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Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament begins
Monday-Thursdays at 11 am &

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Mass Schedule

6 am & 12:15 pm Monday—Friday 7 am Saturday Morning

5 pm Saturday Vigil Mass 7 am, 9 am, 11:45 am and 6 pm Sunday

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ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

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29th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 2025

Persistent Prayer

Jesus tells us today about a widow who kept coming to a judge, asking for justice. The judge did not fear God or respect anyone — but because the widow refused to give up, he finally said, "I will give her justice so that she does not wear me out."

Jesus uses this story to teach us the power of persistent prayer. But the message is deeper than "keep praying until you get what you want." True persistence in prayer is not about changing God's heart — it's about shaping ours. The widow in the Gospel kept returning to the judge. In the same way, Jesus invites us to keep returning to God — not because God forgets, but because we need to get to know God better, as well as to know ourselves more deeply. God is not a judge who must be persuaded or pressured. God is not hard to convince. He is already loving, generous, and attentive. But sometimes, it is we who are not ready to receive what He wants to give.

Persistent prayer changes that. It transforms our desires, deepens our faith, and stretches our hearts to align with God's will. When we pray over and over again, it may seem like nothing is happening. But something always is. Each time we come before God, we are being formed — taught to wait, to trust, to surrender.

And in the end, that's the greatest answer to every prayer: not that our circumstances are changed, but that *we* are changed.

October 2025

Office hours are from 9-1 M-F

19	20	21	22	23	24	25
7:00 Mass-FP	6:00 Mass-FP	6:00 Mass-FF	6:00 Mass-FF	6:00 Mass-FP	6:00 Mass-FP	7:00 Mass-FF
9:00 Mass-FP	10:30 OCIA					10:00 Confessions
11:45 Mass-FF	12:15 Mass-FF	12:15 Mass-FP	12:15 Mass-FP	12:15 Mass-FF	12:15 Mass-FF	1:00-3:00 Lector Meeting
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6:00 Mass-FF	6:00 OCIA	6:00 Mother of Perpetual Help Prayer group	downstairs			5:00 Mass-FP
		Trayer group				

Daily Readings

Monday, Oct. 20

Romans 4:20-25 (Ps) Luke 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 Luke 12:13-21

Tuesday, Oct. 21

Romans 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21 Psalm 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 Luke 12:35-38

Wednesday, Oct 22

Romans 6:12-18 Psalm 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 Luke 12:39-48

Thursday, Oct 23

Romans 6:19-23 Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 Luke 12:49-53

Friday, Oct 24

Romans 7:18-25a Psalm 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94 Luke 12:54-59

Saturday, Oct 25

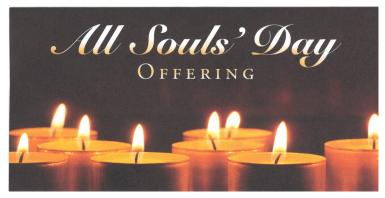
Romans 8:1-11 Psalm 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 Luke 13:1-9

Sunday, Oct 26

Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18 Psalm 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 Luke 18:9-14



Stewardship Report of Treasury for: Oct 1-13 **FYTD Actual** Collections 19,649.06 155,590.66 Other Regular Income 540.64 15,619.72 **Unusual Income:** Choirs 0.00 100.00 **Convent Lease** 0.00 17,000.00 R&M Collection 240.00 5,020.00 **Security Project** 180.00 795.00 Feed the Hungry 180.00 1,580.00 Other Unusual Income 0.00 1,906.34 197,611.72 **Total Income** 20,789.70 Designated Funds 612,011.76 Restricted Parish Hall Funds 464,549.94



All Souls' Day envelopes are now available at all entrances of the Church.

Please feel free to take one, fill out the names of your loved ones and drop into the collection basket the next time you come along with your donation. Envelopes will be collected and placed in the front of the altar like last year.

Mark your Calendars for Saturday, October 25, beginning about 8:30am. – Yard clean-up – The Knights of Columbus have organized a yard workday to clean up all around the Church property, especially along the border between the Church and Kosmic Cones. Bring your family, yard tools, especially weed whackers, chain saws, and if anyone has a dump trailer, please bring it for all the green waste. See you there!



Safety Tips for St. Joseph Church

Keep exits clear during mass.
No chairs by exits
Accompany children under 16 to the restroom.

In the event of an emergency:
Stay calm
Avoid panic
Follow instructions
Emergency instructions may vary.



Pope asks everyone to pray the rosary for peace







The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,

may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole Cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen.





PLEASE JOIN US ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9 AT 10:30 FOR OUR SUNDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND PRAYERS



17. Marriage Matters-because spouses are equal partners.

"Firmly established by the Lord, the unity of marriage will radiate from the equal personal dignity of wife and husband, a dignity acknowledged by mutual and total love." Second Vatican Council

Gaudium et Spes (Joy and Hope, the Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World), 49



