



St. Joseph Church

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PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Jim Ingle

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Mike Roth

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CEMETERY BOARD

Mike Roth

Steve White

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.



Jesus said to his disciples: “Be watchful! Be Alert! You don’t know when the time will come. What I say to you, I say to all: “Watch!”

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  for the
Intentions  Week

Sunday November 28th

8:00a.m. Chad Klein+
By The Klein Family
Brent LaFollette
By Steve & Pat Culver

Sunday December 5th

8:00a.m. Susan Merrigan
By The Merrigan Family



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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| Christie Ottinger | December 3rd |
| Charles Barton | December 6th |
| Marylou Euler | December 6th |
| Julie Houser | December 8th |

CONGRATULATIONS & BEST WISHES TO EVERYONE

Everyone is invited to attend the annual

Holiday Brunch

Sunday, December 5th,

following mass in the Parish

There will be a sign up sheet this year in the back of church so please plan to attend and bring a breakfast item of your choice (more of casserole's , fruit, muffins, etc.) Thank you. We hope to see you there!



WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

November 28th, 8a.m. Mass

Greeters: Richard LaFollette

Lectors: Scott Antle

Jay Pflugradt

Counters: Paul & Jan Pottier

December 5th, 8a.m. Mass

Greeters: Wayne Weipert

Lectors: Jim Ingle

Bonnie Gregory

Counters: Richard & Mary Ann
LaFollette

December 12th, 8a.m. Mass

Greeters: Richard LaFollette

Lectors: Jordan Roth

Jan Pottier

Counters: Paul & Jan Pottier

Weekend Collection

November 21st, 2021

Envelopes: \$ 1,655.00

Plate: \$ 123.00

Total Parish: \$ 1,778.00

Siding & Window Fund \$ 00.00

Fund Raiser \$ 150.00

*Fiscal Year Budget July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

November-to-Date: \$ 5,889.00

November Budget \$ 6,456.00

Year-to-Date: \$ 34,589.89

Year Budget \$ 77,467.00

Siding Fund-to-Date \$ 13,350.00

Salvage from Siding \$ 1,065.00

Fund Raiser \$ 16,144.00

Thank You for your continued support

Mark Your Calendars

Holiday Brunch- December 5th

Knights of Columbus Council #5067

Richard LaFollette, Grand Knight

Hubert Gregory, Deputy Grand Knight

Meetings 1st & 3rd Thursday, 7 p.m.

Recitation of the Rosary— 2nd Sunday to the month

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO HOST COFFEE & DONUTS

THERE IS A SIGN UP SHEET ON THE BACK BULLETIN BOARD

“GIVE FROM THE HEART” FUNDRAISER

\$16,144

You are an awesome parish community! We have now gone over last year's donations and the best part is we did it with **NO WORK**. Thank you to everyone for your contribution.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 5067

WINTER COAT DRIVE

The Knights are collecting coats for needy children in Saint Joseph as a coordinated event with the Grace House of St. Joseph. Please donate winter coats that fit children ages 4 through 10 or you may make a cash donation. Mittens and winter hats are also accepted. All donations must be turned in by December 5th. For more information contact: Richard LaFollette

NEW CD FROM THE NUNS IN GOWER

The Benedictines of Mary, Queen of Apostles are back with a new album for 2021. It's been a long three years since their last release, in 2018, but the sisters have finally finished what may be their best record to date. Their new 20-song album, Christ the King at Ephesus, brings together some of the finest sacred music with an original hymn written by their very own Mother Cecilia.



Prayer Corner

*“To everything there is a season and time. . .
for every purpose under heaven.”*

—Ecc. 3-11

“ . . . a time to heal. . . ”

Mary Fisher, Ron Kretzer, Kathy Barton, the elderly, and the chronically ill and their caregivers.

For our home bound parishioners

Carolyn O'Brien, Josephine Jackson, Delores White



KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS

ATTENTION MEN OF OUR CHURCH

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 5067 WOULD LIKE TO ENCOURAGE THE MEN OF OUR PARISH TO CONSIDER JOINING THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS. MEMBERSHIP IN THIS FRATERNAL ORGANIZATION WILL GIVE YOU THE OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE BACK TO YOUR COMMUNITY AND TO GROW IN YOUR FAITH. WE BELIEVE EACH MAN CAN BENEFIT FROM THIS MEMBERSHIP. IF INTERESTED YOU CAN GET INFORMATION FROM ANY OF THE FELLOW KNIGHTS IN THE CHURCH. THEY WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU BECOME A MEMBER OF THEIR COUNCIL.

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 at 816 392-0011 or victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL CAN FOOD DRIVE

As part of the Featured Program this month The Knights of Columbus, Council 5067, are trying to collect a minimum of 1,000 pounds of food to donate back to the community. Please donate the #10 can of Green Beans and Corn, for this will be a great help to the Food Kitchen. They have collected 20 of the #10 for the month of October. This will help the Council reach their goal to make Star Council and “it is the right thing to do, for the community. Anyone wishing to donate see Richard LaFollette or Hubert Gregory

Dear Friends in Christ,

Today marks the beginning of the liturgical year, the First Sunday of Advent. The Church proposes for us a discourse on the apocalypse yet again. This time, however, we are preparing to enter into the mystery of the Lord's First Coming as the Divine Child in flesh at Bethlehem. While we are always preparing for the Second Coming of Christ where He will judge the living and the dead in glory for the General Judgment, we prepare in Advent by intensifying our self-denial to make a place for the Divine Child at Christmas.

For many, Christmas has unfortunately already started. Look around any town and as soon as Halloween ends, people begin putting up the decorations signifying a vacuous "Holiday Season" which includes the month of November and December only to throw away the Christmas tree on the 26th of December. How sad! The actual celebration of Christmas is 12 days of feasting followed by a general time of focusing on this mystery all the way until February 2nd.

A true celebration of Advent that is sober, penitential and silent is actually what the Church asks us to do. It corresponds to the ebb and flow of fast and feast which allows us to magnify the authentic joy of Christmas. For that reason, there is more silence at Mass for our reflection—Christ comes into the world in the silence of the night. Advent doesn't include merriment because what is the actual merriment of Christmas worth if it is not contrasted with preparation? It falls flat. Some dioceses in the early twentieth century used to require that Fridays of Advent were not only the normative days of abstinence from flesh meat, but also a day of fasting. If we think about it, that's a small gift we can offer the Lord of our own self-denial. Although the penances of Advent in the West were not typically as severe as those of Lent, we should remember that the point of this season is joyful expectation through penance, a serious preparation of the heart to receive the innocence of Jesus. Even a small amount of self-denial can ready us, re-adjust us so that when the Lord finally comes at Christmas, we are not overloaded with a false party spirit which overstimulates us and makes us tired and sapped, but a true spirit of actual merriment, joy and happiness at the coming of the Christ in the Manger. When the Lord arrives at Christmas, we are to feast for 12 whole days! Today, however, begins our solemn preparation. Let us clean our interior houses so that we can receive the Divine Guest at Christmas.