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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.

St. Joseph Website:

www.stjosephwinchester.com
Diocesan Website: www.cdlex.org
St. Vincent DePaul Society: 771-2572
Kroger Rewards: www.kroger.com
ID # 55334

A Note From Fr. Jim Kinney

On this Sunday the two gospels swing dramatically from one extreme to the other. In the first, Jesus enters Jerusalem to cheering crowds. People take off their cloaks to soften his way. It appears that his triumph is at hand and that his reign is about to begin. But he is not there to conquer the occupying Roman forces; he is there to conquer death. And to do so he will need to go through death, which brings us to the passion narrative we will hear later in the same mass. The path to Jesus' triumph is not a direct one, but he comes to conquer and rule not on human terms but in ways far beyond what we can imagine for ourselves.

In 1931, in his novel, The Song at the Scaffold, Gertrud Von Le Fort tells of a Carmelite community of nuns in Compiegne, France, who were executed in the Reign of Terror during the French Revolution. During a moving scene, as the nuns are observing the "blasphemous mockeries of Eucharistic processions," one of the sisters refers to the Eucharist as "the defenseless God," describing how dependent God in the Eucharist is on human respect and faith, wholly vulnerable to human choice and action, whether that action is faith-filled and reverent or blasphemous and denigrating.

Divine vulnerability is the result of God's gift of free will. Humans have been opting to reject God in ways both overt and covert---- and we are allowed to do so at the behest of God's very self. Ours is a God who does not shield himself from buffets and spitting, does not grasp at divinity as an escape from (or punishment for) human weakness. Rather, he humbles himself and accepts all that humanity chooses to do to him. for him, and against him. The passion narrative is the beginning of the final chapter in the continuing story of God's choice to be vulnerable to sin---- indeed to take it upon himself so as to defeat it once and for all. Let us be in awe of this God! Blessings, Fr. Jim

Liturgical Roles

Holy Saturday, April 19

> Volunteers Needed

Please Sign up on the Sheet in the Back of Church. Easter Sunday, April 20

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Blessings for April: Olivia Maslin-2, Zeke Simunovic-11, Herminia McBride-13, John Pohl-14, Kennedy Abner-15, Mary Jo McCormick-16, Nash Williams-16, Robin Simunovic-17, Gregory Pena-18, Betty Sherrill-19, Savannah Anderson-20, Richard Gomez-20, Madelyn Settles-20, John Stokes-20, Brian Flinchum-21, Eileen Pitts-21, Amy Schwab-22, Jason Neely-27, Mary Grace Blair-30, Martin Hatler-30

Happy Birthday!!



	Thru 4/6
Total (Offertory Only)	
Budget (Offertory Only) Excess/(Short)	

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, April 15
12:00 pm
"Tony" Leo Poole
(Church)

Wednesday, April 16 12:00 pm Bernard Smith (Church)

Holy Thursday, April 17 7:45 pm Josh Marquis (L) (Church)

Good Friday, April 18
Stations of the Cross
3:00 pm
Service 7:45 pm
(Church)

Holy Saturday, April 19
Easter Vigil
10:30 pm Bilingual
Brian A. George
(Church)

Easter Sunday, April 20 8:30 am George Campbell 2:00 pm (Spanish) "Pro Populi" (For the People)



LAUDATO SI: Please pray that we may take up our prophetic responsibilities in this time of urgent crisis to speak God's Truth to each other and to

call each other into ways of living on Earth wisely, sustainably, justly, and reverently. May we remember those that are forgotten or cast off: that we might value each human life, as a priceless gift from God.

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

Saint Joseph needs your help. The ministry of the church takes many hands and we need yours. We can't be Church without you, Look over the Time & Talent booklets in the pew and on April 26 & 27 stop by the parish hall after Mass to choose a ministry or ministries that



It's Pancake Time!!! Join the Knights of Columbus for our COMPLIMENTARY Pancake Breakfast after Mass on April 13. There will be no Fellowship coffee and doughnuts.

you would like to be involved in.

The Women of St. Joseph Upcoming Events: May 18: Rapha Dinner 4:30pm June 6: Trackside in Paris 6 pm All are invited!!

SVDP Item of the Month: Bars of Soap 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 at 859-556-3539.

Senior Outing: April 17 at Lil's Coffee House in Paris at 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 May 5 at 11:30 am. All are invited to attend.

OPEN NOW:



St. Agatha Academy Registration for 2025-2026 Montessori Preschool - 8th Grade Tuition Assistance Available. Call 859-744-6484

for a personal tour or visit saintagathaacademy.org

Faith Formation:

Kathie Schweikart (859) 808-1269

April 16: Religious Education All Grades 6 pm

April 17: No Youth Group Attend Holy Thursday Mass at 7:45 pm

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

"The object of Eucharistic adoration is the Divine Person of our Lord Jesus Christ present in the most Blessed Sacrament. He is living there. He wants us to speak to him, and he will speak to us. Anybody may speak to our Lord. Is he not there for everybody. Does he not tell us? " Come you all to me."

+ St Peter J Eymard 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. Please call the office to schedule a Mass for your loved ones.

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 textina 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 6:00pm

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 day 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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Msgr. John Danz Council #2459 Fraternity & Service—Join us!



Pancake Breakfast Second Sunday each month September through May in St. Joseph Hall

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