

ST. FRANCIS CATHOLIC PARISH NEWSLETTER

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YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH



Pope Francis announced as the “Year of St. Joseph” which began on December 8, 2020, and will conclude on December 8, 2021. According to the Decree authorised by the Pope, a “Year of St. Joseph” is established so that “every member of the faithful, following his example, may strengthen their life of faith daily in the complete fulfilment of God’s will. In addition to the Decree, Pope Francis also issued an Apostolic Letter dedicated to the Foster Father of Jesus Christ, and titled **Patris corde** (“With a father’s heart”). He explained that he wanted to share some “personal reflections” on the holy and just Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary The Holy Father said, “My desire to do so increased during these months of (the)