

## Fr. Joseph's Corner "The Old Man in the Village"

**A**n old man lived in the village. He was one of the most unfortunate people in the world.

The whole village was tired of him. He was always gloomy. He constantly complained, and he was always in a bad mood. The longer he lived, the more horrible he was becoming—and the more poisonous were his words.

People avoided him because his misfortunes became contagious. It was even unnatural and insulting to be happy just sitting next to him. He created the feeling of unhappiness in others.

But one day, when he turned 80 years old, an incredible thing happened. Instantly, everyone started hearing the rumor: *"The Old Man is happy today! He doesn't complain about a thing! He smiles! And even his face is freshened up!"*

The whole village gathered together to see him, and the old man was asked: "What happened to you?"



"Nothing special," he said. "For 80 years, I've been chasing happiness, and it was useless. And so then I decided to live without happiness—and just enjoy life. That's why I'm so happy now!"

### Moral of the story:

Don't chase happiness. Enjoy your life.

—Prayerful wishes, Fr. Joseph

### 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

### 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	\$2,532.00
August 28, 2022	\$4,400.00	



## St. Joseph Catholic Church 150 E First St., P.O. Box 1315, Prineville OR 97754 August 28, 2022 † 22nd 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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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.*

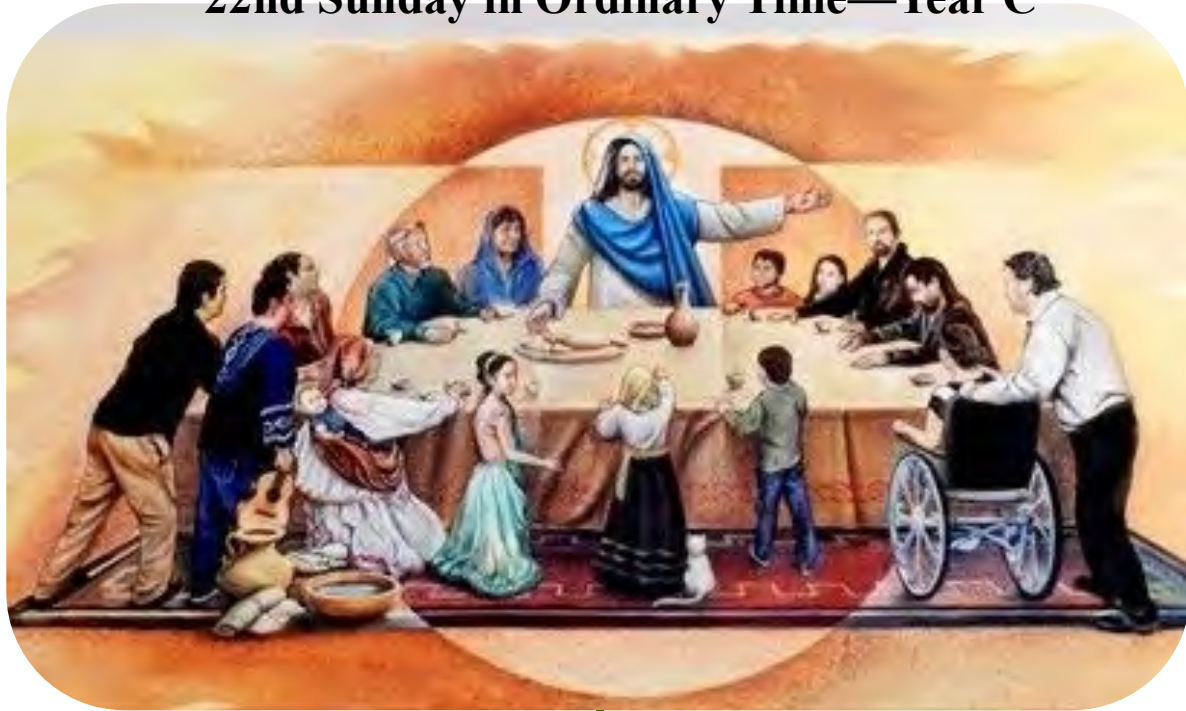
Please Call the Parish Office to Have a Mass Intention Reserved

Monday	08/29/2022	8:00 a.m.	Frank Vetter (D)	1 Corinthians 2:1-5; Mark 6:17-29 [M]
Tuesday	08/30/2022	8:00 a.m.	William Barrus (D)	1 Corinthians 2:10b-16; Luke 4:31-37
Wednesday	08/31/2022	12:00 p.m.	James Thompson (D)	1 Corinthians 3:1-9; Luke 4:38-44
Thursday	09/01/2022	8:00 a.m.	Mike Bachand (D)	1 Corinthians 3:18-23; Luke 5:1-11
Friday	09/02/2022	12:00 p.m.	Mike Carroll (L)	1 Corinthians 4:1-5; Luke 5:33-39
Saturday	09/03/2022	5:00 p.m.	Howard Tocher (D)	Wisdom 9:13-18b; Philemon 9-10, 12-17; Luke 14:25-33
Sunday	09/04/2022	9:00 a.m.	Angus Leffler (D)	Wisdom 9:13-18b; Philemon 9-10, 12-17; Luke 14:25-33
Sunday	09/04/2022	12:00 p.m.	Procopia Sanchez & Maria de Jesus	Wisdom 9:13-18b; Philemon 9-10, 12-17; Luke 14:25-33

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

## Today's Homily

### 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year C



TODAY'S GOSPEL may be read on two different levels. On one, Luke seems to set his story in a Christian community in which many are poor but several are wealthy. That people meet in houses implies that some in the Church had houses large enough to entertain 50 or more people at a time. Luke places this story during Jesus' journey to Jerusalem, which is devoted to teachings on discipleship. Jesus describes how Christians are to act when meeting for their Eucharistic meal. They should not try to sit at the place of honor next to the host or owner of the house/church. Instead, they should humble themselves and seek a lesser seat. The ideal is to respect the communal meal as a celebration of the Body of Christ rather than simply as an opportunity for networking or self glorifying.

On the other level, Luke addresses discipleship beyond the early Church. The "Wedding Banquet" (Luke 14:8) is a common image used by the prophets for the Kingdom of God. The term "invited" (14:7, 8) is the same used to describe those in the Christian community who have been "called" by God to receive the Gospel of Christ in hope of salvation. In this case, when joined to God's Kingdom in the Body of Christ, we should not presume to place ourselves above other members—but we should live in humility. This becomes a key aspect of

discipleship in all four Gospel accounts: to live humbly as Christ did.

Luke then combines the two levels in the closing section, advising would-be-hosts to invite not simply the wealthy and powerful, but the poor and needy, too, to the Gospel message. The Body of Christ should be glorified by the grace that humble members show to the less fortunate.

When is the last time you felt humbled? Today's first reading may challenge those of us who cherish accolades and achievements—so, likely all of us! Being recognized or thanked for our work isn't a bad thing in itself. But Sirach reminds us that God does not work on a merit system. God doesn't need you to do anything special or to be anyone else in order to be fully loved. We only need to humbly accept God's gifts—and give thanks.

Do you have a "go to" seat at family parties? Perhaps, it's the head of the table or smack in the middle. Maybe you're a left-side person, or you relish your seat at the kids' table. We all get into routines. Today, Jesus jars us out of our comfortable spaces, and He calls us to make room for the lowly and the least.

Jesus challenges the dinner host—and all of us—to go beyond giving alms to giving of yourself in relationship with people on the margins.

## August—The Month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

### 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 on 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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### We're OLD

Please be aware of the kneelers in the church—they are old. **Bob Leonard** is repairing at least three a week. Use your hand to place the kneeler in the up and down position. No slamming, please! Do not allow children to stand and jump on the kneelers. This is an old church and, just like all of us, it needs special care with age.

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### 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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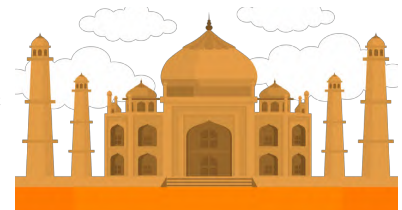
### Inspiring Quote

Our ambition should be to rule ourselves, the true kingdom for each one of us; and true progress is to know more, and be more, and to do more.

—*Oscar Wilde*

### 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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### Christmas Bazaar

Just a reminder that the Christmas Bazaar is not that far away! It will be held on **Saturday, November 12th.**

**NOW** is the time to start planning your projects. We are looking forward to another successful bazaar, thanks to everyone's help.

—*Thank you Nancy Redfern*



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### Help If You Can



**David Herman** is a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church. He resides at Carriage Place, 150 SE Williamson Dr.

His brother, **Peter**, brings him to church on Sundays at 9 a.m., but he would like to know if anyone would be willing to take **David** back to Carriage Place. **Peter** is a member of another church, and the times do not coordinate. If you can assist David, please call the Parish Office at (541) 447-6475.