

From the Pastor’s Pen...

This week, I would like to briefly resume our study of the Roman Canon (also called *Eucharistic Prayer I*). Following the mention of the Holy Family: “Mary, the Virgin Mother of our Lord and God, Jesus Christ, and Blessed Joseph her spouse.” The prayer lists a series of saints. The first several you will recognize as apostles: *Peter and Paul, Andrew, James, John, Thomas, James, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Simon and Jude*. Here we are mindful that it was to the apostles that Jesus entrusted the Church, and in a special way, the Gift of the Mass itself as he instituted the Eucharist on the night of the Last Supper even as he instituted His priesthood (which, unlike the Jewish priesthood, was to be passed on not by inheritance, but through a specific Divine call and the laying on of hands. Immediately following the apostles several more saints, perhaps a bit less familiar to your ear, are named: *Linus, Cletus, Clement, Sixtus, Cornelius, Cyprian, Lawrence, Chrysogonus, John and Paul, Cosmas and Damian*. The first three, Linus, Cletus and Clement, are the three immediate successors to St. Peter as Pope. **St. Sixtus** is the seventh pope - the *sixth* to follow St. Peter (which is presumably where he gets his name!) It is no surprise that a representation of the earliest saintly popes are included in this Eucharistic Prayer which was specific to the Church of Rome - the Pope being the Bishop of that City! The last pope to be mentioned in this section of the prayer is **St. Cornelius** whose reign as Pope began 125 years after St. Sixtus, yet still happened under persecution. From this we can see that the mention of these Popes also calls to mind the fact that nearly all the Popes of the first three centuries were martyrs for the Faith. The first non-Pope mentioned in the canon is **St. Cyprian**. What is interesting is the fact that he was an early bishop of the north African city of Carthage. He was a prolific writer, encouraging Christians under persecution to remain true to their Faith in Jesus Christ. The inclusion of a non-Roman bishop here emphasizes the relationship the Roman Church had, early on, with the Church in other parts of the world. **St. Lawrence** is the first person named in this series who is not a priest. In fact, Lawrence was a deacon of the Church of Rome, a close collaborator of Pope St. Sixtus II. He was known for his cunning and sense of humor. As deacon, he was entrusted with the administration of the treasury. When he was arrested, the Roman procurator demanded that he produce “the riches of the Church”. He obliged by presenting a sampling of the poor who received the assistance of the Church. In retaliation, he was tortured to death on a gridiron over an open fire. After some time of agony, he famously quipped, “turn me over, I am done on this side!” **St. Chrysogonus**, a lay catechist in the early Church of Rome, was also martyred for his refusal to renounce his Faith. Next come two sets of brothers: **John and Paul**, who were Roman Imperial officers who converted to Christianity; and **Cosmas and Damian**, who were physicians who used their skill to heal, but refused to accept payment for their services. The inclusion of laymen in this part of the prayer clearly reminds us that the Church is not simply the clergy, in fact the vast majority of Her members are the lay faithful who live lives of discipleship in the world while plying their quite ordinary trades.

Every so often, I think it is important to offer a reminder about church etiquette. Out of respect for the Sacredness of our Church and in consideration for your brothers and sisters in Christ, please remember: Before and after Mass, ***please maintain a reverent quiet in church.*** Many people like to pray (either joining the Rosary or praying privately) in preparation for Mass and in an extended thanksgiving for Holy Communion after Mass. If you feel compelled to carry on conversation (with another person in church or with someone on the other end of the phone line) please quietly exit the church and take your conversation outside. Please do not bring food into church. If you have small children who may become hungry, ***please feed them at home before coming to Mass.*** Eating and drinking in church is both disrespectful and distracting, and it often leaves a mess for others to clean up. If you have a true medical need (diabetes, for example) to keep some small amount of food close at hand, and you must consume that during Mass please quietly excuse yourself from Church and retire to the vestibule to attend to that need; Remember (especially during the warmer summer months) to dress in a modest and appropriate way for Mass. Clothes that you wear to the beach or to the gym are likely not appropriate for Mass. In the event that you will need to change after Mass (say you’re headed directly to the beach!) you may bring your change of clothes in a bag and use the restrooms to change after Mass is over. Following these simple guidelines will make Mass a more prayerful and more positive experience for all of us. Thank you.

- Fr. Totton



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## Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

July 14, 2019

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Ed Fisher  
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Steve White

**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.



**TO PROTECT OUR CHILDREN: REPORT ABUSE**  
**Diocesan OMBUDSMAN:** 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 July 14

8:00 a.m. Rose Ann West †  
by the West girls

### Tuesday July 16

#### Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

7:00 a.m. Intentions of the Blessed Mother

### Sunday July 21

8:00 a.m. Mike Grier †  
by the Connett family

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

### Birthdays

Michael Curran July 14  
Stacey Brown July 21



### Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Antle July 19

"If you do not know your own dignity and condition, you cannot value anything at its proper worth." Saint Bonaventure, Doctor of the Church.

Feast day, July 15th



Are you or a loved one suffering from abortion? Find hope and allow God to heal your heart by attending a **Rachel's Vineyard** weekend retreat. The second of three 2019 retreats to be held in the Kansas City area will be on July 26-28.

For more information or to register, please call Teresa O'Donnell at (816) 679-4973 or email [rvkcmo@gmail.com](mailto:rvkcmo@gmail.com) or visit [www.rachelsvineyardkc.org](http://www.rachelsvineyardkc.org).



## WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

### July 14 - 8 a.m. Mass

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

### July 21- 8 a.m. Mass

**Greeter:** Hubert Gregory  
**Lectors:** Bonnie Gregory, Jan Pottier  
**Ministers:** Doug Ottinger, Wayne Weipert, Jim Ingle  
**Counters:** Richard and Mary Ann LaFollette

### Weekend Collection - July 7, 2019

Envelopes: \$ 1540  
Plate: \$ 123  
**Total Parish:** \$ 1673

#### \*Fiscal Year Budget July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020

July-to-Date: \$ 1,540.00  
July Budget \$ \*  
Year-to-Date: \$ 1,540.00  
Year Budget: \$ \*

\*(the 2019-2020 fiscal year is awaiting final approval)

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

### 1st Annual

### "In His Presence"

### Eucharistic Adoration Conference

Coronation of Our Lady of Peace Parish

13000 Bennington Ave., Grandview, MO

Saturday, September 14th 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Only \$10.00 with lunch included

Hosted by the Office of Divine Worship

Register at

<https://kcsj catholic.org/office/divine-worship/>



### Mark your Calendars

**Altar Society** - Meets in the Parish Hall after Donut Sunday

**Donut Sunday** - August 4

### Knights of Columbus Council #5067

Jay Pflugradt, Grand Knight  
1st & 3rd Thursday, 7 p.m.  
Rosary 3rd Thursday, 6:30 p.m.

### Recitation of Holy Rosary

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

### Please note our new email address:

[stjosepheaston@gmail.com](mailto:stjosepheaston@gmail.com)

### 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).



### A Walking Pilgrimage for the Feast of St. James along our own El Camino de Santiago (the Way of St. James)

Join us for a ten-mile walking pilgrimage along country roads between Seven Dolors Church and the Mir House of Prayer. We will meet at Mir House of Prayer on Saturday, July 20, 2019, at 6:30 a.m. and then drive to Seven Dolors Church to begin our walk.

Bring your Rosary, water and snacks, comfortable shoes, and clothing for rain or hot sun. Feel free to bring your dog for the walk and a picnic lunch and bottle of wine to enjoy on the beautiful Mir House grounds at the end of the pilgrimage!



Contact Joshua or Lindsey at [jcbachman@gmail.com](mailto:jcbachman@gmail.com) or Kelly (text 574-276-9378) with any questions.

### 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, Wayne Totton, Ed Fisher, Amy Dobrowansky, Fr. Phil Luebbert, 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, 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.

*" . . . 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.

### 20th Annual Midwest Catholic Family Conference Century II Convention Center, Wichita, KS August 2-4, 2019

### "My Soul Magnifies the Lord"

Speakers include Steve Ray, Fr. Donald Calloway, Dr. Ray Guarendi,

Tim Staples and Stephanie Gray.

For more information:  
[www.catholicfamilyconference.org](http://www.catholicfamilyconference.org)



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@ombusmankcsj.org](mailto:crayon@ombusmankcsj.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](mailto:chastain@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.