WEEKEND WORSHIP

Saturdays - 4:00 PM
Sundays - 8:00 & 10:30 AM
Masses in Spanish:
2nd and 4th Sundays at 12:30 PM
Masses interpreted for hearing
Impaired: 3rd Sunday - 10:30 AM Mass,
1st and 4th Saturday - 4:00 PM Mass

DAILY MASS, HOLYDAYS, AND DEVOTIONS

Consult weekly listings.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturdays 3:00 PM in the Reconciliation Room (north vestibule colonnade).

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism is celebrated within our weekend worship services monthly.

A preparation session is required of parents and can be attended in advance of birth.

Please phone the
Christian Formation Office at
262-375-6500, x120.

MARRIAGE

Couples anticipating marriage should contact Ken Stanczyk,
Director of Adult Ministry,
at 262-375-6500, x104
at least ten months prior to the desired wedding date.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

If you are unable to attend Mass and would like communion, please call Ken Stanczyk at 262-375-6500, x104.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you have a pending, scheduled surgery, please see Father Steve Lampe after Mass or call Brenda Cline, Parish Director, at (262)375-6500, x103.

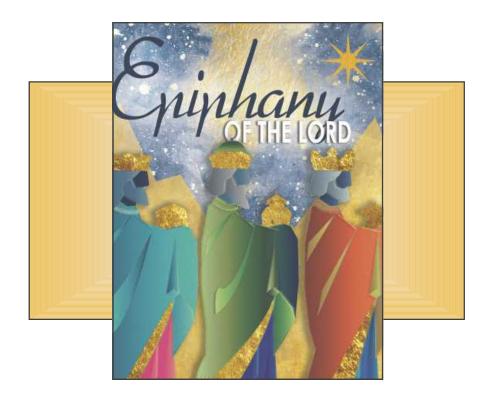
PARISH MEMBERSHIP AND STEWARDSHIP

In order to benefit fully from the many services offered by our parish, Catholics 18 years and older are required to maintain an official membership at Saint Joseph Parish. Active and supporting membership includes offering of one's time, talent, and treasure to assist in promoting the mission and work of Saint Joseph Parish. If you would like to establish your parish membership, please stop at the Parish Office during the week or after weekend liturgy.

FACEBOOK: St. Joseph Parish - Grafton WI WEBPAGE: www.stjosephgrafton.org PARISH EMAIL: parish@stjosephgrafton.org GUEST WI-FI Password: welcome2sjp



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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 6th - Fr. John Yockey

4:00 PM For Our Parishioners

Sunday, January 7th - Fr. John Yockey

8:00 AM †Gary and Lorraine Sweet

10:30 AM †Marian Ethier

Monday, January 8th

Tuesday, January 9th

8:00 AM Liturgy of the Word with Communion

6:00 PM First Reconciliation

Wednesday, January 10th - Fr. John Yockey

5:00 PM †Carol Ruhland

Thursday, January 11th - Fr. Pat Wendt

9:30 AM †Bob Terwelp

Friday, January 12th

Saturday, January 13th

4:00 PM †Margaret Rossman

Baptism within Mass

Sunday, January 14th

8:00 AM †Ed Kaltenberg 10:30 AM †Helen Kassens

Baptism within Mass

12:30 PM Misa en Español (Mass in Spanish)

For Our Parishioners

Readings for Week of January 7, 2018

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/

Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11 or Acts 10:34-38

or 1 Jn 5:1-9/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3]/Mk 1:7-

11

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1]/

Mk 1:21-28 or 1 Sm 1:1-8 and 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1]/Mk 1:14-20 and

1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9,

10 [8a and 9a]/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25 [27b]/

Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19 [2]/Mk

2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7

[2a]/Mk 2:13-17

Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a,

9a]/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

LECTOR SCHEDULE

January 13th and 14th

4:00 PM Dawn Wankowski, Kristi Benninghoff,

Amy Langenecker

8:00 AM Richard Moore, Jon Herreman, Tina Kupcho 10:30 AM Hope Holland-Mullins, Kimberly Nielsen,

Marjean Westphal

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, January 7th

After Masses Epiphany Celebration

9:15 AM Coffee with Ken & Friends: RCIA 9:15 AM Christian Formation Classes: K4 - 8

Monday, January 8th

6:00 PM Gay & Straight in Christ Ministry 7:00 PM Life Long Faith Formation Committee

Tuesday, January 9th

8:30 AM Tuesday Morning Scripture Study

7:00 PM Athletic Board 7:00 PM SVDP Committee

Wednesday, January 10th

9:30 AM Stewardship Committee: Chairpersons Meeting

Thursday, January 11th

4:00 PM All Saints Meal - Milwaukee 6:30 PM Technology Committee 7:00 PM Parish Choir Rehearsal

Friday, January 12th

Saturday, January 13th

After Mass Hospitality: St. Joseph Parish School

After Mass Home & School Scrip Sale

After Mass Knights of Columbus: Lifesaver for Life Event

UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan 14 Hospitality: St. Joseph Parish School (After Masses)

Home & School Scrip Sale (After Masses) Knights of Columbus: Lifesaver for Life Event

(After Masses)

Christian Formation: Family Service Project Christian Formation Classes: Grades 9 - 12

Coffee with Ken & Friends: RCIA

Jan 15 50 Plus Planning Committee

Jan 16 Tuesday Morning Scripture Study

Stewardship Committee: Chairpersons Meeting

Jan 17 Workcamp Gathering

Los Toros Council

Jan 18 Prayer Shawl Ministry

Parish Choir Rehearsal

Jan 19 Los Toros: Beca Committee

Jan 20 Men Exploring Faith

Rehearsal: St. Joseph Carol Choir

Workcamp Tailgate To Go Meals (After Mass)

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

January 13th and 14th

4:00 PM 8:00 AM 10:30 AM

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PASTORAL PONDERINGS

A weekly column, shared with parishioners, by members of the Pastoral Staff.

Brenda Cline, Parish Director

The Feast of Epiphany "Raise your eyes, and look about..."

The word **Epiphany** is of Greek origin, and means manifestation, revelation, and insight. These words appropriately describe today's Feast, which gives us yet another glimpse into the sacred mystery of Jesus' birth. Today, we take a peek at the nativity from the perspectives of Herod, the Magi, Mary, the infant Jesus, and even the Star. What was revealed to you today as you listened to this story from the Gospel of Matthew? What new insight touched your heart?

My religious imagination was struck by how the Magi, having followed the star and been overjoyed at meeting Mary and Jesus, having shared their gifts and treasures, and then having worshipped Jesus, *changed their plans*. They didn't go back to Herod! Instead, they tuned in to God – into the same Supreme Being who placed the star in the sky to guide them – and listened to their dream which sent them home by another way. They were radically and powerfully changed by their encounter with Jesus, and they shifted course.

In this New Year, I pray for the wisdom to tune into the stars and dreams that God provides to guide my path...and then for the courage to change my plans as directed!

As I further reflected on the readings for Epiphany, I could not help but see the First Reading through the lens of our recently completed lights and ceiling project. The Prophet Isaiah proclaims: "raise your eyes and look about...your light has come...the glory of the Lord shines upon you...nations shall walk by your light...then you shall be radiant at what you see..." Of course, Isaiah was illuminating a path far beyond our own little church project here in Grafton!

However, by lighting anew our place of worship and illuminating our beautiful sacred space, we hope to be one small star to help guide people on their way to meet Christ. What a big responsibility! We hope that our "light" can be part of your faith journey, and for people for generations to come. We pray that by our light we will help each other encounter Christ, so that we can change course – in our lives and perhaps even in the world – having been so profoundly touched by our experience of Jesus.

We celebrate Epiphany this year with a prayer of thanksgiving for our new lights. We are so grateful to our parish community for making this project possible for the current and future mission of the church in Grafton! We also give thanks and praise for Jesus, who is THE LIGHT of the World, and ask Him to guide our path according to His will.

It is our tradition at St. Joseph Parish to continue the celebration of Epiphany after each Mass with hospitality in the Gathering Hall. We also humbly offer a gift of bread and wine for each household as a symbol of our gratitude and appreciation for your gifts shared throughout the year. All are welcome – please join us!



At this time, the
St. Joseph Parish Community
would like to extend a
warm welcome to the following
families who
joined our parish in December.

Kresnak Family

Jared, Cathy and daughters Alex and Libby

Kathryn Gifford

Tuan Nguyen

"Special hosts are available for those with a gluten intolerance. For those who wish to receive such hosts, you are directed to go to the priest's communion line and indicate your preference to him."



ST. JOSEPH PARISH 50 PLUS GROUP - JANUARY SOCIAL

Serving soup, salad, sandwiches, desserts, and coffee. Following lunch stay and play cards and games.

12:00 Noon on Sunday, January 21st

Cost - Free Will Offering

Reservations Desired

Sign up sheet available at the Hospitality Desk in the Gathering Hall.

Questions? Please call Ken Stanczyk at 375-6500 x104.

CHILD AND YOUTH MINISTRY

For more information please contact Sheri Hanson, Director, at shanson@stjosephgrafton.org or 262-375-6500 x 175



At our Confirmation Sponsor & Youth meeting in December, our 11th grade confirmands and their sponsors reflected on Baptism and their faith, prayed together and planned future outings.



JANUARY 20 - 21 After all Masses

Tailgate from the comfort of home after picking up one of these delicious meals!

Tailgate To-Go Meals include:

Schwai's Brats (3 choices, ready to cook)
Buns (from Nino's Bakery)
Potato Chips
(1) 2– liter bottle Root Beer
Homemade Cookies

3 Brat Meal: \$15.00 6 Brat Meal: \$25.00

Also featuring a raffle which includes Wisconsin sports team items.

Your generous support will help send youth on our Workcamp mission trip where they will help heal the hearts and homes of residents in Vandalia, IL.

Due to conflicts with local community events, this new Workcamp fundraiser replaces Meatball Madness.



At our 1st Reconciliation Retreat in December, 2nd graders reflected on the parable of the lost sheep. They created posters and shared their reflections with their peers.

• First Reconciliation Service
Tuesday, January 9 at 6:00 p.m.
For children celebrating their
First Reconciliation.





Join us at our January Family Service Project: Gifts for the Sick and Homebound

> Next Sunday, January 14 9:15 - 10:15 a.m. Lower Level Doherty Hall

We will make sun catchers out of CDs as gifts for those who are sick or homebound.

All children, middle school youth, and families are welcome to join us.

Children 10 years old and older may be dropped off, but parents are asked to accompany younger children.

If you know of someone who could benefit from one of our handmade gifts, please let Sheri Hanson know!

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Los Toros Mission Retreat: An Invitation from Deacon Don Kabara

Note: This trip will not include working at the mission, it is meant to be a spiritual experience.

All meetings and sharing will be done in English no Spanish is required.



A Three Day Retreat

Objectives:

- 1. Connect our spirituality and build solidarity with people living in the Third World.
- 2. Investigate living the Gospel in our daily lives.
- 3. Grow our prayer lives through Scripture Meditation and Journaling.
- 4. Share our spirituality with Dominicans and have them share their spirituality with us.

Format:

- 1. Travel to Los Toros and stay with families.
- 2. Three meetings each day: morning/afternoon/evening.
 - * Prayer as a group
 - * Scripture and Spiritual Reading and reflection.
 - * Discuss Meditation and Journaling in simple terms.
- 3. A daily talk given by Deacon Don, questions and discussion within group.
- 4. Sharing with Dominicans.
- 5. End retreat with visit to the capital city and historical and religious sites.

Possible Retreat Dates:

Feb 22 <u>or</u> 23 to Feb 27 <u>or</u> 28 Mar 1 or 2 to Mar 6 or 7

Time and Costs:

Six Days: Three in Los Toros, one in the capital and two for travel.

Costs: Approximately \$180.00, plus airfare and additional options – hotel and food.

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Airfare: Approximately \$550 to \$650

Contact:

Deacon Don Kabara 209 W Cedar Street Grafton WI 53024 sr.dkabara@gmail.com Cell: 262-490-2490

Since I will be traveling a bit, it is best to contact me via email or regular mail.

Coffee With Ken & Friends

Thinking about becoming Catholic?

Please join Ken Stanczyk and friends for a cup of coffee and information about the R.C.I.A. process between the Sunday Masses (9:15 - 10:15 a.m.) during the month of January.

We will meet you near the fireplace in our Gathering Hall. We welcome anyone who is interested in learning more about becoming Catholic. Hope to see you there!

Matthew Kelly is coming to Milwaukee!

Dynamic Catholic is bringing popular Catholic author and speaker, Matthew Kelly, to Milwaukee on June 23, 2018, and St. Joseph Parish has been selected as a sponsor parish. In the coming months, our parish will be hosting informational weekends and selling discounted tickets to the event. More information will follow, but for now we are passing out copies of Matthew's book, *Perfectly Yourself*, to introduce him to you and whet your appetite. This book is part of our Epiphany weekend gift!

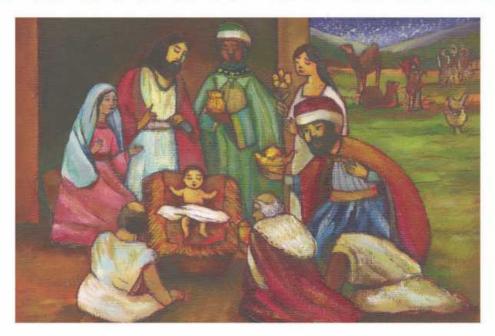


REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR

Eugene Szydel Michael Dowling Donna Tinebra Nancy S. Engstrom Russel L. Heder Joseph Tinebra Mary Wagner Lucille J. Hilgart Marge Hubacek Ellen Walsh Matt Kirklewski Harold Walsh Shirley Martens Jarrod Widmann Margaret Schmeling Francis Wollner

If you wish to add <u>your name</u> to the prayer list, please complete and sign a <u>Prayer Authorization Form</u> which is available on the bulletin boards at all entrances. A new authorization form is required <u>every 6 months</u>.

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



People of Light

O God of all nations,
who becken us to live in the light,
you scattered the darkness through the birth
of your Son, Jesus.

Prophets of old foretold that your brilliance would cover the earth and draw all peoples into your loving care. Grant that we, who, like the Magi, seek the radiance of your glory are found worthy to proclaim your holy name. Shine brightly within our hearts and illuminate our minds as we faithfully share the Good News.

May all peoples be drawn closer to you by the revelation of your Incarnate Word.

Keep us ever in your care, so that, filled with joy,

we may always work to build a just and peaceful world.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sunday, January 7, 2018 Revealing Light

Today's Readings: Isaiah 60:1–6; Psalm 72:1–2, 7–8, 10–11, 12–13; Ephesians 3:2–3a, 5–6; Matthew 2:1–12. The Feast of the Epiphany celebrates God's manifestation to all the nations. We are familiar with the story of the three wise men and the song "We Three Kings," but do we stop and think about what the Scriptures tell us today?

In the First Reading, the prophet demands that Jerusalem rise up; God has restored the city, bathing it in light. God's glory is revealed in this thriving city and its renewed people: all the "Nations shall come to your light" (v. 3). Jerusalem reveals the Good News of salvation so that the world can bask in God's redeeming love. In the Gospel, Magi from the East (representing different cultures/places)

seek the Christ Child. They follow a star; they are in pursuit of truth. Upon seeing Jesus, they paid him homage. Jesus has come to save all people, and Christ's manifestation transforms the way we see one another. Christ is at the center of our relationships, and he uses our diverse gifts and experiences to reveal the Father. When the visitors from the East find Jesus, they are made part of the story of God's people.

In Baptism, bathed with the Light of Christ, we are delivered from our misfortune and made into the Body of Christ. We are no longer a people of darkness; we must shine out like Jerusalem. Our lives should reflect Christ's Divine Presence, proclaim justice to the poor, release to the captives, and attract all who seek to know truth.



THIS WEEK AT HOME

Ordinary Time

Ordinary Time is divided into two periods. The first begins with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord and ends with Ash Wednesday (February 14). The second and longest period begins after Pentecost and concludes on the Saturday after the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of All the Universe. The word ordinary means "ordered." The season is called *Ordinary* because we number the weeks outside of festal time to help us mark the time. During Ordinary Time, the Lectionary narrates the works of Jesus and outlines what it means to be a disciple. This season is not mundane or unimportant but a season to reflect on what it means to be a faithful disciple of Christ and to practice the faith we profess. During these weeks of Winter Ordinary Time, relish the quiet of winter, listen attentively to the Scriptures, and notice the simplicity of the decor in your parish church. Allow these few weeks to be a time of contemplation and of sharing the Good News, especially as we ready ourselves for the celebration of Lent and Easter.

Monday, January 8
Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

Today marks the official end of the Christmas season and the beginning of Ordinary Time. Along with the wedding at Cana and the story of the Magi, this story reveals God's presence among us. Adrien Nocent, osb, says, "The baptism of Christ, leads us even more deeply into the paschal mystery. For the baptism of Christ in the Jordan manifests the fact that salvation is now given to all: sin is destroyed" (*The Liturgical Year*, Liturgical Press, 2013). As Jesus comes up from the water, God reveals that Jesus is his beloved Son. Because of the waters of Baptism, we share in the life that Jesus promised. We have a share in the Kingdom and are required to work that all people have peace, justice, and love. *Today's Readings: Isaiah 42:1–4, 6–7 or Isaiah 55:1–11; Psalm 29:1–2, 3–4, 3, 9–10 or Isaiah 12:2–3, 4bcd, 5–6; Acts 10:34–38 or 1 John 5:1–9; Mark 1:7–11.*

Friday, February 2

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

Though forty days after Christmas, this feast brings Christmas Time to mind. The liturgy for this day reminds us that Jesus is a light of revelation to the Gentiles (2:32). Simeon and Anna recognized the divine child, the King of Glory, who became like us in order to save us from our sins. This feast reminds us that Jesus is truly the light that banishes all darkness and purifies all peoples so they might share in God's goodness. At Mass today, many parishes will bless the candles used throughout the year and invite parishioners to bring candles from home to be blessed. The liturgy begins with the blessing and a candlelight procession to remind us that Jesus is our light in the darkness. *Today's Readings: Malachi 3:1–4; Psalm 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Hebrews 2:14–18; Luke 2:22–40.*

Saturday, February 10 St. Scholastica

Not much is known about Scholastica's early life: she is the twin sister of St. Benedict and the foundress of the Benedictine nuns. Hagiography tells us that Scholastica was deeply devoted to prayer and deepening her friendship with God. The readings today point out both this idea of deep love for God and the theme of service to the Lord. Though Scholastica was cloistered, her devotion to God, her brother, and her community revealed the love and mercy of God to others. Take a moment today to read her story. There's a gem that tells us of a time she outwitted Benedict. *Today's Readings (from the Memorial): Song of Songs 8:6–7; Psalm 148:1bc–2, 11–13a, 13c–14; Luke 10:38–42.*







We Are Called To Be The Hands of Christ...Open to All From Human Concerns

U.S. Migration Week January 7 - 13

For nearly a half century, the Catholic Church in the United States has celebrated National Migration Week, an opportunity for the Catholics to reflect on the plight of migrants, which include immigrants, refugees, children, and victims and survivors of human trafficking.

Unfortunately, we frequently fail to see migrants as persons but rather as unknown others, even if we see them at all. We do not try to meaningfully engage them, as fellow children of God, but remain aloof, suspicious or fearful of them. During this National Migration Week, let us celebrate migrants as community members, neighbors, and friends.

Jesus tells us that when we throw a banquet, we should not invite our relatives or wealthy neighbors, "but the poor, the crippled, the lame and the blind" (Lk 14). How does this bear on policies affecting migration?

- It does not mean that we are obligated to invite all the world's poor into our country and disregard the well being of those who are already here.
- Rather, this passage challenges us to give priority to the suffering and marginalized.
- It requires us to balance the demands of our common good, while at the same time attempting to satisfy the genuine needs of those on the outside who can benefit from our wealth.
- It means that we should implement an immigration policy opening our borders to more people who will come and work to try to earn a better living than available to them in their homeland.
- It means that we turn our attention to the developing countries and use such mechanisms as foreign aid and humane trade agreements to help them build up their economies so their citizenry can find work at home and not have to leave their families and communities to find it elsewhere.

Forced displacement of people is at the highest level since World War II, with more than 65 million people displaced around the world and over 22 million refugees. Should not "Our Hands of Christ" be open to them?

https://justiceforimmigrants.org/2016site/wp-content/uploads/2017/11/2018-NMW-Final-Toolkit.pdf

HUMAN CONCERNS: EMPTY BASKET CAN YOU HELP?

Items Needed:

- Long sleeve shirts, sweatshirts, sweaters
- Warm socks, men's and women's pants
- Warm hats, gloves, coats
- T-Shirts / Undershirts (All Sizes)

Please place any donations in the Human Concern's "Empty Basket" in the front entrance to Church.



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The Hands of Christ... Open to All

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE Our Weekly Gift Of Thanks

Sunday Offertory: Dec 24, 2017 Christmas Offertory: Dec 25, 2017 Sunday Offertory/Solemnity:	\$ \$	32,651.04 17,112.43
Dec 31, 2017 / Jan 1, 2018	\$	66,700.59
Hunger Ministry	\$	190.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$	220.00
Los Toros Mission	\$	820.00
Flowers	\$	155.00
Almsgiving	\$	1,169.61
Capital Reserve Fund	\$	623.00
Los Toros: Annual Mission Appeal	\$	430.00
SVDP: Giving Tree	\$	375.00



Calling All 2 - 4 Year Olds! 2018 Lilies and Lancers Play Group 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

> Friday, January 19 Friday, February 23 Friday, March 16

Please join us for organized learning play, crafts, and a snack! Please check in at the School Office when you arrive.

Questions? Please contact Karen Longoria at either 262-375-6505 x152 or k-4@stjosephgrafton.org.

Sister Circle
Thursday, January 18th
7:00 p.m.
Christ the King Church
(420 W. Whitefish Road - Port Washington)

Sister Circle is an ecumenical women's group that meets monthly and offers women an opportunity to share their faith and support one another.

Please join our next Sister Circle gathering on January 18th and help Robin create some 'Memory Bears.' 'Memory Bears' is a ministry of love and compassion that has been passed on to Robin from her cousin, who passed away too early in life. Robin makes the bears from clothing of people who have passed away. Bring a fabric scissors if you have one.

In February, Sister Circle will begin the new book, Celebrate – Discovering Joy in Life's Ordinary Moments by Women of Faith.

Questions? Please contact Mary at 377-3720 or mariwags@gmail.com.

SCHOOL SCENE By Grant Shipley, Principal of the Day

Hello, I am Grant Shipley, a seventh grader at St. Joseph Parish School and I got to be the principal for the day on December 1st.

My parents won the highest bid at the auction for this lovely prize. I started out the day by giving all students a free dress today, plus I brought in treats for the staff. They already think I'm totally cool!

I started out my day by helping to give announcements in the morning and by walking around and visiting all the classrooms. I then went into 1st grade to help them learn their sight words. After that I took a trip to 3rd grade and played a fun math fact game with them where I was the judge. Next I went to 2nd grade where I helped out with their read-up tests. After that was lunch and recess and Mrs. Stallmann let me go hang with my friends.

After lunch I got to be a mystery reader to K5 and I read them the book *Big Bear Little Bear*. After that I was an extra helper outside during the younger grades second recess. A couple minutes later I was enjoying a Friday fun with the 5th grade class room. But I did have to be a student at the end of the day and take my math test. After that my day was really over, but I must say that I had fun as the principal and I would love to do it again.



2018 Financial Peace University

St. Joseph Parish
Sundays:
January 28th - March 25th
4:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Lower Level Conference Rooms B and C

The 2017 class was very successful with attendees paying off a collective total of \$87,000 in debt.

- Approximately 70% of Americans live paycheck to paycheck, regardless of their income. This means that "broke" has become the new normal in our nation.
- At the end of the month, many individuals simply have nothing left because of debt and expenses. If this is you, I've got good news. You are NOT alone.
- You may be sitting there wishing you could get more financial margin in your life. If you'd like to take control of your money, then listen carefully.
- As a church, we want to share a practical plan that can help you discover God's way of handling money. We want to empower you to get on a budget, get out of debt, save for the future and take control of YOUR money.
- Financial Peace University (FPU) is that plan!
 This nine week class taught by money expert Dave
 Ramsey can change your financial story in a
 matter of weeks and your family tree and legacy
 for generations to come!

FPU isn't your typical money class, it's practical, entertaining and fun! More than 4 million families, couples and individuals have taken FPU. The average family pays off \$5,300 and saves \$2,700 in the first 90 days. Whether you're struggling to make ends meet or you're a millionaire, FPU has something for you. FPU is based on more than 800 verses of scripture and is a proved plan that will work for you.

Join us!

For program cost information or to sign up please contact Katie Krogmann at katie.tunder@yahoo.com.

Scrip Supports St. Joseph Parish School



Happy New Year from the St. Joseph Parish School Scrip Committee! As always, we would like to thank everyone who purchased Scrip during our December sale. Each Scrip purchase made by our parish members helps provide a fantastic Catholic education to our many students.

Our next Scrip sale will be next weekend, January 13 and **14, after all Masses.** If your New Year's Resolution involves helping others, supporting our school or giving back to the Parish community, buying Scrip is one of the easiest ways you'll find to do all three! In case you've ever wondered "What is Scrip, exactly?" here is the answer. Scrip is just a fancy name for gift cards. Target gift cards, Meijer gift cards, Kohls gift cards, Starbucks gift cards and hundreds of other retail gift cards - that's all Scrip is. The difference between the gift cards available through the St. Joseph Parish School Scrip program and the gift cards you buy in the checkout line at the grocery store is twofold: 1) Scrip gift cards are purchased here at St. Joseph Parish School and 2) the profits from the sale of Scrip gift cards goes directly to St. Joseph Parish School, not the grocery store (or other retailer). Other than that, they are identical. So, if you plan to spend \$100 at Pick 'N' Save (or Meijer or Target or any one of hundreds of retailers) this week, would you consider using a gift card purchased through the St. Joseph Parish School Scrip program to pay for your purchase, instead of a check or your regular credit card? All of us at St. Joseph Parish School would greatly appreciate your support.

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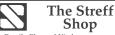
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