

# ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

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## Welcome!

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church,  
No matter what your family or marital situation,  
No matter what your past or present religious affiliation,  
No matter what your personal history, background, race or other,  
No matter what your own self-image or esteem,  
You are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected here at St. John's.

## EUCCHARIST:

Lord's Day Mass: *Saturday 4:00 pm, Sunday 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 1:30 pm (Extraordinary Form), & 5:00 pm*  
Weekday Mass: Monday-Tuesday and Thursday-Friday at 8:00 am & Wednesday at 6:00 pm | Adoration: Wed. 12:00 - 6:00 pm

CONFESSION: Saturday 2:45 to 3:45 pm, Wednesday 4:30 to 5:30 pm, or by Appointment.

BAPTISM: Please call Deacon Dave Picard through the parish office to schedule.

MARRIAGE: To be arranged at least one year in advance. Please call the office.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Is available in the Confessional every Saturday or see Father after Mass. If you or a loved one needs Father to come to you, please call the parish office.

CONFIRMATION: Takes place in 11th Grade, please contact the Director of Religious Education to enroll in classes. If you are an adult and need to make your Confirmation, please contact the same office and ask about the RCIA program.

HOLY ORDERS: Are you thinking about a vocation to the priesthood or religious life? Please call Fr. Pierz at the parish office, or call the Office of Vocations at (413) 452-0811.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT: *We are a Roman Catholic community inspired by the Holy Spirit to follow the example of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ by sharing, growing and spreading God the Father's love through our parish ministries, and by coming together as a community in meaningful prayer and worship to celebrate that love.*

**February 21, 2021—First Sunday of Lent**

## **FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

*Mindful of his covenant, the Lord promises never to destroy creation again by flood waters. The waters of baptism bring salvation and forgiveness through the death of Christ. After fasting forty days and being put to the test, Jesus begins his public ministry.*

### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday-Thursday - 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Friday - Closed

**Pastor:** Fr. Michael Pierz  
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### **Finance Council:**

Charles Calisti	Cecile Fragoso
Ted Muszynski	David Ross
Joseph Searles	

### **Pastoral Council:**

Judy Cross-Donahue (Chair)	Ben Auld
Megan Baillargeon	Mikie Cook
Luke Hollwedel	Dorota Maliszewska
Leo Marinak	James Perkins
Sarah Ross	Jane Seaver
Cara Waterman	Debbie Whitehead

**Bulletin Submissions are due 9 days prior to print**

**Email: [sje.parishsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:sje.parishsecretary@gmail.com)**

## ***Thoughts from the Rectory ...***

Dear friends of St. John the Evangelist,

With the mark of ashes this past Wednesday, we now gather on the First Sunday of Lent and begin in earnest our Lenten journey. What will follow are forty days and forty nights of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, with particular emphasis on repentance and conversion of heart. Yes, these may be the things we are doing, but what is it that we truly hope to be done ...?

More intimate and profound union with Christ.

This season will lead us through Sacred Scripture, times of devotion, acts of penance, opportunity for sacraments, and plentiful occasions for grace. More fundamentally we will be led by Christ, through His Passion, Death, and Crucifixion. Let us die with Christ, so as to live eternally with Him. Let us not await the singular moment of our earthly life and death, but take up our cross daily and follow Him.

With gratitude we shared a wonderful Parish Mission with insights and inspiration from Fr. Scott Hastings and have prepared to Live Lent Well. Thank you to all who attended, who gave so generously of time and support, and who have enriched this Agawam community with your thoughtfulness and prayer. By your care, the men and women of this parish and beyond are better prepared to encounter Christ this Lent and follow Him to Easter glory. Thank you!

It is my hope that your prayer be ever fruitful and the grace of God be all the more abundant. May this Lent draw us deeper and closer to our Lord.

*St. John the Evangelist, pray for us!*

**Fr. Pierz**



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

### Saturday, February 20th—First Sunday of Lent

4:00 pm—Ed Webber †

Requested by His Wife Cindy

### Sunday, February 21st

8:00 am—Philip Duclos †

Requested by the Catholic Women's Club

10:30 am—Ronald Cloutier

Requested by Debbie Whitehead

1:30 pm (EF) —For the People

5:00 pm—Private Intention

### Monday, February 22nd—Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle

8:00 am—Bill Flebotte †

Requested by Family

### Tuesday, February 23rd—Saint Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr

8:00 am—Delphine Skeba †

Requested by Helene and Little Ed

### Wednesday, February 24th

6:00 pm—Ruth O'Connor †

Requested by a Friend

### Thursday, February 25th

8:00 am—Charles and Dorothy Frost †

Requested by daughter Donna and grandson Sean

### Friday, February 26th

8:00 am—Maurice McKenna †

Requested by John and Cathy McKenna

### Saturday, February 27th—Second Sunday of Lent

4:00 pm—For the People

### Sunday, February 28th

8:00 am—Jonathan Kratovil †

Birthday Remembrance

Requested by Marcella Kratovil

10:30 am—Tony, Fe, Arnay Melodia †

Requested by Thel Melodia

1:30 pm (EF) —William Gorham

Requested by daughter and son-in-law

5:00 pm—Private Intention

## SANCTUARY LAMP

**FEBRUARY 21-27, 2021**

WILL BE LIT IN MEMORY OF

**ROSE FLEBOTTE**

REQUESTED BY

FAMILY

If you would like to request the Sanctuary Candle to be lit in honor of or in memory of someone, please contact the parish office.



### Please remember in your prayers:

Please pray for the sick and dying of our parish. Remember all who are in hospitals, nursing homes and homebound. Pray for the hungry, the unemployed and under-employed. Pray for an end to abortion and a true respect for all life, from conception to natural death. Pray for peace. In a concrete way we pray for all those who have died and all the deceased members of our parish and diocese, especially Cory Blanchard and Bernard Paine, Jr.

**Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.**

*And let perpetual light shine upon them.*

**May they rest in peace. Amen.**

**May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.**

*If you would like to include someone who has recently passed away, please call the parish office or email: [sje.pariahsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:sje.pariahsecretary@gmail.com).*

### IN MY MOTHER'S ARMS PRAYER LINE:

If you have a serious intention that you need prayers for: surgery, sufferings, medical, illness, cancer treatment, a sick child, or anything like that, please give Pat (786-3023) or Mary (786-9671) a call and you will have countless rosaries and prayers.



*If anyone else is interested in being a prayer partner, please call Pat or Mary.*

## Weekend of February 14th

*“Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father”*

Weekly: \$5,142  
Maintenance: \$1,012  
Fuel: \$165  
Loose: \$469.50  
Online Giving: \$1,572  
Loan Repayment: \$587  
**Total: \$7,703.50**

*“May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of His name, for our good and the good of all His holy Church.”*

## Stations of the Cross

During Lent, you can participate in Stations of the Cross on Fridays following the 8:00 am Mass or 6:30 pm.



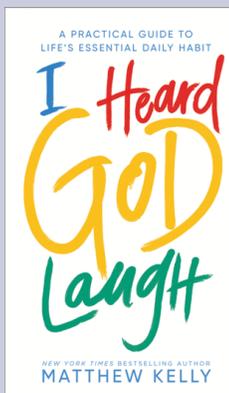
## **Share the Good News and be an Evangelist via Social Media and Live Streaming!**



*We are seeking volunteers to help live stream Daily and Sunday Masses. Equipment and training will be provided.*

Contact: [sje.mediagroup@gmail.com](mailto:sje.mediagroup@gmail.com)

## Lenten Gift & Challenge



This Lent, we challenge ourselves to “Prepare the Way of the Lord.”

St. John’s is offering you both a gift and challenge to do just that! Copies of “I Heard God Laugh” by Matthew Kelly will be available at Church or the Parish Office during Lent.

*Year of St. Joseph Activity:*

**Gather the family and your favorite snacks...**

Pick an afternoon or an evening, go onto FORMED, (Parish subscribed website), go to “Explore” or “Search” and key in... *Joseph of Nazareth: The Story of the Man Closest to Christ*”.

The first feature film ever on the story of St. Joseph, who was a carpenter, the husband of Mary, and the foster father of Jesus Christ. Scripture tells us that St. Joseph was a “just man” and that God gave him the most daunting task ever asked of a man—to be the husband of the woman who would give birth to the Messiah and the father and protector of this Holy Family. He would be the man closest to Christ.



## Virtual Retreat Conference

During this time of the Pandemic, many feel stressed and forget all the blessings in their lives. This year, instead of men in the parish going to the Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center, you are invited to a virtual retreat conference on

**February 27, 9:00 am—12:30 pm** via Zoom.

For more information visit [holyfamilyretreat.org](http://holyfamilyretreat.org). Click on *Themed Retreats* or call Tom Wisniewski at 789-0671. *Pre-registration is required.*

## Book Study Group

During 5 Weeks of Lent we will discuss ***I Heard God Laugh*** by Matthew Kelly

Thursdays, 10-11 am or 7-8 pm  
February 18, 25, March 4, 11, & 18

**Free**  
Registration Required  
through the Parish Office:  
786-8105





February 17 - March 28

# 40 DAYS FOR LIFE<sup>®</sup>

## HELP SAVE LIVES IN WESTERN MASS.!

**You can protect mothers and children** by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion!

Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils, and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000 volunteers!

**With God's help**, here are the proven results over 27 coordinated campaigns:

- **18,000** babies saved from abortion
- **211** abortion workers converted
- **107** abortion centers closed

**Here's how to take part in 40 Days for Life in our community:**

- **Vigil location:** Public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood @ 3550 Main ST., Springfield, MA 01107
- **Vigil hours:** 7 am to 7 pm daily
- **Local contact:** Diane LeDoux  
413.821.0871  
ledouxdt@gmail.com
- **Learn more...** get involved... and sign up for prayer times by visiting our campaign at the web address shown below!

[40daysforlife.com/springfield](http://40daysforlife.com/springfield)

## K of C Lenten Fish Dinners

The Agawam Knight of Columbus will not be having our Lenten Fish Dinners this year because of the COVID-19 Pandemic. We will keep you in our prayers as we hope you will keep us in yours.



May God be with you always,  
Peter J Briancesco Grand Knight.

## Call for Altar Servers

Altar servers are welcome to serve once again. We also welcome new altar servers.

Contact the Parish Office if you are interested:  
786-8105.



## Charitable Contribution Statements

Charitable giving statements for 2020 are completed and available. For tax purposes, statements of total annual contributions of \$500 or more are auto-generated and automatically mailed. If you would like a statement and not yet received one, please call the office.

We are grateful for all contributions made by each of us, parishioners, faithful, and friends. Every dollar and coin plays a key role in working towards the mission of St. John the Evangelist Church.

*We pray for all parishioners, whether able to attend Mass in person, participate in pastoral activities, support charitable works, or are restricted at home. Let us be united in prayer and sacrifice!*

## COMING UP AT ST. JOHN'S

### **Monday, February 22**

6:30 pm: RCIA (FJR)

6:30 pm: Family & Human Life (PCO)

### **Wednesday, February 24**

7:00 pm: Worship Commission

### **Thursday, February 25**

10:00 am: Book Study Group (FJR)

7:00 pm: Book Study Group (FJR)

### **Friday, February 26**

After 8:00 am Mass: Stations of the Cross

6:30 pm: Stations of the Cross

### **Sunday, February 28**

9:00 am: CCD (Church, Lower Church, FJR)

6:00 pm: CCD (Church, Lower Church, FJR)

## **New Sunday Mass!**

To allow for spacing and opportunity to pray together, we have added another Mass on Sundays

This Mass is often *very lightly attended.*

**Sunday evenings 5:00 PM**  
*Come and pray! Be not afraid!*



*St. John the Evangelist Parish is offering*

## **Beloved: A Marriage Preparation Program**

Six sessions will be covered  
in three afternoons:

**Sunday, March 14, 1-4 pm**

**Sunday, March 28, 1-4 pm**

**Sunday, April 11, 3-6 pm**

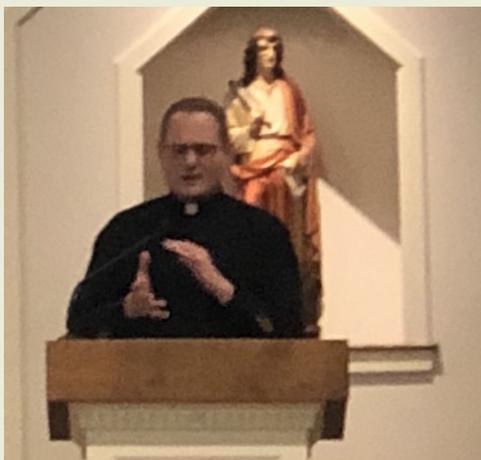
*Register through the Parish Office: 786-8105*

## Lenten Mission with Father Scott Hastings

St. John's was pleased to welcome Father Scott Hastings in last week's Lenten Mission.



You can watch video recordings of the Mission on our You Tube Channel (search "St John the Evangelist Church Agawam").



## Virtues

### Virtue of the Week: Hope

*CCC 1817:* Hope is the theological virtue by which we desire the kingdom of heaven and eternal life as our happiness, placing our trust in Christ's promises and relying not on our own strength, but on the help of the grace of the Holy Spirit.

*"The Holy Spirit . . . he poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that we might be justified by his grace and become heirs in hope of eternal life." -Titus 3:6-7*



### **Book Corner: A Special Recommendation by Mary Talarico**



### ***Bringing Lent Home with Pope Francis, St. John Paul II, and Saint Mother Theresa***

By Donna Marie Cooper Boyle

Your friendly parish volunteer, Mary Talarico, suggests devotional Lenten books inspired by Mother Theresa, St. John Paul II, and Pope Francis.

**Copies are available for sale at the parish office Monday—Thursday, 9 am—3 pm, or by appointment, 413-786-8105.**



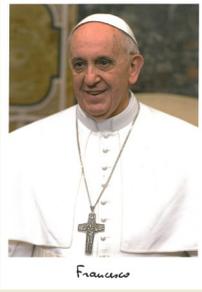
## **Attention All Local Crafters! Outdoor Spring Craft Fair**

Saturday, May 1, 9 am - 5pm  
(Rain date: Saturday, May 8)

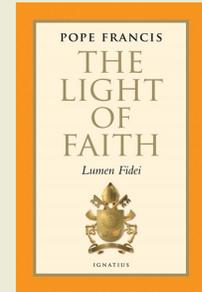
We are seeking local crafters to join our spring craft fair with Mother's Day-friendly items.

**Email [sje.information@gmail.com](mailto:sje.information@gmail.com)  
and we will send you a form.**

*(Crafters only. No vendors or direct sellers please.)*



ENCYCLICAL LETTER  
*LUMEN FIDEI*  
OF THE SUPREME PONTIFF  
**FRANCIS**  
TO THE BISHOPS PRIESTS AND DEACONS  
CONSECRATED PERSONS  
AND THE LAY FAITHFUL  
ON FAITH



CHAPTER ONE: WE HAVE BELIEVED IN LOVE (cf. 1 Jn 4:16)  
**Abraham, our father in faith**

8. Faith opens the way before us and accompanies our steps through time. Hence, if we want to understand what faith is, we need to follow the route it has taken, the path trodden by believers, as witnessed first in the Old Testament. Here a unique place belongs to Abraham, our father in faith. Something disturbing takes place in his life: God speaks to him; he reveals himself as a God who speaks and calls his name. Faith is linked to hearing. Abraham does not see God, but hears his voice. Faith thus takes on a personal aspect. God is not the god of a particular place, or a deity linked to specific sacred time, but the God of a person, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, capable of interacting with man and establishing a covenant with him. Faith is our response to a word which engages us personally, to a "Thou" who calls us by name.



9. The word spoken to Abraham contains both a call and a promise. First, it is a call to leave his own land, a summons to a new life, the beginning of an exodus which points him towards an unforeseen future. The sight which faith would give to Abraham would always be linked to the need to take this step forward: faith "sees" to the extent that it journeys, to the extent that it chooses to enter into the horizons opened up by God's word. This word also contains a promise: Your descendants will be great in number, you will be the father of a great nation (cf. Gen 13:16; 15:5; 22:17). As a response to a word which preceded it, Abraham's faith would always be an act of remembrance. Yet this remembrance is not fixed on past events but, as the memory of a promise, it becomes capable of opening up the future, shedding light on the path to be taken. We see how faith, as remembrance of the future, *memoria futuri*, is thus closely bound

up with hope.

10. Abraham is asked to entrust himself to this word. Faith understands that something so apparently ephemeral and fleeting as a word, when spoken by the God who is fidelity, becomes absolutely certain and unshakable, guaranteeing the continuity of our journey through history. Faith accepts this word as a solid rock upon which we can build, a straight highway on which we can travel. In the Bible, faith is expressed by the Hebrew word *'emûnâh*, derived from the verb *'am?n* whose root means "to uphold". The term *'emûnâh* can signify both God's fidelity and man's faith. The man of faith gains strength by putting himself in the hands of the God who is faithful. Playing on this double meaning of the word — also found in the corresponding terms in Greek (*pistós*) and Latin (*fidelis*) — Saint Cyril of Jerusalem praised the dignity of the Christian who receives God's own name: both are called "faithful".[8] As Saint Augustine explains: "Man is faithful when he believes in God and his promises; God is faithful when he grants to man what he has promised".[9]

11. A final element of the story of Abraham is important for understanding his faith. God's word, while bringing newness and surprise, is not at all alien to Abraham's experience. In the voice which speaks to him, the patriarch recognizes a profound call which was always present at the core of his being. God ties his promise to that aspect of human life which has always appeared most "full of promise", namely, parenthood, the begetting of new life: "Sarah your wife shall bear you a son, and you shall name him Isaac" (Gen 17:19). The God who asks Abraham for complete trust reveals himself to be the source of all life. Faith is thus linked to God's fatherhood, which gives rise to all creation; the God who calls Abraham is the Creator, the one who "calls into existence the things that do not exist" (Rom 4:17), the one who "chose us before the foundation of the world... and destined us for adoption as his children" (Eph 1:4-5). For Abraham, faith in God sheds light on the depths of his being, it enables him to acknowledge the wellspring of goodness at the origin of all things and to realize that his life is not the product of non-being or chance, but the fruit of a personal call and a personal love. The mysterious God who called him is no alien deity, but the God who is the origin and mainstay of all that is. The great test of Abraham's faith, the sacrifice of his son Isaac, would show the extent to which this primordial love is capable of ensuring life even beyond death. The word which could raise up a son to one who was "as good as dead", in "the barrenness" of Sarah's womb (cf. Rom 4:19), can also stand by his promise of a future beyond all threat or danger (cf. Heb 11:19; Rom 4:21).

(Pope Francis, *Lumen Fidei*, vatican.va, June 29, 2013, 8-11)



### **Around the Springfield Diocese...**

#### **OLBS PARISH VIRTUAL LENTEN SPEAKER SERIES**

This year the Speaker Series will be 'virtual,' available on YouTube, with a great line-up of speakers – beginning with our new Bishop William Byrne!

Our theme for this year's Speaker Series is: 'KEEPING FAITH DURING THE PANDEMIC - GOD'S GOT THIS!'

An opportunity to find the blessings during this challenging time of the Pandemic, with our eyes set on Easter Joy! Other speakers will include author, speaker, radio show host – Gary Zimak - who will touch on many themes of his book - 'Give Up Worry for Lent' (available through the OLBS Parish Office for \$10.00). Additional speakers include - Sr. Bethany Madonna, Fr. Mike Schmitz, April Helenek, and Fr. Chris Alar. Join us each Wednesday of Lent, beginning February 24 through March 31, at 6:30 pm, or watch the video any time after that on YouTube.

*There is no cost for this Series! Options to access the Series online: (1) Go to Youtube.com and type in the search field 'OLBS Westfield Lent' or (2) Go to either diospringfield.org OR diospringfield.org/olbs and click on the link. For additional information, contact the OLBS Parish Office at 413-562-3450.*

# FORMED

This Lent, we invite you to journey with Dr. Tim Gray by signing up for FORMED Daily Lenten Reflections at [formed.org/lent](https://formed.org/lent).

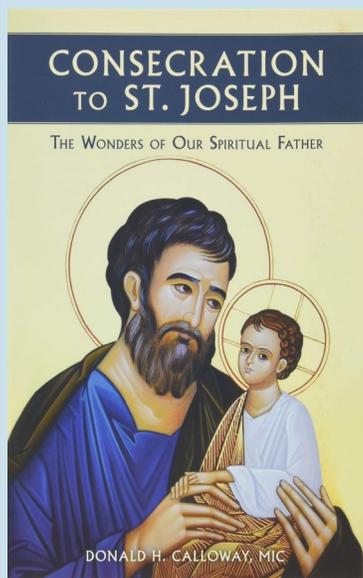
Each day you will receive in your inbox a short video which features Dr. Gray commenting on the daily Mass readings, explaining the Scriptures, and providing you with concrete ideas on how to apply them to your Christian life.

Sign up today for free by visiting [formed.org/lent](https://formed.org/lent)! The Parish code is available by calling the Parish Office: 786-8105

*The St. John the Evangelist FORMED subscription helps families build holy habits and create new prayer routines at home. Please consider donating to St. John's to cover the cost of the annual FORMED.org subscription.*

## Consecration to St. Joseph

April 11—May 13



St. John the Evangelist invites you to participate in Father Calloway's 33-Day Consecration to Saint Joseph. The program consists of 33 days of daily prayers and readings from the book on an individual basis. Once a week group gatherings are scheduled for faith sharing.

### **Group Gathering Discussion**

**Mondays, 9—10:30 am**

**April 12, 19, 26, May 3, 10**

(Father Joyce Room at the Pastoral Center)

**Tuesdays, 7-8:30 pm**

**April 13, 20, 27, May 4, 11 (Lower Church)**

Registration is limited to 10 people per class.

Pre-register by calling the Parish Office, 413-786-8105.

Father Calloway's book can be purchased in book, e-book, or audio book online; or at Spirit Among Us Catholic Bookstore, 200 Center Street, Ludlow, MA (phone: 413-583-4014). St. John Parishioners receive a 10% discount at the Spirit Among Us bookstore.

*The person who consecrates himself to St. Joseph wants to be as close to their spiritual father as possible, to the point of resembling him in virtue and holiness. St. Joseph, in turn, will give those consecrated to him his undivided attention, protection, and guidance.*

—Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC

Ministry to Sick & Homebound  
**413-786-8105 ext. 105**

### PASTORAL MINISTRY HOURS:

Monday-Thursday from 9am-1pm.

Please leave your name and phone number, including area code, with a brief message if non-urgent. I will return your call as soon as I am able. ALL other calls requiring a priest, speak with our Parish Secretary. Blessings and thank you for your patience.

**FOOD GIFT CARDS:** Your generosity of free will giving is gratefully appreciated by these families in their time of need. Thank you all for who you are and what you do in the name of Jesus Our Lord.

**PRAYER SHAWLS:** If you have a family member, friend, or know a person who is in need of extra comforting care, please feel free to contact our Prayer Shawl Ministry under Ministry to Sick & Homebound. Call Francesca at 413-786-8105 ext. 105. Leave a message and I will get back to you. Only requirement is that the Shawl must be picked up by the person requesting same, and delivered to the person in need of this comfort. There will be a Prayer Card placed with shawl of the knitter who crafted this shawl of prayerful love.

**BEREAVEMENT:** If you have experienced any loss and are in need of Spiritual consoling, please call the Parish Office at 786-8105 ext. 105 for direct line to Pastoral Minister, Francesca. Please leave your name, phone number, including area code, with a message for a return call. All calls are confidential. Blessings.

**HERITAGE WOODS AND HERITAGE HALLS:** No participation at this time.

**HOMEBOUND MINISTRY:** If someone is at home and unable to have their own hands on experience with Our Lord Jesus because of illness or decline in movements because of restrictions, please, if you feel this will help, call me, so that I can reach out to the person and until I can once again visit in person. I will make a personal phone call where we can get to know each other, share our fears, hopes and spiritual likes, if any, and pray together. I will read the Gospel of the day to the infirmed.

**HOSPITAL VISITS:** HIPAA Medical Law restrict access to patient admittance information. Please call the Parish Office if you have a family member admitted to a local hospital in need of a visit by Father Pierz. Follow up in-house visits will be provided per Francesca.

# 2021 **TRY PRAYER!** *It Works!* CONTEST

[www.FamilyRosary.org](http://www.FamilyRosary.org)

This year's theme, "**Do Whatever He Tells You**" (**John 2:5**), will help you and your family explore how Mother Mary's example and intercession help us to follow God's will. From Mary, especially through the prayer of the Rosary, we learn to listen to Jesus so that we can be His faithful disciples. Following God's will brings peace to our hearts, our families, and our world. Imagine what family Rosary prayer could accomplish! Discover how Mary's maternal influence can lead your family closer to Jesus.

Visit [www.familyrosary.org/tryprayer](http://www.familyrosary.org/tryprayer)



**Family Rosary**

HOLY CROSS  
FAMILY MINISTRIES

