



Office of the Bishop

March 6, 2019  
Ash Wednesday

Dear Friends in Christ,

As we begin the holy season of Lent today on this Ash Wednesday, I proclaim a Holy Year of Renewal as a special time for our local Church, the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. The purpose of this Holy Year will allow us to prepare together to respond to the Holy Spirit's inspirations to pursue the priorities and goals in our Mutually Shared Vision to be *One Family: Restored in Christ—Equipped for Mission*. The Holy Year begins today at the beginning of Lent, a season of renewal marked by prayer, sacrifice and works of mercy. It is a time when we intentionally align our minds and our wills with our Lord. I ask that we all do so together, and this year, with the added desire to renew our homes, our parishes, and our diocese with the Mutually Shared Vision as both a road map and rallying cry in our commitments in achieving for the next few years.

The Holy Year will conclude next January 12, 2020, on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. This date was chosen so that we might all intentionally respond in a renewed way to the baptismal call we each received to be “priest, prophet and king” and to embrace our call to serve and grow God’s Kingdom on earth, healing and building up our family, the Church.

The Holy Year will also be marked by moments and events which will allow us to reflect on each of the priorities in our Vision. I ask you individually, as families, and as parish communities, to prayerfully reflect on our ambitious plans, indeed to make them your own, and allow God to bless us all.

May God’s grace and peace be with you in this Holy Year ahead!

Gratefully yours in Christ,

*+ James V. Johnston, Jr.*

Most Reverend James V. Johnston, Jr.  
Bishop of Kansas City-St. Joseph



## First Sunday of Lent

### PARISH PRIEST

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### PARISH SECRETARY

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### HALL RENTAL

Call office at 816.473.2011 or  
email:  
[stjosephchurch@centurytel.net](mailto:stjosephchurch@centurytel.net)

### MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 8:00 a.m.  
Tuesday 7:00 a.m.

### CONFESSIONS

Sunday 7:30 a.m.

### MISSION STATEMENT

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

# St. Joseph Church

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March 10, 2019



### TO PROTECT OUR CHILDREN: REPORT ABUSE

OMBUDSMAN: Jenifer Valenti – 816.812.2500

DIOCESAN VICTIM ADVOCATE: Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or [chastain@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:chastain@diocesekcsj.org)

## Mass Intentions for the Week

**Sunday March 10**  
8:00 a.m. Carl and Irene Kemmer †  
by Roth family

**Sunday March 17**  
8:00 a.m. Eunice Grier and Irma Buehler †  
by Joan Dixon

Please remember in prayer those who have died.  
Grant them eternal rest and peace, O Lord!  
† Denotes Deceased

### Beginning this week

Fr. Totton will offer a **Tuesday morning Mass**

At St. Joseph Parish  
**7:00 a.m.**



### Birthdays

Steven White March 10  
Jordan Roth March 11  
Katie Houser March 16



### The incorrupt heart of St. Jean Vianney, patron of parish priests,

will be visiting the Cathedral of St. Joseph, 519 N. 10th Street in St. Joseph, on March 19, the Feast of St. Joseph, 2019. The day will begin with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 8:00 a.m.; reception of the relic and Veneration follows throughout the day until 8:00 p.m. Confessions will be made available. Evening Vespers begin at 5:30 p.m. For more information about St. Jean Vianney and the relic tour, please visit [www.kofc.org/vianney](http://www.kofc.org/vianney)

### Safe Haven Sunday

**March 10:**

### Equipping the Family, Safeguarding Children

The family home is to be a safe haven. But the inappropriate use of technology in the home deprives it of its role, and is the greatest threat to the sanctity of marriage and families today. This day of awareness will provide access to practical resources that any caring adult can use to protect themselves and our young people from online risks. To learn more, please contact The Office of Domestic Church and Discipleship at 816-714-2373 or visit [kcsjfamily.org/protectyourfamily](http://kcsjfamily.org/protectyourfamily).

## WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

### March 10- 8 a.m. Mass

**Greeter:** Jim Ingle  
**Lectors:** Scott Antle, Jordan Roth  
**Ministers:** Jan Pottier, Paul Pottier, Wayne Weipert  
**Counters:** Jan and Paul Pottier

### March 17 - 8 a.m. Mass

**Greeter:** Richard LaFollette  
**Lectors:** Doug Ottinger, Jan Pottier  
**Ministers:** Jim Ingle, Marylou Euler, Paul Pottier

**Counters:** Richard and Mary Ann LaFollette

### Weekend Collection - March 3, 2019

Envelopes: \$ 700.00  
Plate: \$ 19.00  
Candles \$ 14.00

Total Parish: \$ 914.00

#### Fiscal Year Budget July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019

March-to-Date: \$ 914.00  
March Budget \$ 7,550.00  
Year-to-Date: \$ 74,468.00  
Year Budget: \$ 90,600.00

## Lenten Opportunity...

to **Administer the Corporal Work of Mercy:**

*Bury the dead and care for their resting places*

Tombstone repairs for the **Old Kessler Cemetery** are budgeted to cost about **\$9,000**. In order to improve our chances to have the restoration work done in 2019, we need to schedule these services by the **end of April**. We ask all supporters to join these efforts to donate as indicated below. Checks made to the cemeteries can be made out to “**St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery**”. We ask donors that wish for their contributions to be used specifically for the Kessler Cemetery to note on the memo line of their check “**for Kessler Cemetery**”. Donations can be mailed to the following address:

St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery  
c/o St. Joseph Catholic Church  
PO box 197  
Easton, MO 64443



Thank you to all volunteers and financial supporters.

### Mark your Calendars—Parish Events

**Parish & Finance Council**  
Tuesday, February 12 at 6 p.m. in Rectory

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

**Hand Linens** -March/April: Nannette Wolford

**Donut Sunday** - April 7

**Knights of Columbus Council #5067**  
Jay Pflugardt, Grand Knight  
1st & 3rd Thursday, 7 p.m.  
Rosary 3rd Thursday, 6:30 p.m.

**Recitation of Rosary**  
2nd Sunday of month beginning at 7:40 a.m.

**Feast of St. Joseph Mass and dinner**— Tuesday, March 19th  
Mass at 5:45 p.m. with dinner to follow. Details TBA.

### Lenten Enrichment Offering: Queen of Heaven

Beginning March 13th, Deacon Josh Fultz and his wife, Mandy, will be conducting a weekly class and discussion group on the Blessed Virgin Mary. The class, which runs through May 1st, will be held in St. Joseph Rectory in Easton from **7-8 p.m.** each **Wednesday**. If you would like more information, please contact Deacon Josh at 816-390-2757 or email [jdfultz@yahoo.com](mailto:jdfultz@yahoo.com)



### Baby Bottles to be filled with change for donations to the Pregnancy Resource Center

are available at the back of church today for you to take home to fill with your sacrificial monetary offerings this Lent. Thank you!



### LENTEN FISH FRY

Knights of Columbus Council 5067 in St Joseph

will be having their Annual Fish Fry,  
beginning March 8th.

The fish fry will be held on all Fridays during Lent except Good Friday.

The Knights will start serving at 5 PM to 7:30 PM at their Council Hall, 1205 North 49th Terrace.

Adult meal will be \$10.00 and children under 12 years old \$5.00

### Prayer Corner

*“To everything there is a season and time. .*

*for every purpose under heaven.”*

—Ecc. 3-11



*“ . . . a time to heal. . . ”*

Ron Kretzer, Bob Everett, Mildred Ottinger, Lori Redmond, Nancy Totton, Bubba Miller, Amy Dobrowansky, the elderly and infirm, the chronically ill and their caregivers. For those who attend to the dying and grieving; for medical professionals and first responders; for the homeless and those lost in this world; for those who harbor hatred and especially for those who have no one to pray for them. For those who suffer from addictions, that they make seek support and come to know God’s healing.

*For our home bound parishioners:*

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

### Is your marriage going down the right road or is it a little off track?

Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage. Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? Retrouvaille can help and offers **hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is a peer** ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. For more information about the upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend contact registration team: Local Telephone @ 800.470.2230 or visit our website: [HelpOurMarriage.com](http://HelpOurMarriage.com).



The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you *observe* or *suspect* sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected *sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult* to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Jenifer Valenti, at 816.812.2500 or [JeniferValenti@att.net](mailto:JeniferValenti@att.net), if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or [chastain@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:chastain@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.