



WELCOME!

Our Three-Parish Cluster
Sts. Mary and Joseph Catholic Churches
Hills, Lone Tree and Nichols

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 29, 2021

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Bulletin deadline: 1000 am Tuesday. Contact Carol Kaalberg, 319-330-5324 or Judy Stebral, 319-331-8727

Cluster Mass Intentions — August 28 through September 17, 2021

Table with 4 columns: Day, Date, Time, Location, Intention. Lists mass intentions for various parishes from August 28 to September 17, 2021.

Music Ministry: St. Joseph, Bob Shaw, Connie Shaw and Lily Westemeyer. Church of St. Mary, Nichols, Jean Mengel. St. Mary, Lone Tree, Steve Moore.

St. Joseph Prayer Line: Lucille Duwa 679-2404; Joan Gringer 679-2406.

Mass is now celebrated at Pioneer Park Chapel in Lone Tree at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday mornings. Fr. Hai and Fr. Lou will provide a weekly Mass on a rotation basis each Thursday morning.

Fr. Lou will continue to have Mass at his house in Lone Tree on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings at 8:00 a.m. each week.

Sts. Mary and Joseph Cluster Confession Schedule

Father Hai will be available to hear confessions before Mass at the below times:

- St. Mary, Lone Tree: 3:30 p.m. to 3:50 pm on Saturdays
Church of St. Mary: 7:30 a.m. to 7:50 am on Sundays
St. Joseph, Hills: 9:30 a.m. to 9:50 am on Sundays

Let us come to reconcile to God and others!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,

This week I have many things to thank for.

First, I would like to thank parents and grandparents for registering Religious Education classes for your children and grandchildren that took place last Wednesday at the Religious Education Center in Lone Tree. The registration continues this Wednesday, September 1 at 6:30 p.m. at the same place. We are called and responsible to teach and help our children and grandchildren to grow in faith and to strengthen their personal relationship with God. "Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth." 2 Timothy 2:15

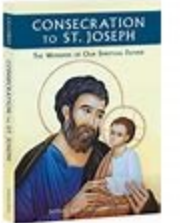


Second, I would like to thank all of you for everything that you have done for our parish community, especially for your prayers, support and generosity. I also want to thank those who have helped and served at Mass. God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them." Hebrews 6:10; "Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms." 1 Peter 4:10 As God's family, we are called to love, serve, welcome and pray for one another. Let us do our best to make our parish a welcoming community. All are welcome. All are welcome in this place!

Third, I would like to thank those who have participated in the Diocesan Planning Study Survey and in the Rediscovering Sunday Survey. The Diocesan Planning Study Survey needs to be returned this coming Friday, September 3. Our diocese cannot fulfill its mission without your prayers and support. Please help!

Wishing you and your loved ones all the best!
Sincerely yours in Christ,
Fr. Hai Dinh

To celebrate the Year of St. Joseph worthily and gratefully, our Sts. Mary and Joseph cluster community will have a 33-Day Consecration to St. Joseph, the patron saint of the universal Church, families, workers and departing souls. It will begin on Thursday, September 30. Books are available for anyone who wants to participate. The full schedule is included with this bulletin. I encourage all of you to participate in this event. Please contact Carol Kirkpatrick or Judy Stebral with questions or to reserve a book and participate in the consecration.



"Now is the time to consecrate yourself to St. Joseph! God is telling his Church that, in order to defend marriage and the family, elevate morals, recover lost ground, and win souls for Jesus Christ, we need to bring St. Joseph onto the battlefield. He is the Terror of Demons! With his powerful spiritual fatherhood, incredible love for his spiritual children, and constant intercession, the Church can be renewed as a light to the nations, a beautiful city on a hill. (see Mt 5: 14-16)"

-Father Donald Calloway-