

## Fr. Joseph's Corner

### "The Many Names of Christ" (Author Unknown)

To the ARTIST, He is the One Altogether Lovely.  
 To the ARCHITECT, He is the Chief Corner Stone.  
 To the BAKER, He is the Living Bread.  
 To the BANKER, He is the Hidden Treasure.  
 To the BIOLOGIST, He is the Life.  
 To the BUILDER, He is the Sure Foundation.  
 To the CARPENTER, He is the Door.  
 To the DOCTOR, He is the Great Physician.  
 To the EDUCATOR, He is the Great Teacher.  
 To the ENGINEER, He is the New and Living Way.  
 To the FLORIST, He is the Rose of Sharon and the Lily of the Valley.  
 To the GEOLOGIST, He is the Rock of Ages.  
 To the HORTICULTURIST, He is the True Vine.  
 To the JUDGE, He is the Righteous Judge—the Judge of All Men.  
 To the JEWELER, He is the Pearl of Great Price.  
 To the LAWYER, He is the Counselor, the Lawgiver, the Advocate.

To the NEWSPAPER, He is the Good Tidings of Great Joy.  
 To the OCULIST, He is the Light of the Eyes.  
 To the PHILANTHROPIST, He is the Unspeakable Gift.  
 To the PHILOSOPHER, He is the Wisdom of God.  
 To the PREACHER, He is the Word of God.  
 To the SCULPTOR, He is the Living Stone.  
 To the SERVANT, He is the Good Master.  
 To the STATESMAN, He is the Desire of All Nations.  
 To the STUDENT, He is the Incarnate Truth.  
 To the THEOLOGIAN, He is the Author and Finisher of our Faith.  
 To the TOILER, He is the Giver of Rest.  
 To the SINNER, He is the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the World.  
 To the CHRISTIAN, He is the Son of the Living God, the Savior, the Redeemer and the Lord.

—Prayerful Wishes, Fr. Joseph



#### November 2020 Weekly Offertory

Date	Needed	Offering
December 6, 2020	\$3,700.00	\$3,589.00
December 13, 2020	\$3,700.00	\$2,833.94
December 20, 2020	\$3,700.00	\$4,101.00
December 27, 2020	\$3,700.00	\$3,662.00

Total for the Month of December = \$14,185.94

Total Needed = \$14,800

Short: \$614.06

## St. Joseph Catholic Church

150 E First St., P.O. Box 1315, Prineville OR 97751

January 3, 2021 † The Epiphany of the Lord

Vigil Mass Saturday	5:00 p.m.
Sunday Mass (English)	9:00 a.m.
Sunday Mass (Bilingual)	12:00 p.m.
Holy Days	8:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
Monday • Tuesday • Thursday	8:00 a.m.
Wednesday & Friday	12:00 p.m.

**Pastor ♦ Rev. Fr. Joseph Kunnelaya T.**  
**Secretary ♦ Karin Jones**

**Parish Office Hours ♦ Monday–Thursday ♦ 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.**

Parish Office Telephone: (541) 447-6475 / Fax (541) 416-9141

Fr. Joseph: 9:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m. ♦ (541) 420-4458

Parish Website: [stjosephsprineville.org](http://stjosephsprineville.org)

Facebook: St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Prineville, Oregon

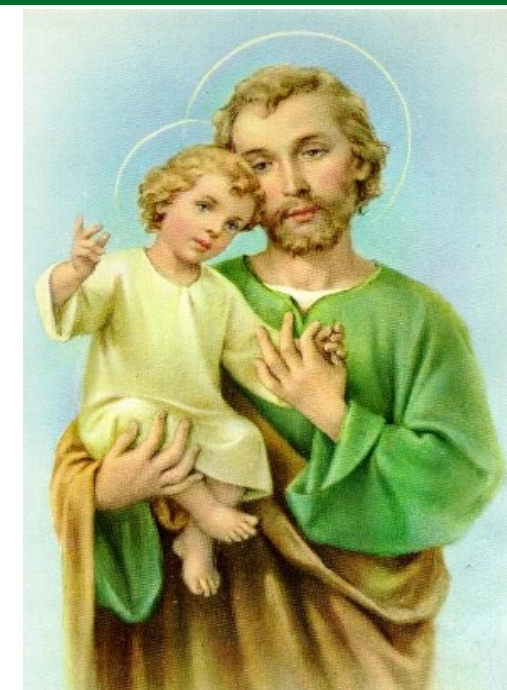
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**Director of Religious Education ♦ Barbara Dalton**

**Funeral Director for Music ♦ Garilynn Tocher**



#### Confessions

Wednesdays: 11:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Saturdays: 3:30–4:30 p.m.

(other times by appointment)

#### Anointing of the Sick

Contact Fr. Joseph for this Sacrament

- ♦ **DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET & CENACLE GROUP:** Every Monday after the 8 a.m. Mass.
- ♦ **FRIDAYS OF THE MONTH:** 1st Friday Mass at 12 p.m., with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Holy Hour of Prayer, and Benediction after Mass
- ♦ **REMAINING FRIDAYS:** Mass at 12 p.m., with Rosary and Benediction after Mass



#### Baptisms

Baptisms will be held on 2nd Saturdays of the month in English and on 4th Saturdays in Spanish. Parents of children to be baptized must be registered members of the parish 6 months prior to 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 6 months before the proposed date. A Marriage Preparation Course is mandatory.

#### MASS INTENTIONS / DAILY READINGS

The practice of requesting a Mass to be offered for loved ones, living or deceased, is a beautiful and wonderful part of our Catholic tradition.

☛ Please Call the Parish Office to Have a Mass Intention Reserved. ☛

Monday	01/04/2021	8:00 a.m.	Edward Ordway (D)	1 John 3:22-4:6, Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25*
Tuesday	01/05/2021	8:00 a.m.	Stuart MacDonald (D)	1 John 4:7-10; Mark 6:34-44*
Wednesday	01/06/2021	12:00 p.m.	Jeff Collier (D)	1 John 4:11-18; Mark 6:45-52
Thursday	01/07/2021	8:00 a.m.	Helen Morris (D)	1 John 4:19-5:4; Luke 4:14-22a
Friday	01/08/2021	9:00 a.m.	Eileen Burk (D)	1 John 5:5-13; Luke 5:12-16
Saturday	01/09/2021	5:00 a.m.	Steve Long (D)	Isaiah 55:1-11; 1 John 5:1-9; Mark:7-11**
Sunday	01/10/2021	9:00 a.m.	Sarah MacDonald (D)	Isaiah 55:1-11; 1 John 5:1-9; Mark:7-11
Sunday	01/10/2021	12:00 a.m.	St. Joseph Parish Family (L)	Isaiah 55:1-11; 1 John 5:1-9; Mark:7-11

\*Memorial ♦ \*\*Feast ♦ (L) = Living ♦ (D) = Deceased

# Today's Homily

ONE OF THE favourite images of Christmas is that of the wise men traveling by camel through a star-lit night. One star dominates the sky as they arrive on the crest of the hill overlooking Bethlehem. When the star appeared, these wise men must have been living a certain type of life. But when they saw the star, they decided to follow it. They stopped whatever they were doing. They were ready to take risks because they knew the meaning of this special star.

The journey must have been a long trip from a country far away in the east. There have been dangers along the way. For them it was a journey to the faith. The wise men through the grace of God came to faith in Jesus.

We each have a journey to make to Jesus because none of us is yet fully converted, and each of us has corners in our hearts and lives in need of Jesus' healing and redemption. As we continue to celebrate the Christmas season, we are strongly reminded that we must continue to seek out God's presence in our lives and in our world. Having celebrated Christ's birthday a few days ago, the Church is now asking us to consider how we must still search for Christ. The "search" here is not in the sense that we are searching for something that we have never found. Rather, we are continuing to look for a deeper knowledge and experience of the Christ in whom we already believe.

One of the facts that today's Gospel gives us is that the wise men came with special gifts for the new-born king. The gospel writer tells us, "They went into the house, and when they saw the child with his mother Mary, they knelt down and worshiped him. They brought out their gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh, and presented them to him."



To us these might seem rather useless gifts, but what do you give this child who is the all-powerful God who controls the stars to such an extent that a particularly bright star travels westward and stops over the place where Jesus and his parents were living? Their gifts were symbolic adoration to the Divine King. When God so loved the world that he gave His only Son for our salvation, what can we give in return?

The best gifts that we can offer the Christ-child are the

gifts of ourselves. In actual fact, the gold, frankincense and myrrh of the Wiseman are trivial and quite useless for the God of all creation, and the saviour of all people. He has all the gold, frankincense and myrrh he ever needs. After all, he is the creator and owner of all these gifts. But as useless as these gifts are for God, they are a sign of the way the Wiseman gave of themselves.

We are told, "They went into the house, and when they saw the child with his mother Mary, they knelt down and worshiped." Here are these men, learned, wealthy, wizards of the east, non-Jews, and probably pagans, kneeling at the tiny toddler's feet of the true God. Even as they paid homage, they would have realized that even the gift of themselves is something far too small for this king of kings.

What we give to our Lord may seem so trivial and modest and poor, but if they are representative of the giving of ourselves to God, this is our most important gift. Even then this is still so small in comparison to what God has gifted to us.

Like the wise men, all of us are on a journey to get closer to Jesus our Saviour. Like the wise men, we too are relying on the grace of God to lead us to the light of Jesus our Saviour. Like the wise men, let us offer ourselves at His feet. The Epiphany reminds us "May our hearts seek Christ; May our hearts find Christ. May our hearts love Christ."

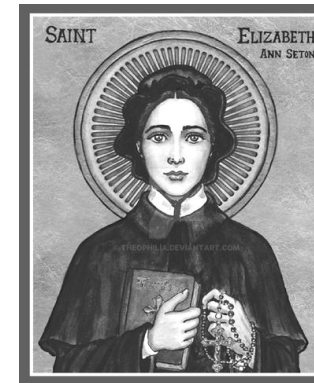
## St. Joseph Parish Bulletin

### Office Hours

The Parish Office will open with normal hours on **January 4th, Monday through Thursday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

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### \*Monday, January 4th Memorial of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

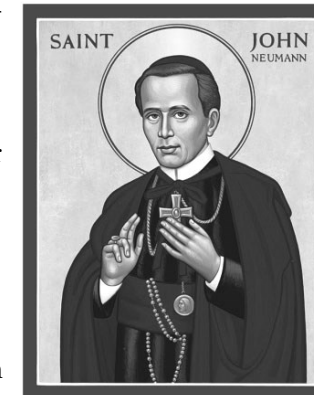


Elizabeth was the first person born in what would become the United States to be canonized by the Catholic Church. She established the first Catholic girls' school in the nation in Emmitsburg, Maryland, where she also founded the first American congregation of religious sisters, the Sisters of Charity.

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### \*Tuesday, January 5th Memorial of St. John Neumann, Bishop

St. John Neumann was a Catholic priest from Bohemia (now Czech Prague). He immigrated to the United States in 1836, where he was ordained and later joined the Redemptorist Order and became the fourth Bishop of Philadelphia (1852-1860). While Bishop of Philadelphia, Neumann founded the first Catholic diocesan school system in the United States.



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### American Red Cross

There will be a Blood Drive on **Wednesday, January 6th, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.**, in the Parish Hall.

Please call 1 (800) 733-2767 to schedule an appointment.

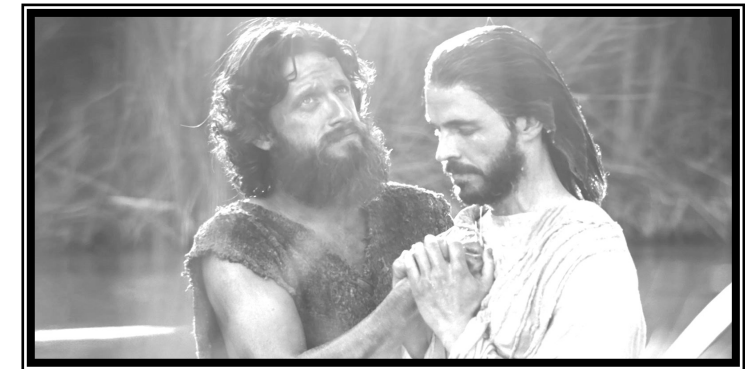


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### Masks

Just a reminder that you need to wear a mask at Mass unless you have health issues.

### \*\*Sunday, January 10th Feast of the Baptism of the Lord



The Feast Day commemorating the baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River by John the Baptist.

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### Sunday Rosary

Committees are responsible for the Rosary 1/2 hr. before Mass.

01/10/2021: Acolytes

01/17/2021: Knights of Columbus

01/24/2021: Ushers

01/31/2021: Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

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### Prayer List

Linda Arian ♦ Frederick Smit ♦ Lyn Rodgers  
Tom Burke ♦ Joe Morales ♦ Mary Norton ♦ Bob George ♦ Gary Thompson ♦ Daniel & Marilyn Gilday

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### Plenary Indulgences for the Year of St. Joseph

All this year the decree from the Apostolic Penitentiary has established that the faithful "following his example can daily strengthen their life of faith in the full fulfillment of God's will." They will have "the opportunity to commit themselves, with prayers and good works, to obtain with the help of St. Joseph, head of the heavenly Family of Nazareth, comfort and relief from the serious human and social tribulations that today afflict the contemporary world."



First, because St. Joseph "invites us to rediscover the filial relationship with the Father," renew faithfulness to prayer and listen intensely to God's will, the plenary indulgence is granted if we meditate for at least 30 minutes on the Our Father, or be part of a "spiritual retreat of at least one day that includes a meditation on St. Joseph."