

**January 24, 2021
Third Sunday of Ordinary Time**



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WEEKEND MASSES:

Livestreamed on Facebook at Greg Oligschlaeger

Holy Rosary: Saturday 5:30 p.m. & Sunday 9:30 a.m.
St. Stephen: Sunday 8:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday – 7:30 a.m.
Friday – 8:20 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Holy Rosary: Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.
St. Stephen: Sunday 7:30 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 5:30 p.m.	January 23 Joe Ralph Buckman
Sunday 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	January 24 Families of Holy Rosary and St. Stephen Madilynn Rose St. Clair Mark Saunders
Monday	January 25 No Scripture Service
Tuesday 7:30 a.m.	January 26 Linda Shively
Wednesday 7:30 a.m.	January 27 Bill Pfanner
Thursday 7:30a.m.	January 28 David and Tom Miles
Friday 8:20 a.m.	January 29 Joe & Marilyn Miles Families Living & Deceased
Saturday 5:30 p.m.	January 30 Kenny & Amy St. Clair and Family Judson Stewart
Sunday 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	January 31 Families of Holy Rosary and St. Stephen Joe Miles Family

Your Gifts to God and Parish

December 27	\$ 7,548.00
January 3	\$ 6,602.25
January 10	\$ 6,044.25
January 17	\$ 10,502.25

Prayer Intentions for the month of January

Intention of Pope Francis: May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

Intention of Bishop McKnight: For those seeking employment; that through the intercession of St. Joseph the Worker, they may find dignified work in supporting themselves and their family.

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend we have the responsibility to pray that a divine truth may be realized in our United States of America and across the world. The truth is that all life is SACRED from conception to natural death. Friday, January 22nd was the anniversary of the Supreme Court's 1973 Roe v. Wade ruling which legalized abortion in all 50 states. This coming Friday, January 29th will be the 48th annual March for Life in Washington, D.C.

For 47 years, people have been marching in pilgrimage by the tens of thousands at our nation's capital asking our legislatures to reverse the Roe vs Wade Supreme Court decision that legalized abortions throughout our nation. **This year's 48th Annual March for Life will look different.** In light of the fact that we are in the midst of a pandemic which may be peaking, and in view of the heightened pressures that law enforcement officers and others are currently facing in and around the nation's Capital, **the annual March for Life rally will take place virtually and most participants will stay home and join the March virtually.** A small group of pro-life leaders from across the country will be invited to physically march in Washington, DC this year.

You may participate virtually in the march at marchforlife.org and register online at the website for an invitation to participate in the rally and other events. There will be a National Vigil Mass on Thursday, January 28 at 7:30 p.m. and a Mass before the march at 7:00 a.m. on Friday, January 29, 2021 which will be broadcast from the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception and viewed on EWTN and livestreamed on marchforlife.org.

The right to life is a human right. Our defense of that right is a joyful witness to the beauty and dignity of every human person. The March for Life is an inspiring, peaceful, vibrant, and joy-filled rally of women, men, young people, and children from all across the country. But this is not just a protest... TOGETHER, WE GATHER TO CELEBRATE LIFE. We celebrate each and every life, from the moment of conception. We envision a world where every life is celebrated, valued, and protected. [March for Life website]

Pray this week that all human life is seen as sacred in our laws and our human interaction. Pray for an end to legalized abortion. Pray for more care and concern for embryo's, children and adults with mental handicaps and special needs. Pray for an end to war and genocide. Pray for an end to human trafficking and sexual abuse. Pray for an end to capital punishment and revenge. Pray that President Biden, our national and state legislators, and our courts will uphold the dignity of human life and protect with our laws the most innocent and vulnerable lives from conception to natural death.

Prayers and Blessings.

F. Greg Oligschlaeger



Readings for January 31, 2021

1st Reading – Deuteronomy 18:15-20 Moses told all the people that the Lord would raise up a prophet among them and put words into his mouth. Whoever does not listen must answer to the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

2nd Reading – 1 Corinthians 7:32-35 Paul encouraged the Corinthians, in view of the times, to remain free of worry and devoted to God. A virgin is anxious about the things of the Lord, that she may be holy.

Gospel – Mark 1:21-28 Jesus entered the synagogue to teach. All were amazed because he spoke with such great authority. When unclean spirits obeyed Jesus, the crowd stood in awe.

On the Calendar...

January 25 – Rosary at St. Stephen at 12:00 noon
Community Dinner at Christian Church 5:30

February 1-5 – Catholic Schools week

February 6 & 7 – School Open House for visitors

February 13 – Lucky Hearts Banquet

April 10 – Sacrament of Confirmation Mass

Father of goodness and love, Hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence. Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole and free downcast spirits. May they find lasting health and deliverance and so join us in thanking you for all your gifts. Come Lord Jesus!

Please pray for:

Rusty Adam Regina Hays Tim Quinn P.A. Turnbull
John Kendrick Bonnie Werner Michael Kellerman
Deacon Mike Long Trent Zeiger Hazel Smith
Sue Gilbert Natalee Amos Rosemary Evans
Deanna Buckman Jackie Ryan Logan Maher
Mark Leake Daniel Patrick Mudd Troy Ritter
Kenneth Ryan Bonnie Ess Barbara Kendrick
Connie Kendrick Nick Mudd William P. Smith
Teresa Ritter Toland Pete Schuman

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will continue to be on Tuesdays and Fridays from 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. until further notice. Everyone is welcome to come at any time during those 12 hours for prayer and adoration.

The Women's Ministry of Jefferson City was established to help the women of our diocese connect with each other so that we can support each other in our spiritual journeys. We find inspiration and comfort in praying with each other, in talking with each other, and in sharing the stories of our faith journeys. Some of the women of our diocese have shared their stories in podcasts. These stories (diojeffcity.org/womens-ministry/reflections-from-within/) are from ordinary women doing the best they can to serve their families, their parishes, their communities and, above all, their God. Their experiences tell our story, too, about times of sorrow, challenges, hope, faith, love and joy. Each week, there will be a new podcast on this website. Let us go to our favorite resting places with our favorite beverages and spend some time with our sisters in Christ by listening to these podcasts.

KC Chili Supper: The Swinkey KC's will have their annual Chili Supper on Sunday, January 31 in the Swinkey Gym. The social hour will begin at 4:00, and chili served around 5:00. All Swinkey and Monroe City Knights are invited to attend.

YEAR of ST. JOSEPH - Pope Francis announced a special year dedicated to St. Joseph from 8 December 2020 until 8 December 2021, on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of the proclamation of St. Joseph as the Patron of the Universal Church, as well as the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Our Lady.

Bishop W. Shawn McKnight accordingly approved a slate of monthly themes for the diocese's observance of the Year of St. Joseph:

- **January:** those working to support their families — especially those seeking work.

Please keep all those that are seeking work and those working to support their families in your prayers.

School News

♥ Catholic Schools Week will be held from February 1-5. We will not be able to have our regular Open House but the school will be open for visitors on Saturday, February 6 and Sunday, February 7.

♥ Mass at 8:20 on Friday, January 29 will be led by the fourth-grade students.



Lucky Hearts Banquet will be held virtually on Saturday, February 13. Tickets for the drawing will be sold and prime rib dinners will be available for carryout. Pick up your meal and watch the drawing in the comfort of your own home! Information has been mailed, but if anyone needs this information or needs additional tickets, please contact the school (573-735-2422). Please support this major fundraiser for Holy Rosary School. You could be a big winner!

Following God's Lead along with Donna

Simon Scholarship - The William H. (Bill) Simon Scholarship Fund awards scholarships to Catholic students who are in financial need for the purpose of attending an accredited college or university of the student's choice. The scholarship is \$1,000 per semester to assist the student in meeting educational needs. Scholarship funds are paid directly to the institution or to the student upon presentation of receipts paid to the institution for tuition, fees, and/or room and board. It is the intent to award three new scholarships each year; however, the actual number of new awards will be contingent upon the current number of previous recipients that are eligible for renewal. Applications for the 2021-2022 Simon Scholarship are being accepted through March 31, 2021. Applications can be acquired through the parish office.

PSR/Youth Groups - will not be held during January 2021 due to Covid-19. Please pray that this virus will subside so that we can continue in February.

FORMED.org - January 18-22 is Respect Life Week. There are several Pro-Life offerings on FORMED. *Changing Sides* – the true story of the conversion of a dedicated Planned Parenthood director to a leading Pro-life Activist; *Paul VI: the Pope in the Tempest* – Pope Paul VI wrote the prophetic, controversial document *Humane Vitae*; and the Lighthouse Catholic presentation *There is Life in the Womb* by Archbishop Fulton Sheen. There are many more Pro-Life selections on FORMED from which you can choose.

To inquire about faith formation/religious education contact Donna Long anytime at donnalong.hrss@gmail.com or call me at the rectory, 735-4718, my office hours are 8:00 am to Noon, Monday through Friday.

*God loves each of us as if there was only one of us.
St. Augustine*