

St. Joseph Catholic Church



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NEWS AND INFORMATION FOR PARISHIONERS

Father Jim would like to thank everyone who has continued to support St. Joseph's financially. The Church expenses continue each month and we rely on your contributions. Your donations are much needed and greatly appreciated.

Weekday Mass Schedule: No weekday Mass this week.

Thank you for your donations to the annual Priests' Retirement Collection. We raised \$7,522.70 and exceeded our goal! Thank you for your generosity.

BLESSING OF ANIMALS: Father will do a Blessing of the Animals in honor of the feast of St. Francis of Assisi this Sunday, October 4th at 5pm. Bring your pets to the church parking lot to have them blessed.

SAVE THE DATE! This weekend there will be a Pro-Life Silent Prayer Vigil on **Sunday, October 4 NATIONAL LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY**

Rain or Shine, 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm. (Meet to pick up signs starting at 2:00 pm at the Life Chain Information Table near the intersection of US Highway 70 and 16th Street SE (below Augustana Lutheran Church). Please join us on as we line up along the south side of Highway 70 and in the grassy area in front of Valley Hills Mall to support this Pro-Life event! Life Chain is a peaceful, silent, and prayerful national movement held each year with the purpose of abolishing abortion in our country. For additional information, contact: Bob and Nancy Hall (828) 322-9570, bobnancyhall@charter.net **PLEASE PRAY TO END ABORTION!**

MiraVia, a Catholic, 501(c)(3) non-profit maternity and after-care program in Charlotte, invites you to join its 26th **Annual Fundraising ONLINE Banquet "Path to Life" on Thursday, Oct. 29 at 7 p.m. ET.** For the first time ever, this event will be held ONLINE due to the unforeseen COVID-19. This year's virtual guest speaker is Melissa Ohden, the survivor of a failed saline infusion abortion. To register to attend, visit <http://miraviabanquet.lpages.co> or contact Megan Whiteside at 704-525-4673 ext. 13, meganwhiteside@miravia.org. The free event will be unique, and you won't want to miss it!

For more information about MiraVia, visit www.miravia.org.

Fulfillment of Faith, Women's Retreat: Come to a retreat experience like no other. Professional actress and story-teller Olivia Woodford of Bible Women Speak will perform vignettes highlighting the influential women of the bible leading up to the first Christmas. Following each act, Olivia will tap into her wealth of experience leading retreats and lead the participants into a deeper discussion on the biblical figures of each scene. The retreat is one night, November 6-7. The special price is \$150, which includes all meals, lodging and access to the beautiful grounds Catholic Conference Center in Hickory, NC. Space is limited to make sure everyone is properly distanced, so register now at www.catholicconference.org/women. For more information email info@catholicconference.org or call 828.327.7441. While on the website, check out our other Advent/Christmas retreats: Our popular "Art as Spiritual Therapy Retreat", and our "Behold, I make all things new" New Year's Retreat".

Please remember in your prayers: Toni Harris, Kevin Hines, Marjorie Hines, Kathryn Phillips, Keith Lynch, Bea Collins Stroupe, Shannon Deal, Karen Miller, Jada Halle, Barbara Lyman, Meghan Fannin, Mary Kijesky, Al Tucker, Albert & Marge Spizzo, Jennifer Baker, Jeanie Tucker, Tom Fannin, Max Jonathas, Linwood & Patricia Morris, Kim Ramos, Carol Bowes, Julie Mathis, James Plunkett, Luz Estrella Martinez Hernandez, Judy Baxter, Claudia Poe, Donna Earnhardt, Louis Holden, Jo Wagoner, Corwin Revis, Michael Adamson, Steve McDaniel, Don Nackley, Chris Halle, David Stevens, Patty Tucker, Dana Nesbitt, Gonzálo Dosamante S., Gloria Aquirre, Maria Elena Gallegos, José Lus Dosamante, Jim Graham, Maria de los Angeles Torres Vazquez, Jose Mateo Dominguez Cepeda, Jerry Malone, Ralph Vanderlught, Diane Canipe