

Fr. Joseph's Corner "The Wise Man"

People have been coming to the wise man, and they were complaining about the same problems every time.

One day, though, the wise man decided to tell them a joke, and everyone roared with laughter.

After a couple of minutes, he told them the same joke again, and this time only a few of them smiled.

When he told them the same joke for the third time, nobody laughed at all.

Then the wise man smiled and said:

"You can't laugh at the same joke over and over. So why are you all always crying about the same problem?"



Moral of the story:

Worrying won't solve your problems. It will just waste your time and energy!

Please Pray for Those on Our Prayer List:

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

Inspiring Quote

"You control your destiny—you don't need magic to do it.
And there are no magical shortcuts to solving your problems."
—Merida ("Brave")

August 2022 Weekly Offertory

Date	Needed	Offering
August 07, 2022	\$4,400.00	\$3,369.00
August 14, 2022	\$4,400.00	\$3,115.00
August 21, 2022	\$4,400.00	
August 28, 2022	\$4,400.00	



St. Joseph Catholic Church

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

August 21, 2022 † 21st 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.

Parish Office Telephone: (541) 447-6475

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

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Pastor: fatherjoseph@bendbroadband.com

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Director of Religious Education ◆ Barbara Dalton

RCIA ◆ Garilynn Tocher & Laura Lang

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	08/22/2022	8:00 a.m.	No Mass	2 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 11-12; Matthew 23:13-22 [M]
Tuesday	08/23/2022	8:00 a.m.	No Mass	2 Thessalonians 2:1-3a, 14-17; Matthew 23:23-26
Wednesday	08/24/2022	12:00 p.m.	No Mass	Revelation 21:9b-14; John 1:45-51 [F]
Thursday	08/25/2022	8:00 a.m.	Marissa Lowes (L)	1 Corinthians 1:1-9; Matthew 24:42-51
Friday	08/26/2022	12:00 p.m.	Agnetta Jones (L)	1 Corinthians 1:17-25; Matthew 25:1-13
Saturday	08/27/2022	5:00 p.m.	Walter Pentkowski (D)	Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a; Luke 14:1, 7-14
Sunday	08/28/2022	9:00 a.m.	Angela Jones (L)	Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a; Luke 14:1, 7-14
Sunday	08/28/2022	12:00 p.m.	Ruby & Edwin Ruiz (L)	Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a; Luke 14:1, 7-14

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

Today's Homily

21ST SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

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AS HE CONTINUES HIS final journey to Jerusalem, prepared for His suffering and death, Jesus responds to the question asking how many will be

saved by answering how one is to enter into salvation, and how urgent it is that one strives now, before the Master closes the door. Instead of asking how many will be saved, Jesus wants us to ask ourselves, "Am I prepared to be saved, choosing the narrow gate of sacrificial agape love, and so loving others as Jesus loves them?"

In the first reading, Isaiah's prophecy speaks to the Babylonian exiles returning to Jerusalem after 47 years in captivity, the younger members with their pagan wives, telling them that salvation is not a Jewish monopoly and that is why Yahweh welcomes the pagans also into Judaism. The prophet's great book ends as it began, with a vision of all the peoples of the world streaming toward Jerusalem, acknowledging and praising the God of Israel.

In the second reading, exploring with his readers the consequences of Christian commitment, St. Paul explains that "the narrow gate" of Jesus means our accepting pain and suffering as the loving discipline God is giving His children.

In today's Gospel, Jesus clearly explains that anyone who follows Him through the narrow gate of sacrificial service and sharing love will be saved. Jesus also admonishes His followers to concentrate on their own salvation by self-discipline rather than to worry about the salvation of others.

The Non-Catholic doctrine on salvation was taught by Calvin, and it's currently broadcast

by televangelists: "Once saved, you are always saved," in spite of your future sins and even apostasy. One is saved by the shed blood of

Jesus when, as a young person or an adult, one accepts Jesus as Lord and Savior, confesses one's sins and prays the "Sinner's Prayer," asking God's pardon and forgiveness for one's sins.

Catholic teaching on salvation: Salvation is a past, present, and future event. We were saved from the bondage of sin when we were baptized as children or adults. We are being saved at present, when we cooperate with God's grace by loving others as Jesus did, by sharing our blessings with the needy, and by getting reconciled with God daily, asking His forgiveness for our sins. We will be eternally saved when we hear the loving invitation from Jesus, the Judge, at the moment of our death and on the day of the Last Judgment, saying: *Good and faithful servant, you were faithful in little things. Enter into the joy of your Master.*

We need to cooperate with God's grace given to us daily by:

- Choosing the narrow way and the narrow gate of self-control, and self-disciplining of our evil tendencies, evil habits, and addictions;
- Loving others, seeing the face of Jesus in them, and sharing our blessings with them sacrificially; and
- Obtaining the daily Divine strength to practice self-control. and by sharing love through the guidance of the Holy Spirit in our daily prayer, in Bible reading, and in the reception of the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist.

August—The Month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Very Reverend Saji Kumbungal Thomas C.M.I. Vicar General



On Thursday, August 25th, we will welcome Fr. Saji to St. Joseph Parish. He is the new Vicar General, and he will be staying at the rectory here with Fr. Joseph.

Fr. Saji will be working in Redmond—at the Diocese of Baker. So, if you see Fr. Saji around, please be sure to introduce yourself!

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Religious Education News

For all those who have children who will be attending Religious Education at St. Joseph Catholic Church, the following are some important guidelines/information:

- ◆ **Open Registration is August 30th, 31st, and September 1st, from 12 to 6 p.m.** After these dates, you will need to call **Barbara Dalton** at (541) 410-3720 to schedule an appointment to register. **Registration is \$40 per student.**
- ◆ Please make sure you have your child's Baptismal Certificate and any Sacramental Certificates.
- ◆ First day of class will be on **Wednesday, September 21st, from 3:30 to 5 p.m.**, for Grades 1 through 5.
- ◆ Confirmation Students will also be on **Wednesday, September 21st, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me.

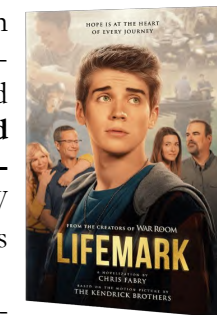
—Thank you, **Barbara Dalton DRE**

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LIFEMARK

There is a beautiful movie coming soon called *LIFEMARK* that shows the values and beauty of choosing life and adoption through a true story of **David Scotton**, coming out on **Friday, September 9th**, in the theatre at 680 SW Powerhouse Dr. in Bend. David works closely with Louisiana "Right to Life."

LIFEMARK is a powerful celebration of life. It especially reaches out to younger generations with this special story. Please consider bringing the whole family out to view this special film.



Women of St. Joseph

Ladies of St. Joseph Parish, please mark your calendars for a special event on **Saturday, September 17th, at 10 a.m.** There is going to be a "Guest Speaker" and refreshments. This is a great opportunity to see how you can give of yourself and enhance your spirituality. More information will be forthcoming.



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Fr. Joseph / Visit to India

Fr. Joseph will be leaving to go to India to visit his family. He will be gone from **Tuesday, September 6th, to Thursday, October 7th**. Fr. Joe Reeves will be here for weekend Masses and Saturday Confession. Please keep Fr. Joseph in your prayers while he is gone and welcome Fr. Joe Reeves as you always do.

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Diocese of Baker



If you received a letter or email from the Parish Office with regard to Safe Environment, Background Checks and/or Classes, please comply ASAP. We must be compliant to the Diocese of Baker and Catholic Mutual Group.

All volunteers and Liturgist must complete. If you have any questions about this mandate, please call the Parish Office at (541) 447-6475. Going forward, you will not be allowed to teach or serve in any ministry until this is completed.

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U.S. Sisters Against Human Trafficking

Human trafficking is the trade of humans for the purpose of forced labor, sexual slavery, or commercial sexual exploitation for the trafficker or others. This may encompass providing a spouse in the context of forced marriage, or the extraction of organs or tissues, including for surrogacy and ova removal. Human trafficking can occur within a country or transnationally. It is a crime against the person because of the violation of the victim's rights of movement through coercion and also because of their commercial exploitation.

Human trafficking is the trade in people—especially women and children—and does not necessarily involve the movement of the person from one place to another.

US Sisters against Human Trafficking is a 501 c (3) organization, located at 2039 N. Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131. The website is: sistersagainstrafficking.org.