Dear Friends in Christ,

I have had the opportunity to meet so many of you this week; I am very excited to be here. Thank you for making me already feel a part of the St. Joseph parish family. Next week, Fr. Totton will return for the 8:00 A.M. Sunday Mass and a farewell reception. We wish Fr. Totton well in his new path as a Navy chaplain.

The weekend of the 14this special in the liturgical calendar. In the monastic tradition, the yearly fast began again and the fall Ember Days (Wednesday, Friday and Saturday) were also opportunities to fast and pray for the clergy. The 14this notable in particular because of the great feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. It was in the 4thcentury where the emperor Constantine sent his mother St. Helena to the Holy Land in search of relics from the life of Christ. As the tradition states, when the True Cross was lifted from among many, people were healed by touching it. In any Eastern Orthodox or Catholic Church, you will not see INRI above the cross, but the Greek inscription "The King of Glory." King in Greek is "basileos." There is one tradition that has a leaf of basil growing out of the wood of the cross when it is lifted up. To this day, the Eastern Church blesses basil in honor of the King of Glory who was lifted up on the cross for our salvation. As we are planted with Christ next to the cross, may we also be lifted up with Him in glory.

On a separate note, the list of credibly accused clergy who abused minors was published by Bishop Johnston this last week. The bishop has asked priests to speak about this issue at the Sunday Masses. I know that hearing about these things again often sparks a variety of emotions from anger to disappointment to testing our faith. It is true that our Church is going through a great scourging at the moment as more and more is revealed; I know this is painful for all involved most especially in the context of our parish family. Should you like to speak with me about this topic, please know that I am available. Let us pray together for the purification of our Church and for those who were harmed by abuse. May God reward you.

Fr. Eric Schneider

At the cross her station keeping, Stood the mournful Mother weeping, Close to Jesus to the last.





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Twenty-Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

September 15, 2019

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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@diocesekcsi.org



Sunday

September 15

8:00 a.m. Delbert Harvey †

Tuesday

September 17

7:00 a.m.

Darlene Hanway†

by John and Imogene Richey

Sunday

September 22

8:00 a.m. Donna Ruoff †

by the Connett family

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

Birthdays

James O'Brien September 16 Amy Adams September 18 Lindsey Edwards September 18 Emma Klein September 18 Buena Hake September 20 September 20 Blaise Kriley Nannette Wolford September 21 McKenzie Crouse September 22

Anniversaries

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Bethmann September 16
Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Fisher September 22



Farewell breakfast with Biscuits and Gravy and more with Fr. Totton!

thankful

Sunday, September 22nd following Mass in the parish hall.

The 2019 Annual Assembly of the Missouri Catholic Conference in our state capital, Jefferson City, is coming up October 5th. The keynote speaker this year will be David Bereit, Founder of 40 Days for Life. The breakout sessions will include speakers sharing their experiences in various social issues; criminal justice, education, immigration, pro-life and more. There is no cost to you, even the boxed luncheon is free! Bus transportation from Kansas City is available for minimal fee. Child care is available for free with registration.

For more information go to www.mocatholic.org



September 15 - 8 a.m. Mass

Greeter: Hubert Gregory

Lectors: Scott Antle, Jordan Roth Ministers: Jan Pottier, Paul Pottier,

Wayne Weipert

Counters: Jan and Paul Pottier

September 22- 8 a.m. Mass

Greeter: Richard LaFollette
Lectors: Doug Ottinger, Jim Ingle
Ministers: Wayne Weiper, Doug Ottinger

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Counters: Richard and Mary Ann LaFollette

Weekend Collection - September 8, 2019

Envelopes: \$ 1940
Plate: \$ 1079
Mass stipends \$ 20

Total Parish: \$ 30

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

 September-to-Date:
 \$ 4,519.00

 September Budget
 \$ 7,900.00

 Year-to-Date:
 \$ 14,815.00

 Year Budget:
 \$ 94,720.00

The next Freedom in Christ series based on the book Unbound: A Practical Guide to Deliverance by Neal Lozano

is scheduled to begin Sunday, October 6th at St. Andrew the Apostle Parish, 6415 NE Antioch Rd, Gladstone, MO in the Fr. Pilecki Room. The 8-part series will be held on Sundays the 6th, the 13th, the 20th and the 27th in October, concluding on a retreat November 1-3 at the Franciscan Retreat Center in Independence. The cost of the workbook, materials and retreat is \$145. Limited availability. Registration due by Oct. 1st. For information and register to email unbound.kc@gmail.com call or 816-365-3673 or 816-289-2506.



Mark your Calendars

Altar Society - Meets in the Parish Hall after Donut Sunday **Donut Sunday** - October 6

Knights of Columbus Council #5067

Julian Moreno, 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.

Biscuits and Grave breakfast with Fr. Totton-September 22

Work day at St. Joseph-Sat. September 28th-9a.m.-noon



Saturday, September 28th 9 a.m.– noon Work day at St. Joseph Church!

We will be painting the entry to the house, garage, 2 LP tanks, and the entry

to under the church. Also, we will be cleaning out the gutters and power washing the north side of the church. There will be a sign up sheet in the back of church. All materials will be supplied. Contact Mike Roth if you have and questions. 816-547-8844

The 11th Annual Partnering for Future Priests Dinner and Auction is coming up soon! This year's event will take place on **October 4th at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish** in St. Joseph.

The ticket price is \$50 per person with eight people to a table. We begin the evening with prayer and continue with a great evening of good food, great company and the opportunity to bid on one-of-a-kind items in silent and live auctions!

Donations for the auctions such as gift cards, crafts, quilts, and commitments for baked goods are being accepted at this time. We would also like your help by placing an ad to help promote your company, organization or parish in our program.



To donate and/or for questions please contact Hubert or Bonnie Gregory at 816-473-2016. To register and pay securely online go to www.conception.edu/pfp.

Prayer Corner

"To everything there is a season and time.

for every purpose under heaven."

—Есс. 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 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 Fr. Totton and Fr. Schneider in this time of transition.

". . . 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.

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 last retreat of 2019 to be held in the Kansas City area will be on October 25-27. For more information or to register, please call Teresa O'Donnell at (816) 679-4973 or email rvkcmo@gmail.com or visit www.rachelsvineyardkc.org

Keep in touch with Fr. Totton! His new address is:

Fr. Joseph Totton PO Box 109

Independence, MO 64051-0109

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
- 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.