

Fr. Joseph's Corner

"Being Honest"

An elderly couple had been married for 60 years. They shared everything, they spoke to each other about everything, and they never had secrets from each other—except for a trunk that the wife had always kept locked up in a closet. She had told her husband on the day of their wedding that he must never open it.

Often during their 60 years together, the husband was tempted to open it, but he never gave in to the temptation.

Now, as she was nearing her 85th birthday, the wife had been diagnosed with a terminal illness. And so the husband brought the trunk out of the closet to open it, and inside he found two exquisite, hand-made, crocheted dolls. There was also an envelope with \$95,000 in the trunk.

He decided to ask his wife about these things, and so she decided to tell him that before their wedding day, her grandmother told her that the secret of a happy marriage lies in never arguing.

Her grandmother also told her that every time she was getting angry with her husband—and because she loved to crochet—she should sit down and craft a crocheted doll.

Her husband was delighted to find that there were only two dolls in the chest. That made him

realize that his wife had only been angry with him twice in their 60 years together!

Then he asked her, "What about that money? Where did it come from?" And so she told him, "That is the money I have collected from the sale of the crocheted dolls I used to make!"

It's good to avoid getting angry, but it's also just as important to be patient with each other—and of course—to always be honest!

—Prayerful Wishes, Fr. Joseph



June 2022 Weekly Offertory

Date	Needed	Offering
June 5, 2022	\$4,400.00	\$3,181.04
June 12, 2022	\$4,400.00	\$5,165.00
June 19, 2022	\$4,400.00	\$2,398.00
June 26, 2022	\$4,400.00	

"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)



St. Joseph Catholic Church

150 E First St., P.O. Box 1315, Prineville OR 97754
June 26, 2022 † 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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.

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Parish Bulletin Designer / Editor ♦ Tina Hill



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.
- ♦ **1ST FRIDAYS OF THE MONTH:** Mass is at 12 p.m., with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, a Holy Hour of Prayer with the Rosary, Litany of St. Joseph, and Benediction after Mass.
- ♦ **REMAINING FRIDAYS:** Mass is at 12 p.m., with the 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	06/27/2022	8:00 a.m.	Sue Gerke (L)	Amos 2:6-10, 13-16; Matthew 8:18-22
Tuesday	06/28/2022	8:00 a.m.	Irene Kutcher (D)	Amos 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Matthew 8:23-27 [M]
Wednesday	06/29/2022	12:00 p.m.	Judy Bertolini (L)	Acts 12:1-11; 2 Timothy 4:6-8; 17-18; Matthew 16:13-19 [S]
Thursday	06/30/2022	8:00 a.m.	Sophie Arian (D)	Amos 7:10-17; Matthew 9:1-8
Friday	07/01/2022	12:00 p.m.	Evelyn Walwork (D)	Amos 8:4-6, 9-12; Matthew 9:9-13
Saturday	07/02/2022	5:00 p.m.	Evelyn Walwork (D)	Isaiah 66:10-14c; Galatians 6:14-18; Luke 10:1-12, 17-20
Sunday	07/03/2022	9:00 a.m.	Venita Parker (D)	Isaiah 66:10-14c; Galatians 6:14-18; Luke 10:1-12, 17-20
Sunday	07/03/2022	12:00 p.m.	Ryan Penhollow Family (L)	Isaiah 66:10-14c; Galatians 6:14-18; Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

[F] = Feast Day ♦ [M] = Memorial ♦ [S] = Solemnity ♦ (L) = Living ♦ (D) = Deceased

Today's Homily



TODAY'S READINGS are a call to discipleship. Elijah knew that his time of service was coming to an end, so he needed to find a successor. He saw Elisha, a man of faith, who could take on that task. Elisha was content being a farmer. He was caring for his family farm when the prophet laid upon his shoulders the mantle of leadership. Elisha said Yes to the call. He would end up doing even greater things than Elijah accomplished. Elisha was able to do miraculous healings. He saved a whole city from poison that had gotten in the water. He multiplied wheat and oil for a widow during a famine. Elisha had no idea that God was going to bless him in such a way. Yet, he trusted in God and in the prophet Elijah. He took a huge risk and said Yes.

Jesus gives a series of teachings on what it means to be a disciple. The first is that there will be people who will reject the message. The Samaritan village rejected Jesus only because He was a Jew who was traveling down to Jerusalem. The Apostles were angry. Yet, Jesus doesn't choose to use His power to destroy the Samaritans for being inhospitable.

The second lesson they learned was that the message had to be preached now. "Let the dead bury the dead" was a way of saying that the message couldn't wait for 10 or 20 years until one's family obligations were completed. I hear this every so often from people who complain that they couldn't attend Mass because they had family from out of town visiting. Jesus tells His followers to "Make a decision today, and don't look

back." He is asking them to take a risk.

The apostles didn't know what would await them in Jerusalem when they got there. Jesus was asking them to follow Him all the way to the cross. When they discovered that discipleship would mean that big of a sacrifice they were scared. They hid in the upper room when Jesus was led away and crucified.

Yet, on Easter, Christ returned alive. He showed them that they didn't have to fear. It was worth the risk.

You and I are asked to be Christ's disciples today. It may seem as though it's not hard being an apostle today. It's unlikely that we will lose our lives for the Gospel. It doesn't seem likely that we will be asked to give up all our physical possessions to follow. Yet, being a follower of Christ today is challenging if we take up the full mantle.

Christ asks you and me to turn away from all that bind us and make us slaves. It can be power, wealth or possessions or even some of our addictions.

It is so tempting to want to fit in society. So, to work for justice or be pro-life seems foolish or fanatical. If you refuse to tolerate bigotry against Catholicism, you might be ridiculed. If you stand against anything that challenges the society in which we live, you stand a chance of being persecuted. Christ desires that our world reflect His values. He desires that the Kingdom of God be made manifest in the world. We are the agents of that Kingdom today. We are being asked today to take a risk and say Yes. Will you say Yes?

June—The Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Synod on Synodality



Bishop Cary invites all of the parishioners of the Diocese to participate in the worldwide Synod on Synodality. Through the Synod on Synodality, Pope Francis is asking the Church to rediscover its deeply synodal roots, and to reflect on how the path of synodality is the way for the entire People of God to journey forward together. ". . . the objective of the current Synod is to listen, as the entire People of God, to what the Holy Spirit is saying to the Church.

Everyone should have received a sheet with three brief questions. If you have not received it via mail, there are copies in the Narthex, and we ask that you complete the questions on the sheet, and return it to the Parish Office by Monday, June 27th. Or you can place it in the offertory basket.

Thank you to all who have already returned your response sheet.

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Please Pray for Those on Our Prayer List:

- ◆ David Leonard ◆ Margaret Halsey
- ◆ Fulvia & Ben Guyger ◆ Sue Gerke
- ◆ Steve Forrester ◆ Linda Arian
- ◆ Lyn Rodgers ◆ Jerry Pimentel
- ◆ Bill O'Brien ◆ Ezra Early
- ◆ Carl Johnson ◆ Arlene Mura
- ◆ Kathie Leonard



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Training with Bishop Liam Cary

This past week all liturgists were encouraged to attend a Zoom meeting with Bishop Cary regarding implementing revised diocesan liturgical policies and procedures. The sessions were critical in helping us understand what the Bishop wants to accomplish and how we can help by implementing these items. The Bishop travels to all the churches in the Diocese and would like to see uniformity with all.

If you are a liturgist (acolyte, lector, extraordinary minister, or choir) and did not attend the zoom meeting at home or at the parish office, please take time to review the specific recording for your ministry at: <https://www.dioceseofbaker.org>.

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Inspiring Quote

"Confession heals, confession justifies, confession grants pardon of sin. All hope consists in confession. In confession there is a chance for mercy. Believe it firmly, do not doubt, and do not hesitate, never despair of the mercy of God."

—St. Isidore of Seville



2022 Bishop's Annual Appeal

The theme is "Faith Finds the Way". The overall Appeal participation goal is **21%**, and the supporting financial target is **\$635,000**. For our parish, the participation goal is **55 families** with a supporting target of **\$20,465**. To date, we thank the **34 St. Joseph Parish families** who have pledged a total of **\$15,260**.

For more information, please visit the diocesan website at: <https://www.dioceseofbaker.org>.

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Bend JVENCorps

Are you interested in discovering a vibrant faith community and giving to your local community in meaningful ways? Jesuit Volunteer EnCorps may be for you. We are a group age 50+ that meets monthly in Bend. We explore our commitment to values such as social and ecological justice, community, and spirituality. We help individuals explore volunteer options within Central Oregon.

If interested, please call **Patty Christopher** at (541) 382-0912, or apply at www.jvencorps.org. The program begins in September, and applications are open through **August 2022**.

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Prayer



As the United States prepares for the final ruling of the Supreme Court regarding the Dobbs and Roe v. Wade decisions, threats of violence increase for all Catholic Churches, Resource Centers and—as you know—our Supreme Court Justices.

What is needed right now is prayer for the Supreme Court to do what is right and overturn Roe. May God give the justices deep conviction, righteous judgment, and backbones of steel. And may we who are pro-life keep bringing a persuasive argument to change hearts and minds.

Be prepared and stand firm in understanding the heart of God as it relates to the sanctity of life:

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born, I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations I appointed you."

(Jeremiah 1:5)