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## MEET ST. JOSEPH PARISHIONER John Chmielewski

### Living out Stewardship as an Act of Love

ike many Catholics, John Chmielewski would say that he was raised "culturally Catholic," which in his case meant that his family didn't attend Mass. John, however, did participate in Mass, but his relationship with the Lord didn't deepen until his mid-20s.

"If you look at my life and how God has progressed within it, it is amazing how He has badgered me until I accepted Him," John says. "There is nothing we could do to properly thank the Lord for all His wonderful graces, blessings, and the gift of eternal life. I do believe that God chose me out of my family to believe so that I could bring my entire family to God, and I have prayed for them ever since my conversion."

John and his wife, Barb Schultz, came to St. Joseph's in 2006 when they relocated to the Cleveland area from Detroit in order to be closer to Barb's family. They chose Amherst because of its proximity to the turnpike.

"Barb and I referred to St. Joseph's as the 'happy church' because everyone seemed so welcoming," John says. "For some reason, St. Joseph gave off this good vibe, and I attend St. Joseph whenever I am serving as a Eucharistic Minister of Holy



John Chmielewski

Communion. I also attend St. Peter Parish in Lorain because their cantor is unbelievable."

Initially, John became involved in parish life because he knew there was an expectation that each community member would give back in some way. He had been a Eucharistic Minister when he was younger, so he returned to that liturgical ministry. Meanwhile, Barb chose to get involved with cooking and baking for different parish happenings such as funerals and opportunities to provide food to the homeless and those in need.

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# Teaching By Example The Importance of Prayer in a Child's Life

want to be just like Mom and Dad!" Perhaps nothing lifts a parent's heart like hearing these words. While certainly affirming, such words also remind us of the great responsibility that comes with parenthood.

Children often examine the lives of their parents when making decisions that will affect their own lives. For example, a young boy may dream of becoming a physician one day, just like his father. Or a young girl may hope to become a veterinarian, just like her mother. Could the same be said about their parents' faith lives?

Just as children learn traits and values from their parents, they should also learn the importance and great joy of developing a personal relationship with Christ. And the foundation of such a relationship is prayer — conversation with God.

How should we go about teaching our children to pray? There are several methods, but none works as well as teaching by example. Begin teaching the importance of prayer by praying openly with your spouse. This teaches children that prayer is meaningful and important, and not just a ritual. Also, pray with your children — in the morning and in the evening. Show your sons and daughters the importance of beginning and ending each day in prayer.

While a fortunate dilemma, it's a dilemma nonetheless—Catholics face the challenge of discerning which prayers to use, considering the thousands available. A good rule of thumb is to start simple—maybe an *Our Father* or *Hail Mary*, and then move into something more complex—*Hail, Holy Queen* or *Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel*, among others. Begin with prayers your children can pick up fairly quickly. Not only will this show them that praying can be fun and easy, but shorter prayers are also usually easier to understand.

Teach your children the importance of spontaneous prayer, rather than just prescribed prayers. Spontaneous prayer is any prayer that is created at the same time it

is offered. Another way to think of spontaneous prayer is "praying in your own words." Structure spontaneous prayers according to the ACTS acronym — Adoration, Contrition, Thanksgiving, and Supplication. In layman's terms, this means beginning each prayer with words of adoration, such as "You are the Lord God Almighty. I love you." Move into a period of contrition, asking God's forgiveness for the sins you have committed. Then, give words of thanksgiving, thanking God for the gifts He has given. Finally, spend time sharing with God your heart's desires. These intentions can be personal or on another's behalf. Following this format ensures that spontaneous prayer "covers all the bases," and doesn't become just a mental wish list. While God wants to hear and grant our wishes, He also expects words of adoration, contrition and thankfulness.

The best time to begin praying with your children is right now. The sooner they learn about prayer, the sooner they can begin cultivating their own relationship with Jesus. Many parents even pray with their children before birth, hoping their unborn son or daughter can hear their words in utero. Remember, there is no better way to teach one's children about the value of prayer than by example.







Dear Members of St. Joseph and Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parishes,

Foundation of Our Stewardship

ow do you feel at the end of the Palm Sunday Mass each year? Have you ever noticed the abrupt shift of tone during that liturgy? It begins with great joy, as we celebrate Jesus' entry into Jerusalem to the acclamation of the crowds. But then the mood swings to sorrow, despair even, when the Passion Gospel is read, for we hear those same crowds shouting, "Crucify Him! Crucify Him!" a few days later.

Palm Sunday, of course, begins Holy Week, the most important week in the Christian year. The confusion of conflicting moods is spread through the week, especially during the Easter Triduum from sundown Holy Thursday to sundown Easter Sunday.

Holy Thursday offers us the glorious Mass of the Lord's Supper celebrating the institution of the Eucharist before we pass to the sadness of the betrayal and arrest of Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane. The next day brings us the Good Friday Liturgy of the Passion with our recognition of what our sins did to the Incarnate Son of God. Then, after a day of waiting as we mourn Jesus' burial and repose in the tomb, we celebrate His victory over sin, Satan, and death at the Easter Vigil on Saturday night or at the Masses the next day. If we have participated in all the main services of the Triduum, we arrive at Sunday evening exhausted but joyful.

Our joy comes not only because Christ rose from the dead, but also because we benefit from it. As the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* puts it, "The Paschal mystery has two aspects: by His death, Christ liberates us from sin; by His Resurrection, He opens for us the way to a new life" (654).

In other words, Christ's Resurrection is the source of our own future resurrection. St. Paul wrote about it to the Romans — "For if we have grown into union with Him through a death like His, we shall also be united with Him in the resurrection" (Romans 6:5).

Eternal life in union with Christ — a hope for a new life beginning now and extending on into heaven — is the result of Jesus' Resurrection. What greater grounds for thanksgiving can there be than this Easter hope? We should sing with joy about this promise from God!

And how do we show our joy and our gratitude to God for this amazing gift He has given us? We join in worship, and praise God by word and song. We share the Good News of Jesus' victory over death with our family, friends, and neighbors. And we offer back to the Lord a portion of the time, talent and treasure He has entrusted to us. Yes, the Easter message that we share in the benefits of Christ's Resurrection is the ultimate foundation for all Christian stewardship.

Gratefully in Christ,

In Trimmery & O' Common

Fr. Timothy J. O'Connor, Pastor

## **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

## Serving the Precious Body of Our Lord

here are many ways to get involved in the Catholic Mass, from singing in the choir to serving as a lector. As the saying goes, "many hands make light work." We need everyone to make our Masses happen. One ministry requires devoted care for this work — the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. The most important part of the Catholic Mass is when our faith community receives His Body and Blood in the Eucharist, and we are blessed with dedicated stewards who administer this important sacrament.

St. Joseph parishioner Tim Nye has served as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion for about 30 years. About five years ago, he took over the ministry scheduling for the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at Mass. He feels a real obligation when holding and distributing the precious Body and Blood of Christ. His wife, Joyce, also serves in this ministry.

Tim wants to encourage other parishioners to get involved in this ministry, as there is definitely a need for more help. For the parents of our parishes, it's a great way to set an example for their children.

"This is a simple way to get involved because it doesn't require any extra time — you are at Mass anyway," Tim says.

The scheduling system used by our parishes also makes it very easy to find a substitute if you can't serve at a particular Mass.

In addition to their service as Extraordinary Ministers, Tim and Joyce are involved throughout the parish in several ways. Joyce is president of the Golden Agers, and Tim serves as secretary. Joyce is also a sacristan and serves in the Vincentians.

"Become a role model in the faith and look for ways to serve this community," Tim says.

Nativity parishioner Joe Siekeres has been an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion for more than 25 years. He got started so that he could bring the Eucharist to the homebound and eventually started getting involved

at Mass. He knows how important this ministry is to our priests. It's also a blessing to those who are homebound — to have a visitor and to receive the Eucharist means the world to them.

"It is rewarding to visit the homebound and really get a chance to meet and talk to people I many times did not even know," he says.



(From left) Fr. Tim, Steve Frankart, Ken Collins, Jerry Gach, Brenda Phillips

To become an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, contact Tim Nye for St. Joseph at 440-988-3565. For Nativity, call Joe Siekeres at 440-965-4001.

# Divine Mercy Sunday and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

In the 1930s, Sr. Maria Faustina Kowalska of the Most Blessed Sacrament, a Sister of Our Lady of Mercy, received a message from the Lord that she was to live her life as a model of Christ's merciful love and spread Christ's mercy throughout the world. She proceeded to offer up all of her personal sufferings in atonement for the sins of others. She kept a diary in which she wrote of God's mercy, as well as about her special devotion to Mary Immaculate and to the Sacraments of the Eucharist and Reconciliation, which gave her strength. Sr. Faustina's diary, *Divine Mercy in My Soul*, serves as the handbook for the devotion to the Divine Mercy. In it, we read of the message of mercy that she received from Christ.

On April 30, 2000, Sr. Faustina Kowalska was canonized by Pope John Paul II. Then, on May 23, 2000, the

Congregation for Divine Worship decreed that "throughout the world, the second Sunday of Easter will receive the name Divine Mercy Sunday, a perennial invitation to the Christian world to face, with confidence in divine benevolence, the difficulties and trials that humankind will experience in the years to come."

On Divine Mercy Sunday — occurring this year on April 16 — all parishioners are encouraged to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet, always remembering and practicing the essential "ABCs" of Divine Mercy:

- Ask for mercy
- Be merciful to others
- Completely trust in Jesus

## How to Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet

"Chaplet" simply refers to the prayers counted on a rosary. The Lord said to St. Faustina, "You will recite this chaplet on the beads of the Rosary in the following Manner:"

#### Begin with:

One Our Father, one Hail Mary, and the Apostle's Creed

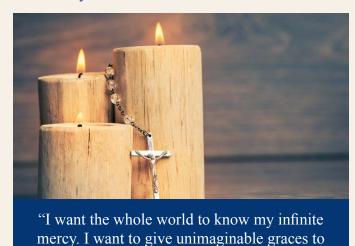
#### On the "Our Father" beads, say:

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

#### On the "Hail Mary" beads, say:

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

*In conclusion, three times recite these words:* Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.



those who trust in my mercy" (Diary, 687).

# Hospitality Ministry Offers Spirit of Welcome and Generosity as Modeled by Christ



Phil Rawlings and the Hospitality Ministry — creating a welcoming, warm environment for parishioners.



Ministry members bring a warm, welcoming presence to those who attend parish events.

If you would like to help and meet new friends, contact Phil Rawlings at 440-897-7437 or philrawli@aol.com. ne of the four pillars of parish stewardship, hospitality is essential to our parish community. "We are all travelers passing through this world and when we show hospitality to others, we share in the long and rich history, and a beautiful form of generosity, as modeled by Jesus' life," says Phil Rawlings, who recognizes the importance of hospitality and its role in stewardship.

"Just as Jesus welcomes everyone with open arms, we should welcome everyone as well," he says. "We should strive to live as Jesus taught us.

Thus, the Hospitality Ministry here at St. Joseph strives to offer fellowship and a welcoming environment to parishioners.

"We offer a spirit of fellowship for various parish events, such as Movie Night, concerts, and plays, making people feel welcome, and so that they experience a genuine sense of warmth and belonging," Phil says.

As the ministry leader who already is serving as an usher, Phil says he tries to set an example for others by greeting guests and engaging them in conversations while at parish events.

"I began doing this when the Church started its remodeling before COVID," he says. "We moved Mass to the social hall and the doors did not have the automatic opening. So as an usher, I started to hold the door open, help with wheelchairs, et cetera. Then

the parish advertised that there was an opening for a ministry leader for hospitality, so I volunteered."

The ministry came in large part as an extension of the Greeters Ministry, of which Phil was part. Unfortunately, the COVID-19 pandemic caused some interruptions to the ministry. However, since things have started back up, the ministry has introduced a regularly scheduled Movie Night.

"Movie Night was done a few times several years ago as an outside event, but almost a year ago we started this up again as a monthly, indoor event," Phil says. "We showed some extraordinary movies that brought tears and self-analysis. Everyone who attended these six movies was moved emotionally and spiritually."

The ministry also hopes to reinstate Donut Sunday but needs more volunteers in order to do so.

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"They also assist in these projects as their time allows," Phil says. "We need people to help screen movies, to help show the movies, and we need a lot of help if we are to bring back Donut Sunday."

Any parishioner is invited to join this ministry, which is presently in need of service roles, people to clean up afterward, and also who can help pick up the food and drinks.

### Meet John Chmielewski continued from front cover

"I possess absolutely no heroic virtue and really only got involved with the parish because Fr. Tim O'Connor expected everyone to get involved," John says. "I really love being a Eucharistic Minister. It sounds weird to admit, but I actually feel closer to Christ when I am. I find myself having inner peace and happiness when I am delivering Communion."

At the end of last year, John was invited to serve on the Stewardship Committee, which meets approximately six times a year. So far, he has attended one meeting, but he's looking forward to being involved in the committee and its work.

"Everyone in the group is much more involved than I am in the parish, and I hope to become more like them," John says. "They have all accepted me as I am and made me feel very welcome. Similar to being a Eucharistic Minister, I am on the Stewardship Committee because it is an act of love."

There are so many opportunities for us to become more involved in parish life. John would recommend that everyone

find some way to live stewardship even if you simply start by fostering a habit of daily prayer.

"The easiest thing that everyone could do is to commit to pray every day," he says. "The parish offers dozens of ministries. Look through the ministries and try one out for a year. If it turns out not to fit, try something else next year."

John is grateful for Fr. Tim and all the wonderful people at St. Joseph's and Nativity. He believes that everyone — if we reflect — might be able to identify moments when the Lord has answered our prayers or performed certain miracles in our lives.

"God has given me the grace to see all the times He has saved me and how I have had several miracles and countless prayers answered in my life," John says. "So if God has put before me an opportunity to cancel my \$31 trillion debt owed to Him with a simple payment of one or two farthings, should not I take advantage of that?"

# Holy Week and Easter Triduum Schedule

#### **HOLY WEEK**

#### Sunday, April 2 — Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

4 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass — at St. Joseph 5:30 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass — at Nativity BVM 8:30 a.m., 11 a.m., and 5 p.m. — Sunday Masses at St. Joseph

#### Monday, April 3

9 a.m. Mass of Holy Week — at St. Joseph Adoration of Blessed Sacrament — at Nativity BVM 11 a.m. – 10 p.m.

#### Tuesday, April 4

8 a.m. Mass of Holy Week — at Nativity BVM Adoration of Blessed Sacrament — at Nativity BVM 11 a.m. – 10 p.m. 7 p.m. Chrism Mass — at St. John Cathedral

#### Wednesday, April 5

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament at Nativity BVM 11 a.m. – 10 p.m.

#### **EASTER TRIDUUM**

#### Thursday, April 6 —

#### Holy Thursday at Nativity BVM Church

7 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper at Nativity BVM (with Foot Washing)
Adoration and Confessions follow Mass until 9 p.m.
9 p.m. Adoration Closing

#### Friday, April 7 — Good Friday at St. Joseph Church

12 Noon Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at St. Joseph, with Confessions afterwards until 3 p.m.
7 p.m. TAIZE Stations of the Cross at St. Joseph

#### Saturday, April 8 — Holy Saturday at St. Joseph Church

10:45 a.m. Blessing of Easter Food at St. Joseph Confessions from 11 a.m. - 12 Noon 8:45 p.m. Easter Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection at St. Joseph

#### Sunday, April 8 — Easter Sunday

Masses of Easter Sunday at St. Joseph 8:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. (*Please Note: There will be NO 5:00 p.m. Mass on Easter Sunday.*) Mass of Easter Sunday at Nativity, BVM 10 a.m.

# Why We Do What We Do at Mass

### A Look at the Postures and Gestures During the Central Act of Catholic Worship

he Catholic liturgy includes many different gestures, postures, and symbols. As a Catholic, you are likely familiar with these practices, which include sitting, standing, and kneeling during Mass. But these gestures all have specific meanings and are designed to help us pray with all of our being: not only mind and soul, but body as well. To better understand the meaning behind these physical movements, we need to keep in mind two important aspects of the Catholic Mass — that the priest acts in the person of Christ, and that Jesus is present in the Eucharist.

Standing and speaking in the place of Jesus, the celebrating priest leads us with the gestures, traditions, and rituals that are part of the Order of the Mass, and we respond to these with our own actions and words. In this way, the Mass is much like a conversation and shared meal with Christ Himself. Secondly, Jesus is fully present in the consecrated Eucharist, in His Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. This is the Catholic doctrine of *transubstantiation*, which states that the bread and wine literally become Jesus during the Eucharistic Prayer of the Mass.

So, why do we assume each specific posture and make different gestures during the Mass, and what do they signify?

#### Why We Sit During the Mass

After the Introductory Rites, we sit for the Liturgy of the Word. As we listen to the readings from the lectionary, sitting indicates our willingness to be students at the feet of Jesus. We also sit down for the Homily, as we pay close attention and take in what is being preached. We are seated again while the Eucharistic elements are being prepared: a gesture of anticipation, as we prepare ourselves for and eagerly await the climax of the Mass in the Eucharistic Prayer.

#### Why We Stand During the Mass

At the very beginning of the Mass, we stand for the Introductory Rites, which includes the Penitential Act. Here we acclaim the *Kyrie Eleison*, meaning "Lord, have mercy" in Greek. The *Kyrie* is an ancient Christian prayer in which we confess our sins to both our Almighty Father and our fellow Christians. Standing during the Penitential Act shows that we are owning up to our sinfulness and openly asking for the Lord's mercy.

Standing is also a simple but profound way of honoring and respecting Jesus

during the Mass, both in the person of the priest and in the Scriptures, especially the Gospel. While we sit for the first and second readings, we stand for the Gospel reading. The Gospel is the pinnacle of the Word of God and to hear it proclaimed aloud is a great honor, which is why we rise from our seats and proclaim "Alleluia" as it is opened. Just before the reading of the Gospel, we make a small sign of the cross with our thumb over our foreheads, lips, and hearts. This simple act is a symbolic request for God to impress His Word upon our minds, lips, and hearts. When the priest or deacon has finished reading the Gospel, he shows respect to the Word of God by kissing the Gospel. After the homily, we stand back up to pray the Nicene Creed as a Profession of Faith, once again standing firm in our ownership of our faith.

#### Why We Kneel During the Mass

Kneeling is the most humble posture beautiful. When we of worship during the Mass. When them and take them to we kneel, we completely surrender moment we spend at ourselves to our Heavenly Father. We kneel during several parts of the nourishing to our souls.

Mass. After the Holy, Holy, Holy, we spend almost the rest of the Mass on our knees — an incredible act of faith and devotion by which we acknowledge that Jesus is personally present among us.

As we kneel during the Eucharistic Prayer, the priest's many gestures are also precise and meaningful. He makes the Sign of the Cross over the bread and wine and proclaims Christ's own words: "This is my Body," and "This is my Blood". As the bread and wine are consecrated, the priest kneels several times in front of the Blessed Sacrament to express reverence. Before actually receiving Holy Communion, it is customary to bow to the Eucharist to express your humility and reverence before the Lord.

The Mass is rich with meaning — every element and gesture represents something profound and beautiful. When we understand them and take them to heart, each moment we spend at Mass will become more transformative and nourishing to our souls.

# Back Again

By NATHAN FRANKART

We all love to pray for other people, it's a natural sign of our charity and care for others. But so much of our intercessory prayer is founded upon our own personal relationship with God. It was only after many years of understanding myself and how I pray did my intercession feel like a true offering



eace of Christ to you! Does this picture look familiar to you? It should remind you of a photo that was taken in the spring of 2020. I had written an earlier article to accompany a picture of myself praying in the Sacred Heart Chapel in the Church Of the Gesù in Rome. Recently, due to our 175th anniversary of St. Mary Seminary in Cleveland, I got the opportunity to recreate that first photo again, and return to this spot to pray once again. In the first article, I talked about true beauty found in personal prayer that surpasses any art or architecture.

For this time around, I've been sitting on a different idea as I pray around the Eternal City. Throughout this pilgrimage, I've been carrying the intentions of so many people I know, of those people who have prayed for me in my discernment, and many more. It's essentially everyone. Whereas the first time I visited Rome, I only prayed for myself, for my needs, and for the Lord to heal my heart.

There is a lesson of the spiritual life to be found here. We all love to pray for other people, it's a natural sign of our charity and care for others. But so much of our intercessory prayer is founded upon our own personal relationship with God. It was only after many years of understanding myself and how I pray did my intercession feel like a true offering — that it was not necessary to enter each chapel and offer endless words so that I might catch Jesus' attention. The few words, along with a genuine love for the person I'm praying for, is enough. That to me was the true beauty of this pilgrimage.

I still have plenty to reflect upon and digest. So don't be surprised if I bring this up again in another article! Until then, I invite you to pray with your own devotion and intercede for others. And if you're looking for a good place to start, join me in a devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

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#### Mass:

Monday, 9:00 a.m. - St. Joseph
Tuesday, 8:00 a.m. - Nativity of the BVM
Thursday, 7:00 p.m. - St. Joseph
Friday, 9:00 a.m. - St. Joseph
Saturday, 4:00 p.m. - St. Joseph
5:30 p.m. - Nativity of the BVM
Sunday, 8:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m. - St. Joseph

#### Confession at St. Joseph:

Thursday - Individual Reconciliation 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Saturday - Individual Reconciliation 11:00 a.m. - noon

#### **Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel) at Nativity of the BVM:**

Monday-Friday 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

## **Upcoming Activities and Events**

Please note, Holy Week and Easter Triduum schedules are on page 7.

#### **First Saturday Rosary**

Saturday, April 1 — 9 a.m., St. Joseph Church

#### **RCIA Meetings**

Mondays April 3 and 10 — 7 p.m., Nativity Parish Hall

#### **Hospitality Tuesday**

Tuesday, April 4 — following the 8 a.m. Mass

#### **Altar and Rosary Meeting**

Tuesday, April 4 — 6:30 p.m., Nativity Church

#### **Men's Group Meeting**

Tuesday, April 4 and 18 — 7 p.m., St. Joseph Social Hall

#### **Vincentians Meeting**

Thursday, April 6 and 20 — 9 a.m., Conference Room

#### **No School**

Friday, April 7 through Monday, April 10

#### **Stations of the Cross**

Good Friday, April 7 — Taizé, 7 p.m., St. Joseph Church (together with St. Peter Choir)

#### **Parent Club Meeting**

Tuesday, April 11 — 7 p.m.

#### Last PSR Classes FOR GRADE 1-7 only

Wednesday, April 12 — 5:30-6:45 p.m., School

#### Women's Tea

Sunday, April 16 — 1 p.m., Nativity Parish Hall

#### **Blood Drive for SJS**

Sunday, April 16 — 4 p.m., St. Joseph Church

#### **Wonderful Women**

Tuesday, April 18 — 7 p.m., St. Joseph Social Hall

#### **SJS Drama Club Performance**

Friday and Saturday, April 21 and 22 — 7 p.m.

#### **Stewardship Retreat**

Saturday, April 22 — 9 a.m., Nativity Parish Hall

#### **Knights of Columbus Meeting**

Tuesday, April 25 — 7 p.m., School MPR

#### Jesus Day, second grade only

Wednesday, April 26 — 5:30 p.m., location TBD

#### **First Communion**

Saturday, April 29 — 10 a.m., St. Joseph Church

#### **Faithfully Fit Yoga Classes**

Tuesdays and Thursdays in April — 9:30 a.m., Nativity Parish Hall

#### **RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)**

#### AT ST. JOSEPH PARISH

Saturdays of Lent from 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Thursdays following the 7 p.m. Mass until 8:30 p.m. (except Holy Thursday)

Good Friday Confessions follow the Noon Liturgy until 3 p.m.

Holy Saturday from 11 a.m.- 12 p.m.

## RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION) AT NATIVITY BVM PARISH

Holy Thursday Confession follows the 7 p.m. Mass