

7. Boasting: Excessively praising oneself or exaggerating one’s accomplishments out of pride, often to seek admiration or belittle others. This reflects a lack of humility.

8. Flattery: Offering insincere or excessive praise to someone, typically for personal gain or to manipulate them. It distorts truth and can encourage vanity or wrongdoing in the recipient.

9. Cursing: Invoking evil or harm upon a person, place, or thing, often in anger or frustration. This can include wishing misfortune on others, which opposes charity.

10. Murmuring: Grumbling or complaining in a way that undermines authority, spreads discontent, or fosters negativity. It often reflects a lack of patience or gratitude.

11. Obscene or Vulgar Speech: Using crude, indecent, or sexually explicit language that offends modesty and purity. This can corrupt others or degrade human dignity.

12. Contention (Quarreling): Engaging in hostile or argumentative speech intended to provoke, dominate, or wound others rather than seek understanding or peace.

These sins are considered offenses against God and neighbor because they misuse the gift of speech, which is meant to build up, communicate truth, and express love. Catholic teaching empha-

Special Collections Feb. 2025

Collection	Total
Altar Flowers	\$1,450
FSSP Seminary Burse	\$2,672
Poor Box	\$2,691.76
St. Bernadette Fund	\$5,690

Adoration Bernadette Piccininni 804-291-8961	Gift Shop Rose Mary Cosby 804-272-3908	Parish Pastoral Council Joe Treadwell council@stjosephrichmond.org	Ushers Greg Hice 804-320-4932
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sizes the importance of guarding one’s tongue, as reflected in James 3:5-10, which compares the tongue to a small fire that can cause great destruction. Penance, confession, and cultivating virtues like charity, humility, and prudence are recommended to overcome these faults.

So, again, whatever the poisonous rumor mills may be spewing, and whatever side of it you may find yourself on, look into a mirror and ask yourself: “Am I guilty of any of the above?”.

Let us approach the Holiest time of the year with true repentance.

Fr. Karl Marsolle FSSP

Sunday Offertory for March 30, 2025			
	Collection	Budget	Surplus/(Deficit)
Operations			
In Pew	\$5,422	—	—
Online	\$4,741	—	—
Holy Thurs.			
In Pew	\$25	—	—
Online	\$50	—	—
Good Friday			
Online	\$50	—	—
Easter			
Online	\$50	—	—
Total	\$10,338	\$11,500	(\$1,162)
YTD	\$577,598	\$448,500	\$129,098
Capital Improvements			
In Pew	\$595	—	—
Online	\$1,106	—	—
Total	\$1,701	\$2,596	(\$895)
YTD	\$112,662	\$101,244	\$11,418
Thank you for your continued generosity!			

“He that is of God, heareth the words of God.”
(Jn. 8:47)



April 6, 2025

Saint Joseph Parish

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Schedule for Holy Mass	
Sunday	8:30 am (Low) 11 am (High) 1:30 pm (Low)
Monday	9 am
Tuesday	9 am
Wednesday	6 pm
Thursday	9 am
Friday	7 am & 6 pm
Saturday	9 am
Holy Days of Obligation: see calendar	
Confession: 30 minutes before all Masses, Saturdays - 10 am to 12 noon	
Devotions:	
- 1st Sat. Rosary & Meditation after Mass	
- Miraculous Medal Novena after Wednesday evening Mass	
- Adoration:	
Wednesday	for 1hr following 6pm Mass
1st Friday	8 am-4:45 pm
Other Fridays	8 am-11:45 am

MASS SCHEDULE — INTENTIONS — REQUESTED BY		
Sun. April 6 Passion Sunday (1st Cl)	8:30 am Joseph T. Gabriel † 11:00 am Pro Populo 1:30 pm Fr. Byrne, FSSP	RDG — BCU
Mon. April 7 Monday of Passion Week (3rd Cl)	9 am John & Jeanette Bruno	CBP
Tues. April 8 Tuesday of Passion Week (3rd Cl)	9 am John C. Calhoun †	AC
Wed. April 9 Wednesday of Passion Week (3rd Cl)	6 pm Harold & Florence Smith <i>Adoration 7 pm to 8 pm</i>	HCS
Thurs. April 10 Thursday of Passion Week (3rd Cl)	9 am Robert J. Zilli †	KNZ
Fri. April 11 Friday of Passion Week (3rd Cl)	7 am Edward Etheridge, Sr. <i>Adoration 8 am to 12 noon</i> 6 pm Michael & Alyce Reiner	JH KL
Sat. April 12 Saturday of Passion Week (3rd Cl)	9 am Pam Wallerstein	CJW
Sun. April 13 Palm Sunday (1st Cl)	8:30 am Pro Populo <i>No Confession Before 10:30am Mass</i> 10:30 am Bill Powell, Sr. † 1:30 pm FSSP & the TLM	— JP —
Mon. April 14 Monday of Holy Week (1st Cl)	9 am Cherie Friederichs †	CP
Tues. April 15 Tuesday of Holy Week (1st Cl)	9 am The Grumblatt Family	JG
Wed. April 16 Wednesday of Holy Week (1st Cl)	6 pm Therese Sanctafamilia <i>Adoration 7 pm to 8 pm</i>	JVS
Thurs. April 17 Holy Thursday (1st Cl)	7 pm Commemoration of the Lord's Supper	
Fri. April 18 Good Friday (1st Cl)	1 pm Solemn Liturgy	
Sat. April 19 Holy Saturday & Easter Vigil (1st Cl)	8:30 pm All Faithful Departed of St. Joseph Parish	

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Cathy Dickson, Scott York, Peter & Joan Marie Osborne, Fern Kovac, Gary Swift, Son Lee Young, Jenny Wertz, Brenda Walters, Bin A. Son, Esther Windom, Uni & Robert Kemp, Sam Sponeybarger, Elsie Kemp, L. S., Suki & Beau Simpson, Lily Meyer, Dennis Hatt, Tanya Nacey, Tricia Bradley-Hughes, Adam Figlo, Fr. Daniel Cogut, Philip Gee, Domenic DiGirolamo, Valarie Jennison, Mary Poerstel, and all the chronically ill & homebound of our parish.

In your charity, please remember the souls of all the faithful departed. Requiescant in pace.

Sundays 13 & 20 April — No Religious Ed

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross take place every Friday of Lent immediately following the 6 pm Mass.

Easter Flower Donations

Those who contribute online and wish to have their loved ones remembered in our bulletin, please email a list of names to the parish office by Fri. 11 April.

FSSP Bosco Ministries Summer Camps

Catholic camps and missions led by FSSP priests and seminarians, Bosco Ministries are reforming the hearts of boys and men. There are camps for boys 13-17 and mission trips for young men 17-24. For more information or to register go to www.boscoministries.org/

Sewing Opportunity
New Volunteers Welcome!

We will be making surplices for our altar boys on Saturdays from 10:30 am until 3 pm starting March 22 through April 12. Meet back by the Knight's kitchen for whatever amount of time you can spare. Bring your machine. All supplies provided including a light lunch! Lenten blessings!

Upcoming Events

April 13—Palm Sunday *(see Holy Week Schedule)*
No Religious Education

April 17-19—Triduum *(see Holy Week Schedule)*

April 18—Parish Office Closed

April 20—Easter Sunday *(see Holy Week Schedule)*
No Religious Education

April 21-25—Parish Office Closed

Divine Mercy Novena

This novena begins on Good Friday, 18 April. Pamphlets available on the back table of the church for you to take home and pray privately.

Divine Mercy Sunday

Sun. 27 April at 3 pm. We will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet, followed by Benediction.

Divine Mercy Sunday Promises & Requirements

Our Lord's promise to grant complete forgiveness of sins and punishment on the Feast of Mercy is recorded three times in the *Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska*, each time in a slightly different way:

“I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My mercy.” (1109)

“Whoever approaches the Fount of Life on this day will be granted complete remission of sins and punishment.” (300)


“The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion will obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment.” (699)

Thus to fittingly observe the Feast of Mercy, we should:

1. Celebrate the Feast on the Sunday after Easter;
2. sincerely repent of all our sins;
3. place our complete trust in Jesus;
4. go to Confession, **preferably before that Sunday**;
5. receive Holy Communion on the day of the Feast;
6. venerate* the image of the Divine Mercy; and
7. be merciful to others, through our actions, words, and prayers on their behalf.

*To venerate a sacred image or statue simply means to perform some act or make some gesture of deep religious respect toward it because of the person whom it represents—in this case our Most Merciful Savior.

Pastor's Corner



Dear Parishioners,

In a meeting with a room full of priests, we were discussing the most prevalent problems and sins in a parish setting. Which surfaced most? Sins of the tongue and the damage they cause. If reading the following makes you point the finger at this person or that one, you are missing the whole point! The point is introspection. Each should read the following and see if it applies to himself, knowing that he will appear before the Lord one day, and have to render an account for every word spoken.

In Catholic tradition, the “sins of the tongue” refer to moral offenses committed through speech that violate charity, truth, or other virtues. These sins are often discussed in the context of the Eighth Commandment (You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor) and are rooted in teachings from Scripture, the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and moral theology. Below is a list of commonly recognized sins of the tongue, along with their definitions:

- 1. Blasphemy:** Speaking irreverently or contemptuously about God, the saints, or sacred things. This is a grave sin against the virtue of religion and the Second Commandment.
- 2. Lying:** Deliberately speaking or communicating something that is not true with the intent to deceive. This violates the virtue of truthfulness and can harm others by leading them into error or injustice.
- 3. Slander (Calumny):** Spreading false statements about someone that damage their reputation. This involves lying about a person's actions or character, unjustly harming their good name.
- 4. Detraction:** Revealing someone's true faults or sins to others without a valid reason, thereby harming their reputation unnecessarily. Unlike slander, the information is true, but sharing it lacks charity or necessity.
- 5. Gossip:** Idle or careless talk about others, often involving personal or sensational details, that can lead to harm or scandal. Gossip may not always be malicious but can still wound relationships and dignity.
- 6. Rash Judgment:** Speaking as if one knows the guilt or sinful intentions of another without sufficient evidence. This involves assuming the worst of someone's motives and can lead to unjust condemnation.

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