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### **Parish Staff**

Fr. James Kinney-Pastor
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Deacon John Roche
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Kathie Schweikart-Pastoral Administrator
Kathleen Thompson-St. Agatha Principal
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### **Mission Statement**

St. Joseph Parish.... "is a vibrant faith comm<u>unity</u>" committed to <u>seeking</u> a full Christian life, <u>sharing</u> an active Catholic faith, and <u>serving</u> others with love, grace and dignity.

### **Sacramental Preparation**

Baptism: By Appointment
Reconciliation: Saturday 3pm
or By Appointment

Matrimony: Contact Pastor Six months prior

Anointing of the Sick & Visits

If you or someone you know is in need of our

**Homebound Ministry** please contact the Church Office.

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### St. Joseph Website:

www.stjosephwinchester.com
Diocesan Website: www.cdlex.org
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ID # 55334

#### A Note From Fr. Jim Kinney

This fourth Sunday of Lent is also Laetare Sunday, appropriately noting that our Lenten work, as in all liturgical seasons, comes with a true sense of joy. Years ago when I was fresh out of the seminary, I was assigned to a parish that had the luxury of a rectory housekeeper. The housekeeper's three children, all in their single digits, always accompanied her during her daily rectory tasks and they were often very curious about the new priest and would journey into my bedroom as the eager explorers children usually are. And they were most in awe of the small statuette of the Prodigal son embraced by his Father. They seemed to really sense the true joy captured in that embrace as their laughter and fingerprints all over the statuette gave testimony.

Of course, there is also a certain tension whenever we deal with God's love for his children, implied of the Prodigal Son's Father when placed against the backdrop of the evils in our world. Bitter disputes among siblings are often the case when the inheritance of great wealth is at hand and our heavenly Father offers all of us an inheritance of unparalleled wealth. The older son in our gospel is blind to the Father's mercy for his younger sibling which is also offered to the older son every bit as much as its accompanying gift of love. In a world where competition runs amok, we are often blind to that which is most truly gift, unearned and without discrimination.

The Father's embrace resurrects in his son, as intuitively as it did in the housekeeper's children, a response of love, joy and gratitude, along with the sure knowledge that all is given freely and totally. This heritage cannot be earned, and it is never depleted. even by our most egregious misuses.

Blessings, Fr. Jim

### **Liturgical Roles**

# Saturday, April 5

<u>Lector</u> Ted Godlaski

Extrodinary Minister
Deacon Ron,
Blair

Servers Blairs

## Sunday, April 6

<u>Lector</u> Lillian Hall, Mary Virginia Rupard

Extrodinary Minister Nick Comer, John Rompf

> Servers Amber , John Mc

Blessings for March: Irys Hahn-1, Margaret Blair-2, Lauren Faulkner-2, Lillian Hall-2, Joseph Whelan-6, Charles Pitts-9, Robert Pitts-9, Joe Watt-3, Todd Peyton-4, William Sherrill-4, MyLee Blythe-6, Titus Conley-8, Julia Blair-9, Morgan Parrish-9, Gary Clay-10, Jeff Gallenstein-11, Emily Blair-13, Kathleen Thompson-3, Kendra Abner-14, Patrick Zalone-15, Bernadette Zygmunt-15, Emmie Comer-16, Mary Poole-17, Chad Faulkner-18, Joyce Smith-19, Bryan Blair-20, Kathy Keller-20, Tari Morse-20, Catherine Blair-22, Philip Blair-22, Michael Litzinger-22, John Hoskins-23, Kelton Mattingly-23, Ladonna Philips-23, Anna Hall-24, Theresa Vetter-24, David Huesman-25, Kathie Schweikart-27, Susan Campbell-29, Julie Tucker-30 Happy Birthday!!

	Thru 3/23
Total (Offertory Only)	
Budget (Offertory Only) Excess/(Short)	

#### **Mass Intentions**

Tuesday, April I 12:00 pm Anthony Muller (Church)

Wednesday, April 2 12:00 pm Sherman Charles (Church)

Thursday, April 3
I 2:00 pm
Guadelupe Rose Marquis
(Church)

Friday, April 4
8:30 am
Chic Clemmons
(Church)
Adoration in the Church
9 am to 5 pm

Saturday, April 5 3:00 pm Confession 3:10 pm Rosary 4:00 pm Robert Frank (Church)

Sunday, April 6 8:30 am Clem Miner 9:30am Rosary 2:00 pm (Spanish) "Pro Populi" (For the People)



List in printed bulletins in the church

LAUDATO SI: Please pray for the success of the work of ecumenical and interfaith communities to promote global unity, to stir hope, and to restore Earth as a nurturing home to all its inhabitants

Remember all who are lonely or afraid, for teenagers on the street, old people in nursing homes, prisoners with no one to visit them, and all whom the world has forgotten: that Christ might lead us to them.

> Stations of the Cross is each Friday during Lent at 6 pm in church and Estaciones de la cruz en español 8 pm.

Lets get together...Laetare Sunday PotLuck on March 30 at 3pm. Bring a dish to share A-P veggie side, R-Z dessert. Main dish, drinks and music provided. All are invited to join in the festivities.

### The Women of St. Joseph Upcoming Events:

April 4: Movie St. Frances Xavier Cabrini 5 pm in the Office Pizza provided bring your own drink in a cup with a lid:) May 18: Rapha Dinner 4:30pm

June 6: Social TBD All are invited!!

**SVDP Item of the Month: Canned Soup** SVDP: Sign up for the Kroger Rewards Program at www.kroger.com ID # 55334

which benefits SVDP and St. Agatha.

Cleaning out your Clutter. SVDP is now accepting Household items (silverware, dishes, pots and pans etc. no decorative/fabric items or clothing) and wood furniture for clients. If you have a question about an item to donate contact Mark Bordas

Senior Outing: April 17 TBA 11:30 am. Meet in the Church parking lot to carpool at 11 am RSVP to Jeanne Haddad. Senior Potluck Lunch in the Hall on April 7 at 11:30 am. All are invited to attend.

We have an Auto Withdrawal system for your Offertory **Donations...**the Donate button located on our website at www.stjosephwinchester.com and click on the Donate button and follow the prompts for Online giving, this is PCI Compliant. Thank you for your support.

### **OPEN NOW:**

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Tuition Assistance Available. Call 859-744-6484

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# Faith Formation:

Kathie Schweikart (

April 2: NO Religious Education April 3: NO Youth Group

Easter Flower Memorial Envelopes to remember a loved one are in the back of Church. Suggested donation is \$10.

"And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age." + Matthew 28:20 Join us for Adoration Fridays 9am-5pm in the Church as the Chapel undergoes its renovation!!

We are in need of 2025 Mass Intentions. Offering a Catholic Mass for loved ones is important because: \*We believe in the power of intercession. Masses can be said for the living and the dead. \*Saying a Mass is a source of many fruits and graces. \*It is an act of charity for a bereaved family. \*It makes a great gift for your living loved ones. Stipend is \$5 per mass. Please call the office to schedule a Mass for your loved ones.

Do you want to join our text messaging system? Flocknotes is our way of communicating information to parishioners. Texting rates may apply. Are you good at praying for others? We have an online prayer group. Call the office if you would like to be added to either of these Flocknote texting lists.

If you or someone you know is in need of our Homebound Ministry please contact the Church Office.

### Holy Week Mass Schedule

Holy Thursday: Mass at 7:45 pm followed by Adoration and Confession Good Friday: Stations of the Cross at 3 pm; Good Friday Service at 7:45 pm Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil at 10:30 pm (Bilingual) Easter Sunday: Mass at 8:30 am and 2 pm Spanish

### Norms of the Church for Lenten Penance

FAST - Good Friday is a days of fast. On days of fast, one full meal and two lesser meals are allowed. Eating between meals is not permitted. Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are bound to fast. ABSTINENCE - The Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence. On days of abstinence, meat may not be taken. The law of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years of age or older. If members of the Faithful are unable to observe the fast and abstinence regulations because of ill health or other reasons, they are urged to practice other forms of penance and self-denial suitable to their condition.

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