



Dear Parishioners,

This weekend the Church in the United States celebrates Catechetical Sunday to highlight our responsibility of passing on the Faith to each generation. Let us never forget that parents are the first and foremost catechists, or teachers, of their children. If the Faith is to be passed on, it will only happen if it is lived in the home, in the family. Of course, in order to assist parents in forming their children in our Catholic Faith, the Church provides schools and religious education programs. So, on this weekend we salute parents and all who help them in teaching our Catholic Faith to our children and youth. Here at St. Joseph we express our appreciation to the teachers and aides in our Religious Education Program who volunteer to teach on Wednesday evenings. Also, our gratitude goes out to Sherry Huntwork, our Director of Religious Education, who works hard and puts many hours into coordinating our program during the school year as well as the special events that we hold during the summer. Let us all keep in our prayers all parents and those who give so generously to the work of religious education in our parish that our Lord will bless them and provide for them all the graces that they need in passing on the Faith.

Speaking of religious education, I and the parish council have made a decision on whom to go with as the contractor for our new religious education building. We are working with the architect on some final details and will soon be presenting to the parish the finalized plans. Thank you for your patience as it has taken a year to go through all the steps of diligently developing the plans for this project.

Finally, the 2013-14 Archbishop's Annual Appeal is just getting started in the Archdiocese. You will receive information in the mail this week. The Annual Appeal funds many archdiocesan ministries, programs and services, most of which serve our parish in some form or

another. The goal that has been set for St. Joseph by the Archdiocese this year is \$12,837. I encourage each of our households to pray about what will be your contribution this year. As with any aspect of stewardship that we exercise in terms of time, talent, and treasure, let us remember that whatever we do in responding to the needs of the Church it is always a gesture of gratitude to God for His blessings. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this year's Annual Appeal and for your generosity in past years that has always resulted in our parish exceeding its goal.

Have a blessed and grace-filled week.

God bless you, Fr. Gutowski



**SEPT. 16 THRU SEPT. 22**

Monday	Priest's Intention
Tuesday	Priest's Intention
Wednesday	Renato Girolami
Thursday	Bob Brestel
Friday	Loretta Patry
Saturday	Ray & Matilda Peatrowsky
Sunday	People of St. Joseph



**"What man among you having a hundred sheep and losing one of them would not leave the ninety-nine in the desert and go after the lost one until he finds it?" -Luke 15:4**