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*St. Joseph Catholic Church*  
*Farmington, Missouri*

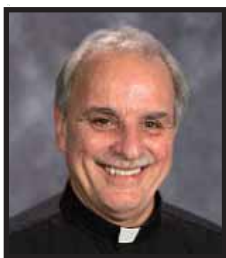
May 22, 2016  
The Most Holy Trinity

We will have Picnic Volunteer sign up sheets...  
**TODAY!! After all Masses in the Parish Center!!!**



**Congratulations to St. Joseph's** *Class of*  
**2016 Graduating Seniors!!** *2016*

Front Row: Collin Huit, Andres Castro, Haleigh Danieleley, Michael McNamara,  
Ashton King, Danielle Turner, Madison Francis and Franklin Hulsey.  
Back Row: Brandt Busenbark, Matthew Eaton, Hunter Vargo, Chase Vargo,  
Anna Slinkard, Katheryn Scism and Nick Cassimatis



## From the Pastor's Pen

Dear Parishioners of St. Joseph

### Congratulations to Kassandra Ramos Recipient of the 2016 St. Joseph School Annual Christian Service Award

Several awards were presented after the mass this past Friday evening at the 8th grade ceremony. This year, the eleventh annual **St. Joseph School Annual Christian Service Award** and **\$200 College Scholarship** given by our **Knights of Columbus** was presented to **Kassandra Ramos**.

This award is voted upon by the faculty, 7th and 8th grade students, and pastoral staff for the student they feel best exemplified Christian values, morals and service to their parish during their time in grade school. The guidelines request that the recipient be a student **“who recognized the value of his/her Catholic education and has used each opportunity through the years to give in charity of his/her time to those in need around him/her. He/she was active in the Sacramental life of the Church”**.

Kassandra was presented with a \$200 check from our Grand Knight, **Rob Grindel**. Kassandra's name will be added to the permanent plaque hanging in the hallway of St. Joseph School displaying all of the honored past recipients of this special award. She is the daughter of **Rusty & Jane Ramos**.

## Congratulations to Cameron Brown

### Winner of the American Citizenship Award

Congratulations goes to **Cameron Brown**, son of **Brian & Samantha Wade & Hong & Linda Phang**, for receiving the prestigious American Citizenship Award. This award is sponsored by the National Association of Elementary School Principals and the National Association of Secondary School Principals.

The recipient of this award is chosen by St. Joseph School faculty and staff and is given to a student who: participates in school and/or community services; shows a positive attitude towards classmates, school, and community; displays an understanding of civic responsibilities; and possesses strength of character and courage to do what is right.

## Congratulations to Lily Borrego Winner of the Knights of Columbus Essay Award

Great job to **Lily Borrego** for winning first place in the **Knights of Columbus Essay Contest!** Along with the certificate goes a \$100 check from the Knights. The essay theme was ***The Importance of Religious Freedom*** and can be found on page 10. Lily is the daughter of **Dr. Raul and Maureen Borrego**.



## Congratulations, Michael & Nick! Valedictorian & Salutatorian Farmington High School 2016



Congratulations on your wonderful achievements, **Michael McNamara** as the Valedictorian and **Nick Cassimatis** as the Salutatorian of Farmington High School's Class of 2016!! Amazing job!



## Congratulations to Agnes Hinkebein!! on Completing the Archdiocesan Lay Formation Program

Congratulations, Agnes! She has just completed a **three year Lay Formation Program!** This program is used to deepen her relationship with Jesus and His body the Church and to learn to offer opportunities that raise consciousness of the relationship between love of God and love of neighbor. Agnes is a blessing to our Parish and has learned valuable tools to enhance her position even more!



## Worker Sign Ups TODAY!! Our Parish Picnic is Only 5 Weeks Away...

Our parish picnic is just 5 weeks away!!! **TODAY after all masses we will have worker sign ups in the Parish Center Hall.** We need everyone to be involved so that we can make this year's picnic one of the best ever for our parish! Please mark your calendars now for the weekend of **June 25 - 26** to be present to help with the major fundraising event of our parish. We really need everyone's help!!! Please sign up to work this today after Mass!

## Our PSR Family Picnic Was a Wonderful Time for All Held at Engler Park

Our Parish School of Religion had its last class by celebrating with a picnic at Engler Park. We sincerely thank all of our teachers, aides, parents and students for another outstanding year of religious education for our children. The evening was very well attended.

Our sincere thanks to our teachers for organizing the event including the games, food, and fun!

## Parish Leadership Positions... Is God calling you to serve?

It is that time of the year when new positions will open up for some leadership positions in our parish. Our Parish Council will have openings this spring.

I hope that you will take some time to prayerfully reflect if God is calling you to serve our parish in one of these leadership roles. **We need individuals who want to serve...those who hold a vision for the future.** These key roles are for people of prayer and for individuals who are willing to become considerably involved in the parish, in its life and activities. These positions require a greater commitment in time and energy than just attending monthly meetings. **Is God calling you to serve your parish?** Please give it some prayerful discernment!

## Do You Know Someone Who Would Like to Become Catholic? Please Invite Them to Join Our Inquiry Session of Our RCIA

Do you know someone that has asked about our faith? Someone who may be interested in joining our faith community? If so, I would encourage you to please take a moment and invite them to explore our inquiry classes that begin in September.

The RCIA process has four distinct phases and celebrations. The first phase is known as the **Inquiry** session. It is here where the participants explore and ask any questions about Catholicism. If you are interested in being on the RCIA team or being a sponsor, please call the parish office for more information. **Being on the team or being a sponsor is a great way to strengthen your own spiritual journey.**

## Our Father's Table Next Weekend

We hope to see you **next Sunday, May 29 at 4:00 pm** in the school cafeteria for a great meal and great fellowship. This month's meal will be an Authentic Thai Night!! Our Father's Table is an amazing meal and a ministry that truly reaches out to our community.

## Our Thanks to Maggie Carr Who Will Lead Our Vacation Bible School

Our thanks to **Maggie Carr**, our First Grade Teacher, who has volunteered to lead our Vacation Bible School. Our vacation bible school will be held earlier this year, **June 6 - 10** and is a very established tradition of our parish's spiritual life.

If you would like to volunteer for this special week please call the parish office to leave your name so that Maggie may contact you! Please see page 11 for registration. **Last call for T-shirts and CD's! Due tomorrow, May 23!!**

## Our Annual Cemetery Appeal

Each year we have an envelope in our **May** package for our cemetery, **Calvary Cemetery**, located on H Highway. This special collection is used for the year round maintenance of our cemetery as well as the summer mowing and clean up. Please be generous to this special collection, for our cemetery is truly a sacred and consecrated space that holds the bodies of our loved ones awaiting resurrection day.

## And Finally...

Just a reminder that we will not have **Coffee and Doughnut Sundays** during the months of June, July and August. Our next Coffee and Doughnut Sunday will be **September 4**.

**"Always remember that as long as we keep the Eucharist the center of our lives, everything else will fall in place...of that I am confident"!!!**

Blessings of Peace...Fr. Rickey



### Our Pastoral Team

Very Rev. Rickey J. Valleroy, V.F. .... Pastor  
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Brian Wade ..... Maintenance Supervisor

Paul Gaines ..... Pastoral Council

Jim Eaton ..... Financial Commission

Ed Brown ..... Cemetery Association

Rob Grindel ..... Knights of Columbus

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 Monday thru Friday • 8:00 am to 3:30 pm  
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 10 North Long Street • Farmington, MO 63640



### Happy Birthday



May 22  
 Isaac Aseniero  
 Tom Burcham III  
 Margie Fields  
 Lauren Francis  
 Paul Lodge  
 Tallulah  
 Lyons-Jahn  
 Brenda McKee  
 Donna Ratliff

May 24 cont.  
 Kay Pratte  
 Mitchell Weddle

May 25  
 Chris Koppeis  
 Anny Le  
 Amy Martin  
 Margaret  
 Stuckenschneider

May 26 cont.  
 Hermine Schuessler  
 Taylor Trolinger  
 Tori Trolinger  
 John Wilson

May 27  
 Sophia McMann

May 28  
 Pharah Avendanio  
 Generose Bailey  
 Marge Dill  
 Karen Perkins  
 Sterling Pfeifer

May 23  
 Mark Bieser  
 Sue Pruetzel

May 24  
 Evan Hutson

May 26  
 Allen Harper  
 Rebecca Colligan  
 Amanda Heberlie  
 Roger Hitson



### Sacramental Life

Daily Mass Monday thru Friday ..... 7:00 am  
 Friday (All School Mass Aug-May) ..... 8:05 am  
 Sunday Mass Observance  
 Saturday ..... 5:00 pm  
 Sunday ..... 7:30 am, 9:00 am and 10:30 am  
 Holy Days of Obligation ..... 7 am, 8 am and 7 pm

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
 Saturdays 4 pm, Sundays 7 am or by appointment

**The Sacrament of Baptism**  
 Baptisms are held the first Sunday of the month after the 10:30 am Mass. Baptismal preparation class required. Contact Abe AuBuchon.

**The Sacrament of Marriage**  
 Celebrated after meeting the bride and groom and beginning preparation six months before the wedding, in accordance with Archdiocesan Wedding Policy.

### Happy Anniversary

May 22, 1999  
 Mark & Liz Anderson

May 26, 2011  
 Brian & Rikki Boyd

May 22, 1954  
 James & Mary Neville

May 26, 1978  
 John & Mary Jo Ellis

May 23, 2015  
 Richard & Deborah Black

May 26, 1984  
 Ronald & Margaret Harris

May 24, 1981  
 Buddy & Angie King

May 26, 2007  
 Scott & Keli Keutzer

May 25, 2003  
 Alonso & Heather Lara

May 27, 1995  
 Chad & Kelley Speakar

May 25, 2008  
 Gustavo & Allyn Rizo  
 Martinez

May 28  
 Charlie & Marge Dill

May 28, 1994  
 Mark & Rosetta Halter



*Congratulations  
 Fr. Dyer,  
 on your  
 Ordination Anniversary  
 May 24, 1997*



## Eucharistic Celebrations and Mass Intentions

Week of May 23-29

- Monday: Weekday**  
Readings: 1 Pt 1:3-9; Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9-10c;  
Mk 10:17-27  
7:00 am: **Everett Dee Akers**
- Tuesday: Weekday**  
Readings: 1 Pt 1:10-16; Ps 98:1-4; Mk 10:28-31  
7:00 am: **Barbara Reynolds**
- Wednesday: Weekday**  
Readings: 1 Pt 1:18-25; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20;  
Mk 10:32-45  
7:00 am: **Cherie Tesson**
- Thursday: St. Philip Neri**  
Readings: 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12; Ps 100:2-5; Mk 10:46-52  
7:00 am: **Janet Blum & Agatha Buenemann**
- Friday: Weekday**  
Readings: 1 Pt 4:7-13; Ps 96:10-13; Mk 11:11-26  
7:00 am: **Michael Sales**

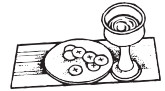
### The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Sunday Readings: Gn 14:18-20; Ps 110:1-4; 1  
Cor 11:23-26; Lk 9:11b-17

- Saturday:**  
5:00 pm: **George Boyd**
- Sunday:**  
7:30 am: **Thomas Goldkamp**  
9:00 am: **Parishioners**  
10:30 am: **Francis & Eva Bieser**

visit [www.stjosephfarmington.com](http://www.stjosephfarmington.com) and click on  
"daily mass readings" for easy reference.

## Ministers of the Liturgy



### Saturday, May 28

#### 5:00 pm Mass

- Priest:** Fr. James Dyer  
**Lector:** Charlotte Vander Bol  
**Extraordinary Ministers:**  
Adam Barnhouse, Donna Conklin, John  
Crouch, Laura Denkler, Cindy Kelso  
**Ushers:** Buddy Bordewick, Gary Harris, John  
Jones, Don Trokey  
**Servers:** E. Barnhouse, Z. Kelso, A. Masters  
**Cantor:** Terry Guiley

### Sunday, May 29

#### 7:30 am Mass

- Priest:** Fr. James Dyer  
**Lector:** Stephen Hunter  
**Extraordinary Ministers:**  
Brenda Donze, Chuck Hayden, Jack  
Neiner, Kathy Neiner, Chris Westrich  
**Ushers:** Ed Brown, Tom Donze, Bill Jokerst,  
Dale Jones  
**Servers:** E. Cummings, J. Hulsey

#### 9:00 am Mass

- Priest:** Fr. Rickey Valleroy  
**Lector:** Dawn Fuemmeler  
**Extraordinary Ministers:**  
Jane Allen, Jami AuBuchon, Mitch  
Fuemmeler, Risha Gaines, Margaret Greif  
**Ushers:** Mike Backer, Dan Combs, Dale Springs,  
Mike Turner  
**Servers:** A. England, A. Greenstreet, J. Pikey  
**Cantor:** Michelle Podolak

#### 10:30 am Mass

- Priest:** Fr. Rickey Valleroy  
**Lector:** Chad Speakar  
**Extraordinary Ministers:**  
Theresa AuBuchon, Deanna Dickerson,  
Jana Dore, Phyllis LaPlant, Katie Rhodes  
**Ushers:** James Cissell, Gerald Hulsey, Chuck  
Koppeis, Travis Trolinger  
**Servers:** P. Borrego, L. Colligan, Y. Rizo  
**Cantor:** Judy Colligan

## St. Joseph Catholic Church Parish Mission Statement

*We are called by our Lord Jesus Christ,  
to be His church and live His gospel.  
We strive to fulfill our baptismal calling  
by prayer, worship, teaching and in  
sharing our faith and serving others.  
Guided by the Holy Spirit and  
through our patron St. Joseph, we  
commit ourselves to the responsible  
stewardship of all God's gifts.*

## Monday, May 23, 2016


### Sacristans

Pat Boatright, Rita Boyd,  
Jerri Johnson, Charlotte Vander Bol

### Money Counters

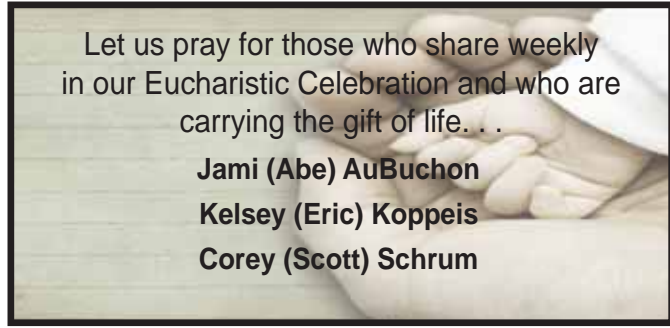
Beulah Carrow, Jackie Maloney,  
Nancy Ott, Carolyn Rigdon


Come join us for our weekly Parish Rosary to be offered this Wednesday at 7:15 pm  
**Our petition for this week will be:**  
**“For our Graduating Seniors.”**



Let us pray for those who share weekly in our Eucharistic Celebration and who are carrying the gift of life. . .

**Jami (Abe) AuBuchon**  
**Kelsey (Eric) Koppeis**  
**Corey (Scott) Schrum**




**A Way of Life STEWARDSHIP**  **“But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth...”**  
 JOHN 16:13

Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to help us know and live the truth. To prepare ourselves, we need to open our hearts to receive this gift before we can give it. Develop a daily prayer routine to ask the Holy Spirit to help guide our thoughts and actions.

**In Our Thoughts and Prayers...**  
 We pray for the repose of the souls of...

**Fay Poncet**  
 sister-in-law of Bev Bryant



*May God welcome her home, fill her with peace and bless those who will miss her.*

**Your Gifts to God and Parish**  
 Sunday, May 15, 2016

Adult Envelopes	\$6,627.00
Loose	\$758.05
Electronic Deposit	\$435.00
Spanish Mass	\$166.00
Children’s Envelopes	<u>\$2.03</u>
	<b>\$7,988.08</b>

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Sunday Offering	\$7,988.08	\$542,704.37
Budgeted Amount	<u>\$11,050.00</u>	<u>\$508,300.00</u>
Shortage/Overage	<b>(\$3,061.92)</b>	<b>\$34,404.37</b>
Partners in Education		\$270.00
Maintenance & Repair		\$115.00
St. Vincent de Paul		\$410.00
Cemetery Perpetual		<u>\$1,319.00</u>
Total for Specials		<b>\$2,114.00</b>

**Thank You For Your Faithfulness!!!**

**We welcome into our faith community through Baptism...**



**Simon Lee Gross**  
 son of Adam and Sarah Gross

**Ailyn Janeth Sanchez**  
 daughter of Osiris and Rosa Sanchez

**Elizabeth Guadalupe Alvarado**  
 daughter of Gerardo and Maria Alvarado

“May the Lord give His angels charge over you, to guide you in all your ways.” Psalm 91:11

**Together we pray for those who are sick.** (Parishioners names are in bold.)

Please pray for: Sue Ryan, Paula, **Loretta Brundege**, Jack and Carmen Hall, Earline Huster, Jeanie Dubois, Buddy Phillips, Samuel Dement, Brenda Bennett, Louise Ashworth, **Russ Buescher**, **Joyce Wozniak**, Dee Bechtoldt, Jeff George, Fay Poncet, Art & Charlie Hahn, Sandy Momot, Paula Gebhardt, Helen Ledbetter, Dewayne Petty, Laura Tellmann, Noel and Josh Vander Bol, Sue Cook, Mike, Susan Struna, Clayton Phillips, **Floyd McFarland**, **Connie Harness**, **Ronnie Jones**, Terry Edgar, **Cathy Barron**, Brother Richard Hermann, Butch Eichhorn, Nan Link, Joyce Judd, Deanna Stenger, Brenda Andrews, Heather Forsythe, Mark, Margaret Beckett and **Al and Jeanie Gegg**.

To add someone to the prayer list contact Pat Boatright at **boat.pab75@gmail.com** or 756-4169.

## The Most Holy Trinity

Today we celebrate the Holy Trinity, one of the most confounding mysteries of our faith. Through this mystery we experience our relationship to God: Creator, Savior, and Holy Spirit. This relationship is not easy to understand or to describe. It does not become clearer through analysis. Its complexity mirrors the complexity of all our relationships. We understand our relationships with our spouses, our children, our parents, and our friends only through daily give-and-take, annual rituals, and the life-changing moments we share. We understand our relationships only as we live them. The relationships we have with those we love, and who love us, sustain us through an uncertain and difficult life. This is the Holy Trinity.

### Incomplete Answers

Today's reading from Proverbs describes the power of beginnings, when what is most beautiful and central in our relationship to God is a hope in our minds and the mind of God. When there was nothing but our relationship, there was still power enough to generate an entire world, a heaven and an earth. The psalm that we sing today tells about the power of possibility and responsibility. We are responsible to safeguard what has been created through our relationship.

The Letter to the Romans reminds us that we are not alone in this relationship. We endure what seems unendurable because of the hope and grace that are part of our relationship with our Savior and the Holy Spirit. Finally, John emphasizes that not even death itself will end our relationship with the One whom we love and who loves us. Our relationship with God—Creator, Savior, and Holy Spirit—is one in which all is possible, all is given, and all is lived fully. This is the Holy Trinity.



### Complete Relationship

What is striking about these readings is that each is incomplete. None of them, in describing creation (Proverbs and the Psalm) or the acts of the Creator, Savior, and Holy Spirit (Romans and John), offers a complete picture of the relationship between the Holy Trinity and us. What they offer is a description of a moment in our relationship, a memory of a time and an event when our relationship made sense even though that sense may be beyond our ability to describe fully. Often that is all that our faith offers, that is, a memory of what is possible, what is promised, what has been given. A memory of eternity, of love beyond understanding is to be cherished and nurtured even if not fully understood. This is the Holy Trinity.

Today's Readings: Prv 8:22–31; Ps 8:4–9; Rom 5:1–5; Jn 16:12–15

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## St. Joseph's Little Saints

### Summer Scholars!

May 23 - July 1  
Enrolling Now!



This year's themes:

- May 23 - 27 ..... A Hawaiian Luau
- May 30 - June 3. Creative Artists
- June 6 - 10 ..... Vacation Bible School
- June 13 - 17 ..... Outer Space
- June 20 - 24 ..... A Bug's Life
- June 27 - July 1. Campfire Cookout

Enroll for whichever weeks you would like!  
Children Ages 3 - entering Kindergarten

For enrollment information please contact  
Principal, **Shirley Bieser**, (573) 756-6312  
[sbieser@stjosephfarmington.com](mailto:sbieser@stjosephfarmington.com)

## Our School May Crowning



Thank you to **Ava** and **Jimmy** of St. Joseph's Kindergarten class for honoring our Blessed Mother by adorning her with a crown of flowers. Ava and Jimmy are accompanied by their prayer partners, **Jake** and **Emily**.

## Employment Opportunities at St. Joseph Catholic School for the 2016- 2017 School Year

Join our team of dedicated teachers as we strive to place Christ at the center of all we do. We are seeking candidates for two positions for the upcoming school year. Candidates should possess a commitment to the educational mission of the Catholic Church and display the ability to cultivate critical thinking. Candidates should possess good leadership and communication skills as well as the ability to use instructional technology in order to enhance and encourage curricular objectives.

### Fourth Grade Teacher:

Requirements: active practicing Catholic; state certified in Elementary Education 1-6, Religious education certification or willingness to work toward this certification

### Eighth Grade Homeroom

### Middle School English/Language Arts:

Requirements: active practicing Catholic; state certified in English/Language Arts, Religious education certification or willingness to work toward this certification

Send letter of interest and resume to Mrs. Shirley Bieser, St. Joseph's principal by **Friday, May 20** at [sbieser@stjosephfarmington.com](mailto:sbieser@stjosephfarmington.com).



## OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

I ask you to prayerfully consider furthering Christ's saving message with a donation to the **Catholic Communications Campaign** the weekend of **May 28-29**. With your generosity we can make the Church's communication efforts more vibrant as we help others encounter Jesus Christ and His Church. I invite you to visit [archstl.org/cc](http://archstl.org/cc) to get involved in spreading the Truth, through giving your email address, donating and following the archdiocese on social media.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert J. Carlson  
Archbishop of St. Louis





*This Veteran's Day we remember those  
Serving in our Military*

**Sergeant Jacob Steven Baechle**

Stationed at Fort Brag  
grandson of Ginger Baechle and Dale & Jane Meyer

**Captain David Brewer**

Emergency Preparedness Liaison Officer in  
Salt Lake City, Utah • son of Louise Brewer

**GySgt Matthew Carman**

Marines at Okinawa, Japan  
son-in-law of Mary & Gary Berblinger

**Lieutenant Commander Thomas Conklin**

Naval Air Station Whidbey Island, Washington  
son of Rick & Donna Conklin

**Specialist Gregory T. Corcoran**

with the 1138 National Guard  
grandson of Romana Corcoran

**CPT Kevin Costello**

Army, Ft. Sam Houston  
son of Cris Costello

**CPT Joseph Costello**

Army, Ft. Sam Houston  
son of Cris Costello

**MAJ Genevieve Costello**

Army, stationed in Afghanistan  
daughter of Cris Costello

**2nd LT Christopher Hafner**

with 278 ACR Knoxville, Tennessee National  
Guard • grandson of Richard & Mary Hafner

**Sergeant Gerald Hafner**

with the 205 ASMC Kansas City National  
Guard • son of Richard & Mary Hafner

**Master Sergeant James Howey**

Air Force in Wright Patterson AFB Dayton, OH  
son-in-law of Mary & Gary Berblinger

**Private Corey Jones**

Army in Ft. Leonard Wood  
son of Dale and Arlene Jones

**1LT Olivia M. Klinkhardt**

Physician's Assistant at Fort Hood, Texas  
Niece of MaryLou Brady

**Captain Tessa J. Klinkhardt, MD**

stationed at Madigan Hospital at Bliss, TX  
niece of MaryLou Brady

**Sergeant Timothy Masters**

Army National Guard • Tim, his  
wife Nikki, and their daughters are parishioners

**Captian Becky (Nekula) Mohan**

Stationed at Ft. Lewis, Washington  
daughter of Pat Nekula

**Captain Jeffrey R. Morris**

US Air Force, stationed in Shreveport, LA  
grandson of Thelma Chambers

**Brandon Paroski**

US Army stationed in Virginia  
nephew of Steve and Cynthia Paroski

**Lt Cmdr. Catherine (Wolo) Perez**

US Navy serving in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii  
daughter of Mike and Jo Anne Wolo

**Master Sergeant Chris Perkuhn**

Air Force Stationed in Brandon Suffolk, U.K.  
son-in-law of Jay (Shelly) Ellis

**ET2 Josh Rustemeyer**

US Coast Guard in Kodiak, Alaska  
grandson of Jo Rustemeyer

**Seamen E3 Savannah Shelton**

US Navy stationed at Norfolk Naval Base, VA  
daughter-in-law of Howard & Shirley Shelton

**BJ Waltz**

US Navy stationed in Florida  
nephew of Steve and Cynthia Paroski

**George F. Wilson**

PSC 3  
grandson of Madgie Winch

**CW3 Nicholas Andrew Rice**

Army Reserves Stationed in Afghanistan  
Son of Nick and Margaret Rice



## Knights of Columbus Essay Contest First Place Winner Lily Borrego



### "Religious Freedom"

To be honest, I had not thought too much about religious freedom up to this point in my life. Since my Catholic faith has been part of my everyday life and since I know it to be a Constitutional right, I just assumed that it was not a problem in America. Once I started to research information for this paper, I saw how important it is to myself, my family and my community. There are many issues being talked about in society that are in conflict with my beliefs. This is especially true since next year is an election year, and the candidates are all explaining their positions on various topics.

Gay marriage, the death penalty, and government funding of women's health are some of the topics in question. As Americans, we believe that everyone is entitled to his or her own rights. But what happens when one person's rights impose on the rights of others? An incident happened a couple of years ago involving the retail store Hobby Lobby. The crafty chain did not provide health insurance for birth control because birth control offended the religious beliefs of the owners and prevented the gift of life. The anti-baby prescription was viewed as a version of abortion, which the owners believed was sinful and wrong. This caused debate concerning religious views and women's rights. A concern that was brought up during this time was whether or not it was right for the bosses to force their personal religious views on the health care of their employees. The case ended with the Supreme Court coming to a conclusion that upheld the rights of the employer and stating that private companies do not have to provide services to their workers that go against their own personal beliefs.

Another issue is the death penalty. The death penalty is viewed as unnecessary and evil. The penalty was instituted because it was thought that it would stop crimes from happening. This, however, has not proven to be the case. Over time, this has shown not to be effective. This is institutionally murdering people, and nothing good comes of it. It seems that a lot of citizens just want revenge instead of forgiving and rehabilitating the criminals. As citizens of Missouri, because the death penalty is legal here, we publicly support executions, even in our own county.

How do we retain our Catholic identities while also being lawful citizens in our community? I think we can do this in several ways. Once I am eighteen, I can vote for lawmakers whose values reflect mine. At my age now, I can help fundraise or publicize their campaigns. I can also participate through my own church in events such as the Pro-Life March to stand up with others who share my beliefs with the hopes of changing public policy. On a day-to-day basis, I can take advantage of attending Mass and going to a Catholic school without fear of persecution. This is especially important in my life because I am getting ready for my Confirmation and becoming an adult in the church.

I am grateful to be in a country that values religious freedom so highly. I am grateful to live in a country where I can practice my faith, and I look forward to growing up in a society in which religious freedom is so highly valued.



### Our Thanks To

**Donna Conklin & Robyn Dennis**

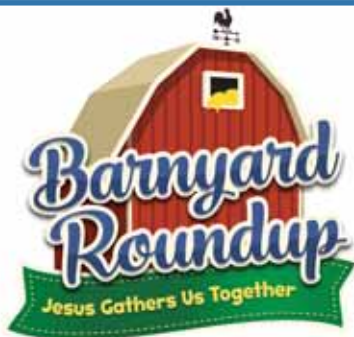
of St. Joe's Garden Club for watering  
and tending to our potted plants this week.

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting

**This Wednesday, May 25**  
**9:00 am • Parish Center**





# Vacation Bible School

June 6 - 10 • 8:00 - 11:45

Ages 3 - entering 4th grade

**Registration 2016**

Child's Name and Age/Grade for 2016-2017 School Year:

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last Name First Name Age/Grade

2. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last Name First Name Age/Grade

3. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last Name First Name Age/Grade

Guardian's Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian's Phone Numbers: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Any Known Allergies (if registering for more than one child, please specify which child)

Pre-order your VBS T-shirts and CDs!! Pre-ordered items will be available for pick-up on the first day of VBS!! (All pre-ordered items must be paid for at the time of registration. Make checks payable to St. Joseph Catholic Church and drop off at the parish office or in the collection basket)

I would like to order T-shirt(s) for \$10/each (mark how many of each size):  
 YS (6-8):\_\_\_\_ YM (10-12):\_\_\_\_ YL (14-16):\_\_\_\_ AS:\_\_\_\_ AM:\_\_\_\_ AL:\_\_\_\_ AXL:\_\_\_\_

**T-shirts must be ordered NLT Tomorrow, May 23!!!**

You can still register for VBS after this date but will be unable to pre-order a t-shirt.

I would like to purchase Vacation Bible School CD for \$5

Total Amount Due: \$\_\_\_\_\_ Please attach checks or money to registration form.





## Donations Needed for the Silent Auction

at St. Joseph's 42nd Annual Parish Picnic

Sunday, June 26, 2016



To have a successful picnic we need your help! We have already started collecting donations for the Silent Auction and are looking for many more! Need ideas for what to donate? Below is a list of some items that always seem to be great sellers. For more information or if you need an item picked up please call Sandi Brooks 573-631-5907 or Jessi at 756-4250.

**Collector's Items:** antiques, sports memorabilia (autographed items, apparel, photographs), unique/ hard-to-find items, collectible series

**Electronic Items:** TV, DVD/Blue Ray player, digital camera, iPod, computer, printer, scanner, power tools

**Event Tickets:** sports, music, theater, comedy

**Gift Cards/Certificates:** restaurant, shopping, home improvement, automobile, hotel, vacation, beauty, golf

**Handcrafted Items:** quilts, furniture, jewelry, paintings, woodcarvings, wood crafted items

## Please Remember the Country Store



for our 42nd Annual  
Parish Picnic  
June 26



June is here and just around the corner is our **St. Joseph's 42nd Annual Parish Picnic**. The Country Store needs your help to make it the best ever. Do you crochet, knit, sew or quilt? It's time to start those projects if you plan to donate an item to the Country Store. Handmade quilts, pillows, afghans, lap throws, doilies, scarves, doll clothes, aprons, etc. will help fill the tables at the Country Store. We also feature your home canned goods, such as vegetables and fruits, jellies and jams, pickles and relishes, etc. For those of you who will be bringing baked goods on that day, such as breads, pies, cakes etc. and fresh produce from your garden, you might make a notation on your calendar to remind you that the Country Store is depending on you for your generous homemade donations. Thanks to everyone who helps to make our Parish Picnic a success!



## Picnic Bottle Booth



Our Picnic Bottle Booth has absolutely NO overhead and always generates a good profit. Every year we run out of bottles with people still wanting to play. There are currently collection boxes outside the Parish Office and upstairs inside the Parish Center doors. As long as it is a nonperishable, unopened, and not expired bottle item, we would love to have it! Thank you!

sunscreen  
cosmetics  
liquor  
bubbles  
shampoo

bubble bath  
car wash items  
bottled water  
perfume  
conditioner

BBQ sauce  
wine  
lotions  
marinade sauces  
beer

hand soap  
soda  
motor oil  
juice  
bath/shower gels

dish soap  
mustard  
strawberry syrup  
hair gel  
ketchup

hair spray  
vinegar  
vitamins  
olive oil  
chocolate syrup

We will have Picnic Volunteer sign up sheets...  
**TODAY!!** • After all Masses in the Parish Center!!

# St. Joseph's 42nd Annual Parish Picnic!!



To have a successful picnic we are in need of the following items:

## The Country Store

- Handcrafted Items
- Baked Goodies
- Garden Vegetables
- Homemade canned jellies, jams and vegetables

Drop off donations in the parish center.

## Bottle Booth

- Nonperishable, Unopened Bottles
- Drop off donations in the parish center.

## The Greenhouse

- Potted House Plants
- Perennials
- Hanging Baskets

## Silent Auction

- New Items
  - Paintings/Framed Art
  - Gift Certificates, Tickets to Ball Games, Six Flags...
  - Antiques
  - Electronics
- Drop off donations in the parish center.

Last day for Silent Auction donations  
**Friday, June 17**

## Flea Market

- All Unwanted Treasures in good condition (no clothing)

Thank you for your generous donations!!!  
Picnic Committee will determine where donated items will be placed.

## Picnic T-Shirts for NEW Volunteers

NEW volunteers will receive a free t-shirt for the picnic. Please fill out the form below and turn it into the parish office or drop it in the collection basket by **June 13**.  
Shirt sizes available are: Adult: small, medium, large, x-large, xx-large, and xxx-large.  
Child: x-small (size 2-4), small, medium, large, and x-large.



Name	Phone #	Shirt Size	Area working or would like to work
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Note: no youth x-small t-shirts will be given out free (cost is \$7 per shirt, \$8 for XXL, \$9 for XXXL).  
No child t-shirts will be given out free unless the child is actually **working**.



### Coming up in our Parish...



**May 29**  
Our Father's Table



**June 6 - 10**  
Vacation Bible School



**June 19**  
Fr. Dyer  
Appreciation Mass



**June 25 & 26**  
Parish Picnic

Faith will tell us  
Christ is present  
when our human  
senses fail!



Eucharistic Adoration  
Thursdays • 7:30 am  
- 7:30 pm

First Friday of the month  
9:00 am - 2:15 pm

For more information contact  
Charlie and Rita Boyd at  
756-2383 •  
ctboyd@sbcglobal.net

Thursday Adoration  
New Extended Hours:  
**7:30 am - 7:30 pm**  
We have an open time slot:  
**5:30 - 6:30 pm**  
Please contact Rita to sign up.

### This Week in Our Parish...

#### Monday • May 23

**MOM's Night Out meeting**  
6:00 - 8:00 pm • Cafeteria

#### Wednesday • May 25

**Prayer Shawl**  
9:00 am • Parish Center

**Rosary**  
7:15 pm • Church

#### Thursday • May 26

**Eucharistic Adoration**  
7:30 am- 7:30 pm • Church



A Note  
from our  
Pastoral Health  
Care Minister,  
**Agnes Hinkebein, RN**

If you are currently homebound or are hospitalized or know of a parishioner who is, please contact me at 756-4250 or email me at: healthminister@stjosephfarmington.com



**St. Joseph's  
St. Vincent  
de Paul  
Food Pantry**

As we celebrate the mystery of the Trinity we also realize the mystery of how much God loves and cares for us each day. Believing in this our lives can then overflow in thanksgiving and praise.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can help those who are suffering.

**Open Tuesday and Friday**  
**9:00 am - 12:00 pm**  
For assistance call 756-0997

Our food pantry serves people in the St. Francois county regardless of race, sex, national origin, religion, or age.



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**Our Father's Table**  
**NEXT SUNDAY**  
**May 29 • 4:00 pm**



*Authentic  
Thai  
Night*

Our Father's Table is an amazing meal and a ministry that truly reaches out to our community. We hope to see you next Sunday!

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**Saturday 7:30 pm Mass**

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Parish Council President:  
Jimmy Herzog

# St. Catherine of Alexandria

**Saturday, May 28**

**Celebrant**

Fr. Rickey Valleroy

**Lector**

Marilyn Gegg

**Extraordinary Ministers**

Wilma McGuire &  
Rosie Eck

**Offertory Bearers**

Curt & Lynette Heberlie

**Mass Intentions**

May 28 - Leonard Gegg

Happy Birthday

Mary Naeger • May 25

**Your Gifts to God and Parish**

Saturday, May 14, 2016

Adult Envelopes .....	\$400.00
Loose.....	\$30.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$430.00</b>

**Thank You For Your Faithfulness**

***A Note from Fr. Rickey . . .***

Just a reminder... Parish Council Meeting will be  
This **Wednesday, May 25.**

“Always remember that as long as we keep the  
Eucharist the center of our lives, everything else  
will fall in place...of that I am confident”!!!

**Blessings of Peace...Fr. Rickey**