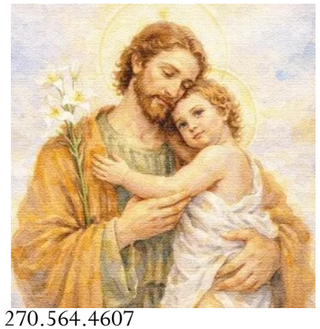
# *Parroquia de San José*
# *Saint Joseph Catholic Church*



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**stjosephmayfield.com 6PM Rosary facebook.com/102896194709702/**
**OFFICE HOURS/HORAS –**
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**18 OCTOBER 2026**
**OCTOBER: MONTH OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY / MES DEL SANTO ROSARIO**
**WEEKLY MASSES & IMPORTANT PARISH EVENTS –**
**MISAS SEMANALES E EVENTOS IMPORTANTES PARROQUIALES**
**Confessions/Confesiones – Saturday/Sabado 4 PM; Sunday/Domingo 8:30AM; 10:30AM**
**Adoration/Adoración Fridays 8:30AM-6:00PM**
Ministry Schedules –www.stjosephmayfield.com

| DATE/FECHA | | INTENTION/INTENCIÓN | |
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| 17 October | 4:30PM | †Steve Thompson | |
| 18 October | 9:00AM | †Deloris Plenisek | |
| 18 Octubre | 11:00AM | Todos Los Feligreses | |
| 19 October | | | **6PM Rosary & Communion** |
| 20 October | | | **6PM Rosary & Communion** |
| 21 October | 8:00AM | †Cathy Flores | **6PM Rosary/Communion** |
| 22 October | 8:00AM | †Deceased Nelson Family | **6PM Rosary/Communion** |
| 23 October | 8:00AM | †Otis Lancaster | **6PM Rosary/Communion** |
| 24 October | 4:30PM | †Jay Buckley | |
| 25 October | 9:00AM | †Ethan Barnett | |
| 25 Octubre | 11:00AM | Todos Los Feligreses | |

**FOURTH FRIDAY FISH FRY** – 23 October, 4:30-6:30PM. This will be the LAST fish fry until Lent. Please join us for dinner; it is a great way to support the ministries of the Parish. Thank you and God bless ALL who have given of time, talent & treasure to provide these meals.

**CENA DE PESCADO DEL CUARTO VIERNES:** 23 de octubre, de 4:30 a 6:30 p. m. Esta será la ÚLTIMA cena de pescado hasta la Cuaresma. Acompáñenos a cenar; es una excelente manera de apoyar los ministerios de la parroquia. Gracias y que Dios bendiga a TODOS los que han aportado su tiempo, talento y recursos para ofrecer estas comidas.

**HISPANIC FOOD SALE FOR CHARITY** – Saturday, 24 October, the Christ Renews His Parish Women's Groups will be selling authentic Mexican food (tamales, gorditas, etc) on the church parking lot 8AM-2PM. The proceeds will be used to assist two families (one parishioner, one non-parishioner) who are struggling with the cost of medical expenses. Your support is appreciated.

**VENTA DE COMIDA HISPANA CON FINES BENÉFICOS:** el sábado 24 de octubre, los grupos de mujeres de "Cristo Renueva Su Parroquia" venderán auténtica comida mexicana (tamales, gorditas, etc.) en el estacionamiento de la iglesia, de 8AM-2PM. Lo recaudado se destinará a ayudar a dos familias (una de la parroquia y otra externa) que enfrentan dificultades para cubrir gastos médicos. Agradecemos su apoyo.

**ALL SAINTS DAY PARISH POTLUCK (CHILI / SOUP / STEW / PEZOLE) – Sunday, 1 November, 12:30PM** – in lieu of the Fall Picnic, we will celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints with a warm meal in the Parish Center. All are invited to bring your favorite warm dish and share your time and talents with others as we enjoy time together. As All Saints Day is the traditional day for children to dress as your favorite saint, we will have Pageant of Saints during the meal. Prizes will be awarded to the children who dress in honor of a Saint. You might also bring left-over candy to share with the children.

**DIA DE LOS SANTOS COMIDA COMPARTIDA PARROQUIAL (PEZOLE, AMERICAN CHILI, SOPA, ESTOFADO) – DOMINGO 1 DE NOVIEMBRE, 12:30PM –** En lugar del picnic de otoño, celebraremos la Solemnidad de Todos los Santos con una comida reconfortante en el Centro Parroquial. Invitamos a todos a traer su plato caliente favorito y a compartir su tiempo y talentos con los demás mientras disfrutamos de un rato de convivencia. Dado que el Día de Todos los Santos es la fecha tradicional en la que los niños se disfrazan de su santo favorito, realizaremos una presentación de santos durante la comida. Se otorgarán premios a los niños que se disfracen en honor a un santo.también podría llevar dulces que hayan sobrado para compartir con los niños.

**ANNUAL CENSUS** – In order to be considered an active member of Saint Joseph Parish, one must register and fill out a Census Form each October and regularly attend Mass at Saint Joseph Parish (unless you are registered as homebound on the Parish Roster). The reasons to be registered and active in the Parish are so that we have an accurate accounting for the Bishop and Rome in our annual reports. Being an active member also has canonical responsibilities as well as rights attached to it that are not granted to those who are inactive or unregistered. Some areas that are affected by registration include the celebration of Sacraments in the Parish, such as Baptism of Children and Weddings; letters of good standing to serve as godparents, etc. in other parishes; participation in our Religious Education Program; permission and cost of burial in our Cemetery; Funerals and Funeral meals; Mass Intentions offered (because our calendar of Masses is so full); use of Parish facilities; Paraliturgical blessings like Tres Años or Quinceañeras; letters of good standing for legal purposes; etc. All are invited and encouraged to keep your registration in the Parish up to date.

**CENSO ANUAL** – Para ser considerado un miembro activo de la parroquia de Saint Joseph, uno debe registrarse y completar un formulario del censo cada octubre y asistir regularmente a la misa en la parroquia de Saint Joseph (a menos que esté registrado como confinado en su hogar en la lista parroquial). Las razones para estar registrados y activos en la Parroquia son para que tengamos una contabilidad precisa del Obispo y de Roma en nuestros informes anuales. Ser miembro activo también tiene responsabilidades canónicas, así como derechos asociados a él que no se otorgan a quienes están inactivos o no registrados. Algunas áreas que se ven afectadas por el registro incluyen la celebración de Sacramentos en la Parroquia, como Bautismo de Niños y Bodas; cartas de buena reputación para servir como padrinos, etc. en otras parroquias; participación en nuestro Programa de Educación Religiosa; permiso y costo del entierro en nuestro Cementerio; Funerales y comidas funerarias; Intenciones de Misas ofrecidas (porque nuestro calendario de Misas está muy lleno); uso de las instalaciones parroquiales; Bendiciones paralitúrgicas como Tres Años o Quinceañeras; cartas de buena reputación a efectos legales; etc. Se invita y anima a todos a mantener actualizado su registro en la Parroquia.

**CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

1918 "There is no authority except from God, and those authorities that exist have been instituted by God" (Rom 13:1).

1919 Every human community needs an authority in order to endure and develop.

1920 "The political community and public authority are based on human nature and therefore . . . belong to an order established by God" (GS 74 § 3).

1921 Authority is exercised legitimately if it is committed to the common good of society. To attain this it must employ morally acceptable means.

1922 The diversity of political regimes is legitimate, provided they contribute to the good of the community.

1923 Political authority must be exercised within the limits of the moral order and must guarantee the conditions for the exercise of freedom.

1924 The common good comprises "the sum total of social conditions which allow people, either as groups or as individuals, to reach their fulfillment more fully and more easily" (GS 26 1).

1925 The common good consists of three essential elements: respect for and promotion of the fundamental rights of the person; prosperity, or the development of the spiritual and temporal goods of society; the peace and security of the group and of its members.

**DIOCESE OF OWENSBORO, KENTUCKY OFFICE OF SAFE ENVIRONMENT –** To report suspected abuse, call the Kentucky Child Protection Hot Line: 1-877-KYSAFE1 or 1-877-597- 2331 (Toll Free) or contact your local Commonwealth Attorney. To report abuse to the diocese, current or past, by anyone acting in the name of the Church, call Scott Ingram, Pastoral Assistance Coordinator (English) at 270-852-8380 or Miguel Quintanilla, Pastoral Assistance Coordinator (Spanish) at 270-880-8360_ You may also visit the Office of Safe Environment (owensborodiocese.org/safe) for more information. To make a report of sexual abuse of a minor and related misconduct by bishops, go to ReportBishopAbuse.org or call 1-800-276-1562. *Saint Joseph, foster father of Jesus, help us to protect our children from all abuse.*

**OFICINA DE MEDIO AMBIENTE SEGURO DE LA DIÓCESIS DE OWENSBORO, KENTUCKY -** Para denunciar una sospecha de abuso, llame a la Linea Directa de Protección Infantil de Kentucky: 1-877-KYSAFE1 o 1-877-597-2331 (llamada gratuita) o comuniquese con su Fiscal Local del Commonwealth. Para reportar abuso, actual o pasado, a la diócesis por parte de cualquier persona que actue en nombre de la Iglesia, llame a Scott Ingram, Coordinadora de Asistencia Pastoral (ingles) al 270-852-8380, o Miguel Quintanilla, Coordinadora de Asistencia Pastoral (español) al 270-880-8360. Tambien puede visitar la Oficina de Ambiente Segura (owensborodiocese.org/safe) para obtener mas información. Para hacer un informe de abuso sexual de un menor de edad o conducta inapropiada relacionada por parte de algun obispo, visite https://reportbishopabuse.org/es. *San José, padre adoptivo de Jesús, ayúdanos a proteger a nuestros hijos de todo abuso.*

1926 The dignity of the human person requires the pursuit of the common good. Everyone should be concerned to create and support institutions that improve the conditions of human life.

1927 It is the role of the state to defend and promote the common good of civil society. The common good of the whole human family calls for an organization of society on the international level.

The death penalty
2267. Recourse to the death penalty on the part of legitimate authority, following a fair trial, was long considered an appropriate response to the gravity of certain crimes and an acceptable, albeit extreme, means of safeguarding the common good.
Today, however, there is an increasing awareness that the dignity of the person is not lost even after the commission of very serious crimes. In addition, a new understanding has emerged of the significance of penal sanctions imposed by the state. Lastly, more effective systems of detention have been developed, which ensure the due protection of citizens but, at the same time, do not definitively deprive the guilty of the possibility of redemption.
Consequently, the Church teaches, in the light of the Gospel, that "the death penalty is inadmissible because it is an attack on the inviolability and dignity of the person",[1] and she works with determination for its abolition worldwide.

**CATECISMO DE LA IGLESIA CATÓLICA**

1918 "No hay […] autoridad que no provenga de Dios, y las que existen, por Dios han sido constituidas" (Rm 13, 1).

1919 Toda comunidad humana necesita una autoridad para mantenerse y desarrollarse.

1920 "Es notorio que […] la comunidad política y la autoridad pública se fundan en la naturaleza humana y por ello pertenecen al orden querido por Dios" (GS 74, 3).

1921 La autoridad se ejerce de manera legítima si se aplica a la prosecución del bien común de la sociedad. Para alcanzarlo debe emplear medios moralmente aceptables.

1922 La diversidad de regímenes políticos es legítima, con tal que promuevan el bien de la comunidad.

1923 La autoridad política debe actuar dentro de los límites del orden moral y debe garantizar las condiciones del ejercicio de la libertad.

1924 El bien común comprende "el conjunto de aquellas condiciones de la vida social que permiten a los grupos y a cada uno de sus miembros conseguir más plena y fácilmente su propia perfección" (GS 26, 1).

1925 El bien común comporta tres elementos esenciales: el respeto y la promoción de los derechos fundamentales de la persona; la prosperidad o el desarrollo de los bienes espirituales y temporales de la sociedad; la paz y la seguridad del grupo y de sus miembros.

1926 La dignidad de la persona humana implica la búsqueda del bien común. Cada cual debe preocuparse por suscitar y sostener instituciones que mejoren las condiciones de la vida humana.

1927 Corresponde al Estado defender y promover el bien común de la sociedad civil. El bien común de toda la familia humana requiere una organización de la sociedad internacional.

Pena de muerte
2267. Durante mucho tiempo el recurso a la pena de muerte por parte de la autoridad legítima, después de un debido proceso, fue considerado una respuesta apropiada a la gravedad de algunos delitos y un medio admisible, aunque extremo, para la tutela del bien común. Hoy está cada vez más viva la conciencia de que la dignidad de la persona no se pierde ni siquiera después de haber cometido crímenes muy graves. Además, se ha extendido una nueva comprensión acerca del sentido de las sanciones penales por parte del Estado. En fin, se han implementado sistemas de detención más eficaces, que garantizan la necesaria defensa de los ciudadanos, pero que, al mismo tiempo, no le quitan al reo la posibilidad de redimirse definitivamente.
Por tanto la Iglesia enseña, a la luz del Evangelio, que «la pena de muerte es inadmisible, porque atenta contra la inviolabilidad y la dignidad de la persona»[1], y se compromete con determinación a su abolición en todo el mundo.

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# The Call to Put Faith Before Politics

By putting faith before politics, Catholics can help bring the light of the Gospel into our communities to build a more just and merciful world. In a time of deep political division, many Christians face an old temptation: to put political affiliation first and faith second. We see this even in the Gospel, where Jesus was tempted by Satan with political power: a temptation he clearly rejected to stay faithful to his love of the Father (Luke 4:5-8).

Jesus's example offers us a clear way forward today. The call of Christian discipleship is not to abandon our civic responsibility but to place our faith at the center of how we act as citizens. Instead of walking in lockstep with a political party or ideology, faithful citizens are tasked with bringing the truth of our Catholic faith to transform the parties or groups to which we may belong, to better protect the lives and good of all people.

As followers of Christ, we must take seriously the call to form our consciences in light of the entirety of the Church's long social tradition, the lessons of Scripture, and the wisdom of our Holy Father. As Pope Leo teaches, Catholic Social Teaching "offers itself as a foundation for collective discernment, helping to recognize and promote whatever serves the dignity of persons, the vitality of communities and the common good" (*Magnifica humanitas*, no. 24).

We place the sacred dignity of each person at the center of our public life, working to protect the lives and good of all people, never separating our love for God from our love for our neighbor.

## Who Is My Neighbor?

As Catholics, we must reflect in a special way on Jesus' answer to the question in the parable of the Good Samaritan: "Who is my neighbor?"

Like the Good Samaritan who stopped his own journey to tend to the robbed and wounded traveler, we are called to care for the most vulnerable, cross social divides, and help those in need, responding to the Lord's command to "love your neighbor as yourself." Because every person possesses God-given dignity, our political choices must respect and protect everyone, seeing each person as neighbor and child of God. We are called to act with mercy, compassion, and justice.

## Living Together as One

The politics of today can feel overwhelming, full of vitriol, and lead us to think of our neighbors as adversaries. But that is not the true purpose of politics. Pope Francis reminded us in his 2015 address to Congress that politics is "an expression of our compelling need to live as one, in order to build as one the greatest common good." Building up the common good is a shared effort, calling us to practice love in our communities and work together across our differences.

Just as it was for the Good Samaritan, standing with our neighbors sometimes means caring for people whom society finds difficult to love, even when it provokes pushback or disapproval. This is the challenge of discipleship that Jesus helps us carry. As Christ's disciples, we seek to bring the light of the Gospel into every aspect of our lives. We allow our faith to speak truth to the problems and choices we face every day. We put our *faith before politics.*

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