

Offertory 2017

	Needed	Wkly Offering
Sept 3rd	\$3,500.00	\$3,042.00
Sept 10th	\$3,500.00	\$2,837.00
Sept 17 th	\$3,500.00	
Sept 24th	\$3,500.00	
Total		

“Bring the tithes into the treasure...Put me to the proof, says the Lord of Hosts, and see if I do not open windows in the sky and pour a blessing on you as long as there is need.”
(Malachi 3:10)

Bishop's Annual Appeal Update - St. Joseph, Prineville

2017 Goal	Gifts Received to Date	Pledges Received to Date	Total Received to Date	% of Goal	Total # Donors to Date	Total # Parish Families	% of Participation
\$14,132	\$10,870	\$ 4,550	\$15,420	100.00%	61	450	13.56%

Please Remember the Following:

Linda Arian; Dan Browning, Patricia Carroll; Savanna King; Rita Witchman; David & Carol Leonard; Billie Lanier; Born Family; 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; Peggy Kasberger; Glen Johnston; Jessie & Gilbert Sharp; Hazel Engstrom; Ann Pedersen; Jan Sletager; Richard Moore; Jim Lanning; Cal and Bernice Dubisar; Heather Messick; Family of Ralph and Mary Lee; Jeanne Enos; Kim Rempel; 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, Anne Pimentel Hehr; Nettie Irene Downing, Harley Mayfield, Sam Lane, Ron Edgerly, Naomi Blankenship, Bill Nicholson, Richard Rempel, Emily Rosenbaum, Joanne Gleason, Roy Hutley, Danilo Salgado, Betty Salgado for the special intentions of our parishioners and others.

St. Joseph Catholic Church

Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 17, 2017



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: 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 Sept. 17th – Knights of Columbus

Date Sept. 24th - Ushers

Date Oct. 1st – Eucharistic Ministers

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 for 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~

2017 August Weekend Ministry Assignments

Saturday Sept. 23rd 5pm:

Lectors – Barb Johnson
Gary Thompson

Euch. Min. – Barb Dalton
Sue Godat

Altar Serv. – Blaine Viescas
Shane Viescas

Sunday Sept. 24th 9am:

Lectors – Holly LeFevre
Avery LeFerve

Euch. Min. – Ralph Lee
Nancy Redfern
Cathy Baxter

Altar Servers - Roman Stenbeck
Josh Sherman

Sunday Sept 24th 12pm:

Lectors – Angela Renteria Toldeo
Leticia Toledo

Euch. Min – Artemio Tapia
Eva Tapia

Altar Serv. – Julissa Hernandez
Eddie Ruiz

If you cannot be available please find a substitute.

FR. Joseph's Corner...

The Eucharist: Part 3

Messages for Our Lives:

1) *Each of us is meant to be a Eucharistic person.* In simple terms, this means imitating Jesus in our thoughts, words, and actions. The Eucharist is Body-broken and Blood-poured-out for others. Accordingly, we will participate fully in the benefits of the Eucharist only to the extent that we imitate, in all aspects of our lives, the generosity and unselfishness that we see in the life and death of Jesus himself.

The Eucharist will certainly help us to be more thoughtful, more compassionate, and more forgiving Eucharistic persons. But this cannot happen without our own serious commitment to love and serve others.

Just as Jesus brought the Good News of God's love, salvation, and healing to the world, so must we. This means that we must care for others, feed them, forgive them, accept them, and help them to become children of God. In these ways, we may truly become Eucharistic persons.

2) *We need to live a Eucharistic life by extending the celebration of the Paschal Mystery into our daily lives.* This means that, "As faithful followers of Jesus, our praise, sufferings, prayer, and work must be united with His total offering. In this way, our actions acquire a new value" (CCC #1368).

In the light of the Eucharistic Mystery, no life is without meaning or worth. Where there

appears to be no meaning or worth, the Eucharist brings hope and inspiration.

3) *We need to receive Jesus in Holy Communion with proper preparation.* The Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us of two requisites for receiving Communion. First, our conscience must be free from mortal sin. "To respond to this invitation, we must prepare ourselves for so great and so holy a moment. St. Paul urges us to examine our conscience: 'Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the Body and Blood of the Lord. Let a man examine himself, and so eat of the Bread and drink of the Cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the Body, eats and drinks judgment upon himself.' Anyone conscious of a grave sin must receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before taking Holy Communion" (CCC #1385).

The frequent use of the Sacrament of Reconciliation (confession), is an indication that the person's spiritual life is in good shape and is struggling to overcome sins and weaknesses. Secondly, we must fast one hour before we receive Holy Communion. "To prepare for worthy reception of this Sacrament, the faithful should observe the fast required in their Church. Bodily demeanor (gestures, clothing) ought to convey the respect, solemnity, and joy of this moment when Christ becomes our guest" (CCC #1387). ~ God *ble*ss you, *Fr. Joseph*



The Knights of Columbus Offer breakfast every first Sunday of the month after the 9am Mass. **October 1, 2017**

Social Time

Please join us for coffee **every 3rd Sunday** after the 9:00 am Mass Sunday Coffee Hour Schedule:
September 17th – Betty Viascas
October 15th - Carol Smith
Volunteers Needed for Coffee Hour, to help call the Office at 541-447-6475.

Mass Intentions Sept 16th – Sept 22nd

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 –Joan Collette (L) / Kate Erickson
Sun. 9am –Patrick & Patricia Carroll (L) / Mike & Susie Carroll
Sun 12pm – For the People
Mon. 8am – No Weekday Mass
Tues. 8am – No Weekday Mass
Wed. 12:15pm – No Weekday Mass
Thurs. 8am – No Weekday Mass
Fri. – 12:15pm – No Weekday Mass

Daily Readings Sept 18th – Sept 24th

Mon – 1Tim.2:1-8; Luk.7:1-10
Tues – 1Tim.3:1-13; Luk.7:11-17
Wed – 1Tim.3:14-16; Luk.7:31-35
Thurs – Eph.4:1-7, 11-13; Mat.9:9-13
Fri – 1Tim.6:2c-12; Luk.8:1-3
Sat – 1Tim.6:13-16; Luk.8:4-15
Sun – Isa.55:6-9; Phi.1:20c-24; Mat.20:1-16a

Poor People... Who are the Poor People???

One day, the father of a very wealthy family took his son on a trip to the country with the express purpose of showing him how poor people live. They spent a couple of days and nights on the farm of what would be considered a very poor family.

On their return, the father asked his son, "Did you enjoy the trip?" "It was great, Dad." "Did you see how poor people live?" the father asked. "Oh yeah," said the son. "So, tell me, what did you learned from the trip?" asked the father.

The son answered: "I saw that we have one dog and they had four. We have a pool that reaches to the middle of our garden and they have a creek that has no end. We have imported lanterns in our garden and they have the stars at night. Our patio reaches to the front yard and they have the whole horizon.

We have a small piece of land to live on and they have fields that go beyond our sight.

We have servants who serve us, but they serve others.

We buy our food, but they grow theirs. We have walls around our property to protect us, they have friends to protect them."

The boy's father was speechless. Then his son added, "Thanks, Dad, for showing me how poor we are."

Isn't perspective a wonderful thing? Makes you wonder what would happen if we all gave thanks for everything we have, instead of worrying about what we don't have. Appreciate every single thing you have, especially your friends! "Life is too short and friends are too few."

Prayerful wishes, Fr. Joseph



Parish News

Coffee Hour today in the Parish Hall after the 9am Mass. You are welcome to come have some coffee and donuts and visit with friends and family.

Religious Education Registration begins August 26th and 27th after the, 5pm Saturday evening Mass and Sunday 9am and 12pm Masses. Also The first week of Sept. 5th, 6th, & 7th, 3-6pm at the parish school. And September 9th & 10th after the Masses. The last weekend to register is September 16th & 17th. The fee for registration is \$20.

Please join us for the annual parish picnic October 8th, 12pm-3pm, at the grass area east of the Parish Hall. Bring yourself, family, an appetite and lawn chairs. If you have canopies bring those. Games will be provided for the children.

Meat and condiments will be furnished by the Knights of Columbus along with grills and chefs. Also paper plates, cups and plastic silverware will be provided. Bring your favorite main dish and either a salad or desert. This is an opportunity to spend time with fellow parishioners (new and old) and

get to know each other better and celebrate Fr. Joseph's 1st year anniversary as our pastor. Pray for good weather.

~ **St Vincent De Paul** ~
Reverse Collection is Today
Sunday September 17th!!!

Rediscover Your Marriage – Retrouvaille simply means 'rediscovery'. This program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. So many headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending a weekend. Retrouvaille is not a sensitivity group, not a seminar, not a social gathering. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with the weekend on Sept 29-Oct 1, 2017, please call [1-503-225-9191](tel:1-503-225-9191) or visit www.helpourmarriage.org.



Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



1st R. – Sir.27:30-28:7
Res. Ps – 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12
2nd R – Rom.14:7-9
Gospel Accl – Joh.13:34
Gospel – Mat.18:21-35

Forgive as God Forgives

by Fr. Richard R. De Lillio

Reflection:

A mother stopped a minor scuffle between her twin 10-year-old sons. Then she said to each, “Say you’re sorry.” After they did, she said, “Now shake hands.” She followed with one more command: “Now hug! We’re family here! We all count the same.”

Our readings offer insights into forgiveness — from Sirach: “Forgive your neighbor’s injustice” (28:2); to Romans: “We are the Lord’s” (14:8); and to Matthew: “Not seven times but 77 times” (18:22).

Christ continuously preaches his father’s love, a love that always includes mercy. His father created in man a love that needs mercy. If it lacks mercy, love shatters.

Christ emphasizes this same theme in the Gospel and to us. Despite our unworthiness and sinfulness, God, our creator, never holds his forgiveness from us. This was evident right from creation’s start. After Adam and Eve’s betrayal and banishment from the Garden, God sought a way to become reconciled with his errant children. He sent Jesus, showing for the first time God’s face and heart, who generously forgives the sinners he met.

Jesus willingly welcomed prostitutes, received tax collectors and accepted the marginalized sinners he encountered. Jesus’ plentiful mercy flows lavishly upon his flock today through the Sacrament of Reconciliation and in other ways. In gratitude, Jesus asks that every follower benefiting from God’s limitless mercy generously extend this mercy to others. Forgiveness is so important to Jesus that he tells his disciples to take the lead and not wait for an offending neighbor to initiate forgiveness.

Since we are forgiven unconditionally, we are to forgive in the same fashion. Like the quarreling twins, they not only had to say they were sorry, but they had to hug each other, too. Why? Because hostility fractures a family, as it does any community. It mocks the mercy God so freely gives. A forgiving act always returns

with its own gift of mercy. Jesus always reminded his followers to forgive, and he asks the same of us today.



