

Raising our Faith

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February 2024

Monthly Prayer Intention

Pope Francis calls for the world to pray for the Terminally Ill. That they and their families always receive necessary medical and human care and support.”

St Joseph Catholic Church Faith Formation

February Calendar of Events

Sunday	Mon	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
28 10:30 Sunday Mass 10:30 Junior Disciples	29	30	31 8:00 Morning Mass 3:30 Youth Formation 6:30 Teen Formation	1 6:30 RCIA	2 8AM 1st Friday Word & Communion 8:30AM Eucharistic Adoration	3
4 9:00 2nd Grade Prep 10:30 Sunday Mass 10:30 Junior Disciples 11:30 Donut Fellowship 4:30 Family Formation	5	6 4:30-7:30 Eucharistic Adoration	7 8:00 Morning Mass 3:30 Youth Formation 6:30 Teen Formation	8 6:30 RCIA	9	10
11 10:30 Junior Disciples 10:30 Sunday Mass 1:00 Confirmation Prep	12	13	14 ASH WEDNESDAY 8:00 Mass with Ashes 3:30 Youth Formation 6:30 Ash Liturgy***	15 6:30 Stations of the Cross	16 4:30-6:30 KoC Fish Fry	17
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*** Teen Formation participants sign in at mass

God is in the Details

Grade 1 - 5 - Snack & Recess

Please send your child(ren) with a snack. Snack & Recess time ends at 3:25pm. If you have any sports balls (basketball, football, soccer, etc.), we are looking for useable donations, please!

ABSENT?

Call: 608-884-3038, opt 2

Call/Text: 608-618-4340

Email: CRE@StJoeEdgerton.org

It is February and this will be a busy month in the program. With Ash Wednesday and Lent taking over our rooms for most of the month. As February 14 is both Valentine's Day and Ash Wednesday, we will celebrate Valentine's Day the week before, on February 7. Please do not send any treats to church on February 14. We will allow children to bring snacks for snack time before the 3:30PM class, but I do ask that they eat them respectfully as some children will be fasting.

Ash Wednesday is a day of abstinence and fasting. Part of abstinence means no eating meat for those age 14 and older. Fasting is restricting yourself to 1 full meal and 2 smaller meals that together don't make up a full meal. Fasting applies to those between the ages of 18 and 59. There is an exception for those with medical needs preventing abstinence and/or fasting and those that are pregnant or nursing.

Some families may choose to have their children practice abstinence from meat and fasting at younger ages. I grew up both abstaining from meat and fasting as of my First Communion. My own children do abstain from meat, but their fast is only not having snacks or sugary treats with meals.

Lent also brings up conversations on what to "give up" for Lent. Do encourage SMART Lenten Resolutions in your family.

Specific: Avoid the abstract. (Think "limit time on FB", not "less technology")

Measurable: Attach numbers. (Think "pray 1 Rosary a day, not "pray more")

Achievable: Must be do-able! (Think "give up candy", not "no sugar")

Relevant: Focus on God! (Pray to God during now "extra" time or when you are feeling weak in your resolution)

Time-based: This is only 40 days, but remember that these habits can last beyond the Lenten Season.

Ash Wednesday is February 14!

8AM - Public Mass

Officiant: Father David

3:30PM - Private Mini-Service

Led by: Kim Jensen

Only young families &

Students Grade 1-5

6:30PM - Public Liturgy

Officiant: Deacon Mark

Students Grade 6-12

February 1: Saint Brigid of Ireland

February 2: Presentation of the Lord

February 3: Saint Blase

February 4: Saint Joan of Valois

February 5: Saint Agatha

February 6: Saint Paul Miki and Companions

February 7: Saint Colette

February 8: Saint Jerome Emiliani

February 9: Saint Apollonia

February 10: Saint Scholastica

February 11: Saint Gregory II

February 12: Saint Buonfiglio Monaldo

February 13: Saint Catherine de Ricci

February 14: Ash Wednesday & Saint Valentine

Saints Cyril and Methodius

February 15: Saint Claude la Colombière

February 16: Saint Daniel

February 17: Blessed Luke Belludi

February 18: Blessed John of Fiesole

February 19: Saint Conrad of Piacenza

February 20: Blesseds Jacinta and Francisco Marto

February 21: Saint Peter Damian

February 22: Chair of Saint Peter

February 23: Saint Polycarp

February 24: Saint John Theristus

February 25: Blessed Sebastian of Aparicio

February 26: Saint Porphyry of Gaza

February 27: Saint Gabriel of Our Lady of Sorrows

February 28: Saint Oswald

February 29: Saint Aubin

Saint Days & Holy Days