

## Offertory 2019

Needed Weekly Offering

Mar. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	\$3,700.00	\$ 4502.00
Mar. 10 <sup>th</sup>	\$3,700.00	\$ 3143.32
Mar. 17 <sup>th</sup>	\$3,700.00	\$ 2941.16
Mar. 24 <sup>th</sup>	\$3,700.00	\$ 3033.16
Mar. 31 <sup>st</sup>	\$3,700.00	\$
TOTAL	\$14,800.00	\$

*“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 Remppl and for the special intentions of our parishioners and others.

### Daily Readings Apr. 1<sup>st</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup>

*Mon.* - *Isa* 65:17-21; *John* 4:43-54

*Tues.* - *Eze* 47:1-9, 12; *John* 5:1-16

*Wed.* - *Isa* 49:8-15; *John* 5:17-30

*Thurs.* - *Exo* 32:7-14; *John* 5:31-47

*Frí.* - *Mic* 7:7-9; *John* 9:1-41

*Sat.* - *Jer* 11:18-20; *John* 7:40-53

*Sun.* - *Isa* 43:16-21 (36C); *Phil* 3:8-14; *Joel* 2:12-13;  
*John* 8:1-11

## St. Joseph Catholic Church

### *Fourth Sunday of Lent*

*March 31, 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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. 7<sup>th</sup> – Lectors  
Apr. 14<sup>th</sup> – K of C  
Apr. 21<sup>st</sup> - Ushers  
Apr. 28<sup>th</sup> – 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. 6<sup>th</sup> 5pm:

**Acolyte** – Tom Norton  
**Lectors** – Barb Johnson  
Izzy Sherman  
**Euch. Min.** – Barb Dalton  
Mary Norton  
**Altar Serv.** – Trevor Hockett

### Sunday Apr. 7<sup>th</sup> 9am:

**Acolyte** – Steve Schilling  
**Lectors** – Kirk Giovanini  
Ron Wortman  
**Euch. Min.** – Ralph Lee  
Nancy Redfern  
**Altar Serv.** – Blaine Viescas

### Sunday Apr. 7<sup>th</sup> 12pm:

**Acolyte** –  
**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

## Beyond the Shadows

*Let me look beyond the gathering shadows of  
today, Lord.*

*Help me to see through tomorrow's hope, even  
through my tears.*

*Shine your gentle sunlight on the winter of my  
soul, Lord.*

*Warm my spirit with your love until spring  
reappears.*

## Fr. Joseph's Corner

"YOU CAN KEEP THE FORK"

The sound of Martha's voice on the other end  
of the telephone always brought a smile to Father  
Jim's face. This time, however, there seemed to be  
an unusual tone to her words.

"Father, could you stop by this afternoon? I  
need to talk with you."

"Of course, I'll be there around three. Is that  
OK?"

It didn't take long for Fr. Jim to discover the  
reason for what he had only sensed in her voice  
before. Martha shared the news that her doctor had  
just discovered a previously undetected tumor.

"He says I probably have six months to live".  
Martha's words were naturally serious, yet there  
was a definite calm about her. "I'm so sorry to..."  
but before Father Jim could finish, Martha  
interrupted.

"Don't be. The Lord has been good. I have  
lived a long life. I'm ready to go."

"I know," Fr. Jim whispered with a reassuring  
nod.

"But I do want to talk with you about my  
funeral. I have been thinking about it, and there are  
things that I know I want."

The two talked quietly for a long time. When  
it seemed that they had covered

just about everything, Aunt Martha paused,  
looked up at Jim with a twinkle in her eye, and  
then added, "One more thing, preacher. When they

bury me, I want my old Bible in one hand and a  
fork in the other".

"A fork?" Fr. Jim was sure he had heard  
everything, but this caught him by surprise. "Why  
do you want to be buried with a fork?"

"I have been thinking about all of the church  
dinners and banquets that I attended through the  
years," she explained, "Sometimes, at the best  
ones, somebody would lean over my shoulder and  
whisper, 'You can keep your fork.'"

"And do you know what that meant? Dessert  
was coming! And not a cup of Jell-O or pudding or  
even a dish of ice cream. You don't need a fork for  
that. It meant the good stuff, like chocolate cake or  
cherry pie! When they told me I could keep my  
fork, I knew the best was yet to come!"

"That's exactly what I want people to talk  
about at my funeral. Sure, they can talk about all  
the good times we had together. That would be  
nice. But when they walk by my casket and look at  
my pretty blue dress, I want them to turn to one  
another and say, 'Why the fork?'"

"That's when I want you to tell them, that I  
kept my fork because 'the best is yet to come!'"

... *Prayerful Wishes, Father  
Joseph*



The Knights of Columbus offer  
Breakfast every first Sunday of the  
month after 9am Mass **Apr. 7, 2019**

### Coffee Hour

Please join us for coffee and donuts every  
2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 4<sup>th</sup> 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 Mar. 31<sup>st</sup> –Apr. 6<sup>th</sup>  
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-** Mario Ferrarin(D)/ Mary Beyer  
**Sun.12pm** – Sacramento Ortiz, Alejandra Robles,  
Eduardo Ortiz (D)/ Ortiz Family  
**Mon. 8am** –Lu Streetman(D)/ Streetman Family  
**Tues. 8am** – Marisa Hazelton(L)/ Kate Erickson  
**Wed. 12:15pm**– Gilbert Sharp(D)  
**Thurs 8am** – Lu Streetman(D)  
**Fri. 12:15pm** – Fr. Robert Greiner(L)  
**Sat. 8am** – For the People  
**Sat. 5pm** – Dee Wettstein(L)

### 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 11<sup>th</sup> April !

### Parish News

#### **Maintenance Volunteers Needed:**

Our new Maintenance Committee  
Chairperson Dan Arian is looking for  
volunteers, everyone is welcome. For more  
information please contact Dan at (541)815-  
0341

#### **Fridays During Lent**

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

**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.

**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  
25<sup>th</sup> 1:00 pm – 8:30 pm. The photo shoots are  
scheduled every 10 minutes for families with  
1-6 members and 20 minutes for families of 7  
or more. The 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 19<sup>th</sup>. 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 20<sup>th</sup>

### **Holy Week Schedule**

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

## ***Fourth Sunday of Lent***

***March 31, 2019***

*The fourth Sunday of Lent marks the midpoint in the Lenten preparation for Easter. Traditionally, it is called Laetare Sunday (Rejoice Sunday). This Sunday is set aside for us to recall God's graciousness and to rejoice because of it. In many ways we have been dead, but through God's grace we have come to life again; we have been lost, but have now been found. We have every reason to rejoice. Hence, each of the three*

*The prodigal father: The father in the story represents God the Father. He promptly gave a share of his property to his younger son, bid him a tearful farewell and waited daily for his return. Finally, when the boy returned in rags, confessing his sins, the father promptly forgave him, kissed him on the cheeks, and healed the broken relationship between*

*them. He ordered a bath for his son, gave him new garments (a sign of honor) and a golden signet ring (sign of authority and trust). By ordering sandals for the feet of his son, the father signaled his reacceptance as his son. The killing of the fatted calf, specially raised for the Passover feast, meant that the entire village was invited for the grand party given in the returned son's honor. When the elder brother refused to join in the party, the father went out to beg him to be reconciled with his younger brother and to share in the father's joy.*

*He assured the elder son of his continuing love and of the son's secure inheritance and place in the family by saying, "All I have is yours." Thus, the father symbolizes the loving and unconditionally forgiving Heavenly Father who is excessive, extravagant and generous with His forgiveness and mercy. Just like his heavenly Father, Jesus, too, squanders his love on those who need it*

*most. Although the story of the prodigal son is often given as an example of repentance, it is actually the story of how God forgives and heals the repentant sinner.*

*Like God, the father in the parable was ready to forgive both of his "sinful" sons even before they repented. St. Thomas Aquinas explains that God already forgives us as soon as we repent, even before we go to confession or perform any penance. The forgiveness the father offers in the parable parallels the forgiveness God offers in real life. That is why Jesus in the Gospels frequently describes God more like a defense attorney than a prosecuting attorney.*

*We need to accept the fact that we are all prodigal children who have squandered our Father's inheritance.*

*Lent is a time to "pass over," from a world of sin to a world of reconciliation. The story of the*

*prodigal son asks each of us an important question: Will you accept the Father's forgiveness and partake of the banquet, or will you remain outside? Lent is a time to transform **hatred into love, conflict into peace, death into eternal life.***

*What should we do? The first step, of course, is to do as the younger son did: "When he came to himself, he said: 'I will break away and return to my father, and say to him, "Father, I have sinned against you."*

*Let us come to the house of God as often as we can, be reconciled with God, our forgiving Father, asking His pardon and forgiveness, and enjoy God's banquet of reconciliation and acceptance from the altar, prepared for us, the returned prodigal sons and daughters.*

