



St. Joseph Church

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February 21st, 2021

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 8:00 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.



ONE DOES NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE, BUT ON EVERY WORD THAT COMES FORTH FROM THE MOUTH OF GOD.

TO PROTECT OUR CHILDREN: REPORT ABUSE

Diocesan Ombudsman: 816.812.2500

Diocesan Victim Advocate: Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday February 21st
8:00a.m. Marilyn Harwood+
 By Jan Pottier

Sunday February 28th
8:00a.m. Louis Pottier+
 By The Pottier Family
 John McKinzie+
 By Joan Mitchell

Sunday March 7th
8:00a.m. Ermagene LaFollette+
 Ronald LaFollette+
 By The LaFollette Family

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

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Corey Klein February 16th
 Lauren Kempf February 18th
 Miles Mitchell February 20th
 Kellan Klein February 25th
 Bonnie Gregory February 29th

Congratulations and Best Wishes to Everyone!

REMINDER

**PLEASE HELP CATHOLIC CHARITIES
 OF KANSAS CITY ST. JOSEPH**

There will be a second collection on February 21st for the annual Catholic Charities Emergency Assistance Fund. Thanks to your support they can help at-risk families meet their immediate needs and ultimately regain a sense of stability. Once the immediate crisis is resolved, Catholic Charities works with families on their personal pathway out of poverty- helping sustain them until they are self-sufficient and thriving.

**WEEKEND
 MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

February 21st, 8a.m. Mass

Greeters: Wayne Weipert
Lectors: Bonnie Gregory
 Jan Pottier
Counters: Jan & Paul Pottier

February 28th, 8a.m. Mass

Greeters: Richard LaFollette
Lectors: Jay Pflugardt
 Jordan Roth
Counters: Richard & Mary Ann
 LaFollette

March 7th, 8a.m. Mass

Greeters: Wayne Weipert
Lectors: Jim Ingle
 Jan Pottier
Counters: Richard & Mary Ann
 LaFollette

***Weekend Collection
 February 14th, 2021***

Envelopes:	\$ 1,200.00
Plate:	\$ 70.00
Total Parish:	\$ 1,270.00

***Fiscal Year Budget July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021**

February-to-Date:	\$ 3,775.00
February Budget	\$ 6,064.00
Year-to-Date:	\$ 47,530.00
Year Budget	\$ 78,836.00

Thank You for your continued support

REMINDER OF SAFETY PROTOCOLS!!!

Please remember that we have certain protocols that we must follow when attending Mass. All who enter and exit are to please wear their facial mask, and while walking in line to Holy Communion. Also, remember to wipe down your pew with the disinfectants provided before you leave church.

THANK YOU

RAFFLE

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 5067

The Knights of Columbus 5067 will be raffling a Buchanan County Mo, Limited Edition, Henry Golden Boy 22 Long Rifle Gun or \$1000 Cash Prize, Friday, March 26, 2021. Donation \$5.00 a chance, or 3 for \$10.00, 10 for \$20.00.

If you would like to purchase chances contact any Knight member in the parish or Steve Culver.

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

CC's cupboards are in need of the following items: laundry soap, toilet tissue, tooth brushes, deodorant, shampoo, soap, tooth paste, 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.

Catholic Charities KCSJ invites you to Ignite the Night with them at the Celebration of Hope Gala on March 20, 2021. This year's Gala will be an entirely virtual experience that you can join from anywhere for free!! At this year's event, they will share with you the work of Catholic Charities during the pandemic and exciting new endeavors that will position them to help more people in the future. You can find information at:

www.CatholicCharitiesGala.org

Prayer Corner

"To everything there is a season and time . . . for every purpose under heaven."

—Ecc. 3-11

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

Ron Kretzer, Kathy Barton, the elderly, and , the chronically ill and their caregivers. For the souls in purgatory. For those who attend to the dying and grieving; for medical professionals and first responders; for the homeless, the lonely and those lost in this world; for those who harbor hatred and especially for those who have no one to pray for them. For the conversion of the enemies of the Good and of the Church; for the protection of children and the innocent.

For our home bound parishioners:

Carolyn O'Brien, Josephine Jackson, Delores White,

Parish Registration

If you are new to our Parish, we encourage you to register: Please introduce yourself to Fr. Schneider after Mass, come to the Parish Office on Tuesday, or log on to our Parish Website at: www.stjosepheaston.org and register.

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, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or crayon@omdbusmankcsj.org 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 information.

Prayers and Sympathy go to the family and friends of Bergie Osterloo. Please pray for Bergie and her family, especially her sister Bonnie Gregory.

Dear Friends in Christ,

On this First Sunday of Lent, Jesus reminds us of our mission—to Repent and believe in the Gospel. In the early Church, as we experience with Christ going out into the desert, this day was called the *caput ieunii* or the head of the fast. It wasn't until a couple of centuries later that in order to make the days of fasting exactly 40 and not just 4 symbolic weeks, that Christians in the West began Lent on the Wednesday before the First Sunday of Lent. I always find it fascinating to look at older Lenten schedules. I came across this Lenten schedule from our very own Diocese of St. Joseph in 1900 in which *each day except for Sunday was a fast day* (with some exceptions for hard laborers and women who were nursing):

"Flesh meat can be eaten on Sundays and at the principle meal on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays and on all Saturdays except for Ember Saturday and Holy Saturday. Meat and fish are not allowed at the same meal. Custom permits coffee, tea, chocolate and a small piece of bread in the morning. Custom permits eggs, butter, milk, etc. to be taken at the evening collation (snack)."

I think it helpful to review the current spirit of Lent in light of the past wherein many did actually harder labor than we ever could, yet some find the two remaining days of fasting and some Friday abstinences (only during Lent) burdensome. Penance, asceticism and self-denial is the hallmark of holiness in the Christian Tradition. Without castigating the body, we can never hope to grow spiritually. Lent is not a contest to see how much we can punish ourselves, or how much we can "take on" either. Following the traditional Lenten practice (if we might try to incorporate at least the spirit of it in our lives), should make us *spiritually* hungry. It should make us more generous to our neighbor. And it should move us to desire more solitude, silence and prayer. Even today, the Church herself enjoins us to have more silence at Mass during this time. It is uncomfortable to we who are bombarded with light and noise, but I urge you to close your eyes, and pray and reflect.

With this penance, we fight loving ourselves over and above our worship of God. As we accompany Jesus all the way to Jerusalem, through His Bloody Passion and Death, we know that in order to receive the gift of immense joy that comes with the Resurrection, we must first look upon the cross. Let us embark on this journey together that we might meet each other with joy at the empty tomb.