

Fr. Stan Mader

The Parish Council is the primary advisory group for the pastor. It sets the themes for the parish each year and sees that these themes are moved forward in parish activities. It is comprised of a chair who is appointed by the pastor, and six other members who have three-year terms, two of which complete each year. The trustees usually attend these monthly meetings as well as Chris Parker, our business administrator, and myself. We meet on the 4th Monday of the month 10-11 times a year. Each year those people who are interested in being on the Parish Council meet to discern whether they are called at this time, or whether it is someone else. It is time to start asking people to consider whether they should be on the parish council. In April, we will have an informational meeting to explain what the parish council does with some council members describing their experience. Then in May, we will have an evening when those interested will meet to pray and talk and discern until there are two remaining who will begin a three-year term that summer. Think about it or nominate someone. You can address any questions, nominations, or ideas to parishcouncil@stjosephwaconia.org.

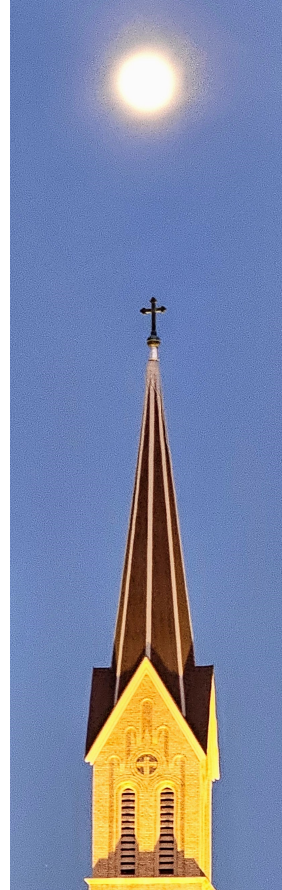
The Finance Council advises the pastor on financial matters. We could use a few more people on this council. Some members are accountants, and others are in banking or wealth management, investing, insurance, or similar occupations. Anyone who understands financial reports and can make good decisions would be helpful. We meet on the third Monday of the month from 7:15 pm until about 9:00 pm. Interested? Contact Christopher Parker, our parish business administrator.

We have gotten our financial statements for January. Now seven months into the fiscal year we are falling further behind the budget in our collections. Last year it picked up in December/January; this year we fell further behind. I will be speaking about it in addition to my homily this weekend. If you do not currently give to the parish, please begin. Even a small amount every month will help bridge the gap. There is a QR code in the worship aid where you can donate one time or set up to do it electronically going forward. If you haven't increased your giving for some time, please consider an increase. We are

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PARISHIONER PHOTOGRAPHY

We are delighted to share with you these incredible photos of our beloved church. These stunning images were shared with us by Alison McCracken and Monaliza Tholkes. They have managed to encapsulate the spirit of our church in their photographs. It's not just the architecture that they've captured, but they have managed to convey the warmth and welcoming nature of our community. Thank you to Alison and Monaliza for pausing to notice and capture these moments and for sharing them. May these images inspire you this Lent. If you have photographs of our church or from events here at St. Joseph that you would like to share, email them to bulletin@stjosephwaconia.org!



MASS TIMES

Mon: 6:30 pm | Tues, Wed, Fri: 8:15 am
Sat: 5:15 pm | Sun: 8:30 am & 10:30 am

RECONCILIATION

Mon: 5:30 pm | Sat: 4:00 pm
or by appointment

ADORATION

Mon & Thur: 5:00-9:00 pm
Tues: 9:00 am-9:00 pm
Wed: 5:00-10:00 pm

HOLY HOUR | Thur: 4:00 pm

ROSARY

Saturday - 4:45 pm | Sunday - 8:00 am

PRAYER CHAIN

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New to the Parish? WELCOME!

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(Fr. Stan's message continued...)

not going broke by any means, but I don't want to take too many of the reserves to meet our very basic needs.

School is on spring break this week. Some work is being done on the gym floor, so there are no activities there this week.

On the 3rd, 4th, and 5th Sundays of Lent, we celebrate the Scrutinies at one Mass each weekend. On those Masses we use the readings from cycle A, with the gospels about the Samaritan woman at the well, the man born blind, and the raising of Lazarus. They have been used for these Scrutinies for many centuries, as they speak of coming to know Jesus as the Messiah, coming to faith, and the resurrection. They reflect on Jesus as the Living Water, the Light of the World, and the Resurrection and the Life. Scrutinies are rites for self-searching and repentance and have, above all, a spiritual purpose. The Scrutinies are meant to uncover, then heal all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the hearts of the elect; to bring out, then strengthen all that is upright, strong, and good. They are to help preserve against temptation and complete the conversion of the Elect. This week the Scrutiny is at the 5:15 pm Mass, next week at 8:30 am, and on March 17 at 10:30 am.

I have agreed to be the spiritual director on a trip to Greece June 3-15 of 2025. It will include four nights in Athens and ten 7 days on a ship, visiting many of the places Paul visited on his missionary journeys. No brochures yet. I still have (a little) hope that we will be able to go to Israel in February of 2025, and a decision can be made regarding that early in the fall.



NEWS & EVENTS

BOOMERS & BEYOND

Join Boomers & Beyond (age 55 +) on Wednesday, March 6 in the Parish Center where Father will lead us on an informal hour-long tour of the church.

ROSARY

Are you concerned about your loved ones who have left the Church? All are welcome to join the Women of Joy as they host the Rosary in the church on Saturday, March 9 at 9:00 am. We hope that you can come pray with us!

VALUE BOOKS

We are having a flash sale on Value Books! St. Joseph School will be selling our limited supply of Value Books for only \$10! Stop by the school office to secure your value book. *Thank you for supporting St. Joseph Catholic School!*

ST. JOSEPH FESTIVAL

Save the date of March 15 for the St. Joseph Festival. There will be a Fish Fry, Kids Carnival, BINGO, and Beer! Learn more on the Parish website at stjosephwaconia.org/st-joseph-festival/!

RETURN RAFFLE TICKETS

Watch your mailboxes for St. Joseph Festival raffle tickets! If you do not receive any or would like more, call or stop by the Parish Office and we will be happy to help you. Please remember to return your raffle tickets and proceeds to the Parish office as soon as possible! Please place them in a drop box or return them to the Parish Office. *Thank you!*

MARRIAGE RETREAT

Bring back the honeymoon in your marriage by attending a World Wide Marriage Encounter retreat on May 3-5, 2024 in Buffalo, MN or on Aug 17-18, 2024 in Webster, MN. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: twincitieswwme.org, or contact Brent and Tracy at 612-234-7440.

HIRING

EVENING CUSTODIAN

The facilities department needs an evening custodian to work Monday - Friday from 3:00-8:00 pm. Candidate MUST be 18 years of age. Flexible on shift times and even more flexible with Summer hours and time off. Interested, contact Christopher Parker, Parish Business Administrator at cparker@stjosephwaconia.org or call 952-442-3702 for more information.

MASS INTENTIONS

MON	MAR 4	6:30 pm	Living & Deceased Members of the Welz & Moening Families
TUE	MAR 5	8:15 am	Fr. Walter Sochacki †
WED	MAR 6	8:15 am	Dale Schmaltz †
THU	MAR 7		No Mass
FRI	MAR 8	8:15 am	Mary Lou Bauer †
SAT	MAR 9	5:15 pm	Bernadine Seitz †
SUN	MAR 10	8:30 am	Collective: Living & Deceased Members of the John & Regina Pieper Family Mary Tellers † *Living & Deceased Members of the Laumann & Simons Families 10:30 am St. Joseph Parishioners 7:30 pm Bennie Frost †

* Indicates the family has requested to take up the Gifts.

PRAY

Please pray for the following: Paul T, Joan H, Rene F, Jeff E, Emery K, Chuck P, Steve E, Peggy S, Aaron D, Nathan D, Stella W, Jeremy P, Marilynn P, Marilyn B, Diane V, Lori S, Judy R, Rick S, Barbara S, Jake W, Theresa T, Theresa L, Sandy M, Brian N, Sally W, Sarah R, and Ryan P. **And for St. Joseph loved ones in the Military:** Airman Riley M, Sergeant Ryan H, Sergeant Allyna S, PFC Dalton W, Sergeant Robin L, Staff Sergeant Weston H, Staff Sergeant Sean W, Tech Sergeant Michael S, Major Leah M, First Lieutenant Samuel M, Chaplain (*Lieutenant Colonel*) Lawrence B, Col. Mitch D, Lieutenant Commander Philip L, and SPC Justin S. **And for those in Law Enforcement:** Logan H, Adam M, Alex W, Andy F, Dennis F, Fred R, Tyler S, Eric W, Adam H, and Cory W. **And for those Discerning a Religious Vocation:** Seminarian: Mónico H.

LOOKING AHEAD

MAR 13	Confirmation Speaker: Matt Birk 7:00 pm Church
MAR 15	St. Joseph Festival 4:30-8:00 pm School Commons & Gym
MAR 15	KC Fish Fry 4:30-7:30 pm School Commons & Gym
MAR 15	Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm Church
MAR 19	Feast of St. Joseph
MAR 22	KC Fish Fry 4:30-7:30 pm School Commons & Gym

THIS WEEK

MONDAY, MARCH 4

7:00 am: Morning Prayer (*Chapel*)
5:00 - 9:00 pm: Adoration
5:30 pm: Confession
6:30 pm: Mass

TUESDAY, MARCH 5

7:00 am: Morning Prayer (*Chapel*)
8:15 am: Mass
9:00 am: Weekly Scripture Study (*Parish Center*)
9:00 am - 9:00 pm: Adoration (*Chapel*)
3:00 pm: Children's Choir Rehearsal (*Choir Loft*)
7:00 pm: Adult Choir Rehearsal (*Choir Loft*)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6

7:00 am: Morning Prayer (*Chapel*)
8:15 am: Mass
9:15 am: Boomers & Beyond - Coffee & Conversations
5:00 - 10:00 pm: Adoration (*Chapel*)
7:00 pm: The Catholic Man (*Parish Center*)

THURSDAY, MARCH 7

No Mass | Fr. Stan's Day Off
7:00 am: Morning Prayer (*Chapel*)
4:00 pm: Holy Hour (*Chapel*)
5:00 - 9:00 pm: Adoration (*Chapel*)

FRIDAY, MARCH 8

Parish Office Closed
7:00 am: Morning Prayer (*Chapel*)
8:15 am: Mass
9:00 - 10:00 am: Adoration with Benediction (*Church*)
4:30-7:30 pm: KC Fish Fry (*Commons & Gym*)
7:00 pm: Stations of the Cross (*Church*)

SATURDAY, MARCH 9

Second Collection
9:00 am: Monthly Second Saturday Rosary (*Church*)
4:00-5:00 pm: Confession
4:45 pm: Parish Rosary (*Church*)
5:15 pm: Mass

SUNDAY, MARCH 10

Second Collection
8:00 am: Parish Rosary (*Church*)
8:30 am: Mass
10:30 am: Mass
6:00 pm: Youth Group (*Parish Center*)
7:30 pm: Mass (*Chapel*)

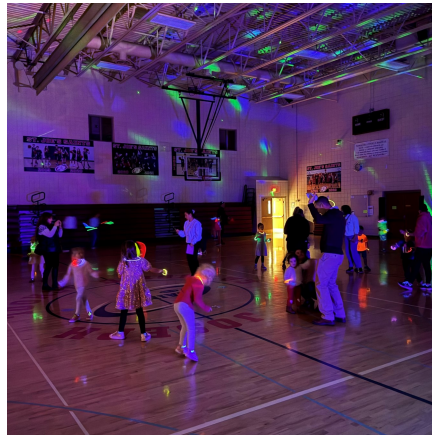
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FAMILY VALENTINE'S DANCE

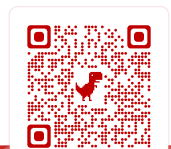
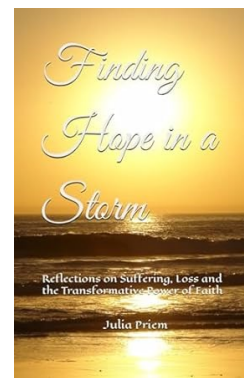
On February 9, the 5th Annual Family Valentine Dance, hosted by Raising Saints, was attended by more than 100 people. The event was filled with a variety of fun-filled activities and games for families to enjoy together. There was dancing accompanied with glow sticks and a photo station was set up, complete with props. The evening was a success, thanks to the enthusiasm and participation of all the attendees. Thank you to all who attended. This year's Family Valentine Dance will certainly be remembered as an evening filled with laughter, love, and shared happiness!



PARISH LIBRARY

New book added to the Parish Library!

One of our parishioners, Julia Priem, recently wrote a book, *Finding Hope in a Storm: Reflections on Suffering, Loss & the Transformative Power of Faith*, and has donated 5 copies of it to our parish library. She is someone who has experienced significant suffering in her own life, from the death of a parent as a young child, to the stillbirth of her firstborn son and subsequent miscarriage of her third baby, to the most recent tragedy of her husband being diagnosed with terminal brain cancer. If you would like to read the book's description please scan on the QR code below. You can check out a copy of this book from our parish library and read it for free, or if you prefer to have your own copy, you can download an electronic version of it for \$1 from Amazon.



SCAN ME

KC CORNER

KC FISH FRYS

KC Fish Frys are on all Fridays during Lent, serving from 4:30 - 7:30 pm (except Good Friday). Want to know more?! Go online at stjosephwaconia.org/fish-fry.

COUPON



Church of St. Joseph, Waconia

**KC Fish Fry Dinner
2024**

\$1 off

Each Adult Ticket Purchased

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting "All You Can Eat" Fish Fry's on all of the Fridays during Lent (except Good Friday), serving from 4:30 - 7:30 pm in the Education Center. Tickets: Adult \$16, Child \$7 (ages 6-12), Under 6 free. Children's Menu and Take Out service available.

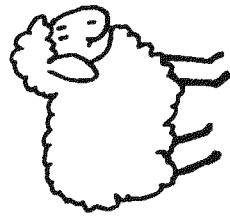
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He found many people
selling things in the temple.

Match the animals.



He scattered the coins of the
moneychangers and upset their tables.

 Count the coins. 11 or 12 ?



Count the doves. 8 or 9 ?

