**SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**2019 STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**



**OUR MISSION**

“Where there is no vision, the people perish.” Proverbs 29:18

It is the vision of Saint Joseph Church

to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ by loving service to God’s people as witnessed by the generous and thankful use of our time, talent and treasure.

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WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH,

On behalf of St. Joseph Parish, it’s an honor for me to welcome you! If you are returning to the Faith, welcome back home! If you are new to the Faith, we are blessed to have you. If you are coming to us from another parish, their loss is our gain! But whatever your background, we hope you feel comfortable.

Our parish mission statement is “to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ by loving service to God’s people as witnessed by the generous and thankful use of our time, talent and treasure.” The Lord has brought you here to serve Him with your gifts, and I invite you to get as involved as you like.

The St. Joseph community is eager to get to know you and encourage you on your faith journey. In this booklet you will find a list of our ministries, their missions and the name of a contact person. This is your parish, and there is a place here for you to serve the Lord -- we are glad to have you!

In His love,

Father Allan Tupa

Pastor

**A Stewardship Prayer**

Dear Lord,

I pray that you give me the wisdom to guide me on this faith journey of stewardship. Help me to understand that everything I have is a gift from You. Open my Heart and my mind so that I may use these marvelous gifts to give back to You here on earth. I pray Lord, that You welcome me into Your kingdom at the end of my life and that You are pleased with what I have done with all Your gifts.

Amen.



**Notes for Newcomers**

1. In consideration for all, please silence all cell phones before Mass.
2. If you have difficulty approaching the altar for Holy Communion, please sit in the first pew reserved for those needing assistance and Communion will be brought to you.
3. If you would like to have a mass offered for someone, please stop by the church office or call at 813-782-2813 Masses can be booked six months in advance.

**History of St. Joseph Church**

**St. Joseph Church History -- A Concise History**  
The first Mass of St. Joseph Mission was celebrated at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Brazie in 1912. This residence was a farmhouse near the site of the first church. Fr. Jerome Wisniewski, OSB, a priest from St. Leo Abbey, started the mission celebrating mass for a mere handful of Catholics in Zephyrhills.  
  
Mr. Henry Adams, a generous catholic union soldier donated two lots for church construction on 4/15/1912. The lots were located on the top of a hill just north of the city limits on 10th Street. Mr. Albert Naber, provided lumber for the parishioners who completed the church by 1914. Accomodating 75 people, the frame church had a small bell tower above the front entrance.  The Church was dedicated on April 27, 1919, by Abbot Charles Mohr, O.S.B., the first Abbot of St. Leo. Mass was scheduled only once per month. The first confirmation was administered by Bishop Patrick Barry, DD of St. Augustine on January 21, 1923, in the days when Florida had only one diocese.  
  
In March of 1942, Mr. & Mrs. B.A. Thomas donated two lots on 5th Avenue. A donation of four adjacent lots by the city of Zephyrhills followed on May 1, 1942. Mrs. Thomas gave four additional lots on January 9, 1945, while Miss Flora Yager donated one lot. Those eleven lots comprised the property on which the church was built in 1942, by Fr. John Schlicht, O.S.B.  Later two wings were added. At this time the congregation consisted of 27 families with 32 women and 48 men. Since that initial church, the property has grown to 2 1/2 blocks with 8 buildings. Families number 2148, with over 6,000 registered parishioners.  
  
February 22, 1959, tragedy struck when a fire destroyed the entire church, leaving only the sacristy. The sacristy was converted into a chapel seating for forty people and used for daily Mass for three years. Sunday Masses were celebrated in the Home Movie Theatre and later, the Municipal Auditorium for two years.   
Fr. Cassian Foley, OSB, became the first resident priest in Zephyrhills in October of 1960, when he rented a two-story frame house doubling as both a rectory and religious education facility. Before this, the Benedictine Priests commuted from St. Leo Abbey. Architect George Stickly of St. Augustine designed the new church with an estimated cost of $90,000.  
  
Msgr. John McNulty, Vicar General and pastor of St. Patrick parish in Largo, dedicated the church on November 25, 1961. Abbot Marion Bowman, OSB and Fr. Keith Symons, MC were also present. Fr. Michael O'Reilly, ordained at St. Patrick's Missionary Society of Ireland, expanded the church and erected the parish center with a very successful building fund campaign. Fr. O'Reilly worked as pastor from 1971 until his death April 12, 1980.  
  
Following Fr. O'Reilly's death, Fr. John Colgan was pastor and then Fr. Bruno Szymusiack was named pastor on September 1st, 1982 . He celebrated his 25th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood in 1984. After Fr. Bruno left us, Fr. Ralph Argentino was named pastor in 1991. Fr. Argentino retired in 2016 after many years of service to the Diocese of St. Petersburg and resides in Orlando helping at a couple parishes. He will celebrate his Golden Jubilee in 2018.  
  
In 1994, Fr. Jacob Monteleone became pastor and immediately brought the energy of the parish to a whole new level. After 5 years of hard work he was transferred to Light of Christ Parish in Clearwater where he retired in 2015. he currently helps out at Christ the King Parish in Tampa.  
  
In 1998, Fr. George Rozycki was named Pastor. He would serve in that role until his passing in 2011. Fr. George oversaw many projects while he was pastor, including upgrading the music at Mass, incorporating families into parish life, stressing the importance of good faith formation for our children, and the renovation of the sanctuary in the Church, which he never got to see.  
  
Immediately following Fr. George’s death, Fr. Theo Weria, ALCP was named Parochial Administrator and helped guide the parish through the grieving of Fr. George’s passing and the eventual naming of a new pastor.    
  
Fr. Eric Peters became pastor in 2012 after 10 years in Crystal River at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish.  He was installed as our Pastor in July of 2012. After 5 years of faithful service to the people of St. Joseph and our community, Fr. Eric was transferred in July of 2017. He was transferred to St. Thomas Aquinas in New Port Richey and assumed the role of Pastor.  
  
On July 1st, 2017, Fr. John Gerth became the newest Pastor of our parish. He was installed by Bishop Parkes on August 20th. Fr. John comes to us from St. Joseph in St. Petersburg where he had been Pastor for 8 years.  
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In July of 2018, Fr. Allan is taking over as our newest pastor. He has been serving the past five years at Most Holy Redeemer Parish in Tampa. We are anxious to see how Fr. Allan will add to our history and the story of Catholics in East Pasco County!

**PASTORS:**

**1960 - 1971 Rev. Cassian Foley O.S.B.**

**1971 - 1980 Rev. Michael O’Reilly**

**1981 - 1982 Rev. John Colgan**

**1983 – 1990 Rev. Bruno Szymusiak**

**1991 – 1993 Rev. Ralph J. Argentino**

**1994 – 1998 Rev. Jacob Monteleone**

**1999 – 2011 Rev. George Rozycki**

**2012 – 2017 Rev. Eric Peters**

**2017 Rev. John Gerth**

**2018-present Rev. Allan Tupa**

**PAROCHIAL ADMINISTRATOR:**

**2011 – 2012 Rev. Theobald Weria, ALCP  
2017 – 2018 Rev. Mathew K. Abraham, ALCP**

**PAROCHIAL VICARS:**

**1988 Rev. Neil Cornelli**

**1988 – 1992 Rev. Raymond Pattock**

**1989 Rev. Charles Ryan**

**1990 – 1991 Rev. Lionel Guillaume**

**1992 – 1993 Rev. Jeremiah J. Smith**

**1993 – 1995 Rev. Edward DeRussy**

**1996 – 2007 Rev. John Hays**

**2002 – 2004 Rev. Matthew Pathalanical**

**2004 – 2008 Rev. Jayanna Kanna**

**2008 – present Rev. Mathew K. Abraham, ALCP**

**2009 – 2010 Rev. Theobald Weria, ALCP**

**Novena to St. Joseph**

***Thirty Days' Prayer to St. Joseph***   
*For Any Special Intention*

Ever blessed and glorious Joseph, kind and loving father and helpful friend of all in sorrow! You are the good father and protector of orphans, the defender of the defenseless, the patron of those in need and sorrow. Look kindly on my request. My sins have drawn down on me the just displeasure of my God, and so I am surrounded with unhappiness. To you, loving guardian of the Family of Nazareth, do I go for help and protection.

***Listen, then, I beg you, with fatherly concern, to my earnest prayers, and obtain for me the favors I ask.***

I ask it by the infinite mercy of the eternal Son of God, which moved Him to take our nature and to be born into this world of sorrow.

***I ask it by the weariness and suffering you endured when you found no shelter at the inn of Bethlehem for the holy Virgin, nor a house where the Son of God could be born. Then, being everywhere refused, you had to allow the Queen of Heaven to give birth to the world's Redeemer in a cave.***

I ask it by the loveliness and power of that sacred Name, Jesus, which you conferred on the adorable Infant.

***I ask it by that painful torture you felt at the prophecy of holy Simeon, which declared the Child Jesus and His holy Mother, future victims of our sins and of their great love for us.***

I ask it through your sorrow and pain of soul when the angel declared to you that the life of the Child Jesus was sought by His enemies. From their evil plan you had to flee with Him and His Blessed Mother to Egypt. I ask it by all the suffering, weariness, and labors of that long and dangerous journey.

***I ask it by all your care to protect the Sacred Child and His Immaculate Mother during your second journey, when you were ordered to return to your own country. I ask it by your peaceful life in Nazareth where you met with so many joys and sorrows.***

I ask it by your great distress when the adorable Child was lost to you and His Mother for three days. I ask it by your joy at finding Him in the Temple, and by the comfort you found at Nazareth, while living in the company of the Child Jesus. I ask it by the wonderful submission He showed in His obedience to you.

***I ask it by the perfect love and conformity you showed in accepting the Divine order to depart from this life, and from the company of Jesus and Mary. I ask it by the joy which filled your soul, when the Redeemer of the world, triumphant over death and hell, entered into the possession of His kingdom and led you into it with special honors.***

I ask it through Mary's glorious Assumption, and through that endless happiness you have with her in the presence of God.

***O good father! I beg you, by all your sufferings, sorrows, and joys, to hear me and obtain for me what I ask. (Here name your petitions or think of them.)***

Obtain for all those who have asked for my prayers everything that is useful to them in the plan of God. Finally, my dear patron and father, be with me and all who are dear to me in our last moments, that we may eternally sing the praises of **JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH**.

**NOVENA to ST. JOSEPH**  
\*(prayer to be said at the end of each day's devotion)  
  
Saint Joseph, I, your unworthy child, greet you. You are the faithful protector and intercessor of all who love and venerate you. You know that I have special confidence in you and that, after Jesus and Mary: I place all my hope of salvation in you, for you are especially powerful with God and will never abandon your faithful servants. Therefore, I humbly invoke you and commend myself, with all who are dear to me and all that belong to me, to your intercession. I beg of you, by your love for Jesus and Mary, not to abandon me during life and to assist me at the hour of my death.  
  
Glorious Saint Joseph, spouse of the Immaculate Virgin, obtain for me a pure, humble, charitable mind, and perfect resignation to the divine Will. Be my guide, my father, and my model through life that I may merit to die as you did in the arms of Jesus and Mary.  
  
Loving Saint Joseph, faithful follower of Jesus Christ, I raise my heart to you to implore your powerful intercession in obtaining from the Divine Heart of Jesus all the graces necessary for my spiritual and temporal welfare, particularly the grace of a happy death, and the special grace I now implore:  
  
*(Mention your request).*  
  
Guardian of the Word Incarnate, I feel confident that your prayers on my behalf will be graciously heard before the throne of God. **Amen**

**Prayer to St. Joseph**

**O blessed Joseph, faithful guardian of my Redeemer, Jesus Christ, protector  
of your chaste spouse, the virgin Mother of God, I choose you this day to  
be my special patron and advocate and I firmly resolve to honor you all  
the days of my life. Therefore, I humbly beseech thee to receive me as your own, to instruct me in every doubt, to comfort me in every affliction,  
to obtain for me and for all the knowledge and love of the Heart of Jesus,  
and finally to defend and protect me at the hour of my death. Amen**

**MISSION OF ST. JOSEPH CHURCH**

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**as witnessed by the generous and thankful use of our time,**

**talent and treasure!**

**PRAYER FOR LIFE**

**O God, our Creator, all life is in your hands from conception until death. Help us to cherish our children and to reverence the awesome privilege of our share in creation. May all people live and die in dignity and love. Bless all those who defend the rights of the unborn, the handicapped, the aged, the homeless and the hungry. Enlighten and be merciful toward those who fail to love, and give them peace. Let freedom be tempered by responsibility, integrity and morality.**

**Clergy**

Rev. Allan Tupa, Pastor

Rev. Mathew Abraham, Parochial Vicar

**Parish Staff**

***Administration***Beverly Burgess, Business Administrator,   
Joshua Dowling. Communications Coordinator  
Paty Rios, Youth Minister   
Trish Dunham, Outreach

***Liturgical***Jeff Daignault, Music Director

Kathy Crum, Contemporary Choir  
Blanca Pisano, Faith Formation Coordinator

***Maintenance***

Michael Kozina, Supervisor

Carl Leslie

Philip Fernandez

**Parish Office Information**

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Office Hours: 8:30 – 4:00 Monday - Friday

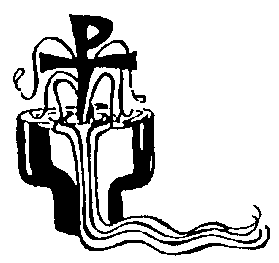
Closed for lunch 12:00pm – 1:00pm

**Parish Membership**

Every family in the parish should be properly registered. New parishioners are asked to register as soon as possible. Please pick up a new parishioner registration form at the parish office. St. Joseph is a practicing stewardship community and we invite everyone to participate in the weekly envelope program. This allows us to keep informed as to the attendance and current status of our active parishioners.

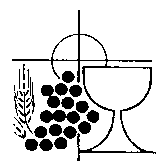
**Sponsorship (Godparents)**

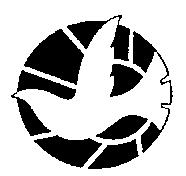
We are required to certify the status of parishioners in order to administer sacraments or attest to the eligibility for sponsorship for Baptism, Confirmation or Matrimony. In order for St. Joseph Catholic Church to certify eligibility to someone who has asked to be a sponsor for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation or Matrimony, the sponsor must be a registered member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and a practicing Catholic. **Attendance is shown at Mass by being active in a ministry or by using your envelope.**

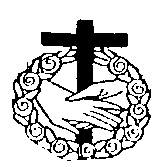
**Sacrament of Baptism**

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN: We are happy to help you welcome your child into our Church family. Please call the parish office to begin the process.

BAPTISM OF ADULTS: Please see **RCIA**

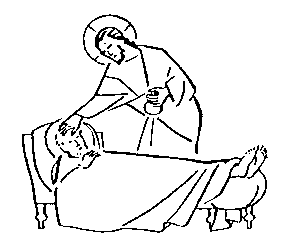
**Sacrament of First Communion / Confirmation/ Reconciliation**

Children who are ready to prepare for these Sacraments of Initiation and Reconciliation are required to be actively participating in an ongoing religious education program, either in a Catholic School or our parish program prior to registering for sacramental preparation. Anyone who is interested in receiving these sacraments, please contact our DRE, youth minister or the parish office.

**Sacrament of Marriage**

Congratulations on your decision to be married in the Church! Wedding preparation takes time, so please call the parish office as soon as you become engaged, and we

will be happy to get you started.

**Sacrament of the Sick**

The sick in local nursing homes and in Florida Hospital of Zephyrhills and Wesley Chapel are anointed regularly. If you are ill or homebound, or will soon be undergoing a serious medical procedure, please contact the parish office to receive this sacrament.

**Stewardship**

* **Stewardship is an acknowledgment that all we have and all we are comes from God.**
* **Stewardship is an acknowledgment of God’s kingship over us. Christian stewards, Jesus’ disciples, recognize God as the origin of life, giver of freedom and the source of all things. We look to the life and teaching of Jesus for guidance in living as Christian stewards.**
* **Stewardship shapes and molds our understanding of our lives and the way in which we live.**

**Sacrificial Giving**

* **Sacrificial giving is based on the notion that the giving of one’s time, talent and treasure is central to the Christian life.**
* **Our giving expresses our trust in a God who will provide for us and in a community that will use our gifts to build the Kingdom.**

**Discipleship**

* **A disciple follows our Lord Jesus Christ. It is through our Baptism that we receive the call and responsibility to be a disciple of Jesus.**
* **Christian stewards respond in a particular way to be a disciple of Jesus.**

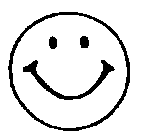
**Stewardship Prayer**

**We return to you, O Lord, the giver of all our gifts, a truly grateful first share of our TIME, our TALENT and our TREASURE.**

**Each one, as a good manager of God’s different gifts, must use for the good of others the special gift he has received from God.**

**I Peter 4:10**

**St. Joseph Church Administration Ministries**

**Office Volunteer Ministry**

Volunteers are needed to fill vacancies in the office due to

vacations, illness or to support special projects. Anyone who

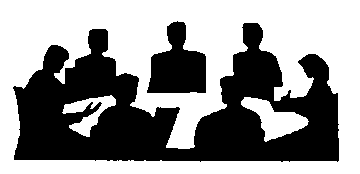
is interested is encouraged to contact the business

administrator at the church office.

**TIME**: As often or as little as you’d like

**TALENT**: Friendly, pleasant personality

**TREASURE:** None

**Finance/Budget Committee**

This committee is composed of parishioners who are interested in the financial issues of our parish. Most of these members are financial professionals or business owners. The body advises the pastor with respect to items such as the annual budget, the long term financial planning, high cost expenditures and various other financially related issues. These individuals are appointed by the pastor. Attendance at quarterly meetings is required.

**TIME:** Quarterly meetings and various assignments

**TALENT** Strong understanding of finances and ability to advise on

financial decisions

**TREASURE:** None.

**St. Joseph Church Faith Formation Ministries**

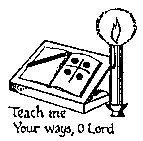
**J.O.E – Youth Ministry, Grade 6-12**

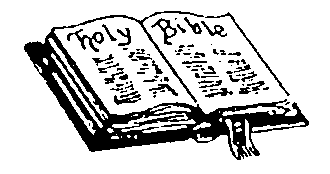
St. Joseph Catholic Church is dedicated to its future generation by having an active and effective youth ministry program. This ministry invites the youth and adults alike to participate. Our programs consist of community-building events, Christian concerts, Bible study, retreats and much more. Preparation for the sacrament of Confirmation is also done through the youth ministry program.

**RCIA**

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A.) is the process of initiating adults into the Catholic Church. Any adult who has not been baptized or has been baptized in another Christian faith and seeks full communion with the Catholic Church is directed to RCIA. This process of initiation is the responsibility of the entire faith community. Other adults who want to learn more about their faith are encouraged to attend the sessions or to join the RCIA team. Practicing Catholics are needed to share in the RCIA process as a sponsor, godparent and/or team member. Anyone interested in learning more about this process, please contact our parish office. Children who are over 7 years of age and not baptized, participate in the RCIA adapted for children. Those interested in this process, please contact our parish office.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION / FAITH FORMATION**

Religious Education/Faith Formation lays the foundation for a life in Jesus Christ. Children begin at an early age to identify the parish faith community as their own and to be an important part of it. Through an on-going program of study, of the teaching of the Catholic church, Scripture, sharing faith, prayer and service, children are guided into a way of life that centers on Jesus. Dedicated volunteers share their faith in the classroom setting, and prepare children for Sacraments of Initiation and Reconciliation.

 **Bible Study**

The bible study offers a combination of study, reflection and prayer of the readings for the week.

**St. Joseph Worship and Liturgical Ministries**

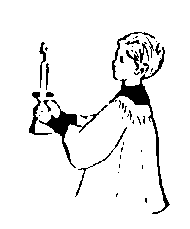


**CENACLE OF THE MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRIESTS**

**In imitation of our Blessed Mother and the disciples, we come together to pray. Our prayer group meets on Tuesday mornings after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. We follow the basic Cenacle format: Hymn to our Blessed Mother, the Rosary, reading and meditation on the message from the book, “To the Priests, Our Lady’s Beloved Sons.” We also include prayers for Priests and for vocations. Everyone is welcome to join us.**

**ST. JOSEPH CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP**

**We meet Sunday evenings, 6 p.m. in the social hall. We begin with prayer, music and songs of praise and worship, leading us into silent time to listen to the Lord. There may be prophecy, inspired Scripture readings or words of wisdom from the Holy Spirit. We allow more quiet time to reflect on these. We also have a teaching or sharing on how God is working in our lives. Intercessory Prayer is an important part of our session as it helps us to be concerned for each other’s needs and the needs of the world. We close with announcements, a song and the sharing of names for prayer for the week. New members are always welcome to join us to praise and worship our awesome God!**

**Altar Servers**

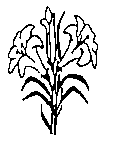
Boys and girls who have made their First Holy Communion are invited to assist the celebrant during our Masses. Training is provided to prepare new servers in becoming faithful in performing the duties of service with decorum and reverence. Altar Servers are required to be committed to being present at all assigned liturgies and attending altar server training and meetings as scheduled.

**TIME:** Scheduled Masses / Scheduled training / and meetings

**TALENT:** A willingness to commit to this ministry, to dress appropriately, to care for the vestments and to volunteer to serve

**TREASURE:** None

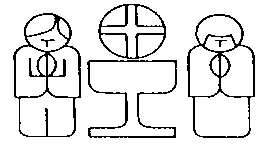
**Art & Environment**

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**TIME:** A few hours during Lent and Advent

**TALENT**: Creativity

**TREASURE**: None

**Eucharistic Ministers**

We welcome parishioners who would like to serve

the community by administering the Sacrament

of the Holy Eucharist to the parish during Mass.

Parishioners that are interested must be registered

with our parish, must have received the Sacraments of Initiation and

must be approved by the pastor. Those interested should contact the

parish office to schedule yourself for training and commissioning which

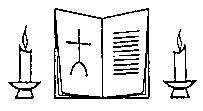
our parish provides. Eucharistic ministers are also assigned to bringing

communion to the sick and homebound.

**TIME:** One day of training / scheduled Masses / if applicable scheduled to bring to the sick and/or homebound

**TALENT:** Eucharistic ministers should exhibit an air of reverence, dress appropriately and notify the sacristan when they arrive at Mass on their scheduled day. They should also attend periodic meetings for liturgical ministers.

**TREASURE:** None

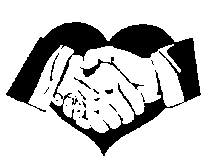
  
**Ministers of the Word (Lectors)**

Lectors are those who are committed to the ministry of the Word of God. Through prayerful proclamation, lectors make the Word of God alive through the Scripture readings at Mass. The presence of God radiates from the proclamation at the Liturgy. Lectors are scheduled monthly and are required to attend the training the parish offers prior to becoming a lector. You must have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion, and be an active member of our parish.

**TIME:** Preparation before each scheduled presentation / attend periodic training for liturgical ministers provided by the parish.

**TALENT:** Clear, strong, speaking voice / dress appropriately

**TREASURE:** None

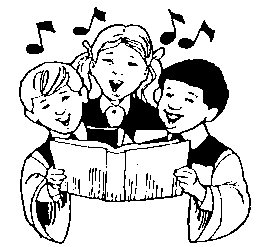
**Ministers of Hospitality (Ushers / Greeters)**

The Ministers of hospitality serve the parish community at liturgical celebrations. The greeters play a special role by welcoming people into the celebration which is about to take place. Their warm smile and friendly welcome set the tone for the Eucharistic Celebration. An usher’s role is to provide assistance to the congregation once they walk into church. They assist with seating; take up the collection and direct people during distribution of Communion. The ministers of hospitality hand out bulletins to the people as they exit the church. All ages are welcome to be ministers of hospitality.

**TIME:** Arrive at least 30 minutes prior to Mass and remain until the last person leaves.

**TALENT:** Courteous, outgoing with a friendly smile and to have the ability and desire to please others. All ages are welcome to serve in this ministry.

**TREASURE:** None.

**Ministers of Music (Choirs)**

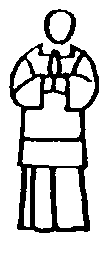
People of all ages that have a reasonably good singing voice are invited to become choir members or cantors to lead the assembly at Mass. Anyone who can serve as an instrumental accompanist are welcome. We have a traditional choir, a contemporary choir, cantors, a band which plays contemporary music and a hand bell choir.

**TIME:** Weekly rehearsals, one Mass per week, special seasonal concerts and rehearsals.

**TALENT:** Ability to sing or play an instrument and love music

**TREASURE**: None.|

**Sacristans**

Sacristans assist in the sacristy, preparing for Mass and other liturgical celebrations. The sacristan should have received all the Sacraments of Initiation and be an active member of our parish. The sacristans set out the proper altar cloths, prepare the bread and wine for Mass and set out the proper books and vessels. The sacristan cleans and returns the sacred vessels and articles for worship to their proper places after Mass.

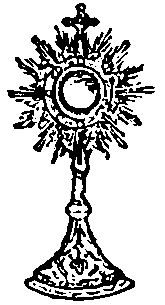
**TIME**: One hour before Mass and 30 minutes after each

scheduled Mass. Attend training provided by head sacristan / attend periodic liturgical meetings.

**TALENT:** A willingness to commit to faithful service. Ability to be flexible,

pleasant attitude / dress appropriately.

**TREASURE**: None

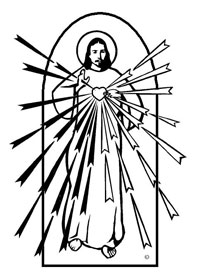
**Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration**

Jesus asked, “Could you not spend one hour with me?” The Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration ministry offers each member of the parish an opportunity for an hour of prayer in front of our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Christ himself is present in the sacrament, and He is to be honored with our adoration, gratitude and love. A parish with Eucharistic Adoration is alive in the Holy Spirit!

**TIME:** After Mass on Thursdays from 8:30 – 9:30.

**TALENT:** Quiet, grateful, respectful and reverent with a prayerful heart.

**TREASURE:** None.



**Divine Mercy Sundays**These Sundays, the last of the month, offer a time where our community prays the Divine Mercy Chaplet while adoring our Lord in the Holy Eucharist.

**TIME:** 2:30pm – every last Sunday of the month, unless otherwise noted.

**TALENT:** Quiet, grateful, respectful and reverent with a prayerful heart.

**TREASURE:** None.

**St. Joseph Catholic Church Service and Outreach Ministries**



**Altar Guild**

The purpose of the St. Joseph Altar Guild is to help keep the inside of the church clean and to serve God and the parish community in a quiet, generous way. The guild also takes care of the altar and candles and changes the holy water.

**TIME**: A couple of hours one day per week

**TALENT**: Ability to dust and polish

**TREASURE**: None

MCj02988270000[1]**Catholic Women’s Club**

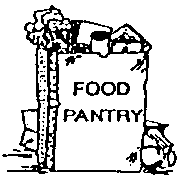
St. Joseph is blessed to have a Catholic Women’s Club. All women of the parish are invited and encouraged to join and participate in the meetings and activities, partake of refreshments and enjoy occasional

guest speakers. Our purpose is to establish relations with civic and social agencies in the endeavor to create interest to aid in the solution of present day civic, social and educational issues.

**TIME**: One hour a month

**TALENT:** Interest in working with other women and enjoying the company of others.

**TREASURE:** None



**Food Pantry**

Parishioners may bring food to the church or parish office

any time. The food pantry prepares bags for those in our parish who need help especially at Easter, Thanksgiving

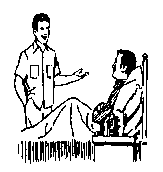
and Christmas. The food pantry is open every Wednesday from 9-11 am.

**TIME:** On Mondays and Wednesdays from 9-11 am.

**TALENT:** Organize donations, sort and pack bags for pickup

**TREASURE:** None

**Our Lady of Hope**

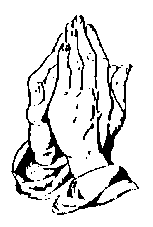
This group of Eucharistic ministers bring communion to the homebound, nursing homes and the hospital. They minister to the hospital each day and the nursing homes on a weekly basis and homebound are visited on First Friday of each month. This ministry allows those who otherwise would not be able to receive Jesus through the Holy Eucharist.

**TIME:** A few hours per month

**TALENT:** Trained Eucharistic minister enjoying the company of

others

**TREASURE**: None

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**Prayer Line**

Prayer is an important part of our spiritual life. The members of this ministry will pray with you or for you.

**TIME:** Daily prayers

**TALENT**: Ability to pray for others

**TREASURE:** None

MC900359087[1]**Divine Will Prayer Group**

MC900045141[1]This ministry meets weekly to study the writings of Luisa Piccarreta, which teach us how to live in the Divine Will, and they will pray for your needs and

provide support for life’s difficult moments

**TIME:** 9:30am - noon on Wednesdays

**TALENT:** Ability to study and pray

**TREASURE:** None

**Prison Ministry Program**

This is a diocesan-wide ministry that brings the Word of God and the sacraments of the Catholic Church to men, women and juveniles who are incarcerated. Volunteers also assist with tutoring of the inmates who are preparing to take their GED test. Visitation of the inmates usually occurs on Thursday evenings

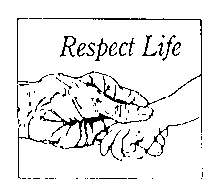
from 6-9 p.m. Volunteers must possess a desire to help those most in need of God’s loving grace and must pass a background check.

**TIME**: Weekly visits to the prison

**TALENT**: A desire to help those most in need of God’s

loving grace.

**TREASURE**: None.

**Respect Life**

Respect Life seeks to educate people on the issues of

abortion, euthanasia and capital punishment. As quoted by Pope John Paul II, “we will stand up for life whenever it is threatened.”

**TIME:** As your schedule allows

**TALENT**: RESPECT for life!

**TREASURE:** None

**Baby Pantry**

Parishioners and community members may bring donations to

the church or parish office any time. The Baby Pantry collects and

distributes diapers, wipes, formula, baby food, toiletries and clothing to

parents and grandparents in need of baby supplies.

**TIME:** Every Thursday from 9-11 am weekly

**TALENT:** Friendly and outgoing personality, good organizational skills, willingness to help

**TREASURE:** None

MCj04108330000[1]**Thrifty Angel Boutique**

Through the generous donations of others, St. Joseph

Church has the ability to have a thrift shop, consisting of

clothing, shoes, housewares and knick-knacks. These items

are sorted, tagged and made available for sale at very

good prices. We welcome anyone who is interested in receiving goods,

tagging, sorting and/or just selling items to contact the office and see if

this ministry is for you.

**TIME**: Monday to label and tag 8 a.m. – noon

Wednesday to sell 8 a.m. – noon

Saturday (Seasonally) – 8 a.m. – noon

Choose which fits your schedule

**TALENT**: Friendly, pleasant personality

**TREASURE:** None

**Library**

****Many books, DVD’s, pamphlets and other Christian reading

materials comprise the library located in the St. Joseph

religious education building. Materials can be checked out

with a library card which is available to all.

TIME: Call office for hours of operation

TALENT: Desire to learn more of our faith through different materials.

TREASURE: None

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**Aerobics Group**

St. Joseph offers an aerobics class on Monday and Thursday mornings from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. This hour and a half gives you the opportunity for prayer, fellowship and support, along with a fun way to exercise.

**TIME**: Monday and Thursday mornings

**TALENT:** None

**TREASURE:** $1.00 donation which is donated back to our parish

**Bingo**

MCj03361540000[1]Bingo is a fun way to support our parish. Every Tuesday from October through April Bingo is held in our Parish Center. All proceeds from Bingo go directly to the parish. Volunteers work diligently every Tuesday to help make this a fun experience for all. Anyone interested in joining this team of dedicated volunteers is asked to please contact the Parish Office.

**TIME:** 8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. weekly

**TALENT:** Ability to handle money or read and call out numbers

**TREASURE:** None

MC900310228[1]**St. Joseph Craft Club**

The St. Joseph Craft Club meets weekly to design and make crafts to be sold at scheduled sales throughout the year. The club is open to all. Instructions and materials are provided. Come have a good time with us!

**TIME:** Wednesdays 8:00 - noon

**TALENT:** Ability to make crafts

**TREASURE:** None

**Gift Shop**

Our parish gift shop is located in the narthex of the Church and the parish office lobby. We are open after all weekend Masses and during office hours. During the winter months, we are open after all Weekday Masses, too. The shop contains a wide variety of religious items including crucifixes, medals, statues, books and cards. We also carry seasonal gifts for First Communion, Confirmation, Mother’s Day, Father’s Day, Advent and Christmas and much more.

**TIME:** 2 – 3 hours a week, or month – you can set the time

**TALENT:** Ability to sell items, record sales and count money

**TREASURE:** None

**St. Joseph Catholic Church**

**Affiliated Organizations**



**Knights of Columbus**

The Fr. Robert W. Rittmeyer Knights of Columbus, Council # 10671, is a

Catholic men’s fraternal benefit society that was formed to render

financial aid to members and their families. Mutual aid and assistance

are offered to sick, disabled and needy members and their families.

Social and intellectual fellowship is promoted among members and their

families through educational, charitable and social works.

**Ladies’ Auxiliary**

The Ladies’ Auxiliary purpose is to assist Council 10671 financially and

in its endeavors. It also promotes sociability and friendship among

members of the Auxiliary. This is open to all women 18 years old and

older who are in good standing with the Catholic Church.

**Catholic Daughters of the Americas**

**Court of Saint Mother Theresa**

Catholic Daughters of the Americas provides its members with updated

programs to serve the current needs of Church and country. The

programs cover a vast scope of activities beginning at the parish level

and expanding into all concerns of today's Church and society. Regular

meetings of the local courts are held the first Monday of every month,

with a minimum of 10 meetings a year currently scheduled for

September through June. We encourage all Catholic women 18 years

old and older to join the Catholic Daughters of the Americas to share

their responsibility. “Catholic Daughters of the Americas strive to

embrace the principle of faith working through love in the promotion of

justice, equality and the advancement of human rights and human dignity

for all.”

**St. Joseph Catholic Church Administrative and Program**

**Phone Directory**

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| **Parish Staff** | | |
| Pastor | Rev. Allan Tupa | 813-782-2813 |
| Parochial Vicar | Rev. Mathew Abraham | 813-782-2813 |
| Business Administrator | Beverly Burgess | 813-782-2813 |
| Reception/Accts Payable |  | 813-782-2813 |
| Communication Coord. | Joshua Dowling | 813-782-2813 |
| Faith Formation Coordinator | Blanca Pisano | 813-782-2813 |
| Youth Ministry | Paty Rios | 813-782-2813 |
| Maintenance Supervisor | Michael Kozina | 813-782-2813 |
| Maintenance | Carl Leslie | 813-782-2813 |
| Maintenance | Philip Fernandez | 813-782-2813 |
| Music Director | Jeff Daignault | 813-782-4737 |
| Contemporary Choir | Kathy Crum | 813-230-7587 |
| Thrifty Angel Boutique | Trish Dunham | 813-997-6211 |
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| **Liturgical Ministries** | | |
| Altar Servers | Fran Shiver | 813-918-2229 |
| Eucharistic Minister | Connie Fernandez | 813-780-6716 |
| Lectors  (Ministers of the Word) | Kathy Brady | 813-625-5556 |
| Ushers (Ministers of Hospitality) | Larry Wills | 813-469-3089 |
| Sacristan | Dan McWilliams  Karen Lyons | 813-782-2813 |
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| **Outreach Ministries** | | |
| Aerobics | Diane Surratt | 813-782-2813 |
| Altar Guild | Helen Thompson | 813-715-0088 |
| Art/Environment | Louise Carroll  Tammy Hepn | 813-715-0993 |
| Bingo | Kathy Brady | 813-625-5556 |
| Catholic Women’s Club | Barbara Erdmann | 813-780-8691 |
| Cenacle of Marion Movement of Priests | Jean Levesque | 813-782-6297 |
| Charismatic Prayer | Bob & Anna Rancourt | 813-715-4003 |
| Coffee & Donuts |  | 813-782-2813 |
| Craft Club | Cathie Palazzi | 813-312-2584 |
| Food Pantry | Joan Hornaman | 813-782-2813 |
| Gift Shop | Barbara Erdmann | 813-782-2813 |
| Library | Barbara Erdmann  Jean Levesque | 813-780-8691  813-782-6297 |
| Our Lady of Hope | Helen Thompson | 813-715-0088 |
| Parish Nurse/ Faith Community Nursing | Monica Wills | 813-469-6436 |
| Prayer Line | Kathy Fountain | 813-780-6940 |
| Prison Ministry | Office | 813-782-2813 |
| Respect Life | Ellie Grudzinski | 352-567-6195 |
| Thrifty Angel Boutique | Trish Dunham | 813-997-6211 |
| Volunteer office work | Beverly Burgess | 813-782-2813 |
| **Parish Organizations** | | |
| Catholic Daughters of the Americas | Kathy Brady | 813-625-5556 |
| Knights of Columbus | Richard Geoffrion | 813-778-2759 |
| K of C Ladies’ Auxiliary | Trish Dunham | 813-997-6211 |

**St. Joseph Catholic Church**

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**Time & Talent Sign up Sheet**

(Please fill out one card per family member)

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**Ministry List**

If you would like information on any of the following, please check all applicable boxes.

You may drop the complete form in the collection basket or mail to the parish office.

* + Aerobics
  + Altar Guild
  + Altar Servers
  + Art & Environment
  + Catholic Daughters of the Americas
  + Coffee & Donuts
  + Craft Club
  + Eucharistic Ministers
  + Faith Formation
  + Finance Committee
  + Food pantry
  + Gift Shop
  + Knights of Columbus
  + Lectors
  + Library
  + Music
  + Office Volunteer
  + Our Lady of Hope
  + Prayer Line
  + Prison Ministry
  + RCIA
  + Respect Life
  + Sacristans
  + Ushers/Greeters
  + Welcoming Committee
  + Women’s Club
  + **Other \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***“As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied Grace.”***

*1 Peter 4:8-10*

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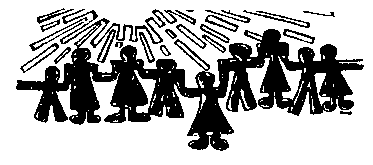
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Zephyrhills, FL 33542



**SAINT JOSEPH PARISH FAMILY**

As you can see after looking through our parish directory, there are many ministries available to serve you and in which you may choose to serve. Thank you to all who give so freely of their time, talent and treasure. These ministries would not be here if it were not for you and you can be proud of what you do for our Lord!

There are many more ministries available to our community which are offered through our Diocese of St. Petersburg. These ministries serve more than just those in Zephyrhills. They serve the entire Catholic population in our Diocese, as well as those in need all over the globe. Those ministries, which are listed below, are there due to the generous contributions to the Annual Pastoral Appeal by all the parishes in our Diocese. Without your continued support of the Annual Pastoral Appeal, St. Joseph Parish would not be able to provide the local ministries we now do.

*Staff Positions and Emails*General Email Inbox  
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Beverly Burgess; Business Administrator  
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Joshua Dowling; Communications Coordinator  
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Blanca Pisano; Faith Formation Coordinator  
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Paty Rios; Youth Ministry  
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Jeff Daignault; Music Director  
[musicdir@stjosephzephyrhills.org](mailto:musicdir@stjosephzephyrhills.org)

Mike Kozina; Facilities Supervisor

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Trish Dunham; Thrifty Angel Boutique

[tab@stjosephzephyrhills.org](mailto:tab@stjosephzephyrhills.org)

Kathy Crum; Contemporary Choir  
[katshe@aol.com](mailto:katshe@aol.com)