CONFESSIONS:
Saturdays: 4:15 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.; Sundays: 6:30 a.m.; or any time by appointment.

Prayer List
Please keep in your prayers:

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. Daniel Merz; Tuesday, Rev. David J. Veit; Wednesday, Rev. Basil Erro; Thursday, Rev. Henry Ussher; Friday, Rev. Joseph S. Corel; Saturday, Rev. Joby Thomas; and Sunday, Rev. Benjamin Nwosu.

Margaret Rehagen has volunteered to be in charge of ordering and selling religious articles at the parish functions and throughout the year. If you want something from the religious article case or want to order an item, you can call Margaret at 455-2426.

WORD OF LIFE:
“When people are tempted to see their own lives as diminished in value or meaning, they most need the love and assistance of others to assure them of their inherent worth.”—USCCB, “To Live Each Day with Dignity: A Statement on Assisted Suicide“
Saturday, September 16, 5:00 p.m.
Rosary: Connie Reichart
Music: Liz Bure and Gloria Schmitz
Servers: Evan Kliethermes, Ethan Scheulen, Simon Stuecken
Lector: Angie Schulte

Saturday, September 16, 5:00 p.m. (continued)
Communion Ministers: Angie Schulte, Angela Stuecken, Lisa Verslues, Mary Wieberg, Betty Zimmer
Ushers: Scott Schulte, Chad and Will Stuecken, Pete Verslues

Sunday, September 17, 7:00 a.m.
Rosary: Marilyn Wilde
Music: Mary Schwartz, Ella Winkelmand, Sandy Bexten
Servers: Kate Kampeter and Maggie Deeken
Lector: Alvin Bexten
Offertory Gifts: Jim Massman Family
Communion Ministers: Elmer and Rita Bax, Patsy Luebbert, Kristy Luebbert, Barbara Reichart
Ushers: Doug Massman, Jim Massman, Sam Samson, Leo Schaefer

Sunday, September 17, 10:00 a.m.
Rosary: Kathy Stuckenschneider
Music: Sandy Bexten and Marissa Brugnone
Servers: Anna-Belle Massman, Ella Massman, Rachel Meyer
Lector: Steve Massman
Offertory Gifts: Patrick Massman Family
Communion Ministers: Suzanne Massman, Janah Massman, Arlene Samson, Anne Cavender, Mary Corey
Ushers: Donald and Daniel Holterior, Patrick Massman, Steve Massman

Collection Counters: Bill and Mary Kay Schulte, Paul Stratman

Liturgy Assignments for September 16—17, 2017

Upcoming Meetings and Activities

St. Anne’s Sewing Circle will be quilting on Monday evenings from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. and on Tuesdays and Wednesdays during the day in the school cafeteria. All quilters are welcome at any of the times.

Senior citizens’ meeting on Tuesday, September 12, at 12 noon at the Lions’ Den.

Raffle to Help Seniors: The Board of Directors of the Westphalia Senior Citizens Complex is having a raffle of a weekend at the Chateau on the Lake at Branson. We need to raise funds to stop drainage problems and to repair concrete steps between the upper and lower buildings. The winner will be contacted on October 15, 2017, by phone. The winner can use the gift card at his/her schedule. We appreciate your support. To purchase tickets, contact Patrick Steele at 573-301-7847.

Saint Anne’s Sewing Circle will again this year provide a meal for all the ladies of the parish; however, because of the lateness of the last Mass on Sunday mornings, we decided not to make it a breakfast. Instead, we will provide an evening meal after the 5 p.m. Mass on Saturday, September 16. This will also be an opportunity for you to get to know Father Viviano and for him to know you. We also have a few attendance prizes to give away that evening.

St. Joseph School and Westphalia K of C Red Cross Blood Drive: The 4th Annual Red Cross blood drive will be held on Tuesday, September 19, in Joseph School (gym). Donors need 56 days between blood donations. Schedule you appointment today (redcrossblood.org).

The choir will have practice Tuesday, September 19, at 7 p.m. for our Mass on Sunday September 24. We will have practice Wednesday, October 18, at 7 p.m. for our Mass on Sunday, October 22. New faces are always welcome. For information about the choir contact Donna Rehagen at donnarehagen@gmail.com.

High School aged Youth of Osage County: Catholic Youth of Osage County (CYOC) events will begin again for a new school year soon! Come and see what it’s all about! Bring a friend and get registered for a drawing! Our next event is September 20 at 6:30 p.m. at the KC Hall in Westphalia. For more updates, follow the movement on Twitter and Facebook @catholicyoc or text "CYOC" to (573) 342-9621.

Cursillo School of Leaders meeting on Saturday, September 23, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the Alphonse J. Schwartze Memorial Catholic Center, Jefferson City, to discuss the National Encounter and Committee Work.

Missouri Catholic Conference 50th Anniversary: Celebrate 50 years of the Missouri Catholic Conference (MCC) at the MCC’s 50th Anniversary on October 7, at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Jefferson City. This free event is sponsored by the Missouri Bishops and everyone is invited. The event includes an address by Papal Apostolic Nuncio to the United States, Archbishop Christophe Pierre. Workshops with a focus on Catholic education, pro-life, and social justice will be offered. A hot, free lunch is provided, and the day will end with a Mass concelebrated by the bishops. Please pre-register for the event by going to MOcatholic.org or calling 1-800-456-1679. See you on October 7!

Social Events

St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Folk, fall festival on Sunday, September 10. Serving from 11 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Classic car cruise-in from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Shooting match at noon. Quilt auction at 5 p.m.

St. George Parish, Linn, Fall Festival on Saturday, September 16. Serving from 12 noon to 8 p.m.

Immaculate Conception Parish, Owensville, fall festival on Saturday, September 16. Serving from 3:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. There will also be a GTA car show.

Holy Cross Parish, Cuba, fall festival on Saturday and Sunday, September 16 and 17. There will be a parking lot dance on Saturday from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. On Sunday, sausage and chicken dinners will be served from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Citizen’s Civic League Fall Festival, Meta, on Sunday, September 17. Serving from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Knights of Columbus Pumpkin Festival on Saturday, September 30, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Hayrides, games, pumpkins for sale, lots of fun for the entire family. Vendors welcome. Contact Deb Luebbering, 573-680-3056, or www.westphaliakc.org.

Frankenstein 6th annual 5K run/walk: St. Mary Home & School Association will be hosting a 5K run/walk on Sunday, October 15, in Frankenstein. Kids’ fun run will be held after the race. Early registration is $20. Register by September 25 to guarantee a shirt. Race Day registration is $25. Registration begins at 8 a.m. Run/walk begins at 9 a.m. There will be a silent auction also. Please visit www.ourladyofhelp.wordpress.com for a registration form. Western Catholic Union will be matching funds up to $500.

High school students and adults: Tanner Maassen is in need of a painting crew for Sunday, September 24. Several areas of church need a new coat of paint. Painting will start at noon. There are also things to be done outside, so come between 11 a.m. and noon to help with that work. Call or text Tanner at 573-694-7085 to offer your skills in the area of painting and/or supervising. Students - this is a service opportunity for CCD.

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Spiritual Renewal Opportunities

Annual fall pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Sorrows at Starkenburg will be on Sunday, September 10. Pilgrimage starts at 10 a.m., followed by a traditional German dinner, which is served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at a cost of $10 per person. Benediction will be at 1 p.m. and an outdoor Mass at 2 p.m.

Our parish is invited to attend the 2nd Bi-Annual Fun ‘n’ Faith Family Conference taking place Sunday, September 17, at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Columbia. The Fun ‘n’ Faith Family Conference is an event dedicated to helping families grow in their Catholic faith. The day will feature a keynote presentation by internationally renowned comedy duo and evangelists Apex Ministries as well as a variety of breakout sessions, activities, and prayer experiences relevant to youth and families of all ages and stages.

Rachel’s Vineyard: Healing the Pain of Abortion, One Weekend at a Time: For women and men who have experienced abortion, they often feel as if a part of their very selves has died. But Jesus wants to touch these souls and raise them up to experience peace and joy. If you or someone you know is suffering from an abortion decision, we can help. Healing the pain of abortion one weekend at a time is Rachel’s Vineyard’s ministry. The next Kansas City retreat will be on September 22-24. Please call (816) 679-4973 or email rvkcmo@gmail.com for confidential information and to start the healing.

Collection for Hurricane Harvey Relief: An emergency national collection to assist affected dioceses is to be taken up September 9-10 and September 16-17. The people of the Jefferson City diocese are being called upon to join Catholics throughout the United States in providing prayerful and monetary support to victims of Hurricane Harvey and to provide pastoral and rebuilding support to impacted dioceses. Bishop John R. Gaydos has directed parishes throughout these 38 counties to take up a special collection for hurricane relief during the weekend of September 9-10 or September 16-17. Funds given to the collection will support the humanitarian and recovery efforts of Catholic Charities USA and will provide pastoral and rebuilding support to impacted dioceses through the USCCB. If donations are made by check, please make it out to the parish with “Hurricane Relief” in the memo field.

FALL FESTIVAL DECORATIONS: Anyone having extra pumpkins, gourds, cornstalks, straw bales, etc., that can be used for decorating the grounds, please contact Cindy Schmitz at 573-680-2145 by either phone or text. We would also like to purchase some mums for decorating. (These will be placed on the raffle at the end of the day.) If you wish to donate, place an envelope marked $MUM in the collection basket in church. Also, this is a very good way for CCD/Honor Society participants to earn hours toward helping their parish/community. KEEP THIS IN MIND; dates and times of service will be posted later.

ST. JOSEPH SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION FORM

If you have a child entering kindergarten in the fall of 2018, and want to participate in our Sunday School program, please fill out the registration form below.

Child’s Name: ___________________________ Age: _________
Parents Name: ___________________________
Address: ________________________________
Email Address (mother): ____________________
Email Address (father): ______________________
Home Phone Number: ______________________
Cell number (mother): ____________________ Cell number (father): ________________

Do you plan for your child to attend St. Joseph School in 2018 - 2019?
Yes ________ No _________ Undecided at this time _________

Please return this sheet ASAP. You may place it in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish or school office.

Classes will be held every other Sunday during 10:00AM Mass.

First class will be September 24th in the Elementary School Building- please use doors by the ramp.

Any questions, please let us know.

Becki Urschel
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Osage County Health Department is pleased to announce the flu clinic schedule for the schools and general public for this flu season. Flu shots including the High Dose for seniors are available. Flu shots are recommended starting at 6 months of age and up. Flu mist will not be offered as it is not available this year. Most insurance plans cover the cost of the flu vaccine. Both types of pneumonia shots are available as will be other adult vaccines such as Tdap (Tetanus and whooping cough). Starting September 11, immunizations including the flu and pneumonia shots will be available on a walk-in basis at the Osage County Health Department, 205 E. Main Street, Linn, during regular business hours of 8a-4p. We ask that you try not to come on a Wednesday which is WIC day so that you don’t have a long wait time. Please bring your insurance card. No one will be turned away for inability to pay.

September 12, 2017 St. George School and Linn R-2 School

**September 13, 2017 St. Joseph’s School, Westphalia in the morning**

September 13, 2017 from 2p-6p at Westphalia Lions’ Club, 2073 Highway 63, Westphalia- open to the public

September 18, 2017 St. Mary’s School cafeteria in Frankenstein-open to the public 9a-12n

September 18, 2017 Sacred Heart School cafeteria in Rich Fountain-open to the public from 2p-4p

September 19, 2017 from 7a-12n at STC activity center, 1 Technical Drive, in Linn-open to students, staff and public. A free wellness fair will be held in conjunction with the flu clinic by the STC nursing program students.

September 19, 2017 from 2p-6p at Meta Ambulance Building, 202 N. Walnut Street-open to the public

**September 25, 2017 Fatima School all day**

September 27, 2017 Immaculate Conception School in Loose Creek in the morning

September 27, 2017 from 2p-6p at the Loose Creek Community Center on County Road 403, Loose Creek-open to the public

October 2, 2017 Chamois R-1 School in the morning

October 2, 2017 from 2p-6p at the Chamois United Methodist Church, 102 Third Street, Chamois-open to the public

October 10, 2017 Holy Family School in Freeburg in the morning

October 10, 2017 from 2p-6p at Freeburg City Hall, 304 US Hwy 63, Freeburg- open to the public

October 4th, 5th, 11th, 12th, 18th, 19th, 25th and 26th from 9a-11:30a at the Good Shepherd Food Pantry. October 11th also from 5:30p-7p

For questions or more information, please contact us at the health department at 573-897-3103. You may call after business hours and leave a voice message and we will return the call the next business day. We can also be reached at Osagecountyhealthdepartment@gmail.com. Delivery of services on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, sex, handicap/disability or religious belief is prohibited. We are an equal opportunity provider. Services are provided regardless of the ability to pay. Donations and gifts are always appreciated to help cover the cost of providing services.