

## Fr. Joseph's Corner

### "The Beggar's Rags" (author unknown)

A beggar lived near the king's palace. One day he saw a proclamation posted outside the palace gate. The king was giving a great dinner. Anyone dressed in royal garments was invited to the party. The beggar looked at the rags he was wearing and sighed. Surely only kings and their families wore royal robes, he thought. But, slowly an idea crept into his mind. The audacity of it made him tremble. Would he dare?

The beggar made his way back to the palace. He approached the guard at the gate and said, "Please, sire, I would like to speak with the king."

"Wait here," the guard replied, and in a few minutes, he was back. "His majesty will see you," the guard said and led the beggar to the king.

"You wish to see me?" asked the king.

"Yes, your majesty. I want so much to attend the banquet, but I have no royal robes to wear. Please, sir, if I may be so bold, may I have one of your old garments so that I, too, may come to the banquet?"

The beggar shook so hard that he could not see the faint smile that was on the king's face. "You have been wise in coming to me," the king said. He called to his son, the young prince. "Take this man to your room and array him in some of your clothes." The prince did as he was told and soon the beggar was standing before a mirror, clothed in garments that he had never dared hoped for.

"You are now eligible to attend the king's banquet tomorrow night," said the prince. "But—even more important—you will never need any other clothes again. These garments will last forever!"

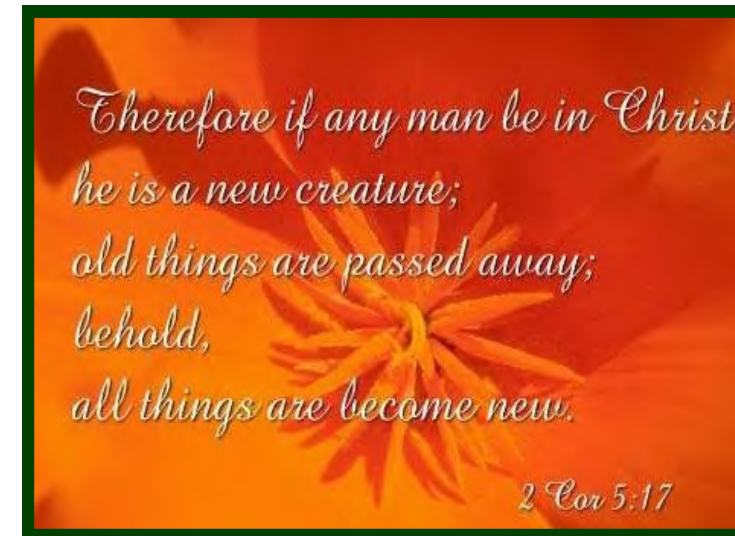
The beggar cried, "Oh, thank you, sire!" But as he started to leave, he looked back at his pile of dirty rags on the floor and hesitated. What if the prince was wrong? What if he would need his old clothes again? So, he quickly gathered them up.

The banquet was far greater than he had ever imagined, but he could not enjoy himself as he should. He had made a small bundle of his old rags, and it kept falling off his lap. The food was being passed quickly, and the beggar missed some of the greatest delicacies.

Time proved that the prince was right. The clothes did last forever. Still, the poor beggar grew fonder and fonder of his old rags. As time passed, people seemed to forget the royal robes he was wearing. They only saw the little bundle of filthy rags he clung to wherever he went. They even spoke of him as "the old man with the rags."

One day as he lay dying, the king visited him. The beggar saw the sad look on the king's face when he looked at the small bundle of rags by the bed. Suddenly the beggar remembered the prince's words, and he realized that his bundle of rags had cost him a lifetime of true royalty. He wept bitterly at his folly. And the king wept with him.

—*God Bless You and  
Prayerful Wishes, Fr. Joseph*



### May 2022 Weekly Offertory



Date	Needed	Offering
May 1, 2022	\$4,400.00	\$5,185.00
May 8, 2022	\$4,400.00	\$3,000.49
May 15, 2022	\$4,400.00	\$3,352.00
May 22, 2022	\$4,400.00	\$2,638.00
May 29, 2022	\$4,400.00	\$2,773.00



May Offertory Needed \$22,000.00 ♦ May Offertory Received \$16,948.49 ♦ Difference of -\$5,051.51

## St. Joseph Catholic Church

150 E First St., P.O. Box 1315, Prineville OR 97754

June 5, 2022 † Pentecost Sunday

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.



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#### 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	06/06/2022	8:00 a.m.	Julia Geiman (D)	Genesis 3:9-15, 20; John 19:25-34 [M]
Tuesday	06/07/2022	8:00 a.m.	Bernice Pluchas (D)	1 Kings 17:7-16; Matthew 5:13-1
Wednesday	06/08/2022	12:00 p.m.	Janet Spooner (D)	1 Kings 18:20-39; Matthew 5:17-19
Thursday	06/09/2022	8:00 a.m.	Catherine Pluchas (D)	1 Kings 18:41-46; Matthew 5:20-26
Friday	06/10/2022	12:00 p.m.	Dolores Koivisto (L)	1 Kings 19:9a, 11-16; Matthew 5:27-32
Saturday	06/11/2022	5:00 p.m.	Jesse Acosta (D)	Proverbs 8:22-31; Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15 [S]
Sunday	06/12/2022	9:00 a.m.	Laine Musil (D)	Proverbs 8:22-31; Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15 [S]
Sunday	06/12/2022	12:00 p.m.	St. Joseph Parish Family (L)	Proverbs 8:22-31; Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15 [S]

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



## Today's Homily

AN OLD BEGGAR lay on his death-bed. His last words to his son were: "Dear son, I have nothing to give you except a cotton bag and a dirty bronze bowl, which I got in my younger days from the junk yard of a rich lady."

After his father's death, the boy continued begging, using the bowl his father had given him. One day a gold merchant dropped a coin in the boy's bowl, and he was surprised to hear a familiar clinking sound. "Let me check your bowl," the merchant said. To his great surprise, he found that the beggar's bowl was made of pure gold. "My dear young man," he said, "why do you waste your time begging? You are a rich man! That bowl of yours is worth at least fifty thousand dollars."

**We Christians are sometimes like this beggar boy who failed to recognize and appreciate the value of his bowl. We fail to appreciate the infinite worth of the Holy Spirit living within each of us, sharing His gifts and fruits and charisms with us. On this major feast day, we are invited to experience and appreciate the transforming, sanctifying and strengthening presence of the Holy Spirit within us. This is also a day for us to renew the promises made for us and by us to God during our Baptism and Confirmation, to profess our Faith, and to practice it.**

**Pentecost** literally means "50th." It is a feast that is celebrated on the 50th day after the Feast of the Resurrection of Jesus by the Christians. Today is the birthday of the Church, of all those who have been reborn into His Mystical Body.

### What happened on the day of Pentecost?

1. The Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles and the Blessed Virgin Mary as fiery tongues;
2. The frightened Apostles were transformed into fiery preachers and evangelizers and were given the gift of tongues by a special anointing of the Holy Spirit;
3. The listeners experienced a fresh anointing of



the Holy Spirit through the Apostles' gift of tongues: they heard Peter speaking in their native languages; and

4. The early Christians became powerful witnesses and brave martyrs for their Faith in Jesus.

### What is the role of the Holy Spirit in Christian life?

**1) As an indwelling God,** the Holy Spirit makes us His Living Temples (1 Cor 3:16). **2) As a strengthening God,** He strengthens us in our fight against temptations and in our mission of bearing witness to Christ by transparent Christian lives. **3) As a sanctifying God,** He makes us holy through the Sacraments: **a)** He makes us children of God and heirs of heaven through Baptism; **b)** He makes us temples of God, warriors and defenders of the Faith, through Confirmation; **c)** He enables us to be reconciled to God by pardoning our sins through Reconciliation; and, **d)** He gives us spiritual nourishment via the Holy Eucharist by converting bread and wine into Jesus' Body and Blood through Epiclesis. **4) As a teaching and guiding God,** He clarifies and constantly reminds us of Christ's teachings. **5) As a listening and talking God,** He listens to our prayers and enables us to pray, and He speaks to us mainly through the Bible. **6) As a giver of gifts,** God enriches us with His gifts, fruits and charisms.

### We need to permit the Holy Spirit to take control of our lives:

1. By constantly remembering His holy presence and behaving well;
2. By praying for His daily anointing so that we may fight against our temptations and control our evil tendencies, evil habits and addictions;
3. By asking His daily assistance to pray, listening to God through meditative Bible reading and talking to Him; and
4. By asking the help of the Holy Spirit that we may do good for others and be reconciled with God and others every day.

## June—The Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

### Pastoral Council Merged with Executive Committee

Effective as of last **Wednesday, June 1st**, the St. Joseph Pastoral Council merged with the St. Joseph Executive Committee to reduce the overall number of meetings and to improve Parish communication. The two groups are combining their meetings quarterly throughout the year. However, the Executive Committee will still meet monthly. All normal reporting will remain the same.

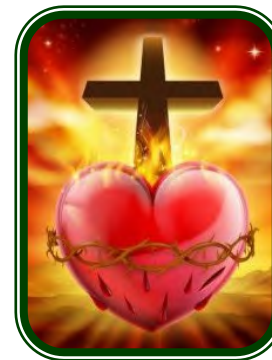
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### Ordinary Time

Starting **Monday, June 6th**, we will be back in Ordinary Time until **November 26th**. Ordinary Time is the part of the liturgical year in the liturgy of the Roman Rite, as revised in 1969, which falls outside the two great seasons of Christmastide and Eastertide, or their respective preparatory seasons of Advent and Lent. The liturgical color assigned to Ordinary Time is green.

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### The Sacred Heart of Jesus



The month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on the **Friday following the second Sunday after Pentecost, which this year is June 24th.**

In addition to the liturgical celebration, many devotional exercises are connected with the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Of all devotions, devotion to the Sacred Heart was, and remains, one of the most widespread and popular in the Church.

Understood in the light of the Scriptures, the term "Sacred Heart of Jesus" denotes the entire mystery of Christ, the totality of His being, and His person considered in its most intimate essential: Son of God, uncreated wisdom; infinite charity, principal of the salvation and sanctification of mankind.

Devotion to the Sacred Heart is a wonderful historical expression of the Church's piety for Christ, her Spouse and Lord: it calls for a fundamental attitude of conversion and reparation, of love and gratitude, apostolic commitment and dedication to Christ and His saving work.

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### Inspiring Quote

"The devil fears hearts on fire with love of God."

—*St. Catherine of Siena*

### 2022 Parish Picnic—

### Welcome Home to all Crook County Catholics!

On **Sunday, August 7th**, St. Joseph Parish will celebrate a **Bilingual Mass at 10 a.m.**, immediately followed by the traditional picnic on the Parish Hall lawn area east of the Church. There will be hamburgers, hot dogs and carne asada, barbecued by those fabulous Knights of Columbus chefs, along with traditional picnic fare provided by our St. Joseph parishioners. Games and outdoor activities for children of all ages will be set up on the lot adjacent to the Parish Hall.



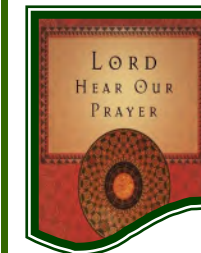
This year we extend a special welcome to all Crook County Catholics from Prineville, Juniper Heights, Powell Butte, Brasada Ranch—and all surrounding areas.

After several years of restrictions on gatherings, we look forward to this celebration.

Mark your calendars for **August 7th**, and join us for Mass followed by good food and fun!

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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

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### 2022 Bishop's Annual Appeal

The theme is "Faith Finds the Way," and the overall Appeal participation goal is **21%**, with the supporting financial target of **\$635,000**. For our parish, the participation goal is **55 families** with a supporting target of **\$20,465**. To date, we thank the **28** St. Joseph Parish families who have pledged a total of **\$13,960.00**. For more information, please visit the diocesan website at: [dioceseofbaker.org](http://dioceseofbaker.org).

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### Sisters Against Human Trafficking

Trafficking is a crime that can happen in front of our eyes and traffickers are never on vacation. Be alert to children who may be potential targets for traffickers.

U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking is a 501 C (3) organization. For more information, please visit the website at: [sistersagainsttrafficking.org](http://sistersagainsttrafficking.org).