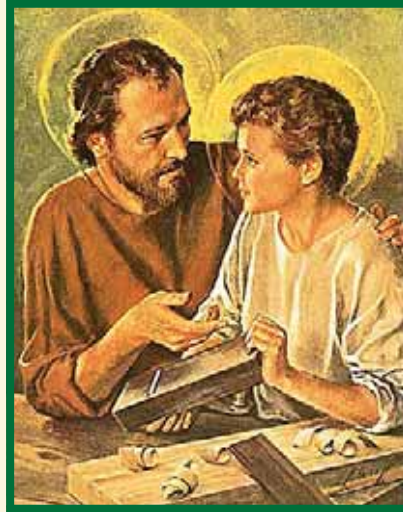


August 16, 2015

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*We are Growing as Disciples of Jesus*



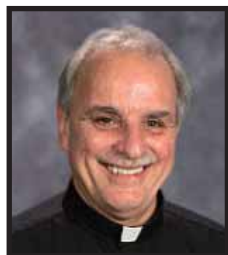
## *Blessings for a New School Year*

*Blessed are you, Lord God,  
Creator of body and mind and heart;  
You have sent the Spirit of wisdom and knowledge  
to guide your people in all their ways.*

*At the beginning of this new school year  
We implore your mercy:  
Bless all of our parish students, and their teachers and catechists  
that together we may grow in faith, hope and love  
as we learn from you and each other how to follow your Son Jesus.*

*Expand the horizons of our minds,  
That we may grow in wisdom, understanding, and knowledge;  
Deepen our commitment to seek the truth of your ways;  
and enliven our faith to reach out to those in need.*

*Glory and praise to you, Lord God,  
in the Church, in the Eucharist, and in Christ Jesus forever and ever.  
Amen*



## From the Pastor's Pen

Dear Parishioners of St. Joseph,

### Our Parish Ministry Day and Ice Cream Social was a Huge Success

Our thanks to our **Parish Staff** and **Home and School Association** for the wonderful **Parish Ministry Day** that featured a festival of all the ministries of our parish and Ice Cream Social last Sunday. At the social everyone had the chance to see all the various ministries that our parish offers. For the many that came they saw the multiple opportunities of how they can become more involved and active in our parish.

Our thanks to all of the leaders of our ministries for hosting their booths and being available to answer questions for those attending. Thanks to each of the organizations for offering a prize for the raffles at the end of the day. **We had 26 lucky winners!!!**

A special thank you to **Candi LaMartina**, the new president of our Home and School Association, who did an awesome job in assisting in the organization of this special event.

### St. Joseph's 2015 - 2016 Pastoral Council Members

For the past ten years as your pastor, I've been very blessed with the vibrant lay leadership of our parish. The documents of Vatican II state that the Church is both a sign of our unity with God and an instrument for achieving that unity. The responsibility for accomplishing this task is shared equally by all members of the faith community, both the clergy and laity. A **Pastoral Council**, formerly known as a Parish Council, is a visionary body. Representatives of the parish foster the full participation of the entire parish in the life and mission of the parish and of the Universal Church by setting parish direction, planning, and visioning. This body is advisory to the Pastor. Our council is comprised of members of our parish who then serve on four steering committees.

We are blessed with the following characteristics of a vibrant Pastoral Council:

1) Our pastoral council is **pastoral**. It attempts to provide resources and methods to serve the people of the parish as they engage in the mission of the church.

2) Our pastoral council is **representative**. It is a representative body that endeavors to listen to parishioners and then faithfully present expressed concerns, ideas and questions to the pastor so that faith needs are met.

3) Our pastoral council is **enabling**. It endeavors to foster the spiritual growth of individual Catholics of the parish and the broader community; it challenges the parish to grow in response to the gospel.

4) Our pastoral council is **collaborative**; it challenges its members, the parish staff, committees, organizations and other groups within the parish to work together. It then seeks ways to collaborate with other parishes, community organizations and congregations to foster the common good of the broader community.

Here at St. Joseph's the members serving on our Pastoral Council help to build unity by ministering to one another according to their gifts and talents. Our Pastoral Council meets the last Monday of the month at 7:00 pm in our Parish Center. This year's pastoral council will be led by **Paul Gaines** with the following parishioners in pastoral leadership roles.

**Abe AuBuchon**

**Sandi Brooks**

**Jeremy Coleman**

**Terry Guiley**

**Kevin Hale**

**Mark Halter**

**Jennifer Rhodus**

**Dave Sansegraw**

**Scott Schrum • Brian Wade • Scott Watson**

Our next meeting will be on **Monday, August 31, 2015 at 7:00 pm** in the Parish Center.

### Our Annual Leadership Day to be Held on September 12

This year, our **Parish Pastoral Leadership Day** will give us an opportunity to participate in a **Parish Planning and Viability Study** that is mandated for us to complete by our Archdiocese.

This unique day will also give us the opportunity to focus on three new goals for us to work toward for the 2015-2016 calendar year. Our Pastoral Council, Finance Committee, School Board, Parish Staff, the president of the Women of Mary, the president of Home and School Association and the Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus will be invited. This day will help build leadership and strengthen our parish as we continue to live the Gospel message.

## Our School Faculty for Our 2015 - 2016 School Year!

Our principal, **Mrs. Shirley Bieser**, announced the faculty positions for the 2015 - 2016 school year. We are pleased to announce the following teachers and grade level that they will be teaching here at St. Joseph Grade School.

Preschool Teacher.....Mrs. Misti DeMaria  
 Preschool Teacher.....Mrs. Marsha Brown  
 Kindergarten.....Mrs. Lisa Pratte  
 First Grade.....Mrs. Maggie Carr  
 Second Grade.....Mrs. Sarah Gross  
 Third Grade.....Ms. Kathryn Schmelzle  
 Fourth Grade.....Mrs. Sue Seufert  
 Fifth Grade.....Mrs. Jami AuBuchon  
 Sixth Grade.....Mr. Scott Keutzer  
 Seventh Grade.....Mrs. Linda Ferguson  
 Eighth Grade.....Mrs. Annette Willis  
 Librarian.....Mrs. Jodie Berkbigler  
 Music.....Mrs. Jane Ramos  
 P.E.....Mrs. Marge Dill  
 Secretary.....Mrs. Jane Allen

## PSR Open House Begins with Rosary Next Wednesday, September 2

Our PSR program will begin next **Wednesday, September 2 at 6:00 pm** with the praying of the rosary in church followed by an open house in school. **All parents and children are expected to attend.** The students will have the opportunity to meet their teacher on this evening.

Our first PSR class is scheduled for **Wednesday, September 9**. If you have not returned your registration form please do so as soon as possible so that we can organize classes and supplies.

All students preparing for their First Holy Communion this year must have participated in last year's first grade class. Any student wishing to be confirmed this spring **must** have attended our PSR program since receiving their First Communion. If you are new to the parish and have a child in the 2nd or 8th grade class wanting to receive the Sacraments, you **must** present a letter from your previous pastor attesting that your child attended PSR classes at your previous parish.

## Our Mass Intention Book is Filled for This Year!

**We have filled our mass intention requests for this calendar year.** The new mass intention book for 2016 will open on **Monday, November 2**. If you would like any mass intentions offered for your family before the new book opens, we will gladly send the intentions to our priests in our Latin American apostolate in Bolivia.

**I am Interested in  
Becoming Catholic....  
Where Do I Start?**

If you've been coming to mass for a while, but are not Catholic, we invite you to look deeper into the Catholic faith. **Come meet some faithful Catholics who love the Lord and would consider it a privilege to get to know you.** Our parish will soon begin a set of sessions to share with others the truths of the Catholic faith and the fellowship of our church family. We invite you to learn what Catholics believe in an open and welcoming environment. These sessions are also opportunities for you to ask those perplexing and difficult questions you may have about the church.

Sessions will start **September 10**. Please give us a call if you have questions or further information....573-756-4250  
or RCIA@+



## And Finally...

**"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



# Parish Missionary Disciples



Testimony from our Disciple Maker Team Member,  
**Rich Ragsdale**  
 Session 2, April 2015

The second month of our Disciple Makers training focused mainly on three subjects. **First was a tool called the Discipleship Road Map.** The Road Map has 5 different categories to gauge where you are in your discipleship journey with Christ. Are you a Beginning Disciple or a Spiritual Multiplier? We discussed with a partner, and then with the team, our rating. Being honest to yourself and the group about where you stand on the Map can be a humbling experience...you realize there is much room for improvement.

**The second subject was Prayer.** As in most of the training you have to ask yourself (and others) questions you don't consciously think about most of the time: **What is Prayer? When do you pray? How did you learn to pray? How and when did Jesus Pray?** The Saints were used to provide several different explanations of prayer. Again, we engaged with a classmate to explain how we pray and then discussed prayer with our Parish team. We were introduced to **Lectio Divino (Divine Reading)** as a prayerful way of opening the Word every day. It consists of 4 Movements:

1. **Read**.....Listen for the still small voice of God that will speak to us personally a word today.
2. **Meditate**.....Invitation to be like the Virgin Mary "pondering in her heart" what she saw and heard of Christ (Luke 2:19).
3. **Pray**.....We allow the Word that we have taken in and on which we are pondering to touch and change our deepest selves.
4. **Contemplate**....Simply rest in the presence of the God who loves us.

We then spent 30 minutes in Adoration at the Chapel in the Rigali Center and were challenged to invite another to Adoration with us at St. Joseph.

Our last subject was learning how to lead small groups in Bible study and prayer. One member of each team switched to another table and led that group in a short Bible study session. There is no chance to be an introvert in these classes! Everyone is engaged at some point.

**So far the Discipleship classes have allowed us to view St. Joseph Parish from a very different perspective, to see our strengths and weaknesses and determine where change is needed and ultimately to help mold all of the Parish to become more involved in their Discipleship journey with Christ!**



## What is Lectio Divino?

- Receptivity instead of activity
- A means of uniting us to Himself
- Spending time with God through the medium of His word
- Experiencing ourselves as personally and uniquely loved by God
- Enjoying the refreshment of simply being in God's presence







## Parish Missionary Disciples

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### I am embarrassed...

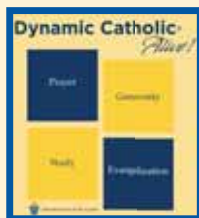
The Pontiff went on to recognize that many people feel ashamed at the idea of confessing their sins and might say, “but Father, I am embarrassed!” “Even embarrassment is good. It’s healthy to have a bit of shame... it does us good, because it makes us more humble.” “Don’t be afraid of confession,” Pope Francis stressed. “When someone is in line for confession he feels all these things - even shame - but then, when he finishes confessing, he leaves (feeling) free, great, beautiful, forgiven, clean, happy.”



“Watch carefully then how you live, not as foolish persons but as wise...”  
(Ephesians 5:15)

A wise person recognizes that all we have comes from God. A wise person thanks God every day for all His many blessings. A wise person realizes that God has blessed us for a reason and He wants us to be partners with Him in His work here on earth.

## Dynamic Catholic, Alive!



### Surrendering to God’s

In The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic, Matthew Kelly wonders: “When was the last time you consciously sat down and explored God’s will for a particular situation?”

In the Our Father, we pray that the Father’s will be done. The Apostle Paul tells us that through prayer we can discern “what is the will of God” (Romans 12:2). Is your life one of surrender to God’s will? God has a plan for our lives; we just have to listen.

## A Message From Our Pastoral Associate, Abe AuBuchon...



### What is a “Parish Missionary Disciple”?

#### Parish.

Let’s take a look at each of these three words. The first is Parish.

At our first Parish Missionary Disciple session last March, we were asked to estimate how many people were in our parish and challenged to look beyond just registered parishioners. ***In actuality, we are responsible for every person within our parish boundaries, most of St. Francois County!*** This definitely sheds new light on what our parish is and could be!

#### Missionary.

In the past most people thought of a missionary as those people who would travel across the world to help those in need and minister to the people who had never been told about the Good News of Jesus Christ. Times have changed and we don’t need to travel very far to see that there are many people in our own communities and parish who need to hear The Good News again!

**The key to this is being intentional. We have to intentionally go out and meet people where they are.** At work, sports practices, meetings, dinners, on the streets, at Wal-Mart, etc. these are all places where we are asked to spread the Good News and our love for Jesus Christ.

#### Disciple.

Me?... A disciple? That does not sound right. It feels a little too...evangelical or protestant. Although, it is rather simple: **The command, to “go and make disciples” (Matthew 28:19), has been the same since the Great Commission and has never changed! By our baptism, we are all called to be disciples!**

Next week...

***How to become a Parish Missionary Disciple.***

### Our Pastoral Team

Very Rev. Rickey J. Valleroy, V.F. ....Pastor  
email: *frrickvalleroy@aol.com*

Rev. James W. Dyer ..... Associate Pastor  
email: *jdyer@stjosephfarmington.com*

Abe AuBuchon .....Pastoral Associate  
email: *aaubuchon@stjosephfarmington.com*

Jane Ramos ....Coordinator of Religious Education  
email: *jramos@stjosephfarmington.com*

Agnes Hinkebein .....Pastoral Health Care  
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Jessi Howard ..... Bulletin Editor/  
..... Event Coordinator  
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Connie Grindel & Phyllis LaPlant.....RCIA  
email: *RCIA@stjosephfarmington.com*

Mike Ward ..... Maintenance Supervisor

Paul Gaines ..... Pastoral Council

Jim Eaton..... Financial Commission

Ed Brown ..... Cemetery Association

Rob Grindel ..... Knights of Columbus

#### Parish Business Office Hours

Monday thru Friday • 8:00 am to 3:30 pm

Phone (573)756-4250 • Fax (573)756-6938

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### Sacramental Life

Monday thru Friday..... 7:00 am

Friday (All School Mass Aug-May)..... 8:05 am

Sunday 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 Birthday



August 16

**Alison Burd  
John Miller**

August 17

**Zoey Gerwitz  
Matt Greif  
Nick Juliette**

August 18

**Benjamin Dore'  
Maria Neurohr**

August 19

**Chris Hennes  
Collin Huitt**

August 20

**David Blunt  
Caitlyn  
Cassimatis  
Dylan Patton**

August 21

**Quinton Cowser  
John Ellis  
Mark Fischbeck  
Katelyn Heberlie  
Austin Robert  
Barbara Wilson**

August 22

**Brittany Jannin  
Julie Koppeis**

### Happy Anniversary

August 16, 1970

**Denis & Patricia Moore**

August 20, 1994

**Ted & Stacey Cassimatis**

August 18, 1993

**Dwayne & Vicky Damba**

August 21, 1993

**Matt & Kelli Greif**

August 22, 1964

**Chester & Nancy Ott**



Visit **liturgy.slu.edu**. Reflecting on the spirituality of the scriptures before Mass can have a great impact on hearing the Word proclaimed on Sunday.

### Welcome

We warmly welcome to our Parish Community the following Parishioners...

**Maria Uy**

and her daughter

**Leahna Wade**

**Robert and Hollie McCoy**

and their daughters,

**Scarlette and Shelbie**





## Eucharistic Celebrations and Mass Intentions

Week of Aug 17 - Aug 23, 2015

- Monday: Weekday**  
Readings: Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22  
7:00 am: Herman Niedert
- Tuesday: Weekday**  
Readings: Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30  
7:00 am: Ralph Rustemeyer
- Wednesday: Weekday**  
Readings: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16  
7:00 am: Tom Freeman
- Thursday: St. Bernard**  
Readings: Jgs 11:29-39a; Ps 40:5, 7-10; Mt 22:1-14  
7:00 am: Sonny Meyer
- Friday: St. Pius X**  
Readings: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40  
7:00 am Anthony & Dolly Busalaki  
8:05 am Martha Green

### Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Readings: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Ps 34:2-3, 16-21; Eph 5:21-32 [2a, 25-32]; Jn 6:60-69
- Saturday:**  
5:00 pm: Beverley Byington
- Sunday:**  
7:30 am: Parishioners  
9:00 am: Everett Dee Akers  
10:30 am: Joan Manley

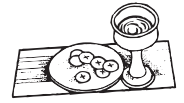
visit [www.stjosephfarmington.com](http://www.stjosephfarmington.com) and click on "daily mass readings" for easy reference.

## 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.*

## Ministers of the Liturgy



### Saturday, August 22

#### 5:00 pm Vigil Mass

- Priest:** Fr. Rickey Valleroy  
**Lector:** Charlotte Vander Bol  
**Extraordinary Ministers:**  
Ronald Brooks, Sandi Brooks, John Denkler, Laura Denkler, Rosetta Halter  
**Ushers:** Gary Harris, Mark Kellogg, Buddy Bordewick, Ralph Trepasso  
**Servers:** K. Halter, D. Kelso, Z. Kelso

### Sunday, August 23

#### 7:30 am Mass

- Priest:** Fr. Rickey Valleroy  
**Lector:** Jim Eaton  
**Extraordinary Ministers:**  
Dotty Bach, Jerry Bach, Brenda Donze, Tom Donze, Steve Forsythe  
**Ushers:** Scott Watson, Ed Brown, Phil Roth, Jack Neiner  
**Servers:** K. Busenbark, A. Crawford

#### 9:00 am Mass

- Priest:** Fr. James Dyer  
**Lector:** Dawn Fuemmeler  
**Extraordinary Ministers:**  
Jana Dore, Mitch Fuemmeler, Rob Grindel, Doak Holloway, Vanessa Trokey  
**Ushers:** Dan Combs, John England, Don Trokey, Mike Ward  
**Servers:** T. Benoist, A. Burcham, M. Burcham

#### 10:30 am Mass

- Priest:** Fr. James Dyer  
**Lector:** Chad Speakar  
**Extraordinary Ministers:**  
Theresa Aubuchon, Shirley Bieser, Charles Boyd, Phyllis LaPlant, Katie Rhodes  
**Ushers:** Roy Henson, James Cissell, Travis Trolinger, Bob Bone  
**Servers:** A. Roney, A. Werner, G. Werner

## Monday, Aug 17, 2015

### Sacristans

Pat Beussink, Jana Dore',  
Marie Hermann, Jo Rustemeyer, Sandi Brooks

### Money Counters

Marilyn Currington, Kathy Miller,  
Bob & Mary Lou Govreau, Dottie Wade



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 Parish School of Religion teachers and students as they begin their new year.”**




**In Our Thoughts and Prayers...**

We pray for the repose of the soul of

**Elaine Edwards**  
 sister of Charmaine (Floyd) McFarland

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



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

**Mandy (Jake) Whitener**

If you are carrying the gift of life and would like the prayers of your parish family please call Jessi in the parish office at 756-4250.



 **Spanish Mass-TODAY**

All are welcome to join our Hispanic community for our monthly Spanish mass TODAY Sunday, August 16th at 3:00 pm. A pot luck gathering will follow in the parish center.

**Your Gifts to God and Parish**  
 Sunday, August 9, 2015

Adult Envelopes	\$10,775.50	
Loose	\$524.01	
Assumption	\$60.00	
Electronic Envelopes	<u>\$1,465.00</u>	
	<b>\$12,824.51</b>	

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Sunday Offering	\$12,824.51	\$75,051.49
Budgeted Amount	<u>\$11,050.00</u>	<u>\$66,300.00</u>
Shortage/Overage	<b>\$1,774.51</b>	<b>\$8,751.49</b>

Latin American Collection	\$236.00
Partners in Education	\$175.00
Maintenance & Repair	\$135.00
Our Father's Table	<u>\$320.06</u>
Total for Specials	<b>\$866.06</b>

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



**Our Gifts to St. Vincent de Paul**

 Thank you St. Joseph's parishioners for your generosity for the month of June and July to our St. Vincent de Paul Society. **\$1,361.59** was given in our monthly S.V.D.P. envelopes.

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

Please pray for: Jeremy Perrone, **Gloria Shaw**, Jeanette Wallach, Joan Jacob, **George Kracke**, **Mary Ellen Jones**, Krew Moeckel, Catherine Bohn, Janet Hermann, Hannah Bracket, **Margaret Greif**, **Kathy Dziewa**, **Terry Guiley**, John Shirley, Donnie Harris, Mike Bellamy, Laura Tellmann, **Joann Fortman**, Larry Brown, Katie Wornell, **Tracy Beussink**, Bob Mueller, Michael Blocker, Brian Barth, **Carl Pruetzel**, Ian Asher, Mark Huels, **Mary Tedder**, Kitty Laut, Bev Howard, Christine Booth, Duane Jarnagin, Jaida Fallert, **Marie Hermann**, **Pat Raymer**, **Paula Karl**, **Vince Block**, **Hilda Hahn**, **Frank Roth** and **Jim Spengler**.

To add someone to the prayer list contact Pat Boatright at [pandkboat@gmail.com](mailto:pandkboat@gmail.com) or 756-4169.



## Thank you to all Parish Ministries of our Parish from St. Joseph Staff & Home and School Association

Our St. Joseph Staff & Home and School Association would like to say a sincere thank you to the following parish and school organizations who took time to set up an informational table at the Parish Ministry Day on August 9. Each group had a free raffle for great prizes. We had over 200 in attendance. It was a perfect opportunity for those in attendance to learn more about the groups within our St. Joseph community. If you would like more information about one of these groups please contact the parish office. They will provide you with the appropriate contact information. Thank You to the following Ministries:



**Pastoral Council  
Knights of Columbus  
St. Vincent de Paul  
Women of Mary  
Athletic Association**

**Virtue Based Restorative Discipline  
Yesterday's Kids  
Prayer Shawl  
Rosary  
Y.A.C.H.T. Club  
School Board**

**Parish Staff  
Preschool  
School Teachers  
PSR Teachers  
RCIA  
Art Club  
Running Club  
Our Father's Table  
Eucharistic Ministers  
Disciple Maker Team  
Uniform Exchange**

**Lighthouse Catholic Media  
Respect Life Committee  
Garden Club  
ACTS  
Quilters  
Choir  
Guitar Choir  
Dinner Auction  
Home & School Association  
Eucharistic Adoration**

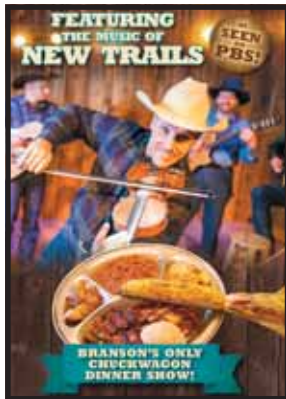
# St. Joe's Yesterday's Kids Upcoming Events!!

**\$200**

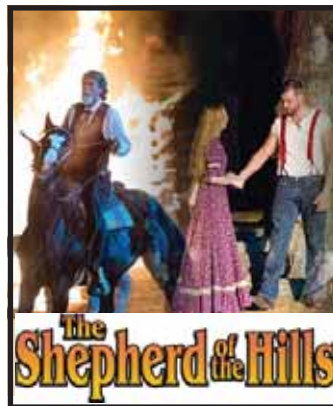
**Branson**

**October  
14-15**

**Deadline to  
sign up  
September 1st!**



**Chuckwagon  
Dinner Show**



**The Shepherd of the Hills**  
*Live Outdoor Drama*



**Dublin's Irish Tenors &  
The Celtic Ladies**

**Holiday Brass  
Concert**

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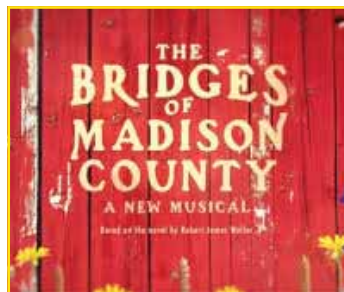
**Brass Holiday  
CONCERT**



**December 1**

**Fabulous Fox  
Theatre**

**\$65**



**April 14**

**Bingo Night**

**FREE**

**With Today's Kids...**  
(Hosted by St. Joseph Parish Staff)



**February 22**

**More details to come!  
Mark your calendars!**



## Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom is imagined as a woman rich in poise and grace. She moves smoothly and confidently about her temple-like home. She doesn't flutter about, nervous with worry. Wisdom sends her maidens to invite all to her open house. The guests do not possess any particular genius or insight. They need only be people of good will and common sense. They are summoned to leave behind foolishness and to find for themselves a place at Wisdom's table. There they may eat and drink deeply.

Today's Gospel draws us back to the table of the Eucharist. Jesus addresses those who seek to understand his words and, sadly, those who seek to avoid them. As people born of God, we are called and equipped to seek God's will and act on it.

### A Whole Life

We expect and find in Jesus a great tenderness when he addresses the wounded, bewildered, and fearful. He bends down to them, as the greater bend to the lesser. But here Jesus is faced not with the doubtful and anguished, but with the murmurers whose questions are edgy and obtuse. Theirs are not the questions of those who seek a deep understanding, but those who seek to condemn and find fault.

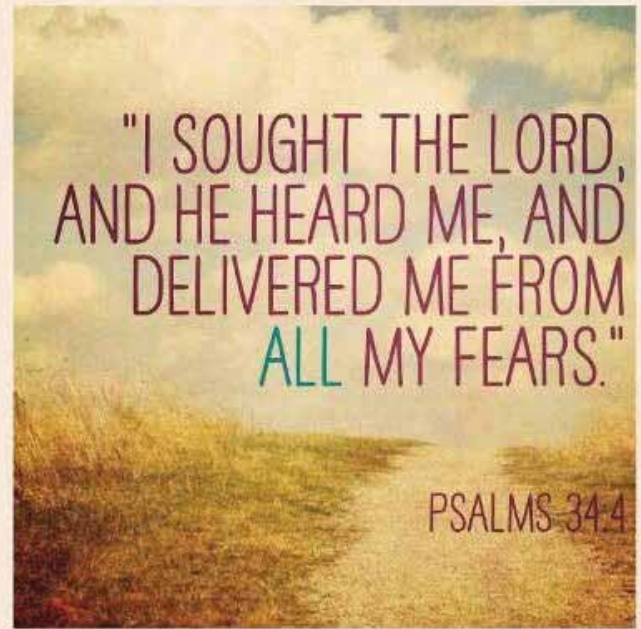
In today's Gospel, Jesus addresses those who would rather not come to dinner. For their choice to do so just might require the daily conversion of which the second reading speaks. They will also miss the joy that marks the community of the Resurrection. This joy is based on faith. But this joy is also drawn from the very people with whom we celebrate, from whom we ask forgiveness, with whom we work day in and day out. The Eucharistic celebration gives a taste of the full life that the Holy Spirit gives to all who gather in the Lord.

Jesus speaks of the kind of life that leads to life eternal. He does not soften his words or make his invitation pretty and easy. He speaks on a grand scale. He asks of us a largeness of soul. He is passionate about this. Something great is at stake here, something that will require the commitment and promise of a whole life.

### Without End

In assembling this Gospel, the community of John set forth its clear understanding of the Eucharist. A refusal to share in Jesus' life is a refusal to share in his life with the Father. This life begins in the Eucharist and has no end. Jesus' generous offer of his own life for us still stands. The invitation issued by Wisdom reaches its fullness in this Gospel. We are invited to share this bread come down from heaven. We are invited to live today and forever. Amen.

Today's Readings: Prv 9:1–6; Ps 34:2–7; Eph 5:15–20; Jn 6: 51–58



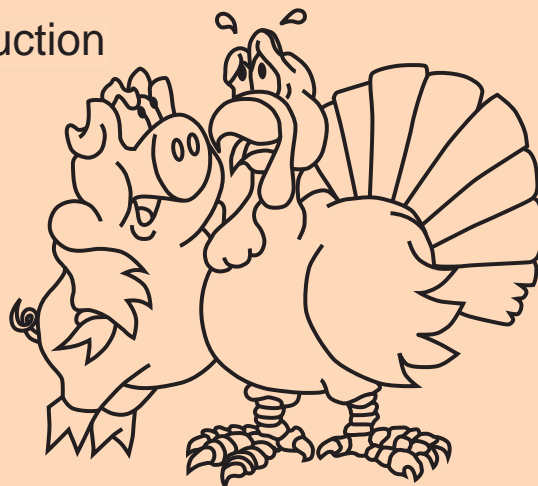


## St. Catherine's Catholic Church in Coffman, Missouri

# Annual Turkey Shoot Sunday, September 27



- Silent Antique and Collectibles Auction
- Sandwiches and refreshments beginning at 11:00 am
- Country Store
- Quilt and Gun Raffle
- Children's Games



**Come Experience  
Country Hospitality at its best...**

### St. Catherine's Turkey Shoot

We are having our **Bottle Booth** again this year and need your help!

This booth has absolutely NO overhead and generates a good profit. All donations are greatly appreciated and can be dropped off at St. Catherine's Parish Hall or St. Joseph's Parish Office.

Any nonperishable, unopened, unexpired bottle items will be accepted.

Please contact **Lynette Heberlie** with any questions at 701-2205.



**Athletic  
Association  
News**

### Practice Schedule



**Soccer Practice:**  
Tuesdays & Thursdays  
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm  
Engler Park

**First Practice:**  
Tuesday, August 18

### Volleyball Practice:

<b>Team A: Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>
3:30 pm- 5:00 pm	5:30 pm- 7:00 pm
Gym	Gym

**Team B: Tuesday & Thursday**  
3:30 pm- 5:00 pm  
Gym



## *New to our Parish?*

You enter this Church not as a stranger, but as a guest of God. As a baptized person, you enter it as a son or daughter of the Father in Christ. This House of God, therefore, is your family home. Come in then with humility of mind, joy of heart and thanks on your lips. Acknowledge the Lord's presence in the Tabernacle and adore Him. Come in and pause in prayer in the midst of your busy life and its many worries. Be grateful to those who, for the glory of God and in honour of St. Joseph, built this place of worship with faith and sacrifice, and sanctified it with their songs and prayers.

Anyone who wishes to practice the Catholic faith by attending this Church may consider St. Joseph's as their own parish.

## **Advertiser of the Week...**

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## **Protecting God's Children Upcoming Workshops**

**September 21 • October 12**

**6:00 - 8:30 pm**

**Parish Center**

Preregister online at [archstl.org](http://archstl.org)

For more information contact  
Abe AuBuchon at 756-4250  
Please, no children allowed.



## **Paul VI Institute**

### **College Course**

to be Offered

Here at St. Joseph's

This Fall

### **Understanding the Mass**

Instructor: Fr. Rickey

**Class Begins: September 15**

**Class Ends: November 17**

**Tuesday Nights • Parish Center**

**7:00 pm - 9:15 pm**

\*Sign up online date will open soon

\*2 hours of college credit

### **Course Description:**

This course will be geared toward those who teach about the meaning of the Mass and the theology of the Eucharist to children.

We will break open the document on the **General Instruction of Roman Missal** and examine the various parts of the Mass, the sacramental symbols and signs, and an understanding of why liturgy is the work of the people of God.

**It will help teachers discover deeper insights of Eucharistic Spirituality as well as the history of the Sacred Liturgy.** The instructor's hands-on teaching approach will renew your faith and deepen your devotion to the Eucharist so to easily bring it to the classroom.

## Coming up in our Parish...



**September 12**  
Parish Leadership Day



**September 18**  
Couple's Evening



**October 14-15**  
Yesterday's Kids Branson Trip



**October 18**  
YACHT Club Hayride

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



Eucharistic Adoration :  
Thursdays • 7:30 am - 5:15 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

We are currently in need of someone to fill a time slot: 12:30-1:30.

If you cannot make the commitment but would like to get on the substitute list, contact Rita or Charlie.

## This Week in Our Parish...

**Wednesday • August 19**

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

**Rosary**  
7:15 pm • Church

**Thursday • August 20**

**Eucharistic Adoration**  
7:30 am- 5:15 pm • Church

## New from LIGHTHOUSE

In this presentation, Dr. Sri invites all Christians to embrace the call of Pope Francis to be missionary disciples in today's world. Dr. Sri makes the Holy Father's message both accessible and actionable for people living in this day and age.

LIVING THE GOSPEL  
— WITH THE HEART OF —

*Pope Francis*



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

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." As we know, our loving God cannot be seen by our eyes, but only experienced through loving people.

With love for your neighbors who have nothing, look around your house to see what furniture, household items, and clothing you no longer use...and give it to our St. Vincent de Paul.

**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.

## The Little Saints Corner St. Joseph's Little Saints Preschool

"Preparing God's Children for Success!"

Registration for the 2015-2016 school year is now open!!!

The Little Saints Preschool is a quality enrichment program for ages 3 through Prekindergarten.

Monday-Friday from 8:00-3:00

For more information please contact us at 756-6312.



**Enroll your child now!**

## Our Thanks To..

**Pat Beussink**

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



A Note from our Pastoral Health Care Minister,

**Agnes Hinkebein, RN**

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





# St. Catherine of Alexandria

Your Gifts to God and Parish

August 22, 2015

Celebrant  
**Fr. Rickey Valleroy**

Lector  
Joyce Heberlie

Extraordinary Ministers  
Helen McDaniel &  
Joyce Heberlie

Offertory Bearers  
Jimmy & Susie Herzog

Mass Intentions  
Aug 15 - Janet Grass  
Aug 22 - Ronald Hahn Jr.

Saturday, August 8, 2015

Adult Envelopes .....	\$750.00
Loose.....	\$30.00
Total.....	<b>\$780.00</b>

**Thank You For Your Faithfulness!**

Please join us for our Town Hall Meeting **This Wednesday, August 19 at 6:30 pm** to participate in the parish viability study mandated by the Archdiocese. Your input is needed and appreciated!

“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

## Saturday 7:30 pm Mass

Coffman, Missouri  
Founded in 1887  
Canonical Parish 1919

Parish Council President:  
Jimmy Herzog