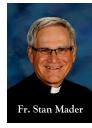


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On September 24, Fr. Martin Siebenaler, former pastor of St. Joseph, will receive the "Distinguished Alumni Award" from the Saint Paul Seminary. He was pastor here from 1986 -2002. Among his accomplishments while here was the addition of the narthex to the church and the building of the new education building. It was during his time here that the decision was made to remain a downtown church, building the school here rather than in the countryside somewhere. The strategic plan that was developed in 1998 called for the

acquisition of property around the church. It began with buying several houses where the school building now stands, buying an old bank which is now the food shelf, and about five years ago, the purchase of 129 Main, "the blue house," which is leased to Heather's Hive. The plan remains to take advantage of buying adjoining property when reasonable with a view to giving us flexibility for further expansion of the school or the church. Some nearby parishes passed on opportunities in their communities thinking they would buy some land or building "later," and they never got a chance again and had to rebuild elsewhere. The expansion of the school or church buildings is not in our immediate future, but it might be a possibility sometime in the next ten years.

In August, the owners presented us with the opportunity to purchase the Peterson house at the intersection of Main and Pine. I wrote about this in successive bulletin articles in August. We had only two weeks, from the initial communication on August 5 until August 19 to accept the asking price. In the meantime, the trustees and I met with the parish council and finance council to get their input, and we made the decision to make the offer before it went on the open market where we anticipated it would go for a higher price. Normally we would have spent more time talking to the parish about that large of a purchase, but we had strict time constraints.

We are still deciding just what to do with it. Most likely, it will become the rectory, with the current rectory being used for meeting space, offices, used by various parish groups, or some other purpose. Or we could lease the new property for a year or two. It gives us the flexibility to meet needs that we are currently facing, such as competition for space in the parish center, office shortage, and church storage. This will aid in avoiding more costly remodeling in the education building, and other issues that have been identified by the building and grounds committee. We currently have someone officing off-site, and our music director has been officing in the church. All this fed into the decision to buy the Peterson house now. We will keep you informed about what happens next. Our parish council members are willing to hear your ideas as well. You can email them to parishcouncil@stjosephwaconia.org.

In other property news, we have learned that the City is willing to vacate the section of Pine Street between 1st and 2nd Streets. It will become a green space connecting our school and parking lot to the playground areas.

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SILENT SAINT Monaliza Tholkes



The recipient of St. Joseph's September 4 Day of Prayer is:

MONALIZA THOLKES

Thank you Monaliza for your kindness, generosity & support!

> We are blessed to call you friend!

PRAY with POPE FRANCIS Papal Prayer Intention for September



For the CRY of the EARTH

We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.

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

ROSARY Half hour before every daily Mass Saturday - 4:45 pm Sunday - 8:00 am

PARISH OFFICE HOURS Monday - Thursday | 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

> New to the Parish? WELCOME! Contact Cheryl Salz 952.442.3712 csalz@stjosephwaconia.org

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

This also means that the area will be safer for our children during the day, add to the size of our playground, and will not have to pay the assessments for improvements the city will no longer be making to the stretch of the street. This will take a little time to happen.

The staff has been very busy these weeks, preparing for the opening weeks of school and faith formation, helping with the launching of fall small groups, and defining roles for any new employees. Some of us have been involved with reading resumes and conducting interviews.

Are you thinking about becoming Catholic? Or simply want to learn more about this expression of Christianity? Join our OCIA group which will meet on Tuesday nights from 7:00 to 8:30 pm in the Parish Center. The first two meetings are September 10 and September 24. We will typically meet three times a month. Call Fr. Stan at 952-442-3700 with any questions. This year this is open to all parishioners who want an overview of the Catholic faith taught at an adult level.

No baseball games this weekend.

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NEWS & EVENTS

SYMPATHY

The sympathy of the parish is extended to the family and friends of Floyd Haugh. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord.

LABOR DAY MASS

Mass on Labor Day, September 2, will be celebrated at 6:30 pm. Please note that there will be no Adoration on Labor Day. Adoration hours will resume on Tuesday.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office will be closed on Labor Day, September 2. Regular hours will resume on Tuesday.

NICKLE DICKLE RAFFLE TICKETS

Watch your mailboxes! Nickle Dickle Day will be held on September 14 and St. Joe's will once again host a cash raffle! All Parishioners are encouraged to participate. For more information go online to stjosephwaconia.org/nickle-dickle-day.

MASS with ANOINTING - Sept 17

Join us at 8:15 am on Tuesday, September 17 as we celebrate Mass along with the Sacrament of Anointing the Sick. A family member, friend, or neighbor may not know about this opportunity and may need help with transportation. After Mass, all are invited to come downstairs for a brunch and a series of informative talks on laterlife financial planning, legacy giving, funeral planning, and more. The session will conclude shortly after 11:00 am. Also, save the date for Saturday, November 9, when there will be a presentation on medical care directives from the Catholic perspective. This will cover the importance of care consultations and the value of having a knowledgeable medical advocate. *Spread the good news*!

SATURDAY ROSARY

Are you concerned about loved ones who have left the Church? Join the Women of Joy on September 7, at 9:00 am in the church to pray a Rosary. Following the Rosary, we invite you to Coffee \mathscr{E} Conversations with Fr. Stan in the Parish Center. All are welcome—we hope you can join us in prayer and fellowship!

3 ON 3 BASKETBALL

Nickle Dickle Day

Registration is open! Each fall, St. Joseph hosts its annual 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament in conjunction with Waconia's Nickle Dickle Day. This event benefits our Athletic Program. Teams from 4th grade through adult are invited to register and join in the fun! Learn more and register on line at stjosephwaconia.org.

MASS INTENTIONS

MON	SEPT 2	6:30 pm	Mary Margaret Mader †	
TUE	SEPT 3	8:15 am	Bob Tryon †	
WED	SEPT 4	8:15 am	Collective:	
			Sue Gustafson †	
			Monaliza Tholkes (Silent Saint)	
THU	SEPT 5		No Mass	
FRI	SEPT 6	8:15 am	Barb Ahlers †	
SAT	SEPT 7	5:15 pm	Christie Dawn Romino †	
SUN	SEPT 8	8:30 am	Collective:	
			Ron Dressel †	
			Mary Tellers †	
			*Chris Yetzer †	
		10:30 am	St. Joseph Parishioners	
		7:30 pm	Fr. Larry Johnson †	
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PRAY

Please pray for the following:

Mia G, Joyce J, Shawn S, Julie W, Art W, Paul T, Joan H, Rene F, Jeff E, Chuck P, Nathan D, Stella W, Jeremy P, Marilynn P, Marilyn B, Diane V, Lori S, Rick S, Barbara S, Jake W, Theresa L, Sandy M, Brian N, 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, 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

SEPT 14	Nickle Dickle Day
SEPT 17	Mass with Anointing 8:15 am Speakers on "Later Life Financial Planning" in the Parish Center afterwards with refreshments.
SEPT 21	EDGE Retreat 10:00 am - 6:15 pm in the Parish Center
SEPT 25 Lowry Nature Center (Bike Day) Mass at 8:15 am at Lowry Nature Canter	
OCT 4	Blessing of the Animals 5:30 pm -Parking Lot
OCT 4	Saints Scavenger Hun & Fall Activities 5:45-7:30 pm Church & Parish Center

THIS WEEK

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 Labor Day

No Adoration | Parish Office Closed 5:30 pm: Confession 6:00 pm: Parish Rosary (Church) 6:30 pm: Mass

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

7:45 am: Parish Rosary (Church)
8:15 am: Mass
9:00 am: Weekly Scripture Study (Parish Center)
9:00 am - 9:00 pm: Adoration (Chapel)
5:00 pm Mission Trip Informational Meeting (Media Center)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

7:00 am: Morning Prayer (Chapel)
7:45 am: Parish Rosary (Church)
8:15 am: Mass with the school
9:15 am: Coffee & Conversations (Parish Center)
5:00 - 10:00 pm: Adoration (Chapel)
6:00 pm: Family Formation Class (School)
6:00 pm: EDGE Parent Meeting (Church)
7:00 pm: Confirmation (School)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

No Mass | Fr. Stan's Day Off 4:00 pm: Holy Hour (Chapel) 5:00 - 9:00 pm: Adoration (Chapel) 6:00 - 8:00 pm: Curriculum Night (School)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

Parish Office Closed 7:45 am: Parish Rosary (Church) 8:15 am: Mass

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

Second Collection: St. Joseph School Scholarship Aid 9:00 am: Rosary (Church) 9:30 am: Coffee & Conversations (Parish Center) 4:00-5:00 pm: Confession 4:45 pm: Parish Rosary (Church) 5:15 pm: Mass

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Second Collection: St. Joseph School Scholarship Aid 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)

WE'RE HIRING!

St. Joseph Church & School

PARISH ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Seeking qualified candidates for our Parish Administrative Assistant position. Consider joining our team! We are looking for applicants who are friendly, detail-oriented, computer proficient, and have a heart for the Faith. To learn more, please contact Chris Parker at 952-442-3702, cparker@stjosephwaconia.org, or by emailing Fr. Stan at frstan@stjosephwaconia.org.

ACCOUNTING

We are seeking a qualified accounting professional. An ideal candidate will have experience in financial reporting, payroll, and managing accounts payable/ receivable. Strong organizational skills, attention to detail, and proficiency in accounting software, Paycor and Parish Soft is strongly preferred. Looking for more information about this position, please contact Chris Parker at 952-442-3702, cparker@stjosephwaconia.org, or by emailing Fr. Stan at frstan@stjosephwaconia.org.

DIRECTOR OF WORSHIP & LITURGY

The Church of St. Joseph invites passionate candidates to apply for the position of Director of Liturgy. This full-time role offers a unique opportunity to lead our vibrant community in worship, weaving together music and liturgy with abundant joy and reverence. Resumes are being accepted by Deacon Bruce Richards at brichards@stjosephwaconia.org, and Fr. Stan Mader at frstan@stjosephwaconia.org.

PRESCHOOL FULL TIME & PART-TIME OPPORTUNITIES

St. Joseph's Lakes Area Discovery Center Preschool is hiring for two positions:

• Full-Time Toddler Assistant: Hours from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm with an hour-long lunch break.

• Part-Time Lead Kinderstart Teacher: Hours are approximately from 7:30 am to 12:30 pm.

If you are interested, please contact Aimee Sieve at asieve@stjosephwaconia.org or call 952-442-4500 for more information.

SAINTS PROGRAM (School Aged Child Care) PART TIME POSITIONS

- · One Assistant Teacher: Qualifications would be a minimum of a high school diploma, at least 18 years of age, and experience and love of working with children from grades K-5.
- · A few Teacher's Aides: Qualifications would be at least 16 years of age and a love of working with children.

Hours would be 2:45 pm to 5:30 pm, Monday through Friday, with the possibility of longer shifts on days off of school during fall, winter, and spring breaks. Possible job share with other people, so it would not need to be a fiveday-a-week commitment. Interested applicants can reach out to our Saints Director at saints@stiosephwaconia.org.



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ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



SMALL GROUPS NEWS

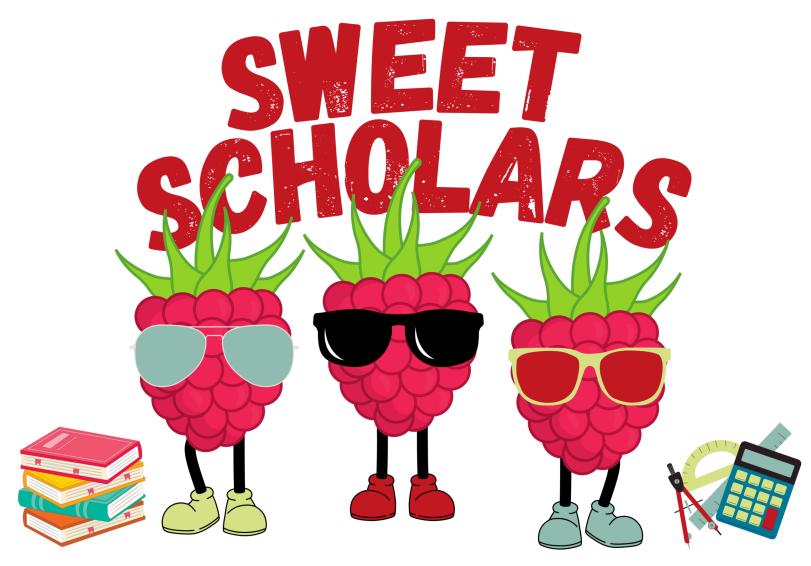
Once upon a time, a guy named Jesus asked a guy named Simon to join His small group...do you know what happened next?

Small groups at St. Joseph are vibrant! Here, we highlight our humanity by learning and rediscovering five crucial aspects of our Catholic faith: The Eucharist, The Mass, Scripture, Prayer, and the teachings of Catholicism in the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA).

If your Schedule is not the most flexible, do not worry! Small groups will be meeting in the morning, afternoon, and evening, on campus or online, every day of the week, There will be a time that works for you!

Scan the QR code to learn more, or email smallgroups@stjosephwaconia.org.





Our second collection on September 7-8 is going directly towards St. Joseph student scholarship aid. Please prayerfully consider giving any amount to help those who rely on tuition assistance.

Need a sweetener? For every donation of \$100, Fr. Stan will give you a pint of his fresh raspberries.

Donations will be received online for this initiative from 9/3 to 9/10 or in-person after weekend Mass on 9/7 or 9/8. For any questions, contact the school office at 952-442-4500.

Know, Love, and Serve the Lord

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 14

RAFFLE TICKETS: \$10.00 each

FIRST PRIZE: **\$2,500** SECOND PRIZE: **\$1,000** THIRD PRIZE: **\$500** FOURTH PRIZE: **4** X **\$250**

Tickets are available for purchase in the Parish Office or from parishioners! Tickets may be returned to the Parish Office, collection baskets, or in the drop boxes.



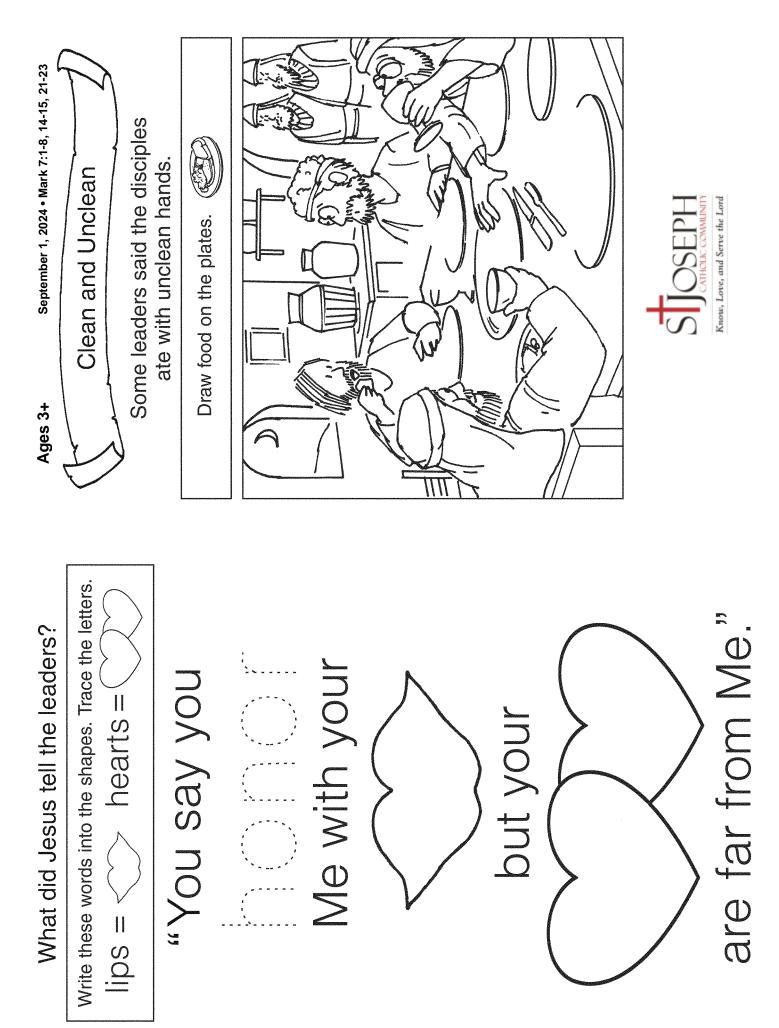
RAFFLE WINNERS will be announced at 7:00 pm



Drawing will be held at St. Joseph School. ALL PROCEEDS GO TO SUPPORTING ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC COMMUNITY!

Need not be present to win. Must be 18 or older to purchase ticket or win prize. Winner is responsible for any applicable fees or taxes.

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are not following the commands of God." Jesus said to the leaders, "You Match the shapes. Â 83-D! "Why don't Your disciples follow our law?" Т Some leaders asked Jesus, <u>ک</u>ر ഹ B 4 or Count how many: g \sim 3 or 4 \$}{ 9000 (1000) & Pi