# Saint Joseph Catholic Community The Epiphany of the Lord January 6-7, 2024



# Clergy

Father John Worgul Pastor

Father Patrick McCain Associate Pastor

Deacon Joseph Slattery Deacon Tom White

Entire staff listing at Saint Joseph.cc/Staff

# Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9:30 am - 3:30 pm

#### Mass Times

Weekends Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 8:00 am, 10:45 am, 5:00 pm

#### **Daily**

Monday - Saturday 8:30 am

#### Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:30 - 4:30 pm Eldersburg Church

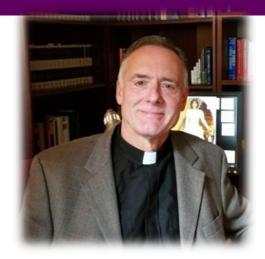
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# From the Desk of Our Pastor ....

# **Epiphany 2024**

Try to imagine a Christless world; actually, many in our secular culture dream of it. I think of John Lennon's song "Imagine," a catchy tune with abominable lyrics. He imagines a Marxist utopia where there are no countries, boundaries, materialism, heaven or hell, or religion. It has become a hymn for atheists and agnostics, as well as countless other non-thinking persons are moved to tears over it.



What was it like before Christ? True, there were wars and suffering before as there were after, but there was no

spiritual light. As for pagan religions, the gods were territorial, for the most part, tied to the countries where they were worshipped. They offered no comfort or solace; they were as unpredictable as nature and the weather. Apart from Israel, there was no idea of a personal relationship with God. There was no true idea why we humans even existed, who we are, or where we are going. There was a general concept of good moral behavior but no empowerment on a personal or national level to achieve it. This is called darkness.

This is why Epiphany is so essential to the world. Epiphany is the revelation of Christ to the nations. Isaiah foresaw a time when the nations, completely shrouded in darkness, would see a great light. This light of Christ has spread throughout the world, and everywhere it has shone, faith, hope, and love have spilled into human hearts like never before. Civic institutions grounded themselves in Holy Scripture; the Church's morality and ethics were the basis for their laws.

Christianity never assumed there could be a utopia on this earth. It always assumed the Church could make things better as we journey as exiles toward our true home in heaven. Our secular culture, which is heavily influenced by utopian Marxism and by John Lennon, often fails to acknowledge what life was like before the advent of Christianity. Many of their ideas and concepts such as "equality," "love," "freedom," and the value of the human individual, presuppose the foundational influence of Christianity, despite their distorted interpretation.

Dear brothers and sisters, we must keep Epiphany before us because we live in a culture where the darkness is returning, shrouding us with death and moral decay in the name of progress. Epiphany is at the heart of our Church's mission of embracing Christ's life and reflecting His love. Let us imagine what it would be like for Christ to fill all our hearts and the hearts of our neighbors.

Yours in Christ, Father John Worgul



# This Week. This Month. This Year. at Saint Joseph

#### **This Week**

**Monday 8th** 

The Baptism of the Lord

Mass Intentions: \* Georgette M. Higgs

8:30 a Daily Mass

**Tuesday 9th** 

Mass Intentions: + Gary Haines

8:30 a Daily Mass

7:30 p Rosary for World Peace

Wednesday 10th

Mass Intentions: \* Georgette M. Higgs

8:30 a Daily Mass

10:00 a Carroll County Food Sunday

7:00 p WINGS

Thursday 11th

Mass Intentions: \* Georgette M. Higgs

8:30 a Daily Mass

10:00 a Deliver casseroles to Our Daily Bread

6:00 p Catholic Daughters Meeting

7:00 p Rosary for Cancer Victims

Friday 12th

Mass Intentions: \* Georgette M. Higgs

8:30 a Daily Mass

9:00 a Play and Pray

7:00 p Lessons & Carols

Saturday 13th

Mass Intensions: \* Georgette M. Higgs

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8:30 a Daily Mass

7:00 a Knights Blood Drive

11:00 a Family Rosary across the Parish

5:00 p Anticipatory Mass^

**Sunday 14th** 

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions: + Michael Capparelli, SJCC

Parishioners, \* Georgette M. Higgs

8:00 a Mass

10:45 a Mass

5:00 p Mass

6:00 p LifeTeen

7:30 p Young Adult Bonfire

#### **This Month**

- January 15th Martin Luther King Parish Office Closed
- January 19th National March For Life DC
- January 20th CDA Linus Blankets
- January 21st New Parishioner Welcome Brunch
- January 23rd Staff Retreat Parish Office Closed
- January 24th Knights Social: Gift Card Bingo
- January 27th Dinner and a Movie Knight

#### **This Year**

(Mark Your Calendar, Details to Come)

- February 14th Ash Wednesday
- February 16th Lenten Fish Fry begins
- March 24th Palm Sunday
- March 28th Holy Thursday
- March 29th Good Friday
- March 30th Holy Saturday
- March 31st Easter Sunday
- ◆ April 13th Sheen's Senior Prom
- April 13th Knights Blood Drive
- April 27th Celebrating Saint Joseph
- July 17-24th National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis, IN

\* In honor of + In memory of ^ Incense planned



#### So that there are no strangers among us...

# Three easy Steps to Join SJCC 1. Visit our website at SaintJoseph.cc/Welcome

- 2. Complete the Registration Form Congratulations and Welcome
- 3. Attend a Quarterly Welcome Brunch to learn more about your new community.

#### PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

For all of the sick... Kenneth Andrews, Kathy Timanus, Esther King, Bill Kniska, Alicia Bryan, Natasha Speidel, Katrina Berkel, Alicia Bryan, Katrina Berkel, Carmella Campbell, Mel Gysegem, Charles Snelling, Danny Clark, Jean Carroll, Lisa Wing, Donna Muffoletto, Pat Kovacsi, Maria Rios, Kurt Hider, Priscilla Lemak, Brittany Chairs Smith, George Moriatis, Beverly Brinkley, Angela Carol Ellis, Deacon Karl Bayhi, Abby Cafiero, Lucille Perron, Doris Wagner, Michael Kirchner ....Let us pray to the Lord: Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who have died: Gus Allen, Henry Douglas Henson, Hector Favazzi... Let us pray to the Lord: Lord, hear our prayer.

#### Look online for the most up to date list of prayer requests.

Please contact our Parish Office to add your loved one to our prayer list. All names will remain on this list for one month. If a longer period of time is needed, please let us know.

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Friday, January 19th Eldersburg Church saintjoseph.cc/respectlife





WEEKLY GIVING		
December 16 & 17, 2023		
	Actual FY24	Actual FY23
Envelopes (200)	\$ 13,945	\$ 13,559
Faith Direct (285) Other (1)	\$ 9,762	\$ 9,209
Loose	\$ 2,555	\$ 2,370
Total for the week	\$ 26,262	\$ 25,138
Poor Box	\$ 1,686	
Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 1,257	
Second Collection Retirement Fund for Religious	\$ 6,417	
Mass Attendance: 1,21		

December 23 & 24, 2023		
, , ,	Actual FY24	Actual FY23
Envelopes (250)	\$ 20,503	\$ 15,263
Faith Direct (285)	\$ 20,497	\$ 17,718
LOOSe (FY23 Christmas was on Sunday, Loose = combined amount)	\$ 2,641	\$ 5,001
Total for the week	\$ 43,641	\$ 37,982
Poor Box	\$ 3,439	
Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 1,508	
<b>December 25, 2023</b>		
Envelopes (227)	\$ 14,290	
Faith Direct (285)	\$ 6,122	
Loose	\$ 8,477	
Total for Christmas	\$ 28,889	
Poor Box—Christmas	\$ 784	

Mass Attendance: Fourth Sunday of Advent 1,108
Mass Attendance: Christmas 2,706

# **Open Position: Office Assistant**

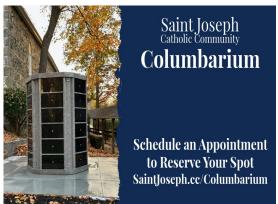
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- Administer and maintain facilities calendar
- Program doors to lock and unlock in accordance with scheduled events
- Arrange facility rentals and annual leases
- Provide clerical support to Directors of Facilities, Finance, and Administrative Operations
- Record and maintain sacramental records

Contact parishoffice@saintjoseph.cc for full job description and employee application





# **Our Leadership Team**

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# **Our Pastoral Team**

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# **Corporators**

The Corporators are responsible for ensuring parish operations are conducted in an effective and prudent manner, in compliance with all Archdiocesan and legal regulations.

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Gwen Lilly Chris Patrick Terry Morse

# **Parish Pastoral Council**

The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) is a consultative body that serves the Pastor. The PPC conducts research and investigates matters that are of importance to the Pastor. It reviews and updates the Parish Pastoral Plan as needed.

Meetings are held bi-monthly, and minutes are available on the website.

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Father John Worgul | Pastor Rachel Wandishin | Chairman Mark Steinbrunner | Vice Chair Ernest Tucker | Secretary Minta Davis | At Large Member Jane Miller | At Large Member Kathy Reid | At Large Member Joselle Ruddle | At Large Member

#### **Mission Council**

The Mission Council are members assigned to implement the Parish Plan and act as a liaison between the ministry staff and the SJCC ministries.

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Tony Gioio | Chairman Steve Cox | Liturgy Director Lucy Lyles | Liturgy Chair Lauren Glass | Mission Support Co-Director Thomas Schwartz | Mission Support Co-Director Elena Hodgkiss | Mission Support Chair Cathy Nusbaum | Secretary

# **Finance Commission**

The Finance Commission is responsible for forecasting, keeping track of, and reporting the parish's financial status. The Finance Commission helps the pastor in all major expenditure decisions.

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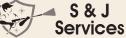
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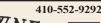
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