

Love

one another as I have loved you.
John 15:12

Sixth Sunday of Easter



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

Sunday: 11:15 a.m.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday,

Friday: 8:00 a.m. in the Chapel

Confessions: Saturday

3:15 p.m.-3:45 p.m.

Rectory : 401-421-9137

NEW WEBSITE ADDRESS:

stjosephprovidence.org

Email: stjoe1851@cox.net

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: The fourth Sunday of each month. Registered parishioners should contact the parish office in advance of the birth of their child to prepare for baptism.

Marriage: Couples must meet with a priest 12 months in advance of their wedding date.

Communion to the Homebound and Anointing of the Sick: Please notify the parish office.

Holy Orders: If you would like to serve God by preaching the Word of God, by celebrating the Sacraments, and by serving those in need, you may have a vocation to the priesthood. Please speak to a priest today or contact the Office of Vocations at 401-831-8011.



Please consider using Parish Giving, which allows you to make your weekly contributions (including second and special collections) to St. Joseph Church by electronic funds transfer from your bank or by credit card. No more writing checks or missing making your donations while you're away—which is especially important since our parish's bills don't take vacations!

To sign up for this free service and to begin making secure transactions over the Internet, please go to our website

PLEASE NOTE: THE ST. JOSEPH WEBSITE ADDRESS HAS CHANGED TO:

stjosephprovidence.org

and follow the Parish Giving link, or go to www.parishgiving.org

Parish Registration: Every family in the parish should be registered. New families (including newly married) should register by completing a parish registration form available at the Church Rectory.

PASTOR

Rev. Msgr. Raymond B. Bastia

PARISH SECRETARY

Laurie Ricciardi

IN RESIDENCE

Rev. Edward A. Sousa, Jr.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DIRECTOR

Virginia DiMasi (401-258-4558)

PASTORAL MINISTER

Sr. Mary Ellen Maytum, R.S.M

ORGANIST

Donald Dame

CANTOR

Katie J. Kleyla

SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH

May 6, 2018

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Celebrating 167 years of living faith since the foundation of our parish in 1851.

The Ascension of the Lord



This Thursday, May 10th, we celebrate the Ascension of the Lord, a Holy Day of Obligation. Here's what the *Catechism* has to say about this pivotal event in the life of the Church:

659 Christ's body was glorified at the moment of his Resurrection, as proved by the new and supernatural properties it subsequently and permanently enjoys. But during the forty days when he eats and drinks familiarly with his disciples and teaches them about the kingdom, his glory remains veiled under the appearance of ordinary humanity. Jesus' final apparition ends with the irreversible entry of his humanity into divine glory, symbolized by the cloud and by heaven, where he is seated from that time forward at God's right hand. Only in a wholly exceptional and unique way would Jesus show himself to Paul "as to one untimely born," in a last apparition that established him as an apostle.

660 The veiled character of the glory of the Risen One during this time is intimated in his mysterious words to Mary Magdalene: "I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brethren and say to them, I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." This indicates a difference in manifestation between the glory of the risen Christ and that of the Christ exalted to the Father's right hand, a transition marked by the historical and transcendent event of the Ascension.

Thursday May 10

Masses: 8:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

2018 Catholic Charity Appeal



CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL

Supporting the work of the Church



Your gift to the annual Catholic Charity Appeal supports more than 20,100 individuals who received assistance and referrals from Project Hope. Thank you for your support.

To date we have raised **\$40,109.00** to help our less fortunate brothers and sisters in Christ.

Thanks to everyone who gave. If you haven't yet given, please help us reach our 2018 goal of **\$65,000.00**.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



Saturday, May 5

4:00 p.m. Available

Sunday, May 6

Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:00 a.m. Available

11:15 a.m. Memorial, John DeLorenzo, requested, David Heimbecker

Monday, May 7

8:00 a.m. Birthday Remembrance, Mary Giordano, requested, sister Florence Gracie

Tuesday May 8

8:00 9th Anniversary, Mrs. Bertrande Rielly, requested, Bob and Pauline Anthony

Thursday May 10 **Ascension of the Lord**

8:00 a.m. Intentions for the Parishioners of St. Joseph Church

6:30 p.m. Available

Friday, May 11

8:00 a.m. Anniversary Remembrance, Francis Mary Diggins, requested, children

Saturday, May 12

4:00 p.m. Available

Sunday, May 13

9:00 a.m. For the St. Joseph Church Legacy and Permanent Endowment donors

11:15 a.m. Memorial, Dr. Daniel. S. Harrop Sr., requested, Dr. Daniel. S. Harrop III

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday May 12

4:00 p.m. Olivia, Max, Grace, Kirsten

Sunday May 13

9:00 a.m. Catherine (SS), Joseph, Daniel, Jessica

11:15 a.m. Danica (SS), Hannah, Abigail, Michael

LECTORS

Saturday, May 12

4:00 p.m. Carolyn Piatek

Sunday, May 13

9:00 a.m. Helen Valcourt

11:15 a.m. David Gillis

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday, May 12

4:00 p.m. Jan Jaquinto, Pam DeLuca, Florence Gracie

Sunday, May 13

9:00 a.m. Bob Anthony, Lorraine Beaudoin, Mike Reilly

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The month of May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, and thankfully this devotion seems to be alive and well in the Church. Some parishes and Catholic schools still practice the tradition of the May Crowning. Many parishes also have May Devotions, which usually consist of exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, the



praying of the Rosary and Benediction. The month of May, then, is a fitting time to evaluate our own personal devotion to Mary. The Church teaches that devotion to the Mother of God is not simply one devotion among many. One Catholic may have a deep devotion to St. Anthony while another Catholic may be devoted to St. Therese. However, Marian devotion is different in that every Catholic ought to possess a deep love and devotion to the Blessed Virgin. It ought to be an ordinary part of every Catholic's spiritual life.

Marian Devotions will be held at all of the Masses the weekend of May 12th & 13th in Celebration of Mary Our Mother.

**St Joseph Church
4th Annual
Parish Service Day
Saturday
June 9th**

More details will follow in the weeks to come. Check upcoming bulletins

Thursday May 10th is the **Ascension of Our Lord and a Holy Day of Obligation.**



Masses will be celebrated at 8:00 am and 6:30 pm

Lord Jesus Christ, in the Sacrament of the Eucharist You left us the outstanding manifestation of your limitless love for us. Thank You for giving our child the opportunity to experience this love in receiving the Sacrament for the first time. May your Eucharist presence keep him/her ever free from sin, fortified in faith, pervaded by love for God and neighbor, and fruitful in virtue, that he/she may continue to receive You throughout life and attain final union with You at death.

Amen.



WEBSITE ADDRESS CHANGE

St. Joseph's has a new Website Address

The new address is:

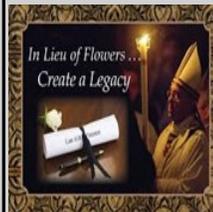
stjosephprovidence.org

The site may have been down for a couple of days but is up and running now.

Sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused



St. Joseph Church Permanent Endowment



St. Joseph Church will continue to accept gifts to help build up our parish's Permanent Endowment Fund, which provides for the preservation and care of our historic church. Established in 2000, "The St. Joseph Church Permanent Endowment Fund" is administered by the Catholic Foundation of RI. It receives gifts, memorial bequests, planned gifts, and other estate gifts. This Appeal will offer us an opportunity to build this lasting legacy for the future. Please also consider remembering us in your will as a permanent way to enable those who follow us to enjoy this treasure and home of faith. Masses will be offered on six major holy days each year for living and deceased members of our St. Joseph Church Legacy Society.

AROUND THE DIOCESE:

Discernment Retreat for Middle School Boys

PROVIDENCE — The Office of Vocations is hosting a discernment retreat on Saturday, May 12, at the Seminary of Our Lady of Providence from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. This is a wonderful opportunity for boys to celebrate their faith and reflect on God's plan for their life. The day will include Mass, recreation, food and an opportunity to meet diocesan seminarians and learn more about the seminary. Registration is available online or feel free to contact Father Christopher Murphy at (401) 331-1316

Get your tickets early for Vienna Boys Choir Holiday Celebration

PROVIDENCE — The angelic-voiced musicians of the Vienna Boys Choir celebrate the magic of the holiday season with a delightful program of Austrian folk songs, classical masterpieces, Christmas hymns, and holiday carols live at McVinney Auditorium, 43 Dave Gavitt Way, on Monday, Dec. 3, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available at www.mcvinneyauditorium.com.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

April 29, 2018



	2017	2018
Envelopes:	\$1,757.00	\$ 3,000.00
Loose:	\$ 848.00	\$ 340.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 2.00	\$ 1,061.00
Children	\$ 135.00	\$ —
Total:	\$2,742.00	\$4,401.00