

### **From Father Totton's Desk**

As we begin another Advent – and with it, a new Liturgical Year – there are several changes to take in at St. Joseph Parish:

At Mass last week, I announced that, beginning today, we would begin a trial period with a new (or “old”) liturgical practice whereby the priest and people will face in the same direction (together, toward the altar) during those prayers addressed to Almighty God (Ad Deum) rather than the (now) conventional practice whereby the priest stands behind the altar facing the congregation for the entirety of the Eucharistic Prayer. For those of you who were not with us last week (due to the weather), I would encourage you to access the parish website [www.stjosepheaston.org](http://www.stjosepheaston.org) for a more developed explanation. This trial period will continue through Epiphany Sunday (January 6). Following that, I would like to solicit your feedback on this practice.

In the meantime, I beg you to approach each Mass during this time with an open and generous heart, turned toward the Lord.

This week, we welcome a new staff member, Penny Harrison, who will serve as part time secretary at both parishes. Penny will be in the office at Plattsburg on Wednesdays and at Easton on Thursdays. She will be responsible for editing the bulletin, scheduling Mass intentions and hall rentals, minor bookkeeping details and other clerical tasks. I have asked Penny to write up a brief biographical sketch as a means of introducing herself:

*My name is Penny Harrison. My husband John and I have been married for over 35 years. Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish in Kansas City is our church home and has been for over two decades. I am a convert to the Catholic faith, having joined the Church in 1993. John and I have been blessed with five children; Emily, Kate, Graham, Paul and Clare, and five young grandchildren (so far!). I recently “retired” from a career in homeschooling which spanned over twenty years. I enjoy taking nature walks, traveling, drinking coffee, and listening to good music. In years past, I have used my degree in dietetics to work in several places around the Kansas City area, including: St. Luke's Hospital and Clay County Health Department. John and I have volunteered our time in the area of Family Life on the parish and diocesan level through Marriage Encounter, marriage preparation/lead couple work and teaching Natural Family Planning. We are currently involved in Unbound Prayer Ministry which began recently in our diocese. I am happy to begin this new chapter in service to the Church and, in a special way, to the people of St. Joseph / St. Ann Parish. I look forward to meeting you soon.*

With the winter storm last week, I was reminded of the importance for up-to-date contact information in the unlikely event that weather should impact our Mass schedule. If your phone number has recently changed (especially if you have discontinued land line service) please contact the parish office to update your telephone number and provide a current email address at which you can be notified in the event of a weather emergency.

Fr. Joseph W. Totton

### **PARISH REGISTRATION**

If you are new to our Parish, we invite you to register:

introduce yourself to Fr. Totton after Mass, come to the Parish Office, or go to our Parish Website at: [stjosepheaston.org](http://stjosepheaston.org) and register.



# **ST. JOSEPH CHURCH**

### **Fr. Joseph Totton - Administrator**

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### **Mass Time**

**Sunday: 8 am**

**Confessions: Sunday at 7:30am**

**Office 816-473-2011**

### **Mission Statement**

**We the members of Saint Joseph Catholic parish, will strive to be the reflection of Jesus in this particular time and place.**

### **Cemetery Board**

**Ed Fisher**

**Mike Roth**

**Steve White**



### **First Sunday of Advent**

### **Parish & Finance Councils**

**Jim Adams**

**Jim Ingle**

**Rosalie Ingle**

**Tony Kauzlarich**

**Julie Moran**

**Jordan Roth**

**Mike Roth**

**Wayne Weipert**

**Email: [stjosephchurch@centurytel.net](mailto:stjosephchurch@centurytel.net)**

**Website: [stjosepheaston.org](http://stjosepheaston.org)**

**Office Secretary: Penny Harrison**

**Office Manager: Marge Kinney**

**Hall Rental: Marge Kinney**

### **To Protect our Children:**

**To Report Abuse - Jenifer Valenti 816-812-2500**

**Victims' Advocate - Kathleen Chastain 816-392-0011**

**[chastain@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:chastain@diocesekcsj.org)**

**Dec 2, 2018**



## Ministry Schedule

### Dec 2- 8 am Mass

**Greeter:** Jim Ingle

**Lectors:** Doug Ottinger & Jan Pottier

**Ministers:** Wayne Weipert, Doug Ottinger & Marylou Euler

**Counters:** Tony Kauzlarch and Rudy Wolford

### Mass Intentions



**Sunday, Dec 2**                    + Susan Merrigan

By: Everett & Roth Families

**Sunday, Dec 9**                    + Jack West

By: West Girls



### BIRTHDAY

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|-------------------|---------|
| Paula Chambers    | Dec 2nd |
| Debbie Fisher     | Dec 3rd |
| Christie Ottinger | Dec 3rd |
| Kevin Brown       | Dec 4th |
| Charles Barton    | Dec 6th |
| Marylou Euler     | Dec 6th |
| Julie Houser      | Dec 8th |
| Nicholas Klein    | Dec 9th |

### ANNIVERSARY

Paul & Jan Pottier      Dec 4th

**Congratulations and Best Wishes Everyone!**

### Volunteers needed to preserve our first cemetery

After the Christmas brunch the confirmation group and other volunteers will continue cleanup efforts at the Kessler Cemetery.

If you'd like to join us, please meet us this **Sunday, December 2, as early as 11:00 a.m. on the gravel road (SE Hampton Rd.) south of the Kessler Cemetery.** Due to the wet field conditions, **plan to walk** north (along the west side of the tree line) from the gravel road. It is about 1/4 mile walk. Small spring-loaded hand pruners work best for this work.

Hope you can make it!

### Dec 9- 8 am Mass

**Greeter:** Richard LaFollette

**Lectors:** Bonnie Gregory & Jordan Roth

**Ministers:** Jan & Paul Pottier & Jim Ingle

**Counters:** Paul & Jan Pottier

## Weekend Collection - Nov 25, 2018

Envelopes: \$645 Plate: \$112 Fund Raiser: \$400

Hall Rental: \$100 Subscription: \$30

**Total Parish: \$1,287**

### 2nd Collection: Dec 9 - Religious Retirement

**Budget is from July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019**

**Nov To Date: \$12,366.25 This includes fund raising \$**

**Nov Budget: \$ 7,550.00**

**Year-To-Date: \$49,877.92**

**Year Budget: \$90,600.00**

**Thank You for your continued support of St. Joseph Parish.**

### Mark your Calendars!

**Parish & Finance Council: Feb- 6 pm Rectory**

**Altar Society: Parish Hall after Donut Sunday**

**Hand Linens: Nov/Dec: Jan Pottier**

**Donut Sunday: Dec 2: Christmas Brunch - Altar Society**

**Knights of Columbus: 5067-1st & 3rd Thursday 7 pm**

**Rosary on 3rd Thursday 6:30 pm**

**Jay Pflugradt, Grand Knight**

**Fr. Joseph Totton, Chaplain**

**Recitation of Rosary - 2nd weekend of the month**

**20 minutes before Mass**



### Prayer Corner

"To everything there is a season and a time...for every purpose under Heaven." Ecc. 3-11

"...a time to heal..."

**Mildred Ottinger, Lori Redmond, Nancy Totton, Bubba Miller, Amy Dobrowansky**

For our Shut - Ins

**Rosemary Ingle, Carolyn O'Brien, Josephine Jackson, Delores White, Eileen Grier, Brent LaFollette**

"a time to die...."

**Merced "Jr" Pacheco III**

(Paul Pottier's Brother-in-law)



### CHRISTMAS BRUNCH

Don't forget to stop by for some breakfast!



Always room for one more!



### March for Life

Washington D.C.

### 2019 MARCH FOR LIFE PILGRIMAGE

Registration is now open for the March for Life Pilgrimage to Washington DC, January 17-19.

This three-day trip will include

Mass each day,

Rally on the National Mall,

and participation in the 2019 March for Life.

Registration will remain open through Wednesday, December 12th. The current early-bird rate of \$285 per person will be available through Wed., October 31st.

The amount will increase slightly to \$315 after October 31st.

Registration forms available on-line at:

[www.respectlifekcsj.org](http://www.respectlifekcsj.org)

- Pilgrims under the age of 18 must also complete a copy of the diocesan youth medical release form.
- All minors not traveling with an adult will be assigned a Virtus-certified adult chaperone.
- A space may be reserved for the pilgrimage by submitting a non-refundable deposit of \$100 at anytime.

Total payment must be received by

### HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE FOR ST. ANN'S & ST. JOSEPH'S



#### Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday, December 8th

St. Joseph - Easton - 9 am

St. Ann - Plattsburg - 4 pm

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a holy day of obligation. Since it falls on a Saturday Fr. Totton will be having Mass at 9 am in Easton and 4 o'clock Mass in Plattsburg.

#### Christmas Eve Mass Schedule

St. Joseph, Easton - 5 pm (Nativity Pageant begins at 5 pm)

St. Ann, Plattsburg - Midnight

#### Christmas Day Mass Schedule

10 am - St. Ann, Plattsburg

### Free On-Line Resources to make this your "Best Advent Ever!"

Dynamic Catholic is offering once again a **free** Advent subscription program to provide you with daily reflections delivered to your email inbox to help you keep a spiritual focus during this Advent Season.

Just type [BestAdventEver.com](http://BestAdventEver.com) into your internet browser and follow the instructions to sign up.

### 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal

We have an opportunity to commit our support to diocesan programs and ministries that no one parish could provide on its own.

Our theme, "**The community of believers was of one heart and mind" Acts 4:32,**

Appropriately recognizes our unity as the people of God to work together for the betterment of all.

Our goal is 100% participation. No gift is too small.

Please join our efforts.

The goal for St.. Joseph's parish is \$5,775

Our total so far is \$2,980

Thank you for all your help and support of the

### "GIVE FROM THE HEART" 7th ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

#### NEW UPDATE

\$14,287!!