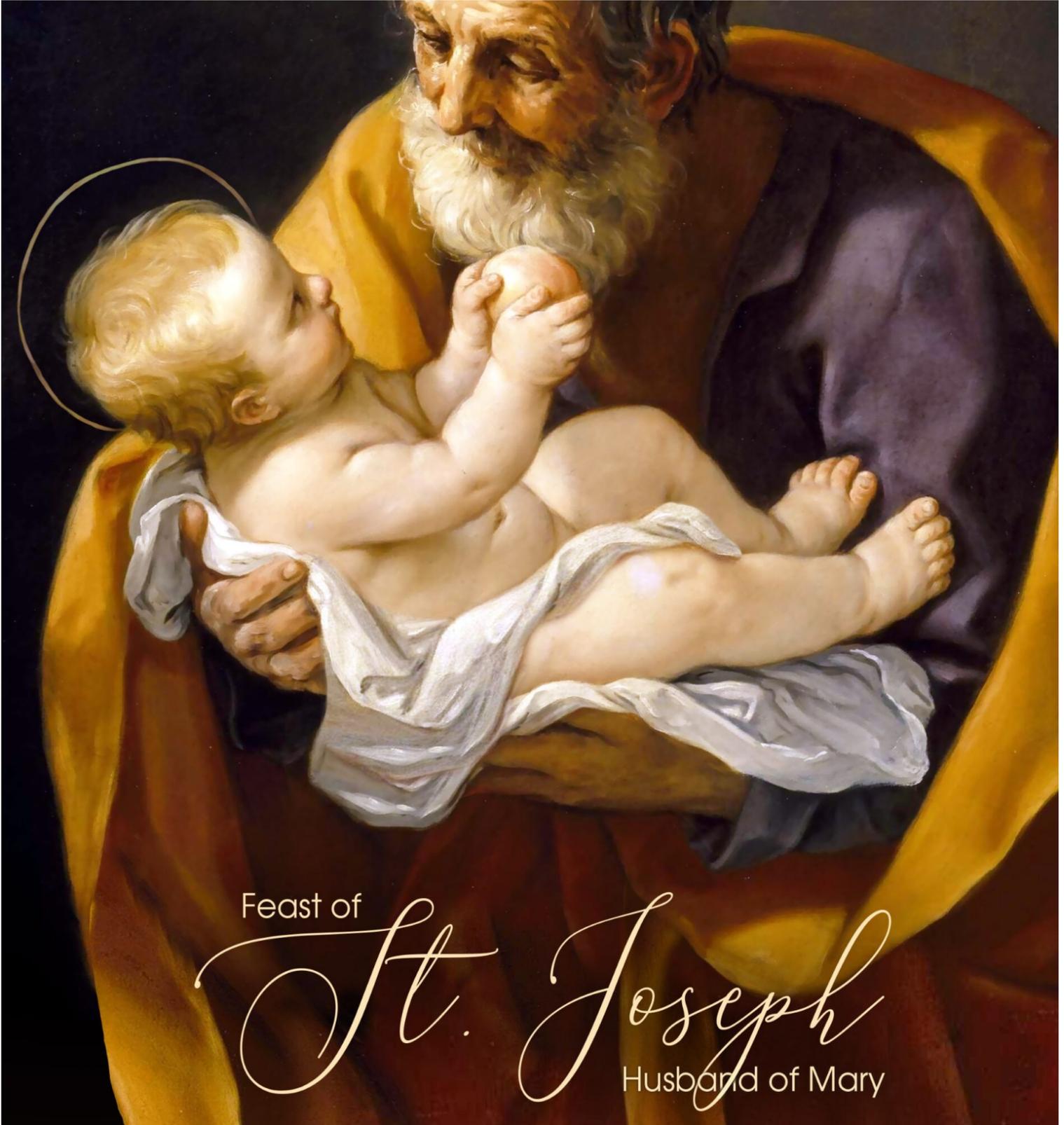




OUR LADY OF  
**LOURDES**  
PARISH & MISSION AT LAKE PLEASANT PKWY

March 19, 2023



Feast of

*St. Joseph*

Husband of Mary

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**For information about the Sacraments, including access to our 24-hour Anointing of the Sick and Funeral lines, please call the main office phone.**

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### Mass Times:

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| Daily (Monday - Saturday)                | 8:30a.m.  |
| Saturday                                 | 4:00p.m.  |
| Sunday                                   | 9:00a.m.  |
| Sunday                                   | 11:00a.m. |
| <u>Vistancia Elementary School</u>       |           |
| 30009 N. Sunrise Point, Peoria, AZ 85383 |           |
| Sunday                                   | 1:00p.m.  |

### Confessions:

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| Saturday | 9:30a.m.-10:30a.m.  |
| Tuesday  | 10:00a.m.-11:00a.m. |

### Adoration:

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| Thursday | 9:00a.m.-11:00a.m. |
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## Fr. John's Pasta Sauce

**Fr. John's pasta sauce is currently sold out!  
Please keep checking back here to find out  
when we are able to restock.**



Open Sundays after 9:00a.m. and 11:00a.m.  
Mass. Bring a bulletin and join us for coffee,  
donuts or fritters, and fellowship!

## To The Barricades?

Dear Friends,

The US Attorney General, recently testified before Congress and was grilled on the case of Mark Houck. Mr. Houck, a pro-life advocate got into a scuffle with a pro-abortionist, who was saying vulgar and foul things to Mr. Houck's 12yr old son while he and his son were protesting in front of an Abortion Clinic in Philadelphia. The local prosecutor declined to press charges, but the Federal Prosecutor decided to charge Mr. Houck with violations of the FACE Act which "prohibits violent, threatening, damaging, and obstructive conduct intended to injure, intimidate, or interfere with the right to seek, obtain, or provide reproductive health services." Mr. Houck volunteered to surrender to the Federal Prosecutor but instead, the Prosecutor sent in a SWAT team with over two dozen heavily armed agents to arrest Mr. Houck early in the morning at his home where he lived with his wife and seven children. A Federal Jury acquitted Mr. Houck of all charges.

The Federal Prosecutor had to know that the charges were extremely thin and probably would not stick. So why the grand display of force against a man who already agreed to cooperate and who did not have a violent history or criminal record? Intimidation. I am sure the Prosecutor wanted Mr. Houck and profilers in general to think carefully about the price they might pay for standing up for the Unborn. Do you really want a few dozen heavily armed Federal agents raiding your house early in the morning while your young children are getting ready for school? Do you really want to subject your children to that sort of trauma? Are the children thinking "every time my father prays in front of an Abortion Clinic is our house going to get raided again by Federal agents with long guns?" Do you want to face bankruptcy trying to defend your First Amendment right to protest? That seems to be what the Government wants to see happen. Our Justice system is putting its finger on the scale of justice against the Pro-Life Movement.

Then there is the recently leaked FBI document that focuses on "radical traditionalist Catholics" (whoever they are) as a source of extremists. The so called "radical trad Catholics" generally attend the older Latin Mass (in our Diocese Mater Misericordia Parish) and prefer the older Tridentine Rites to the newer Vatican II Liturgical Rites.

The Latin Mass may have been a threat to the Roman Empire in the First and Second centuries, but now? The fact that the Catholic Church is very diverse doesn't seem like reason to conclude that it is infiltrated with revolutionaries. And besides, what evidence is there that traditionalist Catholic parishes are populated with extremists and white supremacists? These canards come directedly from groups like the Southern Poverty Law Center, which labels traditional Catholics as a 'hate group' and publications like *Salon* and *The Atlantic*, which consider anyone who is not them a radical extremist.

But the very existence of such an FBI Memo itself, sows the seeds of division. If I attend the Latin Mass, is the person sitting next to me an FBI informant? Am I being monitored by the FBI just because of my liturgical tastes? The last thing you would want in any community is to create division and suspicion but then again maybe that is exactly what the Government wants to do. In addition to all that, the Memo doesn't exactly bolster trust in the FBI among religious people. The FBI might not like it, but democracy is messy, dissent is a constitutive part of a healthy society. We were able to get Roe overturned not because we raided the Supreme Court with a SWAT team but because we peacefully made the case, through our elected representatives that abortion was incongruous with the US Constitution.

So, is it time to man the barricades? Well, yes and in this sense: we must push back and defend our First Amendment protected activities and not allow intimidating tactics to be used by our government. Such tactics are the very antithesis of our freedoms listed in the Bill of Rights and have a very chilling impact on our free society. If we cower in intimidation, telling ourselves "I don't want any trouble" we will see ourselves living under a reign of terror.

Love, Fr. John B.

## Mass Intentions

### March 19: The 4th Sunday of Lent

9:00a.m.: Tim & Cathy Spicer†

11:00a.m.: for the Living & Deceased Members of the Horejsi Family

1:00p.m.: for the Parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes

### March 20

Edna & Herb Chew†

### March 21

Rec & David Strudy†

### March 22

Richard V. Stone Sr. †

### March 23

Margaret McCartan†

### March 24

Special Intentions for the Brannen Family

### March 25

8:30a.m.: Jack Vaccaro†

4:00p.m.: MaryLou Goodfriend's Special Intentions

### March 26: The 5th Sunday of Lent

9:00a.m.: Johnny, Emery & Cassidy

11:00a.m.: For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes

1:00p.m.: For the Living & Deceased Members of the Blahut Family

## Readings for the Week

### Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Lent

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41

### Monday: Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 & 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

### Tuesday

Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

### Wednesday

Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30

### Thursday: Saint Toribio de Mogrovejo, Bishop

Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23; Jn 5:31-47

### Friday

Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 & 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

### Saturday: Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord

Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

### Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent

Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45



Every Friday at 4PM during Lent  
Starting March 3rd

Our Lady of Lourdes - Madonna Hall

Visit: [kofc11809.org/fishfrydays](http://kofc11809.org/fishfrydays)

For more information

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Knights of Council  
Columbus 11809

## Stations of the Cross



March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 | 3:30p.m.



**FEED. CLOTHE. HOUSE. HEAL.**

In today's Gospel, Jesus gives sight to the blind man. Through grace we are also transformed from not seeing to seeing, then Jesus sends us to help others.

*In February, thanks to your generous donations, we were able to provide help to many of OUR nearby neighbors. Many of these families were facing homelessness.*

### BACK TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

Your donations to our Back to School program allows us to offer gift cards in August to families we have helped this year. Please consider giving to this program in the next few months. Make checks payable to SVDP OLOL with Back to School program on the memo line. You can place checks in the collection basket or place them in the church office mail box located in the office door.

### CHARITY WEEKEND: MARCH 25 and 26

Members of our St Vincent de Paul conference collect outside the church every 4<sup>th</sup> weekend of the month. To ensure that your donation is being used in OUR local area, make checks out to St. Vincent de Paul OLOL. Checks sent to the Phoenix SVDP are used in Phoenix.

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT STORE

Call 602-254-3338 for large item pick up. They will not come into your home so all items must be left outside or in the garage.

Smaller items may be dropped off in the alley behind the Thrift Store at Crossroads Towne Center, 12751 W Bell Rd. Hours are Tuesday-Saturday 10 am to 4 pm.

### NEW MEMBERS

#### *Are You Looking for Ways to Experience God?*

Members of our conference of The Society of St. Vincent de Paul invite you to share in their ministry of experiencing God in serving people living in poverty. We see Christ in our friends in need and, when we see Christ, we experience God. Please contact our office at 623-344-7267 and leave a message. Our President will return your call.



Aid to Women Center would like to extend their sincere thanks to the Our Lady of Lourdes parishioners for the donations collected in February. Some items collected include: 52 items of baby clothing, 16 blankets/quilts, 5 cuddle squares, and 2 packages of wipes. The preliminary Baby Bottle Drive total is \$14,000!

The March pregnancy center is First Way Pregnancy Center. That collection will take place next weekend, March 25-26. Needed items include: infant tubs, diaper bags, pacifiers, infant socks, infant clothing from 0-3m to 9-12m, Pack n Plays, Bumbos/booster chairs, and compact high chairs. Direct contributions can be made at

<https://1stwaydonor.net>

### Pro-Life Prayer Opportunities:

40 Days for life-Glendale starts 2-22-2023 through 4-2-2023. Website address: <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/glendaleaz>.

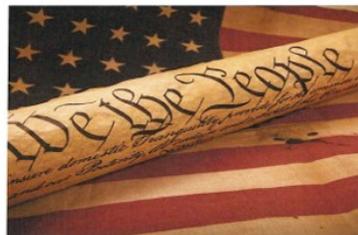
St. Joseph Adoption Novena, March 11-19.  
[www.respectlife.org/adoption-novena](http://www.respectlife.org/adoption-novena)

Good Friday Rosary for Life at the Glendale Planned Parenthood from 11:00a.m. to 1:00p.m. on April 7. If you have any questions regarding this activity, please contact Mary Jane Ziola at [maryjanez4life@msn.com](mailto:maryjanez4life@msn.com) or by phone at (402) 616-0177.

The Respect Life Ministry meets the first Tuesday of every month. Next meeting is March 7, 2023. A pro-life Rosary will be recited at 1:00pm in the church, with the general meeting at 1:30pm in the Fr. McGivney room. All are welcome! If you have any questions regarding this ministry, please contact Terese Boas at [boasfmly@comcast.net](mailto:boasfmly@comcast.net) or phone at (904) 718-3322.

**Your Sacrificial Giving - Totals for February 26**

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| <b>Plate Giving</b> (cash & check) | \$17,021        |
| <b>Mission Giving:</b>             | \$1,915         |
| <b>Plate Giving</b> (electronic)   | \$14,365        |
| <b>Total Giving</b>                | <b>\$33,301</b> |
| <b>Maintenance Fund</b>            | \$148.50        |
| <b>Respect Life Ministry</b>       | \$1,020.50      |
| <b>LP - Building Fund</b>          | \$480           |
| <b>St. Vincent de Paul</b>         | \$402           |
| <b>First Offering</b>              | \$5             |
| <b>Gospel of Life</b>              | \$520           |
| <b>Solemnity of Mary</b>           | \$5             |
| <b>Flowers</b>                     | \$75            |
| <b>Ash Wednesday</b>               | \$4,130         |



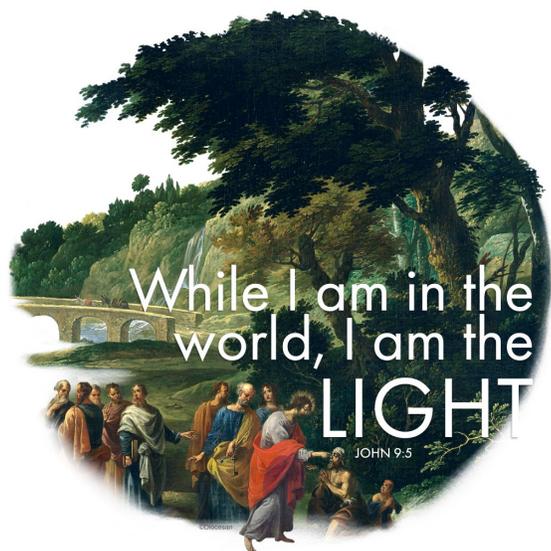
You are invited to an education refresher of Biblical Citizenship in Modern America at Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Madonna Hall

Program : Video presentation (90minutes) Discussion (30 minutes)

8 Sessions Every other week Jan – Apr. from 1PM – 3PM

- 1) The Foundation - January 18
- 2) Tending the Garden - February 1
- 3) Understanding the Times - February 15
- 4) The Seeds of Liberty - March 1
- 5) Who Has Authority - March 15
- 6) Of Kings and Courts - March 29
- 7) Religious Liberty - April 12
- 8) Being Salt and Light - April 26

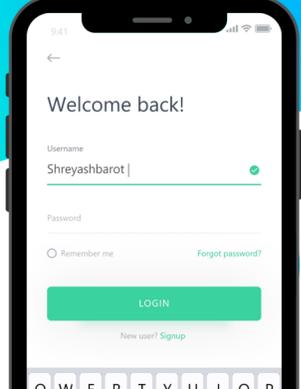
Biblical Citizenship in Modern America presents the freedom principles of why we have a Declaration of Independence and how we stand strong in carrying out our Constitution written with respect and acknowledgment of our Christian values.



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