



Saint Joseph Catholic Church

Founded in 1835

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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time—August 17, 2014

With the Lord there is mercy; in Him is plentiful redemption.

Mass Schedule

Saturdays 5 p.m., Sundays 7 a.m. and 9 a.m.
 Tuesdays through Fridays 8:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Marriage

Catholic statewide policy requires six (6) months of preparation. To set your wedding date, you must contact the pastor first. No date secure without contacting the priest personally. Please call the parish office.

Holydays of Obligation for 2014

Jan. 1, Mary Mother of God
 Aug. 15, The Assumption of Mary
 Dec. 8, Immaculate Conception
 Dec. 25, Nativity of the Lord

CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays: 4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.; Sundays: 6:30 a.m. - 6:50 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. - 8:50 a.m. or any time by appointment.

St. Joseph School Principal	Tammy Ogden	455-2339
Parish Council President	Gary Schanzmeyer	455-2779
School Board President	Mary Corey	455-2763
Home and School President	Steve Massman	455-2661
Parish Secretary	Janice Plassmeyer	455-2320
Parish Nurse	Vicki Sallin	455-2339, ext. 127
Convent		455-2212
Sister Cindy Weber		455-2339
St. Anne's Sewing Circle	Dorothy Fennwald	455-2529
Parish Cemetery	Chris Massman	455-2221
K of C Grand Knight	Keith Cavender	455-2306
K of C Ladies Aux Pres.	Darla Veltrop	291-0047
Knights of Columbus Hall Rental (Gary Berhorst)		455-2721
Prayer calling tree	Alice Reinkemeyer	455-2523
	or Dorothy Bock	455-2470

Mass Schedule for the Week

Monday, August 18

NO MASS

Tuesday, August 19

Saint John Eudes

8:00 a.m. Carl Massman

Wednesday, August 20

Saint Bernard

8:00 a.m. Walter and Catherine Bock

Scripture study immediately after Mass

Thursday, August 21

Saint Pius X

7:35 a.m. Rosary—Connie Reichart

8:00 a.m. Conrad, Betty and Harold Rehagen

7:00 p.m.—Rosary Group

Friday, August 22

The Queenship of Mary

8:00 a.m. Martha Fennwald

Saturday, August 23

5:00 p.m. Glenn Berhorst

Sunday, August 24

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. Norman Kloepfel

9:00 a.m. Living and deceased members of St. Joseph Parish

Prayer List

Please keep in your prayers:

Dave Wilde, Lil Cavender, Rita Luebbering, Betty Luecke, Stephanie Eichholz, Mary Lou Heckman, Kyleigh Phillips, Vernita Woehr, Kellie (Nilges) Bertels, Ray and Rose Mary Bishop, M.O., Darlene Massman, Brian Heimericks, Richard Plassmeyer, Anton (Curly) Bure, Leona Eichholz, Margaret Romph, Dionne Reinkemeyer, Deanna Shirley, Dorothy Even, Jenny (Samson) Morgan, Charlie Peters, Jr., Glen Kloepfel, Patty Antry, Elizabeth Bauer, Bev Plassmeyer, Judy Plassmeyer, Evelyn Thurman, Courtney Eichholz, and Viola Hodges.

If you wish to add/remove a name, need a prayer, hospital visit, support in grieving or a difficult pregnancy, call the rectory at 455-2320.

Pray for Priests - This week you are asked to pray for the following priests: Monday, Rev. Charles D. Pardee; Tuesday, Rev. Thomas D. Hereford; Wednesday, Rev. Thomas L. Alber; Thursday, **Msgr.**

Robert A. Kurwicki; Friday, Rev. Daniel P. Ewald; Saturday, Msgr. Marion J. Makarewicz; and Sunday, Rev. Wayne M. Boyer.

WORD OF LIFE:

“Through the vulnerability and dependence of the dying person, we discover a call to reach beyond ourselves to those around us and ultimately to God Himself.”

— Ruth Ashfield, “The Gift of the Dying Person,” *Communio*, 39, Fall 2012

Parish election results: School Board — Steve Massman and Marcia Hale; Liturgy Committee — Gretchen Berhorst and Suzie Dickneite; Cemetery — Chris Massman and Scott Schulte; Social Concerns — Eleanor Kloepfel and Mary Kay Schulte; Parish Council — Vicki Dickneite and Kevin Huber.

SCRIP will be on sale before and after all weekend Masses on August 16-17 and 30-31.

Parish Support Report 2014-2015

Last weekend (Offertory), we received \$ 10,512.00

Total Offertory YTD: \$ 73,950.80

Total Offertory FY13-14: \$ 691,438.19

Thank you for your generosity.

Bulletin deadline - Items for bulletin must be received by 4:00 p.m. on Tuesdays (455-2320) prior to the weekend's bulletin. Items can also be emailed to bulletinemail@yahoo.com.

SCRIP ON SALE THIS WEEKEND! Now that school shopping is complete remember only 19 more Fridays till Christmas! Plan ahead and budget with scrip. If you have any questions, call or text Stacey Rademan at 690-8537, or check stjoescrip@stjosephwestphalia.org.

Liturgy Assignments for August 23—24, 2014

Saturday, August 23, 5:00 p.m.

Rosary: Connie Reichart
Music: Liz Bure and Nora Bock
Servers: Maria and Malory Kloeppe, Loryn Mengwasser
Lector: Madelyn Kloeppe
Offertory Gifts: Kenny Deeken Family

Saturday, August 23, 5:00 p.m. (continued)

Communion Ministers: Ingrid Buthod, Betty Zimmer, Katie Dickneite, Floyd Reinkemeyer, Angela Stuecken
Ushers: Bill and Loretta Berhorst, Leo Schaefer, Ben Plassmeyer, Ron Berhorst

Sunday, August 24, 7:00 a.m.

Rosary: Rita Bax
Music: Lois Sandbothe and Doug Davis
Servers: Kayla Berhorst, Caden Haslag, Claire Kampeter
Lector: Patsy Luebbert
Offertory Gifts: Robert Brugnone Family
Communion Ministers: Alvin Bexten, Melissa Conley, Eleanor Kloeppe, Gloria Schmitz, Arlene Samson
Ushers: Daniel Fechtel, Gus & Janice Boessen, Sam and Arlene Samson

Sunday, August 24, 9:00 a.m.

Rosary: Betsy Groner
Music: Alyssa Bax and Marcia Hale
Servers: Brett Werner, Lucy Williams, Lane Brandow
Lector: Darlene Schanzmeyer
Offertory Gifts: Bryan Hemmel Family
Communion Ministers: Betsy Groner, Reuben Luebbering, Quintin Muenks, Norbert and Eileen Plassmeyer
Ushers: Michael Feltrop, Eric and Evan Kliethermes, Curt Lehmen, Gary Schanzmeyer

Collection Counters: Ann Bexten, Reuben and Rita Luebbering

Deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Emil “Butch” Brune, father of Kristy Luebbert of our parish, who died August 8. May he have eternal rest and may perpetual light shine upon him forever. Amen.

Happy birthday to Ray Bock who celebrated his 90th birthday on August 11. May God bless you and keep you in His care.

Upcoming Meetings and Activities

St. Anne’s Sewing Circle will begin the new season of quilting on Tuesday evening, August 19, from 6 to 9 p.m. and during the day on Wednesday, August 20, in the school cafeteria. New and experienced quilters are welcome.

Natural Family Planning involves no drugs or devices, there are zero health worries and it is immediately reversible when you want to try to conceive a baby. No doctor visits needed, no prescriptions to fill, no unwanted side effects. To learn more, register or RSVP for a FREE introductory session, call Jesse and Missy Bexten at (573) 291-3980, email MidMoNFP@gmail.com or visit MidMoNFP.org.

The Helias Formal Dress Re-Sell sale sponsored by the Helias Parent Club will be held on Saturday, August 23, at the Helias old gym, 1305 Swifts Highway, Jefferson City. From 9 a.m. to 12 noon, bring in dresses, shoes and accessories to sell; from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., shop till you drop; from 4:30 p.m. to 5:15 p.m., pick up money and unsold items. (Unsold items not picked up by 5:15 p.m. will be donated.) Cost: \$5 per dress and \$2 per accessory brought in to sell. For more information, call Molly at 573-619-0146; Susie at 573-680-0161; or Melissa at 573-645-8131.

Saint Anne’s Sewing Circle will have its annual breakfast for all ladies of the parish in the school cafeteria on Sunday, August 24, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

Westphalia K of C Blood Drive on Tuesday, September 2, from 2:30 to 6:30 p.m. Donors are welcome by appointment or walk-in. Please help us reach our goal!

Open House – Please join us for the 60th wedding anniversary open house of Charles and Leona Eichholz on Sunday, September 7, between 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. at the Westphalia Lions. No gifts please!

The Saint Michael the Archangel organization is coordinating the September 29 - October 7 pro-life novena for unborn babies. This multinational novena is a special nine days for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass to be offered and the Rosary to be prayed for the following intention: For the protection of unborn human persons. You may be a part of the September 29 - October 7 pro-life novena for unborn babies by doing one or both of the following: 1) Have the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass offered **at least once on any day during the novena**; 2) **Pray one rosary on each day of the novena. Additional information, including how to register, is available at the website: www.SaintMichaelTheArchangelOrganization.org.**

Message from Sister Cindy

School began this past week and I know I will enjoy teaching three classes again in the mornings to Gr. 6 – 8. I hope to also visit the other classes throughout the year and share some of my experiences with them. I also will look forward to our CCD classes beginning in September. I hope to offer some adult religious education classes this year too, and more information about this will be put in the bulletin in September.

Religious Education: The registration papers are in the back of Church to be picked up if your child will be attending our Preschool Sunday School, K-8 CCD, and High School CCD. There is also information about the JCYC (formerly the Youth Rally) which is for high school students and will be held on September 14. This information is attached to the high school papers.

Please return registration papers by August 31. You can put these papers with the collection on Sunday or drop them off at the parish or school office.

The first Sunday school class will begin on Sunday, September 21.

CCD classes for K-8 and high school students will begin on Wednesday night, September 10, with a Mass at 7:00 p.m. in Church. There will be a short meeting after Mass. A parent is encouraged to attend this Mass and meeting.

Vocation Day: Please pray every Wednesday for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

RCIA: If anyone is interested in joining the Catholic Church, please contact me for more information. The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults involves going to some classes during the year to learn about the Catholic faith. These classes will begin in September.

SCHOOL NEWS

Dear Parishioners,

Welcome back to school! We kicked off the new year with an open house last Sunday. We had a great turnout and a lot of positive comments. All the teachers' prep for the new year has made the transition into a new year go well.

I want to thank all the people who have donated their time, talents, supplies and money towards cleaning, helping fill teachers' wish lists, donated extra supplies, mirrors, etc. Our school looks great and we will continue to add more as we go along throughout the year. THANK YOU!

We need some help with switching the outer door on the ramp side of school to the inner door. We want the outer door to be unlocked and the inner door to lock. If you can help with this job please contact me.

Wish list item: skinny dry erase markers for kindergarten.

Please continue to pray for us as we continue on through this new school year as we will be praying for all the parishioners.

God Bless!

~ Mrs. Tammy Ogden, Principal (togden@stjosephwestphalia.org)

Area Social Events

St. Thomas Parish, St. Thomas, picnic on Sunday, August 17. Serving from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Quilt auction at 5 p.m.

Fried chicken lunch and dinner charity fundraiser at Eagles Club, 1411 Missouri Boulevard, Jefferson City, on Friday, August 22. Lunch served from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Dinner served from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. For deliveries of five or more meals, call the Eagles Aerie at 573-636-2440 before 10:30 a.m. and ask for the kitchen. Proceeds to benefit the Senior Nutrition Center.

Westphalia Lions Club tractor pulling contest will be held on Saturday, August 23, at the Lions Field, starting at 12 noon. Kiddy tractor pull starts at 7:30 p.m. Food and refreshments available on the grounds. No coolers allowed on grounds. Rain date is Saturday, August 30, at 12 noon.

St. Thomas CYO breakfast on Sunday, August 24, in the St. Thomas Parish cafeteria. Serving from 7:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Proceeds are to help offset the cost of Youth Activities. This is a Western Catholic Union matching activity.

Holy Family Parish, Freeburg, picnic on Sunday, August 31. Serving from 11:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Quilt auction at 5 p.m.

Help wanted—An overnight sitter is needed to care for elderly parents. For more information, contact Cherie at 455-2554 or at 573-418-8668.

Many of you have heard the repeated calls of our Holy Father to pray for peace in Iraq. Violence there has escalated as the Islamic State (ISIS) has taken control of large sections of Iraq, destroying, burning and looting churches, homes and businesses. Thousands of Christians and others who choose not to convert to ISIS' extremist brand of Islam have fled for their lives.

His Beatitude Louis Rafael Sako, Chaldean Catholic Patriarch of Iraq, had joined with the international pontifical foundation, Aid to the Church in Need, to call for a Global Day of Prayer for Peace. In the midst of so much suffering in Iraq, especially for the ancient Christian community of Mosul, the Patriarch said that participation in this Global Day of Prayer would be a witness that Christians have not forgotten or abandoned their suffering brothers and sisters in Iraq.

All dioceses have been asked to pray this special prayer written by Patriarch Sako at Masses on Sunday, August 17, and to keep the intentions for peace in the Middle East, but especially Iraq, in the Prayers of the Faithful. We are also encouraged to let our elected representatives know of our concern for Christians and other religious minorities who are in dire straits in Iraq, Syria, Egypt and other countries.

“Lord, the plight of Iraq is deep and the suffering of Christians is severe and frightening. Therefore, we ask You Lord to spare our lives, and to grant us patience, and courage to continue our witness of Christian values with trust and hope. Lord, peace is the foundation of life; grant us the peace and stability that will enable us to live with each other without fear and anxiety, and with dignity and joy. Glory be to You forever.”

† Louis Raphael I Sako

Patriarch Sako went on to pray: “Let us unite our voices and hearts before the Lord of peace. May the light of Tabor fill the hearts of all suffering people with consolation and hope. May the message of Tabor, through our prayers, inspire the leaders of Iraq to sacrifice personal interests for the common good and welfare.”

The Holy Father has said “violence generates more violence; dialogue is the only path to peace.” Let us continue to pray in communion with the Holy Father and with Patriarch Sako for a cessation of the violence and for a peace that will allow people to live in harmony without fear.

From the Pastor's Pen

Dear Parishioners,

Well, school is in full swing. I always feel like I would like to have another week or two before it starts, but it always starts whether I am ready or not.

A few weeks ago I asked you to consider volunteering to direct or assist in the creation of a new parish directory. Our current one is 5 years old and for a parish of our size I think it is time for a new one, especially given how so many of our families have changed. I have not heard from anyone, so I repeat my request. This could be a fantastic way to get to know more of your fellow parishioners and to assist with a valuable pastoral tool. I have asked Sr. Cindy to start contacting companies that create these directories so that we can get some initial information. Please prayerfully consider whether or not you may be able and willing to help your parish family in this way.

It has been awhile since I have written anything about our parish cemeteries. First, I am grateful for the work our cemetery committee does to keep our two cemeteries in good shape. In the future there may be some improvements to the old cemetery as the parish has received a bequest that may go to that cause (the old cemetery was of particular interest to this person but they did not specifically mention this in their bequest - conversation with the family continues). As a point of information and reminder, I would like to point out that the maintenance of headstones is the responsibility of the family/purchaser of the plot. Neither the parish, nor the cemetery committee, is responsible for any damage or problems with the headstone and this is clearly outlined in the cemetery rules and bylaws. I feel I should also point out that black headstones show all the dirt, grass, dust, etc. that may be on them. The black headstones look quite impressive when they are totally clean, but get any dirt, dust, or grass on them and they do not look so good. Individuals are most welcome to place black headstones on their loved ones' graves; I just thought I would point out something I have noticed over the years. The lawn mowers have been asked to try their best to keep all the headstones clean, but the parish is not in the financial position to add to its costs by paying someone to sweep all the headstones clean after every mowing. Also note that the cemetery bylaws also state that decorations may only be placed **on** the headstones except before Memorial Day and All Souls Day. We have been quite lax in enforcing this and there is no drive to rigorously enforce this rule, however, the lawn mowers have indicated to me that some of the decorations on the ground look well past their prime and have made it impossible for them to trim around certain headstones with their weed whackers. Some decorations may be removed to help keep the cemetery looking neat and tidy versus looking like it is overgrown.

Peace to you all,

Fr. Mark Smith