. 12:15pm – Chuck & Marie Boyden (L) / The Parish



Socorro “Cookie Benton” and her sister Barbara Hernandez quieren darle gracias a todos por sus donaciones.

The Best and Worst of Everything

The most destructive habit – Worry
The greatest joy – Giving
The greatest loss – Loss of self-respect
The most satisfying work – Helping others
The ugliest personality trait – Selfishness
The most endangered species – Dedicated leaders
Our greatest natural resource – Our youth
The greatest ‘shot in the arm’ – Encouragement
The greatest problem to overcome – Fear
The most effective sleeping pill – Peace of Mind
The most crippling failure disease – Excuses
The most powerful force in life – Love
The most dangerous pariah – A Gossiper
The world’s most incredible computer – The Brain
The worst thing to be without – Hope
The most deadliest weapon – The tongue
The two most power-filled words – ‘I Can’
The greatest asset – Faith
The most worthless emotion – Self-pity
The most beautiful attire – A Smile
The most prized possession – Integrity
The most powerful channel of communication – Prayer
The most contagious spirit – Enthusiasm
The greatest feeling ever – Being thanked.

Parish News

Stations of the Cross will be at 6pm every Friday during Lent.

Knight of Columbus Meeting Tuesday, Feb. 20th at 7pm in the parish Hall.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation for Lent, is on Tuesday, March 6th at 6:30pm. We will have 3 priests and the Bishop for confessions. Spanish will be spoken by two of our priests. Please attend

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... in order to help those who do not have enough to eat. You will find the rice bowls in the vestibule of the church.

Daughters of St. Joseph will sponsor a Lenten Soup Supper on Friday, February 23rd after Stations of the Cross, in the parish hall. Please contact Kate Erickson 541-678-8495, if your ministry would like to supply a Friday Lenten Soup Supper.

Bible Study will start February 21st at 6:30pm in the school Rm 1. We will be studying the Book of James. If you have any questions call Sue Godat at 406-439-6582

St. Joseph’s Daughters would like to invite you to a ladies night of food and fellowship. Thursday March 1- 5:30- 7:30 pm Crooked River Brewing for questions please contact Holly LeFevre at 1-208-550-2946 or Cheyenne Edgerly at 541-610-6464 ~Know Mary-Know Jesus~

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.

(Mother’s Day, Father’s Day, 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.

Erickson’s Announcement

Please make sure receipts from Thriftway/Erickson’s Store have signed initials on them or it goes into the trash. Please only Erickson receipts in the wooden box in vestibule of the church.. Thank you for your cooperation as we do need the money and your help in these areas.

On Sunday, March 18th, St. Joseph’s Parish celebrates a 70 plus year tradition with its Annual St. Patrick’s Day Ham Dinner. The Knights of Columbus and the Daughters of St. Joseph will coordinate the dinner. All members of our Parish, the Prineville and Central Oregon community are invited to co-celebrate the event.. To be a success we need volunteers and diners. Please come, invite friends and neighbors and enjoy St. Patty’s Day feast and celebration. For information, prepaid tickets and volunteers call Gary Thompson at 541-447-5001 or Kate Erickson 541-678-8495. Remember, many hands make light work. All proceeds go to the Parish.

Sunday, April 29, 2018, 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 special mass and a party in the Parish Hall to celebrate. Look for details of the celebration in the Sunday Bulletin during March and April. 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 at 541-447-6475. **We need the information of those parishioners who have shared forty to fifty years of marriage before April 11th.**

First Sunday of Lent

1st R. – Gen.9:8-15

Res. Ps – 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

2nd R – 1Pet.3:18-22

Gospel Accl – Mat.4:4b

Gospel – Mar.1:12-15

The primary purpose of Lent is spiritual preparation for the celebration recalling Jesus' death on Good Friday and his Resurrection on Easter Sunday. The Church tries to achieve this goal by leading her children to "repentance." It is a type of conversion – the reordering of our priorities and the changing of our values, ideals and ambitions - through fasting, prayer and mortification. Lenten observances are also intended to lead us to our annual solemn renewal of Baptismal vows on Holy Saturday. Through Baptism, we are called to live justly, to love God with all our being, to love our neighbor as ourselves, and to build the kingdom of God by our acts of charity. That is why the three readings chosen as today's Scripture refer to Baptism directly or indirectly.

The first reading describes how Noah's family was saved from the waters of the Flood by God's special

providence and how God made His first "friendship covenant" with mankind. Noah's rescue from the flood waters symbolizes how we are saved through the waters of Baptism which cleanse us of sin and makes us one with Christ. Today's Responsorial Psalm is an exquisite penitential prayer, humbly acknowledging human insufficiency and our radical dependence upon God and His mercy and forgiveness. The psalmist lists some of the characteristics of the life resulting from this repentance: truth, compassion, love, kindness, goodness, uprightness, humility and justice. In the second reading, Peter shows us how Noah's episode prefigured Baptism. In the Gospel, we are told how Jesus faced and defeated the tempter by His forty days of prayer and penance in the desert immediately after His baptism.

Let us make Lent a time of renewal of life by penance and prayer: Formerly the six weeks of Lent meant a time of severe penance as a way of purifying ourselves from our sinful habits and getting ready to celebrate the *Paschal mystery* (the passion, death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ), with a renewed commitment to follow Christ. Now the Church leaves the Lenten practice of penance to the good will

and generosity of individual Christians. However, Lent should be a time for personal reflection on where we stand as Christians in accepting the Gospel challenges in thought, word and deed. It is also a time to assess our relationships with our family, friends, working colleagues and other people we come in contact with, especially those of our parish. We should examine whether we are able to give any positive contribution to other people's lives and to eradicate the abuses which are part of our society.

Let us convert Lent into a time for spiritual growth and Christian maturity by: a) participating in the Mass each day or at least a few days in the week; b) setting aside some part of our day for personal prayer; c) reading some Scripture, alone or, better still, with others; d) setting aside some money that we might spend on ourselves for meals, entertainment or clothes and giving it to an organization which takes care of the less fortunate in our society; e) abstaining from smoking or alcohol; f) receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation in Lent and participating in the "Stations of the Cross" on Fridays; g) visiting the sick and those in nursing homes and doing some acts of charity,

kindness and mercy every day in the Lent.

Let us use Lent as a time to fight daily against the evil within us and around us: Repenting and fighting against temptations and evil is a lifetime's task. Jesus did not overcome Satan in the wilderness; he achieved that only in his death. Lent reminds us that we have to take up the fight each day against the evil within us and around us, and never give up. Jesus has given the assurance that the Holy Spirit is with us, empowering us so that final victory will be ours through Jesus Christ.

