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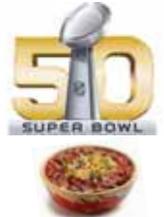
Farmington, Missouri



Please stop by the parish center hall if you need a Fish Fry sign!!

February 7, 2016
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Just in Time for Super Bowl 50!!!
K of C Chili Sale
TODAY
After all Masses



Thank you St. Joseph's for allowing us to represent you in Washington, D.C. for the 43rd Annual March for Life.

Front: Fr. Rickey Valleroy, Hannah Fingerhut

First Row: Brayden Armes, Chase Watson, Hayden Fingerhut, Keegan Wade, Kynlee Wade, Emma Watson, Kiya Wade, Rob Grindel, Jerry Hulsey.

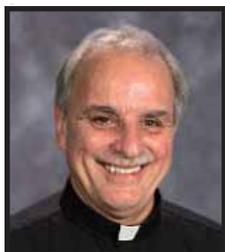
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Fourth Row: Chris Fingerhut, Agnes Hinkebein, Ed Wooldridge, Jayne Wooldridge, Sam Wade, Brian Wade, Scott Watson, Christy Watson.

Fifth Row: Mark Halter, Amie Henson, Callie Henson, Dylan Kelso, Cameron Brown, Lilly Combs, Olivia Combs

Sixth Row: Laura Henson, Rita Boyd, Dolores Eddleman, Gene Eddleman, Dan Combs, Betty Combs



From the Pastor's Pen

Dear Parishioners of St. Joseph

Some of my thoughts on our Pilgrimage to Washington DC ...

A time of prayer, community and spiritual growth...

It is difficult to put into words what our group of 52 parishioners experienced two weeks ago on our 10th annual pilgrimage to our Nation's capitol to participate in the **43rd National March of Life**. For those who made the pilgrimage this year, they experienced a moment of a lifetime that will forever be etched in their hearts and memories as they continue their earthly journey homewards to God.



What is a pilgrimage? I have been blessed to lead various groups to Washington DC throughout the years, but for the past few years, instead of a trip, it has become a prayerful pilgrimage. A pilgrimage is different from a trip, for a pilgrimage is a journey with the opportunity for spiritual growth and a time to draw closer to God. Our pilgrims truly opened their hearts to be transformed, renewed, and refreshed in our Catholic identity, communion and faith journey. Through the intercession of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, our pilgrimage, **My Life is my Message**, we came to know much more about our Catholic identity, through prayer, our faith tradition and the holy scriptures.

The bus ride? Being a pilgrim is not the same as being a tourist. The long hours of being on the bus overnight isn't the easiest mode of transportation, but it is a part of the offering of being on a pilgrimage. We do stop about every two hours for a break and a stretch. While enjoying a late evening meal at McDonald's and a hearty breakfast at Cracker Barrel, the time seemed to fly this year in comparison to years past.



Being on the bus and the activities such as movies, prayer, card games and just being able to be among family and friends helped the pilgrims to slow down and enjoy the "**moments**" of the pilgrimage. The pilgrims were encouraged to lovingly place any trials, hardships, pain or brokenness into God's hands to hold throughout the pilgrimage so that they could be free to open their hearts to the "moments" and allow God's grace and peace to enter. We began this year's pilgrimage in church gathered around our Altar praying over rosaries that would later be given to our prayer partners.



The Eucharist is the center of our pilgrimage. We keep the Eucharist the center of our pilgrimage as we try to have mass each day of the journey. This year our Eucharistic celebrations were awesome and life-giving. One of our masses was held on the bus and our mass on the day of the March is always one of the highlights of the pilgrimage. This year we were especially blessed to have mass in the lower chapel of the **National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception**.



The Laying of the wreath at Arlington. Each year at our planning meeting for our Fall chicken fry to raise funds for the pilgrimage we draw four names from all of the pilgrims attending. This year **Lilly Combs, Cameron Brown, Scott Watson and Maggie Carr** had the honor of representing our parish to lay a wreath in a formal military service at the Tomb of the Unknown. When the guard announced the name of St. Joseph Catholic Church from Farmington, Missouri, one felt an overwhelming sense of patriotic pride and communion with our parish family back home. When the taps are played... tears usually follow for those having this once in a lifetime opportunity. Although we were able to see several of our Nation's landmarks on the pilgrimage, there is a difference: as an old saying sums it up, "Tourists pass though places, but pilgrims let places pass through them, allowing their hearts to be changed."



Participating in the 43rd Annual March. This year, we battled a blizzard threatening to hit the D.C. area to have the opportunity to walk in the National March for Life. Unfortunately, the morning of the march, I received a phone call that all government buildings were shutting down. Reluctantly, we headed home and stayed just ahead of the storm. Though, it would have been amazing to be involved in the Mass that took place on the Pennsylvania turnpike with an Altar and Ambo built with snow!

So many parishes strive to fill a bus for this National March. Filling a bus with teenagers is one of the easiest ways. To fill a bus from a parish our size is truly amazing. We had parishioners from the age of one to seventy-four on our pilgrimage! We are blessed to stay at the Hyatt Regency on Capitol Hill which is within walking distance to the Capitol and Union Station.



We are so blessed by the support of our parish family for this annual pilgrimage. Thanks to the two fundraisers (the Fall chicken fry and rummage sale) as well as some very generous benefactors that provide most of the meals etc... the cost of the 5 day pilgrimage is very affordable for families or individuals.



My thanks to the 52 pilgrims for saying YES and joining us for the our 10th annual pilgrimage. It truly was a faith-filled experience! God blessed us amazingly and I'm sure the pilgrims will forever hold these memories in their hearts.

Each year I experience such a great abundance of God's great love through the pilgrims on this annual pilgrimage. Thank you for making this year's pilgrimage so special. I am so blessed to be your pastor.



Ash Wednesday Our Lenten Journey Begins...

This Wednesday begins our traditional spiritual journey of Lent; a time of penance, spiritual renewal and anticipation of Easter joy.

Have you given any thought yet to what you will do this Lenten Season to enhance your spiritual growth? As an adult, how about adding an additional 10 minutes of prayer each day? Daily mass? A true intention of going to the Sacrament of Reconciliation? Setting aside the Lenten season to stay home and have dinner **every** night with the family? Reconciling with a family member? Maybe praying the Stations of the Cross? Reading a bit of scripture each day? A weekly visit on Thursdays for Eucharistic Adoration?

Let us open our hearts this Lenten season to God's transforming life within each of us! **It's easy to BE Catholic but a life changing experience to LIVE Catholic!!!**

Our Baptismal calling encourages us to do much more. Through his example of forty days in the desert, Jesus asks us to return to the basics of our faith: **to pray, fast, give alms and perform works of mercy.** May the ashes truly remind us to turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel.

Masses on Ash Wednesday will be at 7:00 am, 8:05 am and 7:00 pm.



Please Join us for Doughnuts Sunday

Please join us after all Masses today for coffee and doughnuts hosted by St. Joseph Catholic School faculty and staff.



Our Lenten Fish Fries Begin This Friday

We need everyone to help to make the season one of warm hospitality.

Catholic Parishes are known for many things, the Lenten Fish Fry being one of them. Parishes are often identified and known for their warm hospitality. **Our Lenten Fish Fries have done that for us!** We had a tremendous response the last ten years! **Our Fish Fries are about bringing the community together and the opportunity for evangelization.**

For the last several years the community of Farmington was aglow with our Lenten purple signs advertising our Fish Fries. **If you are in need of a new sign or a new stake, please come by the parish office to pick one up.** We ask that you please display your fish fry sign in your yard or place of business during Lent.

Again this year we will offer **“ALL YOU CAN EAT”** at our Fish Fries that will be held in the gym and served buffet style.

We will be offering catfish along with tilapia and pollock. Each week we will offer cole slaw, hush puppies, green beans, stewed tomatoes, french fries, macaroni and cheese and a specialty dish. The cost, **includes dessert**, is **\$8.00** for adults, **\$4.00** for children (6-12 years old) and **free** for children under 5.

We will remember the poor of our community by our youth group hosting a **50/50 raffle** each week. The proceeds will go to the **Help the Hungry Bakesale**. Our 50/50 drawings be held at 7:30 pm each evening. Our quilters will again offer chances on a beautiful homemade quilt to be raffled at our last fish fry on March 18.

A Note For Our Organizations Hosting the Fish Fries

During the past several years hospitality has been the hallmark of each of our Fish Fries. I've had several people approach me asking if we can extend the time of our fish fries. After speaking to several of the organizers it was decided that we will keep our hours as they have been in the past, but **we will not start taking down tables and chairs until 7:30 pm.** This will aid greatly to our spirit of hospitality by not rushing our guests who come near closing time.

Please let your family and friends know that we do serve until 7:00 pm and that our serving tables will not be taken down until 7:30 pm.

Each week in our bulletin during fish fry season you will find the organizations responsible for hosting the next fish fry. All volunteers are asked to check the schedule posted in the gym just outside the door to the cafeteria for who to check in with for their assigned duties and instructions about procedures such as serving and re-filling drinks, cleaning tables, etc.

We appreciate all you do and hope you will eat with your fellow parishioners, or take home your delicious dinner. **Although we cannot provide free meals for our hosting groups, we are still the best deal in town.**

Our Parish Council asks everyone to please help us to keep our fish fries ones of hospitality and not of solicitation, nor are any political fliers to be distributed.

Fish Fry Meals Available to be Delivered to Our Homebound

If you know of someone who is registered in our parish family who is homebound and who is on our communion call list and would like a fish fry meal brought to their home, please contact our **Parish Health Minister, Agnes Hinkebein**. Due to dietary restrictions, we are asked not to deliver to nursing homes.

Deacon Mark Byington will be our Guest Presenter at our Men's Evening of Lenten Reflection

THIS Tuesday, February 9 from 6:30 - 9:00 pm all men of the parish are invited to an evening of spiritual reflection, awesome fellowship and great food. I am thrilled that **Deacon Mark Byington** will be the guest speaker. This year our own parishioner, **Jake Whitener**, will also give a brief reflection; **“He is the Quarterback, We are the Receivers”**. If you would like to attend this awesome night, please RSVP to Jessi in the parish office.

And Finally...

Please remember to pick up your Lenten ***The Word Among Us*** booklets located in the back of church this weekend.

“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

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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



February 7

Greg Barenbrugge
Rosetta Halter
Chuck Hayden
Chuck Koppeis

February 8

Dolores Eddleman
Judy Montgomery
JC Odle
Joseph Reed

February 9

Jeremy Coleman
Alex Gerstner
Carol Rollens

February 10

Mary Ann Burns
Jane Hardy
Jeremy Hinkebein
Michael McNamara

February 10

Cindy Smith
Corey Wolff

February 11

Paul Amsden
Mary Burcham
JoAnn Fortman
Shirley Hill
Crystal Hoffman
Norene Leonard

February 12

Andrew Hamill
Christopher Harness

February 13

Dan Combs
Ken Halter
Karac Knight

February 14

Lilly Combs
Linda Hamill
Kathy Neiner



Happy Anniversary



February 8, 2003

Joe & Michelle Hoffmeister

February 14, 1992

David & Jane Howard

February 9, 1952

Deacon Al & Jeanie Gegg

February 14, 1980

Keith & Karen Hutson

February 11, 1956

Carl & Sue Pruetzel

60 Years!

February 14, 1991

Lee & Katie Schwent

25 Years!

February 14, 2009

Donald & Gloria Shaw



How can we help you?

- I would like to learn more about the Catholic faith.
- I would like to return to full participation in the sacraments.
- I am interested in joining your parish community.
- I am in need of sacramental support.
- I would appreciate a call by the pastor.

Name: _____

Number: _____

Email: _____



Eucharistic Celebrations and Mass Intentions

Week of Feb 8 - 14

Monday: Weekday

Readings: 1 Kgs 8:1-7,9-13; Ps 132:6-7,8-10;
Mk 6:53-56

7:00 am: **Catherine Tantillo**

Tuesday: Weekday

Readings: 1 Kgs 8:22-23,27-30; Ps 84:3-5,10-11;
Mk 7:1-13

7:00 am: **Tom Rigdon**

Wednesday: Ash Wednesday

Readings: J1 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6b, 12-14,17; 2 Cor
5:20-6:2; Mt 6:1-6,16-18

7:00 am: **Bertrand Hayden**

8:05 am: **George Whitworth**

7:00 am: **Peggy Weber & Stephen Weber**

Thursday: Thursday after Ash Wednesday

Readings: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4,6; Lk 9:22-25

7:00 am: **Joseph Smith**

Friday: Friday after Ash Wednesday

Readings: Is 58:1-9; Ps 51:3-6, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15

7:00 am: **Murrell & Anna Blankenship**

8:05 am: **Abt & Lavin Families**

First Sunday of Lent

Sunday Readings: Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2,10-15;
Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

Saturday:

5:00 pm: **Parishioners**

Sunday:

7:30 am: **Schnurbusch Family**

9:00 am: **Joe Manley**

10:30 am: **Al Dziewa**

Ministers of the Liturgy



Saturday, February 13

5:00 pm Vigil Mass

Priest: Fr. James Dyer

Lector: John Crouch

Extraordinary Ministers:

Adam Barnhouse, Kevin Boatright, Ronald
Brooks, John Denkler, Rosetta Halter

Ushers: Buddy Bordewick, Gary Harris, John
Jones, Mark Kellogg

Servers: E. Anderson, E. Barnhouse, K. Gerwitz

Cantor: Jane Ramos

Sunday, February 14

7:30 am Mass

Priest: Fr. James Dyer

Lector: Chuck Hayden

Extraordinary Ministers:

Dotty Bach, Jerry Bach, Brenda Donze,
Tom Donze, Jim Eaton

Ushers: Ed Brown, Jack Neiner, Chester Ott,
Phil Roth

Servers: S. Heberlie, A. Le

9:00 am Mass

Priest: Fr. Rickey Valleroy

Lector: Brian McNamara

Extraordinary Ministers:

Abe AuBuchon, Jana Dore, Risha Gaines,
Doak Holloway, George Kracke

Ushers: Dan Combs, John England, Jerry Morris,
John Podolak

Servers: T. Benoist, C. Brown, K. Busenbark

Cantor: Dawn Fuemmeler

10:30 am Mass

Priest: Fr. Rickey Valleroy

Lector: Terry Guiley

Extraordinary Ministers:

Sandi Brooks, Mitch Fuemmeler, Jill Patton,
Helen Thurman, John Thurman

Ushers: Roy Henson, Gerald Hulse, Don Trokey,
Scott Watson

Servers: J. Hulse, C. Watson, M. Williams

Cantor: Michelle Podolak

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, February 8, 2016

Sacristans

Brenda Donze, Linda Gillespie,
Karen Jones, Jo Rustemeyer

Money Counters

Beulah Carrow, Jackie Maloney,
Nancy Ott, Carolyn Rigdon

There will be **NO** rosary
THIS Wednesday evening due to
Ash Wednesday Mass



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

Mandy (Jake) Whitener

Sarah (Adam) Gross

Jami (Abe) AuBuchon

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



“Then I heard the
voice of the Lord
saying, ‘Whom
shall I send? Who
will go for us?’ ‘Here I
am,’ I said, ‘send me!’”
(Isaiah 6:8)

Every day – in little ways and in big ways –
God asks, “Whom shall I send?” Whether it
is someone to take on a new ministry or just
someone to open a door for a stranger, God
constantly provides doors of opportunity.
The next time you hear God calling, have the
courage to walk through the door and say
“Here I am, Lord.”

Your Gifts to God and Parish

Sunday, January 31, 2016

Adult Envelopes	\$7,460.00
Loose	\$563.10
Children's Envelopes	\$3.00
First Offering	\$35.00
Electronic Envelopes	<u>\$430.00</u>
	\$8,491.10

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Sunday Offering	\$8,491.10	\$364,088.89
Budgeted Amount	<u>\$11,050.00</u>	<u>\$342,550.00</u>
Shortage/Overage	(\$2,558.90)	\$21,538.89
St. Vincent de Paul		\$550.00
Partners in Education		\$370.00
Maintenance and Repair		\$50.00
St. Louis Review		\$205.00
Our Father's Table		\$53.00
Women of Mary		<u>\$385.00</u>
Total for Specials		\$1,613.00

Thank You For Your Faithfulness!!!



Children's Envelopes

Their Stewardship in Action...

Audrey - I helped dad pick up sticks in the
yard and helped mom watch my baby brother.
Ava - I helped mom with our new puppy.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers...

We pray for the repose of the soul of

Sherma McCarty

mother of Theresa (Clark) Aubuchon

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

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

Please pray for: Harold White, Katy, Carol Rowe, Julie Shields, Cathy, Elaine George, Gary Ward, Terry Edgar, Bill Allen, Michelle Brown, Megan Brown, **Bill Baker**, Jake Zerht, Rick Smith, William Silvey, Lindis Sitzes, **Frances Zolman**, Tony Boyer, Mark Gillette, Spencer Vincent, **Cathy Barron**, Steve Baechle, Anna Jean Wade, Julie Hinkebein Reeter, **Clinton Heberlie**, Linda Resinger, **Jeanie Gegg**, **Sarah Moore**, Gene Allen, Teri Wilson, **Joe Sansoucie**, **Sandi Kracke**, Helen Naeger, Jeremy and Mark Huels.

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

Ministers of the Liturgy



Ash Wednesday, February 10

7:00 am Mass

Priest: Fr. James Dyer
 Lector: Jim Eaton
 Extraordinary Ministers:
 Dotty Bach, Jerry Bach, Brenda Donze,
 Chuck Hayden, Kathy Neiner
 Distributor of Ashes: Fr. Rickey, Fr. Dyer,
 Abe AuBuchon, Sandi Brooks
 Ushers: Buddy Bordewick, Ed Brown, Tom Donze,
 Jack Neiner

8:05 am Mass

Priest: Fr. Rickey Valleroy
 Lector: K. Ramos
 Extraordinary Ministers:
 Abe AuBuchon, Jami AuBuchon, Shirley
 Bieser, Maggie Carr, Lisa Pratte
 Distributor of Ashes: Fr. Rickey, Fr. Dyer,
 Abe AuBuchon, Agnes Hinkebein
 Ushers: L. Combs, R. Fuemmeler, C. Harness,
 J. Wampler
 Servers: P. Borrego, C. Brown, G. Werner
 Cantor: Jane Ramos

7:00 pm Mass

Priest: Fr. James Dyer
 Lector: Vanessa Trokey
 Extraordinary Ministers:
 Theresa AuBuchon, Adam Barnhouse,
 Laura Denkler, Jana Dore, Jill Patton
 Distributor of Ashes: Fr. Dyer, Abe AuBuchon,
 Agnes Hinkebein, Sandi Brooks
 Ushers: Gary Harris, Jerry Morris, John Podolak,
 Don Trokey
 Servers: E. Barnhouse, A. Roney, S. Zaricor
 Cantor: Michelle Podolak

Liturgical Ministry Training

Attention Ushers!

Training date: Monday, February 8

All trainings will be held from 6:30 - 8:30 pm
 These training sessions will be held in the church
 Led by **Abe AuBuchon and Scott Watson**



Please join us for
 Stations of the Cross each Friday
 during Lent at 2 pm and 7 pm.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Impressions

We talk about making a good first impression or falling in love at first sight. Today's scripture accounts reveal a little bit to us about first encounters that set in motion some very important scriptural lives. Isaiah has a momentous experience of God enthroned while the seraphim chant "Holy, holy, holy!" (Isaiah 6:3). Paul hints at his conversion and call to be an apostle when he refers to himself as one "born abnormally" (1 Corinthians 15:8), which is to say he is the only apostle--the "least," he calls himself--who did not know Jesus during his earthly ministry. We hear Luke's version of the first impression the disciples had of Jesus, when they learn an important lesson about being a follower of Jesus: you can labor all you want, but if you do not allow the Lord into your work, it will be in vain. When he enters, get ready to be amazed.

Final Impressions

John, the only other evangelist to recount the story of the miraculous catch of fish, places the story after the resurrection of Christ from the dead, not at the beginning of his ministry as Luke does. Unlike Matthew and Mark, wherein the disciples follow Jesus upon his call, Luke seemed to know that his listeners would comprehend the call to discipleship better if it followed a miraculous sign. (And Peter's acknowledgment of his sinfulness echoes Isaiah's description of his unclean lips.) But whether it's Luke describing the beginning of the disciples following Jesus in mission or John's depiction of the risen Christ preparing his followers for the mission following his return to the Father, the point is the same, and remains the same for us today. Paul expresses it best. It does not matter who preaches the Gospel, or where or when, but only that it is, through the grace of God in us, preached and believed.

Today's Readings: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; Ps 138:1-5, 7-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 5:1-11

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Lenten Observance and Resources— Archdiocese of St. Louis

The Blessing of Ashes should take place within the celebration of the Mass or a scheduled service consisting of at least an appointed Scripture reading and a brief homily stressing the meaning of the ashes as a symbol of penance and self-denial. Please refer to the Book of Blessing for additional information that will be of assistance to you in this matter.

In the case of genuine pastoral necessity, Archbishop Carlson has given permission for lay ministers (for example, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion) to assist the priest and deacon in the distribution of the blessed ashes.

The Blessing of the Ashes is reserved to the priest or deacon, and priests and deacons should participate in the distribution of the ashes, whenever possible. They are the primary ministers of the ritual.

Archdiocesan Lenten Regulations

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, that the world might be saved through him.” (John 3:16-17)

The Church has always helped us fulfill these words of Jesus by prescribing very definite penance for all Catholics, so that we too might have Eternal life. Accordingly, the Pope and the American Bishops have outlined obligatory fast and abstinence as follows:

Ash Wednesday (February 10, 2016) and Good Friday (March 25, 2016) are days of abstinence for all Catholics over the age of 14. On these two days, fast, as well as abstinence, is also obligatory for those **from the ages of 18-59.** Abstinence means refraining from meat. Fast means one full meal a day, with two smaller meals and nothing between meals (liquids are permitted). No Catholic will lightly excuse himself or herself from this obligation.

All Fridays in Lent are days of **abstinence** from meat. Here again Catholics will not hold themselves lightly excused, but if there is a serious health problem, this obligation would not apply.

We should strive to make all days of Lent a time of prayer and penance. Following are several resources that can aid in finding different forms of prayer and penance.

Archdiocesan Lenten Resources

There are many excellent resources and events for the Season of Lent you might wish to use or share with your parishioners. Especially, this year during the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy, the Archdiocese of St. Louis has several unique opportunities for the faithful:

- Reconciliation Weekend Friday, March 4th and Saturday, March 5th
<http://archstl.org/confession>
- Archbishop Carlson's Lenten Day of Recollection at Cathedral Basilica on Saturday, March 5th
- Attend one of the Year of Mercy Events or visit one of the Year of Mercy Pilgrimage Sites
<http://archstl.org/mercy>.

Following are also a list of some resources available for Lent this year:

- Living the Eucharist Lenten program: <http://www.livingtheeucharist.org/>.
- Best Lent Ever daily reflections from Dynamic Catholic:
<http://dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentever/#signup>
- USCCB:
<http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year/lent/prayer-resources-for-lent.cfm>

We do not always know the impact our prayer may have for our family, friends, or others. In light of the recent flooding and burning of churches, I would like to encourage all in the Archdiocese of St. Louis to devote some fasting and prayer this Lent as a call to peace.

Lent is a Season of reflection, penance, fasting, and service. May the Lord strengthen you as you continue to share this message with your parishioners. Be assured of my prayers for both you and the people in your parish throughout this Lenten Season and the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy.

Beginning the First Thursday of Lent: February 11

Eucharistic Adoration New Extended Hours

Thursday Adoration: from 7:30 am - **7:30 pm**

Will you spend an hour a week with Jesus this Lent?

Surprising things that happen when you go to Adoration...



- You develop a sense of awe and wonder
- You experience peace in other areas of your life
- You begin to look outwardly
- You become excited about going to Adoration
- Grace enters your life
- You realize that God has a sense of humor
- You want to go to Confession more
- You fall in love



Please email Rita Boyd at ctboyd@sbcglobal.net if you would like to commit one hour of your week to the Adoration of Jesus. Available times: 5:30-6:30 pm and 6:30-7:30 pm.



First Fish Fry Friday, February 12

Plan on sharing a great night of fellowship and good food at. . .

St. Joseph School Gym from 4:00 - 7:00 pm

Adults \$8.00, Children (6-12) \$4.00, Children 5 and under FREE

Menu Includes

- Three types of fish: Catfish, Tilapia, and Pollock
- Sides of hush puppies, cole slaw, green beans, stewed tomatoes, french fries, macaroni and cheese, and a specialty side dish each week
 - Your choice of tea, coffee, or lemonade
- Delicious homemade desserts prepared by Women of Mary

Specialty items each week are:

February 12 - shrimp

February 19 - corn on the cob

February 26 - fried okra

March 4 - bean casserole

March 11 - onion rings

March 18 - shrimp

All You
Can Eat

Carry
Out

Host Parish Organizations Fish Fry Dates

“Offering the best hospitality in St. Francois County”

February 12

School and Preschool Families, School & Preschool Faculty,
School Board, Parish Council Members

February 19

PSR Families, PSR Faculty, Knights of Columbus,
5:00, 9:00 & 10:30 Choirs, YACHT Club

February 26

St. Vincent dePaul Volunteers, Finance Board,
ACTS community, Respect Life Committee, Our Father's Table

March 4

School and Preschool Families, School & Preschool Faculty,
School Board, Parish Council Members

March 11

PSR Families, PSR Faculty, Knights of Columbus,
5:00, 9:00 & 10:30 Choirs, YACHT Club

March 18

RCIA Team, Candidates and Catechumens, St. Vincent de Paul Volunteers,
Finance Board, ACTS community, Respect Life Committee, Our Father's Table,
All Parishioners invited to host!



Please note that
all groups are
asked to work
two fish fries



Ticket Collectors and Money Counters

Ed and Sue Brown, Chairs, and our Money Counter teams

Desserts each week provided by Women of Mary

50/50 Raffle worked by Youth Group

Drink Table worked by Confirmation Class and Parish Staff

Beer Booth operated by Knights of Columbus

Quilt Booth operated by Quilters

All parish organizations working on assigned dates are asked to report to the cafeteria at their scheduled time and see the posted schedule for who to report to.

All second shift workers are asked to stay until 7:30 to help take down tables and chairs.

Coming up in our Parish...



February 9
Men's Lenten Night



February 10
Ash Wednesday



February 14
Rite of Sending RCIA



February 27
St. Joseph School
Trivia Night



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

In the Gospel today, the disciples decide to leave everything to follow Jesus. We are also called to follow Jesus, who tells us that "whatever you do to the least of mine, you do for me."

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.



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

Surprising Things That Happen When You Go To Adoration...



You get bored sometimes....

There are going to be times when Adoration can feel anything but glorious. You get distracted, your mind begins to wander, you can hear someone else sniffing next to you. Maybe in the beginning Adoration was full of wonderful feelings! Regular Adoration is when daily life sets in and it can make it feel not so special. But that doesn't devalue or take away from the truth of what Adoration is.

***Our faith is more than feelings
and God will still be working in
you.***

This is the beauty of the Incarnation – God made man, coming into all our stresses, fears, problems – and yes, boredom. Know that even if an hour spent in Adoration is a continual returning to Him every few minutes when your mind wanders, you are still giving God the best gift you can – your time and company.

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

We are looking for someone to
fill our **7:30-8:30 am** now &
5:30-6:30 pm or **6:30-7:30 pm**
starting February 11
Please contact Charlie or Rita
if interested!

This Week in Our Parish...

Monday • February 8

Adam Bitter Concert
1:30 pm • School Gym

Usher Training
6:30 pm • Church

Tuesday • February 9

Men's Lenten Night
6:30 pm • Parish Center

Wednesday • February 10

Ash Wednesday
9:00 am • Parish Center

Art Club
3:00 pm • Cafeteria

PSR
6:00 pm • School & Cafeteria

Rosary
7:15 pm • Church

Thursday • February 11

Eucharistic Adoration
7:30 am- **7:00 pm** • Church

RCIA
6:00 pm • Meet, Eat and Greet
6:30 pm • Class begins

Friday • February 12

Fish Fry
4:00 pm- 7:00 pm • School Gym

Couple's Evening
6:30 pm • Parish Center

Sunday • February 14

Knights of Columbus Breakfast
Following 7:30 & 9:00 am Masses

Spanish Mass
3:00 pm • Church
4:00 pm • Parish Center

Rite of Sending
10:30 am • Church



St. Catherine of Alexandria

Celebrant

Fr. Rickey Valleroy

Lectors

Joyce Heberlie

Extraordinary Ministers

Linda Smith &
Cindy Coffelt

Offertory Bearers

Jimmy & Susie Herzog

Mass Intentions

February 6 - E.E. McDaniel
Family

February 13 - Malachi McGuire

Saturday 7:30 pm Mass

Coffman, Missouri
Founded in 1887
Canonical Parish 1919

Parish Council President:
Jimmy Herzog

Your Gifts to God and Parish

Saturday, January 30, 2016

Adult Envelopes	\$290.00
Loose.....	<u>\$2.00</u>
Total.....	\$292.00

Thank You For Your Faithfulness

Please join us in the parish hall TODAY after mass for a "SOUPER BOWL" gathering and enjoy a bowl of chili or soup with your parish family.



A reminder to join us this Wednesday at 7:00 pm for Ash Wednesday Mass.

Blessings of Peace...Fr. Rickey