

St. Joseph's Catholic Church



Risen Lord Catholic Church



All Saints Catholic Church



March 2023

St. Joseph's Catholic Church

78 St. Josephs Lane
Woodlawn VA 24381-1101
Sunday English Mass 11:30am
Spanish Mass: 2:30 PM
Daily Mass: Wednesday & Friday
9:00am
Spanish Weekday Mass : Thurs. 6:00
pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Before Mass 11:00-11:15 am

Risen Lord Catholic Church

59 Mountain View Park
Stuart, VA 24133
Sunday Mass: 8:30 AM
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sun. 7:45-
8:15am

All Saints Catholic Church

598 Needmore Lane, NE
Floyd, VA 24091 (540)763-6000
Mass: English
Saturday Vigil at 5:00 PM
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat. 4:15-
4:45pm
First Saturday of the month: Mass 10am, fol-
lowed by Holy Hour and Benediction.

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As we continue our journey "up to Jerusalem" during the month of March, three prominent ideas are proposed for our contemplation by the liturgy of Lent: the Passion and Resurrection of Christ, baptism, and penance.

The **Solemnity of St. Joseph** is a special landmark this month in which we will celebrate

the great honor bestowed upon the foster father of Jesus. And if you are Irish (who isn't), **St. Patrick's feast** is another cause for a joyful celebration. The feast of the **Annunciation** is celebrated on March 25.

The saints that we will focus on this month and try to imitate are **St. Katharine Drexel** (March 3), **St. Casimir** (March 4), **Ss. Perpetua and Felicity** (March 7), **St. John of God** (March 8), **St. Frances of Rome** (March 9), **St. Patrick** (March 17), **St. Cyril of Jerusalem** (March 18), **St. Joseph** (March 19) and **St. Toribio de Mogrovejo** (March 23).

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MARY MAGDALENE AND THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE EASTER EGG.

It was Mary Magdalene, who told the 11 Apostles that Jesus had risen.

Tradition has it that Mary Magdalene, boldly presented herself to the Emperor Tiberius Caesar to proclaim the resurrection of Jesus Christ, with an egg to illustrate her message.

Holding the egg out to him, she exclaimed for the first time what is now the universal Easter proclamation among Christians, "Christ is risen!"

The emperor could not believe in the resurrection of Jesus. Immediately, the egg turned red as a sign from God, to illustrate the truth of her message.

The Emperor then heeded her complaints about Pilate condemning an innocent man to death, and had Pilate removed from Jerusalem under imperial displeasure. The eggs are often dyed red to represent the blood of Jesus Christ that was shed on the cross.

The eggs were also traditionally dyed red because the egg is shaped like a tear drop and Jesus wept in the Garden and his tears turned to drops of blood.

In another tradition, it is said that Mary Magdalene brought a basket of white boiled eggs with her on Easter morning to the tomb of Jesus as a meal for herself and the others as they waited for someone to roll the stone away. When she arrived at the site of the Resurrection, finding the stone already rolled away, she also found that the eggs in her basket had turned into bright shades of color.

Perhaps this is why she brought an egg to the Emperor.

The tradition of handing out red eggs at Easter is one that originated among Christians in Apostolic times. And we often find Mary Magdalene depicted in icons holding a red egg. Moreover, the story fits into the various cultural traditions already surrounding the symbol of the egg.

For many cultures, even before the time of Christianity, the egg was a symbol of creation, spring, and rebirth. After the resurrection of Christ, the egg took on a new meaning for Christians and became a symbol of new life breaking forth while leaving the empty tomb behind.

Eggs were what helped people to understand a new theological truth of the resurrection of the dead, and a new reli-

gion of Christianity that is built around the Resurrection of Jesus.

We should always tell the people the Christian meaning of the Easter egg. Most people know that it is a symbol of the Resurrection of Christ just as the chick breaks the shell when it is hatched and begins its life, so Christ comes forth living from the apparently lifeless tomb. Children learn not only from words of instruction but also from what they see and experience.

As a symbol of Christ's resurrection, the Easter egg then became a symbol for the rebirth of all mankind at the resurrection on the Last Day due to the merits of Jesus Christ. Easter eggs were shared with one another as a joyful symbol of Christian hope.

Thus the connection of eggs with Easter and the Resurrection is a historic one in the heart of the Church, and as is always the case with ancient Christian customs, an excellent way to catechize the faithful and celebrate a shared Christian culture with family and friends.

MARÍA MAGDALENA Y EL SIGNIFICADO DEL HUEVO DE PASCUA.

Fue María Magdalena, quien les dijo a los 11 Apóstoles que Jesús había resucitado.

Cuenta la tradición que María Magdalena, atrevidamente se presentó ante el emperador Tiberio César para proclamar la resurrección de Jesucristo, con un huevo para ilustrar su mensaje.

Sosteniendo el huevo hacia él, exclamó por primera vez lo que ahora es la proclamación universal de Pascua entre los cristianos: "¡Cristo ha resucitado!"

El emperador no podía creer en la resurrección de Jesús. Inmediatamente, el huevo se puso rojo como señal de Dios, para ilustrar la verdad de su mensaje.

Luego, el Emperador escuchó sus quejas sobre Pilato condenando a muerte a un hombre inocente, e hizo que Pilato fuera expulsado de Jerusalén bajo el descontento imperial. Los huevos a menudo se tiñen de rojo (continúa en la página 6)



ALL SAINTS SEMINARIAN BEGINS STUDIES

William Yearout (All Saints parishioner) has begun his second year of seminary studies. Please consider sending him a card to show your support and ensure him of your prayers at the following address:

William Yearout
Mount St. Mary's Seminary
16300 Old Emmitsburg Rd
Emmitsburg, MD 21727

MATTHEW 25 PILL BOTTLE MINISTRY

In developing countries, medicines—when actually obtainable—are often dispensed into hands, pockets, leaves or any other available container. Matthew 25 Ministries accepts donations of empty pill bottles to help improve health care quality in developing nations. Donations of clean, unlabeled pill bottles help the poorest of the poor in many ways: Medicine can be distributed in sterile containers. Pill bottles that are not appropriate for shipping are recycled for cash that goes towards Matthew 25:Ministries' programs.

This plastic recycling program keeps thousands of bottles out of landfills each year.

Matthew 25: Ministries accepts the following types of empty pill bottles: Prescription pill bottles, all sizes Pill bottles with and without child resistant caps Over-the-counter pill bottles.

Bring your bottles to any Parish and they will be delivered to Risen Lord.

ST JOSEPH COVERED DISH

The March Pot Luck Luncheon is scheduled for March 19, following the 11:30AM Mass in English.

All are invited to bring your favorite dish (main course, side dish, salad or dessert to share)



PLENTY FOOD BANK NEEDS OUR HELP

Parishioners visiting the Plenty Food Bank in Floyd reported the following donation needs:

- Individual soft fruit in juice
- Applesauce with no/low sugar
- Items with a decent shelf life that are low sugar/carb/sodium
- Soft, chewable items
- As always:
- Canned tuna and chicken
- Egg cartons

All Saints will host Mass on the first Saturday of each month at 10:00AM followed by a Holy Hour and Benediction



ALL SAINTS COVERED DISH

Fellowship Meal
Parishioners of All Saints will have covered dish fellowship meal on the third Saturday of each month following the 5:00 Mass The meal will be held Lutheran Church Hall across the street from All Saints. All are welcome!

ALL SAINTS REQUESTS YOUR PRAYERS

Two residents at Skyline Nursing Home Barry Wells and Gladys Genova would be very appreciative of visits or cards. As of the time of the printing of this bulletin, no prior arrangements are necessary to visit Barry or Gladys in-room. You may simply go to the nursing home during normal hours, wear a mask, sign-in and fill out a COVID questionnaire. Cards/notes/flowers, etc. may be dropped off at the front desk of the nursing home any time. Visits through the residents' windows may also happen any time during the day without prior arrangement. We encourage everyone who is able to participate in this corporal work of mercy of visiting the sick and please keep Barry and Gladys in your prayers. Thank you!

Skyline Nursing and Rehabilitation Center
237 Franklin Pike Rd. S.E.
Floyd, VA 24091

REGIOANL RECONCILIATION SERVICE

St. Jude Radford will host a regional reconciliation service in preparation for Easter at 7:00PM on Tuesday March 28, 2023

March 2023

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Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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26	27	28	29	30	31	

April 2023

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Feb 26	27	28	Mar 1	2	3	4
8:30am RL Sunday Mass 11:30am SJ Sunday Mass 2:30pm Misa en Español			9:00am SJ weekday Mass	6:00pm SJ Misa en Español seguida con Adoracion del Santisimo Sacramento	9:00am SJ weekday Mass 7:00pm Confirmation at St. Andrews ROA	10:00am AS Mass/ Holy Hour and Benediction 5:00pm AS Vigil Mass
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
8:30am RL Sunday Mass 11:30am SJ Sunday Mass 2:30pm Misa en Español		5:30pm AS PARISH COUNCIL	9:00am SJ weekday Mass 1:00pm SJ Parkinsons Support Group 6:00pm RL Finance	6:00pm SJ Misa en Español seguida con Adoracion del Santisimo Sacramento	9:00am SJ weekday Mass	5:00pm AS Vigil Mass
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
8:30am RL Sunday Mass 11:30am SJ Sunday Mass 2:30pm Misa en Español		5:30pm AS FINANCE COUNCIL	9:00am SJ weekday Mass 5:30pm RL Parish Council	6:00pm SJ Misa en Español seguida con Adoracion del Santisimo Sacramento	Saint Patrick's Day (United States) 9:00am SJ weekday Mass	5:00pm AS Vigil Mass 6:30pm AS Covered Dish
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
8:30am RL Sunday Mass 11:30am SJ Sunday Mass 2:30pm Misa en Español	9:00am Solemnity of St. Joseph 6:00pm Solemnidad de San Jose	12:00pm SJ FINANCE COUNCIL 5:30pm SJ PARISH COUNCIL	9:00am SJ weekday Mass	6:00pm SJ Misa en Español seguida con Adoracion del Santisimo Sacramento	9:00am SJ weekday Mass	5:00pm AS Vigil Mass
26	27	28	29	30	31	Apr 1
8:30am RL Sunday Mass 11:30am SJ Sunday Mass 2:30pm Misa en Español		7:00pm Regional Reconciliation Mass St. Jude Radford	9:00am SJ weekday Mass	6:00pm SJ Misa en Español seguida con Adoracion del Santisimo Sacramento	9:00am SJ weekday Mass	

1 March 2023 – Wednesday
 First Reading: [Jonah 3: 1-10](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 51: 3-4, 12-13, 18-19](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [Joel 2: 12-13](#)
 Gospel: [Luke 11: 29-32](#)

2 March 2023 – Thursday
 First Reading: [Esther C: 12, 14-16, 23-25](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 138: 1-2ab, 2cd-e-3, 7c-8](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [Psalms 51: 12a, 14a](#)
 Gospel: [Matthew 7: 7-12](#)

3 March 2023 – Friday
 First Reading: [Ezekiel 18: 21-28](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 130: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [Ezekiel 18: 31](#)
 Gospel: [Matthew 5: 20-26](#)

4 March 2023 – Saturday
 First Reading: [Deuteronomy 26: 16-19](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 119: 1-2, 4-5, 7-8](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [Second Corinthians 6: 2b](#)
 Gospel: [Matthew 5: 43-48](#)

5 March 2023 – Sunday
 Second Sunday of Lent
 First Reading: [Genesis 12: 1-4a](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 33: 4-5, 18-19, 20, 22](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [Second Timothy 1: 8b-10](#)
 Gospel: [Matthew 17: 1-9](#)

6 March 2023 – Monday
 First Reading: [Daniel 9: 4b-10](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 79: 8, 9, 11 and 13](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [John 6: 63c, 68c](#)
 Gospel: [Luke 6: 36-38](#)

7 March 2023 – Tuesday
 First Reading: [Isaiah 1: 10, 16-20](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 50: 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [Ezekiel 18: 31](#)
 Gospel: [Matthew 23: 1-12](#)

8 March 2023 – Wednesday
 First Reading: [Jeremiah 18: 18-20](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 31: 5-6, 14, 15-16](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [John 8: 12](#)
 Gospel: [Matthew 20: 17-28](#)

9 March 2023 – Thursday
 First Reading: [Jeremiah 17: 5-10](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 1: 1-2, 3, 4 and 6](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [Luke 8: 15](#)
 Gospel: [Luke 16: 19-31](#)

10 March 2023 – Friday
 First Reading: [Genesis 37: 3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 105: 16-17, 18-19, 20-21](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [John 3: 16](#)
 Gospel: [Matthew 21: 33-43, 45-46](#)

11 March 2023 – Saturday
 First Reading: [Micah 7: 14-15, 18-20](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 103: 1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [Luke 15: 18](#)
 Gospel: [Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32](#)

12 March 2023 – Sunday
 Third Sunday of Lent, First Scrutiny of the Elect
 First Reading: [Exodus 17: 3-7](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 95: 1-2, 6-7, 8-9](#)
 Second Reading: [Romans 5: 1-2, 5-8](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [John 4: 42, 15](#)
 Gospel: [John 4: 5-42](#)

13 March 2023 – Monday
 First Reading: [Second Kings 5: 1-15](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 42: 2, 3, 43: 3, 4](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [Psalms 130: 5, 7](#)
 Gospel: [Luke 4: 24-30](#)

14 March 2023 – Tuesday
 First Reading: [Daniel 3: 25, 34-43](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 25: 4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [Joel 2: 12-13](#)
 Gospel: [Matthew 18: 21-35](#)

15 March 2023 – Wednesday
 First Reading: [Deuteronomy 4: 1, 5-9](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 147: 12-13, 15-16, 19-20](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [John 6: 63c, 68c](#)
 Gospel: [Matthew 5: 17-19](#)

16 March 2023 – Thursday
 First Reading: [Jeremiah 7: 23-28](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 95: 1-2, 6-7, 8-9](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [Joel 2: 12-13](#)
 Gospel: [Luke 11: 14-23](#)

17 March 2023 – Friday
 First Reading: [Hosea 14: 2-10](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 81: 6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [Matthew 4: 17](#)
 Gospel: [Mark 12: 28-34](#)

18 March 2023 – Saturday
 First Reading: [Hosea 6: 1-6](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 51: 3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [Psalms 95: 8](#)
 Gospel: [Luke 18: 9-14](#)

19 March 2023 – Sunday
 Fourth Sunday of Lent, Second Scrutiny of the Elect
 First Reading: [First Samuel 16: 1, 6-7, 10-13](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6](#)
 Second Reading: [Ephesians 5: 8-14](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [John 8: 12](#)
 Gospel: [John 9: 1-41](#)

20 March 2023 – Monday
 Joseph, Husband of Mary Solemnity
 First Reading: [Second Samuel 7: 4-5a, 12-14a, 16](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 89: 2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29](#)
 Second Reading: [Romans 4: 13, 16-18, 22](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [Psalms 84: 5](#)
 Gospel: [Matthew 1: 16, 18-21, 24 or Luke 2: 41-51a](#)

21 March 2023 – Tuesday
 First Reading: [Ezekiel 47: 1-9, 12](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 46: 2-3, 5-6, 8-9](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [Psalms 51: 12a, 14a](#)
 Gospel: [John 5: 1-16](#)

22 March 2023 – Wednesday
 First Reading: [Isaiah 49: 8-15](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 145: 8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [John 11: 25a, 26](#)
 Gospel: [John 5: 17-30](#)

23 March 2023 – Thursday
 First Reading: [Exodus 32: 7-14](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 106: 19-20, 21-22, 23](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [John 3: 16](#)
 Gospel: [John 5: 31-47](#)

24 March 2023 – Friday
 First Reading: [Wisdom 2: 1a, 12-22](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 34: 17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [Matthew 4: 4b](#)
 Gospel: [John 7: 1-2, 10, 25-30](#)

25 March 2023 – Saturday
 Annunciation of the Lord Solemnity
 First Reading: [Isaiah 7: 10-14; 8: 10](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 40: 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11](#)
 Second Reading: [Hebrews 10: 4-10](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [John 1: 14ab](#)
 Gospel: [Luke 1: 26-38](#)

26 March 2023 – Sunday
 Fifth Sunday of Lent, Third Scrutiny of the Elect
 First Reading: [Ezekiel 37: 12-14](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 130: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8](#)
 Second Reading: [Romans 8: 8-11](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [John 11: 25a, 26](#)
 Gospel: [John 11: 1-45](#)

27 March 2023 – Monday
 First Reading: [Daniel 13: 1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or Daniel 13: 41c-62](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [Ezekiel 33: 11](#)
 Gospel: [John 8: 1-11](#)

28 March 2023 – Tuesday
 First Reading: [Numbers 21: 4-9](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 102: 2-3, 16-18, 19-21](#)
 Gospel: [John 8: 21-30](#)

29 March 2023 – Wednesday
 First Reading: [Daniel 3: 14-20, 91-92, 95](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Daniel 3: 52, 53, 54, 55, 56](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [Luke 8: 15](#)
 Gospel: [John 8: 31-42](#)

30 March 2023 – Thursday
 First Reading: [Genesis 17: 3-9](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 105: 4-5, 6-7, 8-9](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [Psalms 95: 8](#)
 Gospel: [John 8: 51-59](#)

31 March 2023 – Friday
 Lenten Weekday, Day of Abstinence from Meat (Age 14 and Up)
 First Reading: [Jeremiah 20: 10-13](#)
 Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 18: 2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7](#)
 Verse Before the Gospel: [John 6: 65c, 68c](#)
 Gospel: [John 10: 31-42](#)

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para representar la sangre de Jesucristo que se derramó en la cruz.

Los huevos también se tiñeron tradicionalmente de rojo porque el huevo tiene la forma de una lágrima y Jesús lloró en el Jardín y sus lágrimas se convirtieron en gotas de sangre.

En otra tradición, se dice que María Magdalena llevó consigo una canasta de huevos blancos cocidos en la mañana de Pascua a la tumba de Jesús como comida para ella y los demás mientras esperaban que alguien quitara la piedra.

Cuando llegó al lugar de la Resurrección y encontró que la piedra ya había sido removida, también descubrió que los huevos en su canasta se habían vuelto de colores brillantes. Quizás por eso le trajo un huevo al Emperador.

La tradición de repartir huevos rojos en Pascua es una que se originó entre los cristianos en tiempos apostólicos. Y a menudo encontramos a María Magdalena representada en íconos sosteniendo un huevo rojo. Además, la historia encaja en las diversas tradiciones culturales que ya rodean el símbolo del huevo.

Para muchas culturas, incluso antes de la era del cristianismo, el huevo era un símbolo de creación, primavera y renacimiento. Después de la resurrección de Cristo, el huevo adquirió un nuevo significado para los cristianos y se convirtió en un símbolo de la nueva vida que brotaba dejando atrás la tumba vacía.

Los huevos fueron lo que ayudaron a las personas a comprender una nueva verdad teológica de la resurrección de los muertos y una nueva religión del cristianismo que se basa en la resurrección de Jesús.

Siempre debemos decirle a la gente el significado cristiano del huevo de Pascua. La mayoría de la gente sabe que es un símbolo de la Resurrección de Cristo, así como el pollito rompe el cascarón cuando sale del cascarón y comienza su vida, así Cristo sale vivo de la tumba aparentemente sin vida. Los niños aprenden no solo de las palabras de instrucción, sino también de lo que ven y experimentan.

Como símbolo de la resurrección de Cristo, el huevo de Pascua se convirtió en símbolo del renacimiento de toda la humanidad en la resurrección del Último Día debido a los méritos de Jesucristo. Los huevos de Pascua se compartieron unos con otros como símbolo gozoso de la esperanza cristiana.

Por lo tanto, la conexión de los huevos con la Pascua y la Resurrección es histórica en el corazón de la Iglesia y, como siempre ocurre con las antiguas costumbres cristianas, una excelente manera de catequizar a los fieles y celebrar una cultura cristiana compartida con familiares y amigos.

A Time of Penance and Promise



Here and there in the stark March landscape, a few plants and trees are beginning to give evidence of the new life that winter's frost

and chill had concealed from our eyes. The Church's vibrant new life has been obscured, too, by the austerity of the penitential season of Lent. But that life is indisputable, and it will burgeon forth on Easter as Christ coming forth from his tomb!

During this month we will continue our journey to the cross with our acts of penitence. We will reflect on our mortality (*Remember man thou art dust*) and the shortness of life (*and to dust thou shall return*). We will heed the call, "Now is the acceptable time, now is "the day of salvation (2 Corinthians 6:2)." Just like Our Lord's earthly life every moment of our lives is leading up to the last moment—when for eternity we will either go to God or suffer the fires of hell. During this month we will go from the suffering of Good Friday to the joy of Easter Sunday. We will trade the purple of penance for the white of victory and resurrection. The feast of the Annunciation, normally celebrated on March 25, has been transferred to April 4 since it falls on Good Friday.

Let us not tire of doing our good works and penance, but continue with the enthusiasm of the catechumens on their way to Easter and Baptism. May our Lenten observance be a joyful journey — and not a forced march.

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SAINT JOSEPH FINANCIALS LAST MONTH AND YTD
FEBRUARY 2023

INCOME	\$10,497.25
EXPENSES	\$9,027.05
NET +(-)	\$1,470.20
YEAR TO DATE	
INCOME	\$93,050.71
EXPENSES	\$77,656.71
NET +(-)	\$15,394.00

Source: ParishSOFT® Accounting Statement of Activity FYTD through February 28, 2023

ALL SAINTS FINANCIALS LAST MONTH AND YTD
FEBRUARY 2023

INCOME	\$5,333.61
EXPENSES	\$11,072.80
NET +(-)	\$(5,739.19)
YEAR TO DATE	
INCOME	\$67,354.34
EXPENSES	\$61,279.70
NET +(-)	\$6,074.64

Source: ParishSOFT® Accounting Statement of Activity FYTD through February 28, 2023

RISEN LORD FINANCIALS LAST MONTH AND YTD
FEBRUARY 2023

INCOME	\$3,852.00
EXPENSES	\$3,827.43
NET +(-)	\$24.57
YEAR TO DATE	
INCOME	\$46,137.26
EXPENSES	\$33,247.46
NET +(-)	\$12,890.20

Source: ParishSOFT® Accounting Statement of Activity FYTD through February 28, 2023



RISEN LORD FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

Breakfast will be served after Mass on March 26. All are welcome to attend this fun fellowship event

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

PROGRESS REPORT (thru 02/28/23)

PARISH	RAISED	GOAL	%
ST JOSEPH	\$4757 *	\$6600	72%
ALL SAINTS	\$695*	\$3620	19%
RISEN LORD	\$3000*	\$2430	123%

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– Sharing His Love with Others –

A Letter from Bishop Barry C. Knestout



“Beloved, if God so loved us, we also must love one another. No one has ever seen God. Yet, if we love one another, God remains in us, and his love is brought to perfection in us.” – 1 John 4: 11-12

Each time I am invited to share some insights on the spiritual life, or when I have the privilege to witness the many ways you share your faith with one another, I am filled with joy and hope.

In Baptism we are given a share in God’s love for us. It is a gift that calls each of us to holiness and to a special friendship with Him. This friendship is not just for us. It must be shared with others.

Your gifts to the Annual Diocesan Appeal help strengthen our Church and one another and demonstrate how you **Share His**

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