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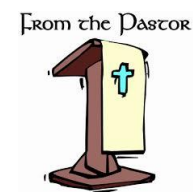
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From the Pastor

Pope Pius IX formally instituted the Feast of the Most Precious Blood on June 30, 1849, during the First Italian War of Independence. In a message he sent on that day, while in exile, to the superior general of the Fathers of the Most Precious Blood, Pope Pius IX established the feast to be celebrated “immediately” throughout Christendom on the first Sunday of July, dedicating the entire month to the Most Precious Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ:

“The Precious Blood which we worship is the Blood which the Savior shed for us on Calvary and reassumed at His glorious Resurrection; it is the Blood which courses through the veins of His risen, glorified, living body at the right hand of God the Father in heaven; it is the Blood made present on our altars by the words of Consecration; it is the Blood which merited sanctifying grace for us and through it washes and beautifies our soul and inaugurates the beginning of eternal life in it.

Although, since the revision of the liturgical calendar by the Second Vatican Council (1962-65), the Church no longer requires the Sunday observance of the Feast of the Most Precious Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ, the entire month of July remains a time for its commemoration. A votive Mass of the Most Precious Blood was established for use by Catholic communities throughout the world with this Opening Prayer:

“O God, who by the Precious Blood of your only Begotten son have redeemed the whole world, preserve in us the work of your mercy, so that, ever honoring the mystery of our salvation, we may merit to obtain its fruits. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.”

On July 5, 2009, during his remarks at the Angelus, the late Pope Benedict XVI explained that:

“To the cry which rises from so many parts of the earth for the blood that is spilled, God responds with the Blood of his Son, who gave his life for us. Christ did not respond to evil with evil but with goodness, with his infinite love. The Blood of Christ is the pledge of God's faithful love for humanity. Every human being, even in conditions of extreme moral wretchedness, can say, fixing his eyes on the wounds of the Crucified One: “God has not abandoned me, he loves me, he has given his life for me,” and thus rediscover hope.”

**ST. JOSEPH NEWS:**

**St. Joseph Finance and Parish Council meetings will be held on Monday, July 21<sup>st</sup>, at their usual times, 7:00 and 8:00 p.m. If you are an outgoing council member and can't attend the meeting, please make arrangements to sign the annual report.**

**Statues -** To try to evangelize to families during the school year, we are looking for any extra small Jesus, Joseph, or Mary statues in good condition. These statues should only be 3” – 6” tall for portability. If you have any lying around, you can drop them off at Jessica Halbleib or at the rectory.


**CCD Teacher:** Looking forward to next year, we will need another CCD teacher on Wednesday evenings. If you are interested, please contact Barb Hemmert or Jessica Halbleib. Thank you.

**ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL NEWS:**

**St. Joseph School** is seeking a 4th-grade teacher for the 2025-2026 school year. Please contact Michelle Selzer at the school 785-671-4451 or email [mselecter@sj oakley.org](mailto:mselecter@sj oakley.org).

**ST. PAUL NEWS:**

**The St. Paul Parish Council will meet on Thursday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. If you are an outgoing council member and can't attend the meeting, please make arrangements to sign the annual report.**



**Our Tithes from Last Week**

Oakley: \$4,372.00 Angelus: \$1,238.00

We welcome all our guests to our parishes. If you have moved here, we encourage you to register on our website.



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**DAILY SCHEDULE**

Sat 05 – 5pm Mass + Bill Schwarz  
 Sun 06 – 8:00am Mass (Angelus) + Dennis Lindeman  
 10:30am Mass + Parishioners  
 Mon 07 – NO Mass  
 Tues 08 – 7am Mass + JoAnn Engel  
 9:30am Bible Study in the rectory  
 Wed 09 – 7:30am Mass (Angelus) + Fred & Ruby Bixenman  
 Thur 10 – 7am Mass + Pera Bauer  
 Fri 11 – 7am Mass + Regan Lewis  
 Sat 12 – 5pm Mass + Kathy Weigel  
 Sun 13 – 8:00am Mass (Angelus) - Parishioners  
 10:30am Mass + David & Leroy Zerr

Confessions 30 minutes before Weekend Masses, by appointment, or if indicated on the schedule.

**ST. JOSEPH PARISH COUNCIL**

Mr. Danny Lockhart	Mrs. Raye Kuhlman
Mr. David Manhart	Mr. Mason Sheetz
Mrs. Penny Pfeifer	Mr. Ethan Schwarz
Mrs. Cassie Shirley	Mrs. Dana Charles – Vice Chair
Mrs. Micheline Huffman	

**ST. JOSEPH FINANCE COUNCIL**

Mrs. Lisa Racette	Mr. Lewis Evans
Mr. Dana Charles (Par. Co. Rep.)	Mrs. Susan Glassman
Mr. Tom Halbleib	

**ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL COUNCIL**

Mrs. Kim Munk	Mr. Courtland Osborne
Mrs. Casey Zerr,	Mrs. Mary Urrego
Mr. Russ Kahle - Chair	Mr. Jeff Kuhlman – Vice Chair
Mrs. Micheline Huffman (Par. Co. Rep.)	

**ST. PAUL PARISH/FINANCE COUNCIL**

Mr. Bernard Dickman	Mr. Mason Bixenman
Mr. Clem Fellhoelter- Chair	Mr. Mark Rueschhoff
Mrs. Kristy Fellhoelter - Vice Chair	Mrs. Kim Robben

Saturday July 12 <sup>th</sup> 5pm	Servers	Volunteers	Sunday June 13 <sup>th</sup> 10:30 am	Servers	Faith, Madeline, & Peyton K.
	Lector	Bob Kuhlman		Lector	Penny Ottley
	Gifts	Bea Albers & Pat Ryan		Gifts	Mason & Hannah Scheetz
	Hospitality	Bea Albers & Pat Ryan		Hospitality	Mason & Hannah Scheetz

Sunday, June 13 <sup>th</sup> 8 am	Servers	LaRynn, Lettie & Lawson Rumback
	Lectors	Barney Dickman & Nancy Schwarz
	Gifts	Eugene & Linda Schwarz
	Ushers	Mason Bixenman, Bernard Dickman, Bob & Clem Fellhoelter