



• 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER •

**THAT THEY MIGHT
HAVE LIFE.**

Weekly Budget Goal	\$3,425.00
Weekly collection 04/19/26	\$1,947.00
Difference	\$1,478.00
CSA Assessment (2026)	\$30,986.00
Pledges to date	\$25,620.00
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**POPE’S INTENTION FOR APRIL
For Priests in Crisis**

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.



Pray the Rosary everyday to obtain peace for the world. Join us at St. Joseph Church each Tuesday at 6 p.m.

Baptismal Training Sessions 2026

April 29	6:00 pm	St. Leo, Ridgway	814-772-3135
May 21	6:30 pm	St. Marys Church	814-781-1019

Our **Lenten Fish dinners** were a great success this year! We made a profit of \$29,621.98. Our sales income was \$59,762.65 and expenses were \$30,140.67. **THANK YOU** to all of the volunteers and the MANY HOURS that they so generously invested to make the dinners such a success!

MOTHER/DAUGHTER BREAKFAST

The Mother/Daughter Breakfast will be held on Sunday, May 10th. Tickets will be on sale in the social hall after each Mass on April 25/26 and May 2/3. The cost will be \$8 for adult women and \$3 for girls 10 and under.

**Please purchase your tickets no later than May 3rd. We need the final count to order food.

A Family Perspective: In today’s Gospel, Jesus declares, “I am the Way,” and warns that anyone offering “another way” to happiness is “a thief and a bandit.” These are strong words! Don’t be swayed by society’s sales pitch for happiness. Instead, look to your loved ones, where God is present, calling you by name and leading you to abundant life.

Kersey K of C Monthly Breakfast Sunday, May 3rd, from 8 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. or until sold out. St. Boniface Social Hall. \$10 for adults; \$5 for 16 and under. All are invited to come and enjoy this “all you can eat” breakfast buffet!

22nd Annual St. Leo School Fishing Derby will be held at the Ridgway Firemen Carnival Grounds, 138 North Broad Street, Ridgway, on May 9th and 10th. Tagged fish with a top prize of \$1,500. Kids derby, camping, food, kids games, raffles, live music, and so much more! For more information, go to www.stleosfishingderby.com



What Jesus Our Good Shepherd is Teaching Us

Life is a school. We learn many things very early in life, as well as that there are other people around us--family, relatives and friends. It is not only just our needs and wants that count, but also others. Our first shepherds in our lives are our parents, in which we are taught right from wrong. Our teachers in school and in our faith formation classes at our church, where we learn about our Catholic faith, are all like a shepherd. It is here that we begin to know who Jesus the Good Shepherd really is.

We first received the faith through our Baptism, and learned about God as Three Persons (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit), and then the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation. From this, we learn of our relationship with Jesus the Good Shepherd.

We are taking time this special Easter Season weekend to celebrate Jesus our Good Shepherd. In this Sunday’s Gospel, Jesus describes a good shepherd as one who “...enters through the gate.” (Jn 10: 2) He further says that “...the sheep hear His Voice as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. (Jn 10: 3)

This Sunday, it is the Voice of Jesus the Good Shepherd that we are called to recognize in our lives. We hear His Voice through Sacred Scriptures and also through others. We recognize His Voice through good parents, teachers, coaches, counselors, and leaders in the community and in the Church. The Good Shepherd gives words of affirmation, direction, and even admonishment from time to time. It is all given out of love, because the Good Shepherd wills the good for each of us.

My friends, our Good Shepherd Jesus teaches us that in our responsibilities, each of us is like a good shepherd. We are responsible for our family and those around us. Whenever we do our best in shepherding or caring for others, then we are like Jesus the Good Shepherd.

God Bless,
Father Mark



We Celebrate, We Listen, We Pray

Date	Intention	Requested by	Celebration	Scriptures
Monday, April 27, 2026 8:30 a.m. Mass	Joseph & Florence Fenice	Family	Easter Weekday	Acts 11: 1-18 Jn 10: 11-18 (279)
Tuesday, April 28, 2026 8:30 a.m. Mass	Leno Zambanini	daughter Rita and family	Easter Weekday <i>Saint Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr; Saint Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest</i>	Acts 11: 19-26 Jn 10: 22-30 (280)
Wednesday, April 29, 2026 No Mass			Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church	Acts 12: 24 - 13: 5a Jn 12: 44-50 (281)
Thursday, April 30, 2026 8:30 a.m. Mass	Angeline Cheslock	grandson David Sweed	Easter Weekday <i>Saint Pius V, Pope</i>	Acts 13: 13-25 Jn 13: 16-20 (282)
Friday, May 01, 2026 No a.m. Mass	Mary Morelli	Dave & Kathy Vargas and family	Easter Weekday <i>Saint Joseph the Worker</i>	Acts 13: 26-33 Jn 14: 1-6 (283)
Saturday, May 02, 2026 8:30 a.m. Mass FIRST SATURDAY	Lena Krulia & Sam Berasi	Paulette & Woody Yeaney	Saint Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	Acts 13: 44-52 Jn 14: 7-14 (284)
Saturday, May 02, 2026 5:30 p.m. Mass	Living & Deceased Members of St. Joseph Church		Vigil of the Fifth Sunday of Easter	(see below)
Sunday, May 03, 2026 9:15 a.m. Mass	Frank Michelini anniversary	Children and grandchildren	FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	Acts 6: 1-7 1 Pt 2: 4-9 Jn 14: 1-12 (52)

St. Joseph Church

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday thru Thursday 9a.m. to 4 p.m.

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm Sunday: 9:15 am Holy Days: 9:00 am & 7:00 pm Daily: Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. 8:30 am No Mass on Wednesday

St. Joseph the Worker

Here at St. Joseph Church, we celebrate two Feast Days each year, dedicated to St. Joseph. The first one celebrated is on March 19th, when we celebrate St. Joseph, the Husband of Mary. We know from Sacred Scripture that Joseph is the husband of Mary, the Blessed Virgin Mother. St. Joseph was “chosen by God the Father to be the trustworthy guardian and protector of His Greatest Treasures, namely His Divine Son and Mary”...(page 70 Saint of the Day Leonard Foley, OFM, ©1991)

On May 1st, we celebrate St. Joseph the Worker. We also know, from Sacred Scripture, that St. Joseph was a carpenter. He also taught our Lord Jesus that trade. St. Joseph gives a great example to all husbands and fathers of the dignity of work and supporting of a family. This Feast Day was instituted by Pope Pius XII in 1955. The statue that we have between our Church and social hall is St. Joseph the Worker.

St. Joseph, Pray for us!

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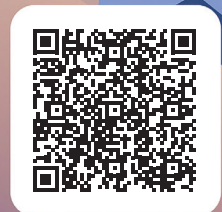
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