



March 3, 2019
Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. JOSEPH IS A TITHING PARISH
 God's Plan for Giving

In return for the Lord's generosity, our people returned to God the following:

Sunday Offerings:	\$ 3,543.00
Last Year:	\$ 4,034.00

The above are bank deposit amounts

First Reading: Sirach 27:4-7

This reading explains that quality and truth in conversation is a test for humankind. Only after listening to a person's reasoning can we know the mind of another.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:54-58

Paul speaks of the mystery of transformation that is victory over death when our mortality puts on immortality. We are encouraged by Paul to be steadfast and immovable, filling our lives with the work of the Lord.

Gospel: Luke 6:39-45

Today, Jesus teaches through the use of parables, first encouraging us to be like the teacher, understand that the blind cannot lead the blind. Jesus also reminds us that only the heart's good treasure produces good. In order to remain steadfast, we must heed what Jesus tells us. If we hear God's word, our foundation will be strong, unshaken, steadfast, built upon rock.

Saturday 2, 2019

9:00 AM Tony Amedei
 (Anne Chiccino)
4:00 PM People of the Parish

Sun. Mar. 3rd
8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM George Hogan
11:00 AM Charles Perry
 (Reese Family)

Mon. Mar. 4th
9:00 AM *St. Casimir*
 David Heim

Tues. Mar. 5th
9:00 AM Joe Kruper
 (Deb Mathias)

Wed. March. 6th
12 Noon *Ash Wednesday*
 Service w Ashes
7:00 PM Mass w Ashes

Thurs. Mar. 7th
9:00 AM *St. Perpetua & St. Felicity*
 Tony Kaminski

Fri. March 8th
9:00 AM *St. John*
 Bill Gallagher
 (Wife Helen)

Sat. March 9th
4:00 PM **St. Frances**
 Michael Russell
 (Tony & Bonnie Lupo)

Sun. March 10th
8:00 AM **1st Sunday of Lent**
 Nancy & Joseph Maturani
 (Larry & Annie Maturani)

11:00 AM People of the Parish



Second Collections

- March 3 – Our Faith, Our Future*
- March – Easter Flowers*
- Operation Rice Bowl*
- March 10 – Repairs & Maintenance*

From Our Pastor,

Here we are already...Ash Wednesday, this Wednesday, March 6th, please note the two Mass opportunities you have here at St. Joseph. Please make sure you remember Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of absences from eating meat and also a day of fasting. There is much good that is accomplished when we fast and pray together, so many extra graces to fight the Evil One. So please fast, together let us invoke the Lord to expel the demons that have entered into His Church, may the Bride of Christ be made once again pure and holy. Pray for me as I pray for you.

REMEMBER THOSE WHO ARE SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS ESPECIALLY: Abram Koons Sr., Christine Marie Koons, Andrea Rea Young, Bernice Ann Yocum, Keith and Zenith Robenolt, Earl Weaver, George Sarfine, Jean Machamer, Ed Pagan, Carole and Ed Barsis, Lisa Reichelderfer, Mary Poremsky, Harold and Rita Prentiss, Aiden Barsis, Merrill and Connie Buehler, Mason Reeder, Maria Harper, Matthew Rosboschil, Charlotte Farrell and Jackie Rando, If you would like to have a name announced in the bulletin or if someone is well and we can remove their name, please call the parish office. After six weeks of prayer, names will be removed. If further prayer is needed please call the Parish Office at 570-742-4356 to reinstate name. Thank You. **PRAYER IS OUR WAY TO CALL UPON GOD.** We pray for those who are ill or need special intentions. If you would like to add someone to the Parish Prayer List or Parish Shut-in List, please contact the parish office. Thank You.

Youth Group will be selling “HE IS RISEN “ Car magnets for Lent. Each magnet is \$5.00 and will be sold after all weekend masses until they are all sold. Get yours early before they run out!

ST JOSEPH FEAST DAY CELEBRATION will be held on Sunday, March 24th. Reservation forms are available on the bulletin board. Forms are due back with your donation by March 17th.

A **Men’s Group** meets the 1st Tuesday of every month upstairs at the parish office (107 Walnut Street) from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Contact Bob Engleman at 570-412-3707 for any questions. Thank you.

St. Joseph Happenings	
March 1	Rosary at 8:30 AM
March 6	Ash Wednesday
March 8	Lenten Fish or Shrimp Dinner
March 18	Card making craft day

Elizabeth Ministry-Food is Love: This ministry takes its name from the time when our Blessed Mother visited her cousin, Elizabeth to offer support and caring. Members of this ministry make meals for people who are ill, have just had a baby, or need short term meals provided. For a meal need, contact Sandy Muscarella at 570-742-7051.

Help needed in the dining room for fish and shrimp dinners. Please commit to helping by signing up on the bulletin board.

WEIS & GIANT GIFT CARDS: Please consider purchasing Weis or Giant gift cards this week to buy your groceries. **The proceeds from last weekend were \$15.00.**

FYI	
March 6	Ash Wednesday
March 8	Fish or Shrimp Dinners Begins
March 10	Daylight Savings Time Begins
March 10	1 st Sunday of Lent
Mass will be at 6:00 PM Wednesday’s during Lent followed with Stations of the Cross at 6:30 PM.	
March 13	Stations of the Cross at 6:30 PM
March 17	Lenten Appeal Begins
March 24	St. Joseph Feast Day Celebration
April 14	Palm Sunday
April 18	Holy Thursday
April 21	Easter Sunday

Council of Catholic Women

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Food Bank Collection area in confessional. Items needed include Cereal, Peanut Butter, Canned Tuna, Fruits and Vegetables along with Nonperishables, toiletries

Migrant Outreach Collection for CSIU

Small sized toiletries, razors

Soda tabs for Ronald McDonald House

Box tops for Ed for Milton schools, parochial school

Facebook- <https://www.facebook.com/ccwmilton>

Website- <http://stjosephmilton.org>

CCW PRAYER SHAWLS: Any parishioner who can knit or crochet, please think about making prayer shawls. If anyone in the parish knows of someone that needs a prayer shawl, please contact a CCW member or officer.

St. Joseph Milton, and Sacred Heart Lewisburg are presenting "Paul, Apostle of Christ" Saturday, March 30th @ 1:00 PM @ The Campus Theatre, Lewisburg. Presented in honor of all the pastors, "Preachers of the world". Admission is free to the public. A free will offering of money or non-perishable food will be donated to the Central Pennsylvania Food Bank.

Don't forget "Soup and the Word" luncheon @ 12 Noon at First Presbyterian Church, Milton on Wednesday March 13th. Speaker pastor Steve Shirk.

Thank you for making our President's Day Cherry Pie a success. All proceeds will go towards the beautification of our church and parish center grounds.

THE MILTON FOOD BANK IS ALWAYS IN NEED OF DONATIONS. PLEASE CONSIDER THIS WHEN GROCERY SHOPPING. IN ADDITION TO CANNED OR BOXED FOOD ITEMS, BABY ITEMS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED. DIAPERS, BABY WIPES AND BABY FOOD TO MENTION A FEW. BOXES FOR YOUR DONATIONS ARE LOCATED IN THE CONFESSONAL. THANK YOU.

If you would like to receive **text alerts on your phone** concerning important Parish announcements like cancellations or venue changes due to inclement weather, visit our homepage at www.stjosephmilton.org or Facebook at St. Joseph Milton PA. Follow the link provided and be sure to follow the on screen prompts. Signup takes only a few minutes. For technical help, email Shawn Moore at smoore@sjnra.org

If you would like to receive **email alerts** concerning important Parish announcements, please send your email address to annechic109@gmail.com.

ALSO when we attempted to notify Parishioners of the venue change for the weekend of 1/19 and 1/20, we found that many phone numbers in the parish directory have not been updated. If your phone number and/or address have changed, please include a note in the collection basket to help us update our records.

You may also call the parish telephone number at 570-742-4356 and listen to the message that Father has recorded.

Parishioners visited Milton Rehab and said the Rosary. We would like to make it a monthly event. We would like to go to Milton rehab one month and then Watsontown rehab the next month probably on a Tuesday @ 10:00 o'clock. If you would like to join us, please contact Tracy Leitzel, Stefanie Shaw or Anne Chiccino (annechic109@gmail.com or 570-742-8425). Our next scheduled date is Tuesday, March 5th @ 10:00 @ Watsontown Rehab 745 E. 8th St. You are not signing up for a monthly commitment. We would like to get 4 or 5 parishioners a month.

The next Card-making craft day will be Monday, March 18 at the Parish Center between 9 and 3. Please let us know if you plan on attending so we can plan for lunch or if we have to cancel. RSVP to Stefanie Shaw (stefaniederrshaw@gmail.com) or Anne Chiccino (annechic109@gmail or 570-742-8425)