

St. Joseph Church

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Dear Friends in Christ,

This coming week, all of the priests of the diocese will be at the Lake of the Ozarks from Monday-Thursday for the annual Priest Convocation with Bishop Johnston. I will return on Thursday evening and we will have Mass on Friday morning along with adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 12:00 P.M. Please pray for Fr. Phil Luebbert, our former pastor, who has been placed on hospice with cancer. I know he would appreciate your prayers or even a visit at the Jeanne Jugan center where he resides.

After Masses today, I invite you to take a tour of the sacristy and parish office. Please walk to the sacristy door by the parking lot and meet me there. So often, this is one of the rooms of a church building that many don't get a chance to see. I will speak more about this in the parish announcements.

The 29th of September is a special day in the Medieval Church calendar. Today was once called Michaelmas or the Feast of St. Michael the Archangel. It has been reduced in the modern calendar to the Feast of the Archangels—alas, the Sunday in Ordinary Time outranks it. At any rate, Michael's name in Hebrew means "Who is like God." Very often, Michael is pictured with a shield in his hand that says this Hebrew phrase in Latin "Quis ut Deus." St. Michael appears in Sacred Scripture in Jude and also in Revelation and is usually pictured as slaying Satan after Satan's choice to rebel against God. There is a very small difference between good angels and bad angels—the ultimate choice that is irrevocable for them is to be LIKE God (Good angels) or to want to BE God and overthrow His dominion (demons). That is the same choice that Adam and Eve had as well—to want to be like Him (to serve Him, know Him, to be like Him by worshipping Him); or what is evil—to rebel and grab at God's Dominion over creation and try to take His place.



In popular American culture, we often hear when someone dies—"My baby's an angel." Well, not really. Angels are essentially intelligences without bodies created by God that know things by their causes. They are infinitely more intelligent than the human mind. The typical human depiction of an angel with wings can perhaps be traced back to ancient Israel and the human depiction of the Seraphim that surrounded the ark. The wings represent their speed for they are not bound by space or time like we are or even a body. Praying to the angels is important. Just like saints, angels are intercessors before the throne of God with each angel being defined by his duty. St. Michael is known as a strong defense against all things demonic and evil. If you don't know the St. Michael prayer, please learn it. It is one of the most powerful prayers against evil in this world. The intercession of angels is real. When we celebrate the Feast of the Guardian Angels on October 2, I will write a bit more about how angels are traditionally divided and a bit more about what the role of the guardian angel is in our lives. Many blessings!

Fr. Eric Schneider

Twenty-Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

September 29, 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@diocesekcsj.org

Mass  for the
Intentions  Week

Sunday September 29

8:00 a.m. Doug Bembrick †
by Mary Bembrick

Tuesday October 1

7:00 a.m. no Mass

Sunday October 6

8:00 a.m. Jack West †
by the West girls

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

 **WEEKEND**
MINISTRY SCHEDULE

September 29 - 8 a.m. Mass

Greeter: Knights of Columbus

Lectors: Knights of Columbus

Ministers: Knights of Columbus

Counters: Jordan and Amanda Roth

October 6 - 8 a.m. Mass

Greeter: Hubert Gregory

Lectors: Bonnie Gregory, Jan Pottier

Ministers: Doug Ottinger, Wayne Weipert, Jim Ingle

Counters: Tony Kauzlarich, Dick Crowell

Weekend Collection - September 22, 2019

Envelopes: \$ 957
Plate: \$ 131

Total Parish: \$ 1088

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

September-to-Date: \$ 6,838.00
September Budget \$ 7,900.00
Year-to-Date: \$ 17,134.00
Year Budget: \$ 94,720.00

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

Rachel's Vineyard-Kansas City
Healing Hearts in the Heart of the Nation



On September 29, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Archangels, among whom is St. Raphael, whose name means "God's remedy".

There are many people in the world today who are suffering grievously due to abortion decisions in their past, and God longs to heal them. One of His remedies is found in every Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat. If you or a loved one are suffering from an abortion decision, please consider attending one of these healing retreats. The next one in Kansas City will be on **October 25-27, 2019**. For more information or to register, please contact Teresa O'Donnell at (816) 679-4973 or at rvkcmo@gmail.com.

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.

walk for LIFE **Sunday, October 6th, is the annual Life Day in St. Joseph!**

Participants will be walking one of three distance options, or attending the Life Chain at Bishop Le-Blond High School at 2pm, and ending the day with a family-friendly rally at Le-Blond at 3:30pm, where there will be music and inspirational speakers! **A shuttle bus will be provided after the rally to return walkers to their starting points.** The Life Walk starting points are: Frederick Boulevard Baptist Church, leaving at 1:50pm (3.7 miles); picking up walkers at 2:15pm at the MWSU Spring Sports Complex (2.2 miles), and at 2:40pm, East Hills Library (1 mile). If you are unable to walk any of these distances, you are invited to attend the Life Chain and rally at Bishop Le Blond High School. Your presence and support is important!

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.



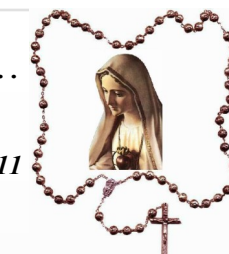
To donate and/or for questions please contact Hubert or Bonnie Gregory at 816-473-2016. To register and pay securely online go to www.conception.edu/pfp.

Prayer Corner

"To everything there is a season and time . . .

for every purpose under heaven."

—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 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.

"All the darkness in the world cannot extinguish the light of a single candle."-St. Francis of Assisi, feast day October 4

First Saturday Devotion

Mass and Confessions at Mir House of Prayer. Fr. Christian Malewski, Pastor of Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, offers Confession at 7:00 a.m. and Mass at 8:00 a.m. every first Saturday of the month at Mir House of Prayer, 6492 NE Hwy 6 in St. Joseph.

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.

- The Catholic young adult group for St. Joseph, **Coram Deo**, is meeting on Friday, October 4th, for First Fridays!

Meet at the Mir House of Prayer at 6:10pm for Adoration and Reconciliation, followed by Mass at 7pm. Please eat beforehand. All young adults aged 22-35 are invited to attend. We hope to see you there! Questions? Please contact Ally Goetz at agoetz@olog.org

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