

Excerpt from an ancient homily for Holy Saturday:

"What is happening? Today there is a great silence over the earth, a great silence, and stillness, a great silence because the King sleeps; the earth was in terror and was still, because God slept in the flesh and raised up those who were sleeping from the ages. God has died in the flesh, and the underworld has trembled.

Truly he goes to seek out our first parent like a lost sheep; he wishes to visit those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death. He goes to free the prisoner Adam and his fellow-prisoner Eve from their pains, he who is God, and Adam's son.

The Lord goes in to them holding his victorious weapon, his cross. When Adam, the first created man, sees him, he strikes his breast in terror and calls out to all: 'My Lord be with you all.' And Christ in reply says to Adam: 'And with your spirit.' And grasping his hand he raises him up, saying: 'Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give you light.

'I am your God, who for your sake became your son, who for you and your descendants now speak and command with authority those in prison: Come forth, and those in darkness: Have light, and those who sleep: Rise.

'I command you: Awake, sleeper, I have not made you to be held a prisoner in the underworld. Arise from the dead; I am the life of the dead. Arise, O man, work of my hands, arise, you who were fashioned in my image. Rise, let us go hence; for you in me and I in you, together we are one undivided person.

'For you, I your God became your son; for you, I the Master took on your form; that of slave; for you, I who am above the heavens came on earth and under the earth; for you, man, I became as a man without help, free among the dead; for you, who left a garden, I was handed over to Jews from a garden and crucified in a garden.

'Look at the spittle on my face, which I received because of you, in order to restore you to that first divine inbreathing at creation. See the blows on my cheeks, which I accepted in order to refashion your distorted form to my own image.

'See the scourging of my back, which I accepted in order to disperse the load of your sins which was laid upon your back. See my hands nailed to the tree for a good purpose, for you, who stretched out your hand to the tree for an evil one.

'I slept on the cross and a sword pierced my side, for you, who slept in paradise and brought forth Eve from your side. My side healed the pain of your side; my sleep will release you from your sleep in Hades; my sword has checked the sword which was turned against you.

'But arise, let us go hence. The enemy brought you out of the land of paradise; I will reinstate you, no longer in paradise, but on the throne of heaven. I denied you the tree of life, which was a figure, but now I myself am united to you, who am life. I posted the cherubim to guard you as they would slaves; now I make the cherubim worship you as they would God.

"The cherubim throne has been prepared, the bearers are ready and waiting, the bridal chamber is in order, the food is provided, the everlasting houses and rooms are in readiness; the treasures of good things have been opened; the kingdom of heaven has been prepared before the ages."



# 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**

*Ed Fisher*

*Mike Roth*

*Steve White*



**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**

**Parish & Finance Councils**

*Jim Adams*

*Stacy Brown*

*Jim Ingle*

*Rosalie Ingle*

*Tony Kauzlarich*

*Marge Kinney*

*Julie Moran*

*Dennis Ottinger*

*Jordan Roth*

*Mike Roth*

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**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)

April 16, 2017



## Ministry Schedule

### April 16 - 8 am Mass - Easter Sunday

**Greeter:** Hubert Gregory  
**Lectors:** Jim Ingle & Jan Pottier  
**Ministers:** Hubert Gregory, Wayne Weipert  
 Diane & Jim Barber  
**Counters:** Richard & Mary Ann LaFollette

### April 23 - 8 am Mass

**Greeter:** Jim Ingle  
**Lectors:** Bonnie Gregory & Jay Pflugradt  
**Ministers:** Marylou Euler & Doug Ottinger  
 Jim Ingle & Hubert Gregory  
**Counters:** Paul & Jan Pottier

### Mass Intentions



### Saturday, April 15 - 8 pm Easter Vigil at St. Ann's

By:

### Sunday, April 16 + Ed & Deanie McPhee

By: McPhee Family

### Saturday, April 22 + Ron Hake

By: Bunny Hake & Family

### Sunday, April 23 + Carl & Irene Kemmer

By: Roth Family



### BIRTHDAY

Richard LaFollette April 22nd  
 Hubert Gregory April 22nd

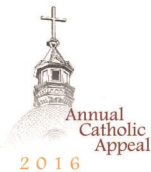
### ANNIVERSARY

Dennis & Sheila Ottinger April 20th

**Congratulations and Best Wishes Everyone!**

### 2017 Annual Catholic Appeal

The diocese has received from our parish  
 \$5,440 from 35 families.  
 Thank you for generous donations.



**Mark your Calendars!**  
**Parish & Finance Council:** May 9 - 6 pm - Rectory  
 Altar Society: Parish Hall after Donut Sunday  
**Hand Linens:** March/April: Nannette Wolford  
**Donut Sunday:** May 7 - John McPhee & Wayne Weipert  
**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.



### Basket Raffle

The Altar Society and St. Joseph Cemetery are sponsoring a Basket Raffle.

Purina Cat and Dog Basket - Nestle Products Basket

Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5 Pick up your tickets on either table in the back of church.

The winning tickets will be drawn on May 7th at Donut Sunday  
 Proceeds will be 50/50 Altar Society and Cemetery.

**Please make checks payable to St. Joseph Church**

## Weekend Collection April 8 & 9, 2017

Envelopes: \$1,545 Plate: \$277 Mass Stipends: \$60

Raffle: \$30

**Total Parish: \$1,912**

### 2nd Collection: June 4 - Peter's Pence

#### COLLECTIONS:

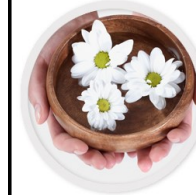
April To Date: \$ 3,482.00

April Budget: \$ 7,191.52

Year-To-Date: \$87,813.62

Year Budget: \$96,298.36

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



### CATHOLIC CHARITIES' YEARLY REFLECTIONS OF HOPE SIMPLE LUNCHEON

Place: Our Lady of Guadalupe Church Summers Hall

Date: May 4th

Time: 11 am - 1 pm

Cost: \$25 per person ~ sponsor a table of 8 \$200 (or \$20 per person with a donation of tissues, diapers, baby wipes)

RSVP to Elaine Ingle (816) 390-4040 or

[jgingle@stjoelive.com](mailto:jgingle@stjoelive.com)

During the luncheon there will be a brief presentation followed by recognition of the Saint Teresa Award recipients.

\*You can nominate someone for the St. Teresa Award

Pick up flyer on the table in the back of church.

More information is included.

Thanking you in advance for supporting Catholic Charities!



**Father Totton** will be commissioned as a Lieutenant in the United States Navy Reserve, immediately following the 10am Mass at St. Ann's, Plattsburg on Sunday, April 30. All parishioners are welcome to attend this brief ceremony. A light reception will follow in the parish hall.



### 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**

*"...a time of war and a time of peace..."*

We pray for the safety of all our service men and women who serve our country.



### PROTECT THE MIRACLE OF LIFE

#### LENTEN PARISH CHALLENGE

Thank you for helping St. Joseph Pregnancy Resource Center (PRC) protect the miracle of life.

Bottles are due back in church, the weekend after Easter, April 22nd and 23rd.

### The Gower Festival

The committee would like to have a

#### "Battle of the Religious All Stars"

This will be an easy friendly relay competitions amongst the churches.

There is a charge of \$10 per team to cover the cost of the trophy.

The team consists of 3 men and 3 women - ages 18 - ?

If there is an interest here at St. Joseph's please let

Jan Pottier know.



### May the joy of the Resurrection renew you!

*Celebrate the miracle of new life in Christ!  
 Easter Blessings to you and your families*

*Fr Joe and Marge*