

From Fr. Totton's Desk

Many Thanks...

Once again, I would like to offer an expression of gratitude to all who made the bishop's visit, Mass, Confirmation and reception such a success. In particular, I would like to thank our Confirmation coordinators, **Mr. John Carpenter, Ms. Anne Martin (St. Ann's) and Mrs. Vickie Kempf (St. Joseph's)** for preparing our students to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. I would like to thank the **Ladies of the St. Ann's Altar Society** for coordinating various elements of the dinner and reception, especially **Pat Clingan** (who was ably assisted by her husband **Carrol**) for providing the brisket and ham as our main course, with similar gratitude to all who brought a dish to share and to **Becky Mink** for providing and coordinating the desserts from **St. Joseph's**. I would also like to thank **Roxanne Durando** for arranging the flowers on the altar. Many others contributed to the efforts to make this parish celebration on which will be remembered for years - *Thank you ALL!*

On This Mother's Day...

I have always fondly welcomed this special day when we take time to express our gratitude to the woman we call "Mom". For most of us, she is the woman who brought us into the world and has made sacrifices throughout her life for our sake. In some cases, we may honor a stepmother, an adopted mother, or some other woman who has provided some form of maternal care and presence in our life. In recent years, I have noticed a growing trend to caution the general public on the celebration of Mother's Day for fear that it's observance could highlight grief or loss in the lives of those whose mothers have already died or feelings of grief for those women who, for whatever reason, were never gifted with children. While I would express my sympathy to any woman who grieves such a loss, I think it would be a great sadness to refrain from acknowledging our mothers on this day. All of us, in one form or another, have experienced the care and love of some maternal presence. It is no coincidence that Mother's Day is celebrated in the Month of May, which is traditionally dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, who is a spiritual mother for us all. Today as you celebrate please consider offering a Rosary (5 decades) in gratitude to Mary's motherly care, you might also consider offering that Rosary for a woman in your life who has reflected some of the care Mary has for you as her child. If you suffer the grief of loss, then offer a Rosary to implore her Maternal protection and consolation.

- Fr. Joseph Totton

Opportunities for Ministers

Ministry is the way in which the Church continues what Christ began and still intends, namely, the salvation of humanity and the transformation of the world. All baptized and confirmed Christians receive a call and gifts enabling them to participate in this mission. When lay people carry out Christ's work as priest, prophet, and king in their own proper way through public activity authorized by the Church, we call this lay ministry. Here are some of the ways you might be able to answer that call:

Lectors - Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

If you have a calling for any of the above ministries please see : Fr. Joe Totton and he will arrange for training.  
We need your help - thank you for your cooperation.

Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph

**Grab your running shoes and meet us at Berkley Riverfront Park for the 5<sup>th</sup> annual Outpace Poverty 5k and fun run on Saturday, June 10th. Walkers and runners of all abilities are welcome to join us for fun post-race activities, a commemorative t-shirt and light breakfast. All funds raised support those living in poverty in Northwest Missouri. Visit [www.outpacepoverty.org](http://www.outpacepoverty.org) or contact Amy Smith at 816-659-8257 or [asmith@ccharities.com](mailto:asmith@ccharities.com)**



ST. JOSEPH  
CHURCH

Fr. Joseph Totton

Administrator

Mass Times

Saturday: 6 pm Sunday: 8 am

Confessions: 1/2 hr before Mass

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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

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5th Sunday of Easter

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Fr. Joe's email: [fathertotton@gmail.com](mailto:fathertotton@gmail.com)

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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)

May 14, 2017



**May 14- 8 am Mass**

**Greeter:** Hubert Gregory

**Lectors:** Bonnie Gregory & Jim Barber

**Ministers:** Hubert Gregory, Marylou Euler  
Diane & Jim Barber

**Counters:** Randy & Julie Moran

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, May 13 People of the Parish**  
By:

**Sunday, May 14 + Dick Roth**  
By: Roth Family

**Saturday, May 20 + Bob Burton**  
By: Steve & Pat Culver

**Sunday, May 21 + Ed & Betty McPhee**  
By: McPhee Family




**BIRTHDAY**

Regina Grier May 17th  
Andrew Mink May 19th

**ANNIVERSARY**

David & Gayle Delaney May 17th  
Terry & Jennifer O'Brien May 21st

**Congratulations and Best Wishes Everyone!**



All of our Catholic community please consider spending an hour with our Lord at MIR Chapel of the Holy Rosary!

We are in need of committed adorer's and substitute adorer's, please visit and pray with our Lord to increase your personal relationship with HIM. The peace we are seeking – the world does not offer!

In Jesus' love, MIR Board of Directors

## Ministry Schedule


**May 21- 8 am Mass**

**Greeter:** Randy Moran

**Lectors:** Julie Moran & Jim Ingle

**Ministers:** Doug Ottinger, Wayne Weipert  
Randy & Julie Moran

**Counters:** Richard & Mary Ann LaFollette

 **Mark your Calendars!**


**Parish & Finance Council:** July - 6 pm - Rectory  
**Altar Society:** Parish Hall after Donut Sunday

**Hand Linens:** May/June: Jan Pottier

**Donut Sunday:** June 4 -

**Knights of Columbus:** 5067-1st & 3rd Thursday 7 pm  
**Rosary on 3rd Thursday 6:30 pm**  
**Larry Tatro, Grand Knight**

**Recitation of Rosary - 2nd weekend of the month**  
**20 minutes before Mass**

 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 info.

 **CALLING ALL GRADUATES!**

*We are looking for graduates of kindergarten, middle school, high school, college (Bachelors, Masters and Doctorates).*

*Please email Marge at [stjosephchurch@centurytel.net](mailto:stjosephchurch@centurytel.net) so your name will be listed in our bulletin..*

*(If you know which college you will be attending please list it. Also, if you graduating college please let me know your major.)*

*Thanks for your cooperation*

## Weekend Collection May 6 & 7, 2017

Envelopes: \$1,405 Plate: \$196

**Total Parish: \$1,601**

**2nd Collection: May 27 & 28 - St Joseph Cemetery COLLECTIONS:**

**May To Date: \$ 1,601.00**  
**May Budget: \$ 7,191.52**

**Year-To-Date: \$97,242.74**  
**Year Budget: \$96,298.36**

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

**DIACONATE OFFICE**

This May the Diaconate office will begin the process of Inquiry and Application for the next group of men who are interested in becoming Permanent Deacons. A number of Information and Discernment Sessions will be scheduled in June.


If you know of a man who may be interested in serving the church and would like to learn more about becoming a Deacon have him contact Deacon Paul Muller at [muller@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:muller@diocesekcsj.org) or call 816-714-2302 at the Catholic Center.

All inquiries should be directed to the Diaconate office .

 **MEMORIAL DAY MASSES KCSJ CATHOLIC CEMETERIES**

Mass will be celebrated at each Diocesan cemetery on **Memorial Day, Monday May 29, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.**


- **Mount St. Mary's Cemetery**, 2201 Cleveland Avenue, Kansas City, 64127  
Celebrant: Reverend Thomas Ludwig
- **Mount Olivet Cemetery**, 7601 Blue Ridge Boulevard, Kansas City, 64138  
Celebrant: Reverend Sean McCaffery
- **Resurrection Cemetery**, 5001 NE Cookingham Drive, Kansas City, 64156  
Celebrant: Reverend Michael Roach
- **Mt. Olivet Cemetery**, 26<sup>th</sup> and Lovers Lane, St. Joseph, 64506  
Celebrant: Most Reverend James V. Johnston, Jr.

 **Prayer Corner**

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

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

**Jon Clark, Barb Miller, Felicia Bober, Mildred Ottinger, Jane Everett and Flo McLarney**



On the weekend of May 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>, the Little Sisters of the Poor will be visiting our Parish. The Sisters operate a home for the elderly poor in Kansas City, which is one of 195 Homes operated by the Little Sisters of the Poor in 30 countries throughout the world. They have ministered to thousands of our own Greater Kansas City elderly for the past 130 years. Your support will enable them to continue their mission of caring for their Residents in a spirit of joy and dignity. Any assistance you are able to give is sincerely appreciated. God bless you!

**[www.littlesistersofthepoorkansascity.org](http://www.littlesistersofthepoorkansascity.org)**

**Please note - there will be baskets at the entrances of the church for you to deposit your donation for the Sisters appeal.**

**Please make checks payable to:**  
**Little Sisters of the Poor**

**ST. JOSEPH'S CEMETERY BOARD**

**Second Collection - May 27th and 28th**

As we get ready to celebrate Memorial Day let us not forget to honor our loved ones buried in our cemetery.

We should also direct our attention to our outstanding property.

It is through the tireless work of the board members that it is maintained so beautifully.

To be assured of improving and maintaining it we will be having a second collection.

Also, keep in mind that donations can be given at any time of year.

Let us be generous in supporting St. Joseph's Cemetery,