

From the Pastor's Desk:

I am writing this Sunday’s bulletin column from the seat of an airplane 30,000 feet above the Indian Ocean. By the time I land in Kansas City on Sunday evening, I will have literally traveled around the world, flying through Tokyo, Singapore, Diego Garcia, Bahrain, London and New Orleans! I also spent the bulk of my time just south of the equator where it’s summer! My friend, Father Nicholas Reid, an Air Force chaplain in Anchorage, found it curious that I was called up for temporary duty in the tropics when Missouri is being pummeled by a seemingly endless series of winter storms. I know I should feel a little guilty about this. It is an honor to serve those who serve our Country, and it is a special privilege to be able to see the world while doing so. On Diego Garcia, I learned a lot of lessons which I hope to share with you in the coming months. The Island, an overseas territory of Great Britain, is a military installation comprised primarily of a U.S. Navy Support Facility, a few small U.S. Air Force commands, civilian Merchant Mariners, Filipino and American contractors and a tiny British military force which provides police and customs and immigration agents. With so many different people performing so many different jobs, Diego Garcia has a motto:“One Island, One Team, One Mission.”

I was impressed with how so many folks wearing different uniforms, coming from different parts of the globe, worked together to accomplish one mission. In that, I saw a metaphor for the Universal Church. St. Paul has said it in words far more eloquent than mine, but I was privileged to see the concept played out in an unlikely place. Due to the remote nature of the place, and the infrequent flights to and from the island, there is a sense of being “stuck” (even if your command has granted you leave); a knowledge that there is a life outside this isolated place, but that attaining it is difficult to say the least and requires a tremendous amount of planning and patience. There is also a sense that, however remote, the mission of Diego Garcia is *not inconsequential* to the wider aims of the United States armed forces and our allies. What happens in our parish – and in our homes, for that matter – has implications for the mission of the wider church – including the diocese and the universal Church. This is at the heart of the recently announced diocesan vision: *One Family: Restored in Christ – Equipped for Mission*. It is my hope, over the next several months, seeking the guidance of parishioners, to develop plans by which our parishes can incorporate the wider diocesan vision in specific ways into our regular activities.

-Fr. Joseph Totton



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Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time

March 3, 2019

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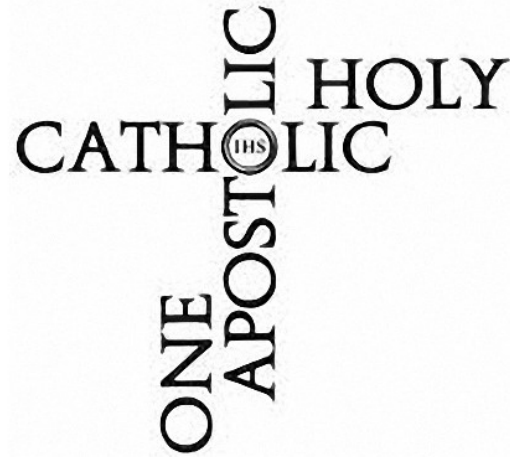
MASS SCHEDULE
Sunday 8:00 a.m.
Ash Wednesday 6:30 a.m.

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
OMBUDSMAN: Jenifer Valenti – 816.812.2500
DIOCESAN VICTIM ADVOCATE: Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org



Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday March 3
8:00 a.m. Louis Pottier †
by Pottier family

Sunday March 10
8:00 a.m. Carl and Irene Kemmer †
by Roth family

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

Birthdays

March Linnie Huber March 3
Joe Huber March 7
Michael Kempf March 8
Steven White March 10

Happy Birthdays!



Coming soon

Safe Haven Sunday

March 10:

Equipping the Family, Safeguarding Children

The family home is to be a safe haven. But the inappropriate use of technology in the home deprives it of its role, and is the greatest threat to the sanctity of marriage and families today. Pornography and other online threats are often one click away, and parents can feel overwhelmed with not knowing how to best protect their children in our fast-paced digital world. The day of awareness will provide access to practical resources that any caring adult can use to protect themselves and our young people from online risks. To learn more, please contact The Office of Domestic Church and Discipleship and 816-714-2373 or visit kcsjfamily.org/protectyourfamily.

The time has come for our poinsettias to go to other homes!

After Mass, please feel free to take one or more plants home with you this weekend. Thank you!



WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

March 3- 8 a.m. Mass

Greeter: Hubert Gregory
Lectors: Jordan Roth, Jan Pottier
Ministers: Marylou Euler, Paul Pottier, Jim Ingle
Counters: Tony Kauzlarich, Rudy Wolford

March 10 - 8 a.m. Mass

Greeter: Jim Ingle
Lectors: Scott Antle, Jordan Roth
Ministers: Jan Pottier, Paul Pottier
Wayne Weipert
Counters: Jan and Paul Pottier

March 6th, Ash Wednesday Volunteers needed

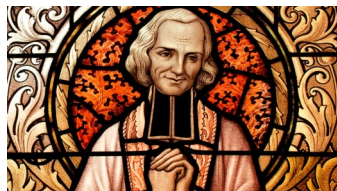
Weekend Collection - February 24, 2019

Envelopes: \$ 1520.00
Plate: \$ 268.00
Mass Stipends \$ 300.00
Candles \$ 25.00

Total Parish: \$ 2,113.00

Fiscal Year Budget July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019

February-to-Date: \$ 6,883.00
February Budget \$ 7,550.00
Year-to-Date: \$ 73,554.00
Year Budget: \$ 90,600.00



The incorrupt heart of St. Jean Vianney, patron of parish priests,

will be visiting the Cathedral of St. Joseph, 519 N. 10th Street in St. Joseph, on March 19, the Feast of St. Joseph, 2019. The Shrine of Ars, France, has made this major relic available for a national tour in the United States. The Knights of Columbus is hosting this tour and welcomes you to this special opportunity to offer veneration to a saint who is a model of holiness and integrity for clergy and laity alike. The day will begin with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 8:00 a.m.; reception of the relic and Veneration follows throughout the day until 8:00 p.m. Confessions will be made available. Evening Vespers begin at 5:30 p.m. For more information about St. Jean Vianney and the relic tour, please visit www.kofc.org/vianney

Mark your Calendars—Parish Events

Parish & Finance Council
Tuesday, February 12 at 6 p.m. in Rectory

Altar Society
Parish Hall after Donut Sunday—March 3

Hand Linens -March/April: Nannette Wolford

Donut Sunday - March 3— John McPhee and Wayne Weipert

Knights of Columbus Council #5067

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

Recitation of Rosary

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

Feast of St. Joseph Mass and dinner— Tuesday, March 19th
Mass at 5:45 p.m. with dinner to follow. Details TBA.



Masses

St. Joseph 6:30 a.m.
OLOG in St. Joseph 8:00 a.m.
6:00 p.m.
St. Ann, Plattsburg 7:00 p.m.

There is no Mass at Seven Dolors for Ash Wednesday.

"It is our suffering that makes us like to Him." -
St. Therese of Lisieux



LIGHT + LIFE: A JPPI FAMILY APOSTOLATE

Join us for a **Married Couples Retreat, March 22-24, 2019**, at Conception Abbey, 37174 State Highway VV, Conception, MO 64433. Discover anew your relationship with your spouse and Jesus! This retreat is a time for rest and recommitment and is offered in a new, shorter retreat format with lower cost. More information and registration can be found at <https://kcsjfamily.org/light-life>.



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, Bubba Miller, Amy Dobrowansky, 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 and those lost in this world; for those who harbor hatred and especially for those who have no one to pray for them. For those who suffer from addictions, that they make seek support and come to know God's healing.

" . . . 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.

Please notify the parish office of any new intentions or of any names that should be removed.

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.



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 information.