



SAINT JOSEPH

Catholic Church, Port Saint Joe, Florida



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 1, 2024



SUNDAY MASS

SATURDAY: 5:00 PM

SUNDAY: 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM

CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY: 4:30 PM - 4:45 PM

SUNDAY: 10:15 AM - 10:45 AM

FRIDAY: 8:30 - 9:30 AM (First Fridays)

WEEKDAY MASS

MONDAY: 12:00 PM, **Sacred Heart Hospital**

TUESDAY: No Mass, Rosary at 10:00 AM

WEDNESDAY: 5:30 PM

THURSDAY: 8:00 AM

FRIDAY: 8:00 AM followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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Advent Penance Service

Our Advent Penance Service will be on Wednesday, December 11 at 5:30. What a wonderful opportunity to prepare our minds and hearts for the coming of Christ at Christmas.

Christmas Flowers

Envelopes are available at both entrances for the Christmas Flower Offering. If you wish to donate in memory of a loved one, please be sure to print their name clearly on the envelope so it will appear correctly in the bulletin.

Second Collection

Aging religious need your help. "Your support acknowledges that we continue the mission of Christ even in our retirement," says Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart Sister Celeste Burgos, 80. Donations provide for the care, medicine, and daily needs of over 24,000 senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who have dedicated their lives to service. Next weekend please generously give to the Retirement Fund for the Religious.

Giving Tree

A Christmas Giving Tree to benefit the St. Joseph Bay Humane Society will be set up in the vestibule of the church starting November 21. Please take a tag and return your gift under the tree. The SJBHS relies heavily on volunteers and the generosity of the community to help fund their mission. Thank you for your generosity!



Wisdom of Saints

"What is a vocation? It is a gift from God, so it comes from God. If it is a gift from God, our concern must be to know God's will. We must enter that path: if God wants, when God wants, how God wants. Never force the door."

—St. Gianna Molla

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Bulletin Announcements

If you have an announcement for the bulletin, you may send it to:
office@stjosephpsj.org. Please keep it to 100 words or less and submit it by the Monday prior to the weekend you would like it to be in the bulletin.

Food Donations

Don't forget our food basket at the entrance of the church which is open daily. It is there all year for dropping off nonperishables. If you're visiting the area, and have nonperishables that you didn't use, consider donating them before you make your trip back home. Thank you for thinking of those in need.

Prayer List

Bailey Rish	Tim Croft
Joey Saternis	Sandra Mauro
Terry Staab	Betty Lewis
Danielle Newton	Linda Hill
Vince Fabry	Edgar Huffaker
Chase Giddens	Mitch Mountcastle
Debra Watson	Greg Klapp
Sherrie Bowen	Mary Norris
Debra Snyder	Michelle Irvin
Sonny Eells	Ron Miller
Basia Sharsky	Kelli & Jake Ray
Chris Earley	Al Cathey
Judy Eppinette	Kathy Jenkins
Callah Graves	Howard Page

To request that a name be placed on the prayer list, please contact the parish office.

Words for Thought

The best way to end something is to let it starve. No response, no action, no altercations, just don't feed it. That's where true power and self-control lies.

Stewardship of Treasure

Offertory

Weekly Need: \$4,251.00

Last weekend's offertory: \$4,146.00

Year-to-date giving: \$89,398.00

Year-to-date* need: \$89,271.00

** July 2024 - June 2025 fiscal year*

Catholic Sharing Appeal 2024

Pledge Goal: \$19,875.00

Total Pledged: \$21,398.69

Total Received: \$19,878.44

Variance:* \$3.44

Number of Families Pledged: 38

**Variance is Pledge Goal minus Total Received*

Help Needed

Many hands make light work. Please volunteer a little of your time to help our Altar Society with the many tasks that need to be done for Christmas.

» **Church Cleaning:** Friday Dec. 20 at 9:30 (after 8:00 Mass & Adoration)

» **Church Decorating:** Sunday Dec. 22 at 12:00 (after the 11:00 mass)

» **Decoration Removal:** Tuesday Jan. 7 at 10:30 (after the 10:00 rosary)

Divine Mercy Chaplet

Please join us this weekend on Sunday at 3:00 for Adoration and saying of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and don't forget our Rosary on Tuesdays at 10:00.



A Christmas Gift for Married Couples

Couples, want to give each other something really special this Christmas? How about a gift filled with Romance and Excitement? That's just the beginning of what you will receive on a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend**. Sign up today to attend an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on Feb 14-16 in Tallahassee, or April 4-6 in Titusville, or July 25-27 in St. Johns. For more information or for other scheduled weekends visit our website at wwme.org or e-mail: Applications@FLCN-wwme.org. Or contact Walt & Viv Paskowski at waltviv.wwme@gmail.com if you have any questions.

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Altar Flowers

If you would like to donate altar flowers for a special occasion or in memory of a loved one, please contact the office at least 2 weeks in advance.



Reporting Abuse

The Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee is committed to the healing of sexual abuse victims. It has established Victims Assistance Coordinators, experienced and trained counselors, who are available to help persons who have been sexually abused. The coordinator for the Panama City/Tallahassee area is Dr. James Gagnon, MSW, LCSW. He may be reached at (850)877-0205. Or call the Florida Child Abuse hotline: (800) 962-2873.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 30, First Sunday of Advent

5:00pm: Betty Backstron *by Annelie Smolenski*

Sunday, December 1, First Sunday of Advent

9:00am: Anton Kwiatkowski & Rozala Bulanda

by Zee & Melissa Haranek

11:00am: People of St Joseph

Monday, December 2, First Week of Advent

12:00pm: Theo Worthen *by Annelie Smolenski*

Tuesday, December 3, First Week of Advent

10:00am: No Mass, Rosary

Wednesday, December 4, First Week of Advent

5:30pm: Janine & Jamey Hopper *by Annelie Smolenski*

Thursday, December 5, First Week of Advent

8:00am: Alan Pierce *by Annelie Smolenski*

Friday, December 6, First Week of Advent

8:00am: Janine Hopper *by Annelie Smolenski*

Saturday, December 7, Second Sunday of Advent

5:00pm: Kendra Miletello *by Annelie Smolenski*

Sunday, December 8, Second Sunday of Advent

9:00am:

11:00am: People of St Joseph

To request Mass intentions, please contact the parish office.