

Fr. Joseph W. Totton

Last week we (priests of the diocese) had a special opportunity to make our retreat with Bishop Johnston. The retreat was given by Bishop Joseph Hanefeldt of Grand Island, NE. For me, and for many of my brother priests, it was a blessing to have time to reflect upon our call to service in the Church, and the setting was right as we returned to the place where, for many of us, our vocations were nourished in the first years of seminary formation at Conception Abbey. One thing that struck me during our time at the abbey was a small display near the entrance to St. Maur Hall (which houses the seminary classrooms and the conference room and chapel used for our retreat). The display had photographs of three men—all alumni of Conception Seminary College. Two of them were priests and the third was a seminarian. All three literally gave their lives in service to others in response to Jesus' call to "Lay down one's life for one's friends" (see John 15:16).

Fr. Emil Kapaun was a priest of the Diocese of Wichita who served as an Army Chaplain during the Korean War. He was captured and held as a P.O.W. In his captivity he continued to minister to the soldiers he served with until his death. His cause for canonization is being actively pursued at this time. **Fr. Stanley Rother**, a priest of the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City, answered a call to become a missionary in Guatemala. His love for Christ drew him to fall in love with the native people he served. As a result, he was assassinated for speaking out against violence visited upon his people during civil war in Guatemala. He will be Beatified (the final step prior to canonization) on September 23, 2017. Fr. Rother will be the first U.S. Born Catholic to be officially declared a martyr.

Mr. Brian Bergkamp, a seminarian of the Diocese of Wichita who had graduated from Conception in 2014, died last summer in the process of saving the life of a drowning woman on a kayaking trip. He gave her his own life jacket and helped her to safety, but succumbed to the current himself. His lifeless body was recovered from the river two weeks later. The fact that these three men walked the same halls and sat in the same classrooms that I did provides a sobering reminder that we are **all** called to live (and give!) our lives for others,

In the name of Jesus Christ!
- Fr. Joseph Totton

Mission Appeal - Dalit Christians of India: July 22-23, 2017

Father Gudime, a missionary priest from India will be making the Mission Appeal on behalf of Bishop Neethinathan, Chairperson for the Dalit Christians who are known as "the Outcaste" in India with the existence of the caste system. Father will be speaking during all masses about the discrimination and injustice that the Christians have been going through in India on a daily basis due to their faith in Jesus. He will be seeking your generous support to educate the Christian children who otherwise would end up with school drop-outs, child-labor and child- trafficking. You can make huge difference in the lives of these children to have a good childhood and a decent future. The poor and the marginalized always live in hope - Hope of ever becoming better when they could rise up as equal to other fellow human beings. This hope is realized through people like you. For more information: www.dalitchristianscbci.org



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



14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish & Finance Councils
Jim Adams
Stacy Brown
Jim Ingle
Rosalie Ingle
Tony Kauzlarich
Marge Kinney
Julie Moran
Dennis Ottinger
Jordan Roth
Mike Roth
Wayne Weipert

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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
July 9, 2017



July 9- 8 am Mass


Greeter: Randy Moran

Lectors: Bubba Miller & Julie Moran

Ministers: Randy & Julie Moran
Jim & Diane Barber

Counters: Randy & Julie Moran

Mass Intentions




Saturday, July 8 + Lyle & Josephine Harvey
By: Steve & Pat Culver

Sunday, July 9 + Moore Family
By: Roxy Musser

Saturday, July 15 + Felicia Bober
By: Marge & Bill Kinney

Sunday, July 16 + Rose Ann West
By: Jan Pottier



BIRTHDAY

Jess John McPhee	July 12th
Michael Curran	July 14th

ANNIVERSARY

Casey & Sarah Klein	July 14th
Blaise & Amber Kriley	July 16th

Congratulations and Best Wishes Everyone!

Ministry Schedule

July 16- 8 am Mass

Greeter: Hubert Gregory

Lectors: Jim Ingle & Jan Pottier

Ministers: Paul & Jan Pottier
Marylou Euler & Wayne Weipert

Counters: Richard & Mary Ann LaFollette



Mark your Calendars!


Parish & Finance Council: July 13- 6 pm - Rectory
Altar Society: Parish Hall after Donut Sunday

Hand Linens: July/Aug: Nannette Wolford

Donut Sunday: Aug 6 - Richard & Mary Ann LaFollette

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

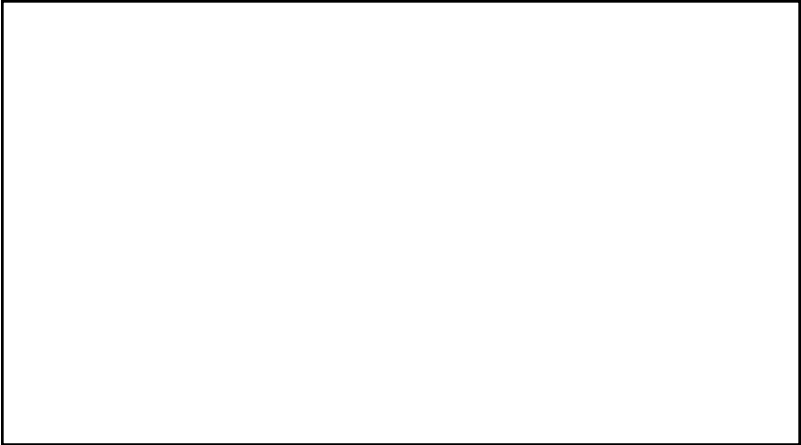
Recitation of Rosary - 2nd weekend of the month
20 minutes before Mass



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, 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 for more info.



Weekend Collection July 2 & 3, 2017


While I am recuperating from foot surgery there will be no accounting of monies for the bulletin. I will put the amounts in the bulletin as soon as I get back. Thank you..

2nd Collection: Aug 29 & 20 - Diocesan Life & Justice

COLLECTIONS:

July To Date: \$ 4,597.95
July Budget: \$ 7,191.52

Year-To-Date: \$106,761.09
Year Budget: \$ 96,298.36



48th Annual St. Patrick's Mexican Fiesta

The 48th Annual St. Patrick's Mexican Fiesta is

Friday, August 4th from 5 pm - 11 pm
Saturday, August 5th from 1 pm - 11pm

On the St. Patrick's parish grounds.


This year's Fiesta will feature numerous carnival rides and games.

Pre-sale tickets will be provided at a **discounted rate** of \$1.00 per ticket and will be available in the St. Patrick's parish office, 1723 S 12 St. in St. Joseph (816) 279- 2594. Ticket prices will be \$2.00 on the days of the Fiesta, so get your tickets now .

Update on Marge:

Surgery went well. She is now recouping and does have a lot of pain but the pain medication is doing it's job. She sleeps a lot because of the meds and can't put weight on her leg so she has a knee scooter. Bill and daughter Deb have been a great help . Her grandson Ben has been coming to do what he can as well.

Please keep Marge in your thoughts and prayers and pray for a speedy recovery.




CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF ST. JOSEPH NEEDS YOUR HELP!

One of the Catholic Charities' mission is to provide basic needs to families who can't afford the essentials.

CC's cupboards are in need of the following items: laundry soap, dish soap, bleach, paper towels, toilet tissue, Kleenex, deodorant, shampoo, soap, tooth paste, tooth brushes, diapers, baby wipes and other items for personal hygiene needs.

Just drop them in the box in the back of the church marked "Catholic Charities" at your convenience.

Thank you for your generosity to help those in need that live in our surrounding area.



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, Mildred Ottinger, and Jane Everett


Ten Life-Changing Days in the Holy Land during Lent 2018

A 10-Day Holy Land Tour From Kansas City, Missouri, February 26 to March 07 2018 with Father Ben Kneib from St. Columban's in Chillicothe.

The tour begins with arrival in Tel Aviv and includes a visit to Nazareth/Cana of Galilee/ Mount Tabor, the Sea of Galilee, Jericho, the Dead Sea, Shepherd's Field/Bethlehem, the Old City of Jerusalem, and the Mt. of Olives/Mt. Zion.

Package price of \$3,390.00 from Kansas City, Missouri includes roundtrip airfare, accommodations, two meals daily, private bus and more.

For additional information visit stcolumbanonline.org and click on "pilgrimage" under the Church News tab.



Have you ever wondered why Catholic priests don't marry?

Listen for it!

A new radio series will begin airing soon on KEXS Catholic Radio, 1090 AM that discusses Priestly Celibacy.

Fr. William Korte and Mr. John Harrison (married father of 5), will show how the Church has affirmed this apostolic tradition and custom from Christ throughout history, despite the attacks against it. They will also relate the misunderstanding of this matter to the current crises in parish and family life, and in both the religious and married vocations.

The show will run on Wednesdays at 3:30 pm and will re-air later in the week.