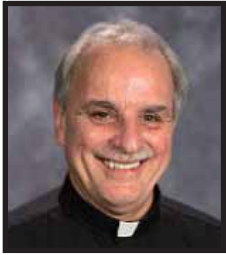


St. Joseph Catholic Church *Farmington, Missouri*

December 25, 2016
The Nativity of the Lord
Christmas





From the Pastor's Pen

Dear Parishioners of St. Joseph

Greetings of Christmas Joy from my Heart to Yours!

Our newest saint, St. Teresa of Calcutta once said, **“When one finally realizes that all is GIFT, one begins to live.”** Christmas is a **GIFT!** Last Sunday afternoon on my way to the farm, I drove down St. Joseph’s street in Perryville and pulled over in front of my old childhood home. For almost 40 years, it was our home and it felt good to be parked across the street and just recall some of the memories that were made there and those memories that shaped the lives of my siblings and myself. Growing up, my parents always made Christmas a time of wonder and joy for us. There was always a certain spirit in the air... everything seemed somehow more alive, as if the world was filled with new possibilities. As I look back over the years, I realize that I don’t remember too many of the Christmas presents I received but I always remember the presence of God that I felt during the Christmas season.

“For unto us, a Child is born.” That’s the gift of Christmas - God’s gift of himself, in the Child Jesus who is born. **Love was born on Christmas day.** Because of God’s gift of himself on Christmas, we can dare to love him as he loves us... and because of God’s gift, we can share the love he gives us with others. For me, St. Anselm gave the best definition of Christmas when he wrote, **“God became who we are, so that we now can become who God is, Jesus!”**

It is reality that none of us have anything that we can offer to God that he could possibly need. Yet in his love, Jesus accepts what little we have, our human nature, and taking on our flesh he offers us the gift of his divine nature in exchange. As St. Paul said, **‘Though he was rich, for your sake he became poor, so that by his poverty you**

might become rich.’ On Christmas we see this in a beautiful way - Jesus, though he is God, empties himself and humbles himself to receive our humanity, so that he can give us the **GIFT** of his divinity. St. John says it so clearly in his Gospel, “To all who received him, he gave power to become children of God.” So this is the **GIFT** of Christmas, each of us receives the power to become a child of God, as Jesus was made a child of Mary!

On our journey we discover that everything in our lives and in our world depends on what we do with this **GIFT**. To be a child of God, to really receive Jesus, means we have to open our lives to the gift of his love... and it means we have to offer our lives back to God as a gift of our love. In reality, this is what we do every Sunday when we gather for the Eucharist.

Jesus left us an example to follow, so we need to always be learning from his life in the Gospels. From the crib of Bethlehem to the cross of Calvary, he gave his life completely as a gift of love. That is how we should live. By loving others as Jesus has loved us... with the gift of our whole self.

I pray that this Christmas we will all open ourselves to God’s **GIFT** and allow a new spirit of generous love to be born in our hearts!

Sitting across the street and looking at the house, I was reminded of the gift of time, how fast it indeed goes by! Our time here is so precious; it is such a beautiful gift. So let us try to be more generous with our time and more ‘present’ to others and less distracted. Jesus is the greatest gift that God could ever give us. So, let’s remember also that Jesus is the greatest gift that we can give to others.

This Christmas, like the shepherds, we too come in haste and find Mary and Joseph and the **GIFT** lying in the manger. As we gaze upon Him, lying in the manger and truly present on the altar, we offer Him the love of our hearts and ask Him to

come and live in us, to come and be formed more deeply within our beings, so we can more and more become His people, eager to do good.

My Christmas prayer for all is that we continue to focus on the best gifts of life – joy, peace, and the love of family and friends. The true GIFTS!

May this Christmas be full of every blessing your heart can hold as we celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus. His star still shines in the hearts of all that seek Him. I know, and I believe... because it is through friends like you, that I have seen that Star shine on my own path, on my own journey to Bethlehem.

Have a blessed Christmas and a wonderful New Year!

**Thanks for Helping Secret “Santa”
Together we will help some of our own
Parish family members have a
Merry Christmas**

Thank you so much to everyone who participated in the “**Secret Santa**” to help some of our faithful parishioners! I can’t begin to express to you how grateful I am for your generosity! Your gifts have made Christmas much brighter for some of our parish family members.

It was a very joyful experience this past week to distribute the gifts. We were able to help 34 individuals/families of our parish family. Each recipient is a registered, active and contributing parishioner(s). We were able to help to make much needed house payments, pay utility bills directly, provided several gifts certificates, provided groceries for a family, provided funds for car payment, and to some giving a simple gift of cash to help ease the pain of several months of unemployment.

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

Office Closing Early

As a gift to our Parish Staff and to allow them to have time to spend with their families during this Holiday Season, our office will close at **12:00 pm each day from Monday, December 26 - Friday, December 30.**



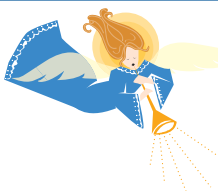
**Merry Christmas
from St. Joseph Quilters**

Betty Krapf	Mary Teder
Mary Heberlie	Joann Fortman
Brenda Donze	Donna Hager



**Christmas Greetings from
The Finance Committee**

Jeremy Coleman	Jim Eaton
Rob Grindel	Chuck Hayden
Dave Sansegraw	



**Merry Christmas
from your St. Joseph
Pastoral Council**

Anton Aseniero, Mark Berkbigler, Sandi Brooks, Deanna Dickerson, Paul Gaines, Mark Halter, Jennifer Rhodus, Scott Schrum, Brian Wade, Scott Watson (President) & Charlotte Vander Bol

**Welcome to Our Guests. . .
Welcome Home to Others. . .**

We warmly welcome all of our visitors this Christmas season!!! If you are new to the area and visiting us for the first time, we sincerely welcome you to our faith community! Or if you have been away from the Church for a while, we sincerely welcome you **HOME** this Christmas!

If you are looking for a faith community to join, please give us a call at the parish office. Please join us on Christmas Day!!

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Parish Business Office Hours

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10 North Long Street • Farmington, MO. 63640

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 the parish office.

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



December 25

**Jim Kelly
Russ Randall
Dottie Reeves**

**Holly Smith
Ronald
Vander Bol**

December 26

**Joe Blum
Bev Bryant
Agnes Davis
Keith Huck**

December 27

Jeanne O'Hara

December 28

**Marli Armonit
Justice Gober
Cletus P. Jung
Trish Pate
James Rose**

December 29

**Hannah Blessing
Kynlee Wade**

December 30

**Noah Busenbark
Mike Greif
Jesus Lara
Austin Patton
Dan Stott**

December 31

**John Earnst
Irene Eck
Natasja Haffner
Marvin Hahn
Gavin Keutzer
Kathy Miller**

Happy Anniversary

35 Years!

December 26, 1981

Kevin & Chris Engler

December 27, 2008

Jeff & Jennifer Swinarski

December 27, 2000

Dwayne & Karen Perkins

December 28, 1979

Mark & Jane Basler

December 31, 1971

Kenneth & Sue Bryant

45 Years!

In Our Thoughts and Prayers...

We pray for the repose of the souls of...

Maria Neurohr

mother of Henry (Susan) Neurohr

Fritz Engler

father of Kevin (Chris) Engler

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



Eucharistic Celebrations and Mass Intentions

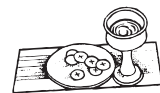
Week of December 26 - January 1

- Monday: St. Stephen**
Readings: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22
7:00 am: **Kathleen Mattingly**
- Tuesday: St. John**
Readings: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8
7:00 am: **Joan & Jack Manley**
- Wednesday: The Holy Innocents**
Readings: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8; Mt 2:13-18
7:00 am: **Andy Krause**
- Thursday: Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord**
Readings: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:36-40
7:00 am: **Carroll Allen**
- Friday: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**
Readings: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21 [12-17]; Ps 128:1-5; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23
7:00 am: **Harold & Ralph Rustemeyer**
- Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother**
Sunday Readings: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
- Saturday:**
5:00 pm: **Joe & Mary Shields**
- Sunday:**
7:30 am: **Parishioners**
9:00 am: **Joan Manley**
10:30 am: **Michael Coles**

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, December 31

5:00 pm Mass

- Priest:** Fr. Rickey Valleroy
Lector: Rustico Ramos
Extraordinary Ministers:
Adam Barnhouse, Mark Halter, Rosetta Halter, Jill Patton, Vanessa Trokey
Ushers: Buddy Bordewick, Gary Harris, Mark Kellogg, John Denkler
Servers: K. Ramos, K. Ramos, K. Ramos
Cantor: Terry Guiley

Sunday, January 1

7:30 am Mass

- Priest:** Fr. Abe Arganiosa
Lector: Stephen Hunter
Extraordinary Ministers:
Dotty Bach, Jerry Bach, Tom Donze, Steve Forsythe, Scott Watson
Ushers: Jerry Bieser, Ed Brown, Chester Ott, Phil Roth
Servers: P. Borrego, C. Watson

9:00 am Mass

- Priest:** Fr. Abe Arganiosa
Deacon: Deacon Mark Byington
Lector: Jennifer Rhodus
Extraordinary Ministers:
Jami AuBuchon, Dawn Fuemmeler, Mitch Fuemmeler, Joe Rhodus
Ushers: Mike Backer, Dale Springs, Mike Turner, Mike Ward
Servers: L. Combs, O. Combs, K. Gerwitz
Cantor: Michelle Podolak

10:30 am Mass

- Priest:** Fr. James Dyer
Deacon: Deacon Mark Byington
Lector: Phyllis LaPlant
Extraordinary Ministers:
Katie Rhodes, Terri Roney, Helen Thurman, John Thurman
Ushers: James Cissell, Roy Henson, Gerald Hulsey, Travis Trolinger
Servers: E. Anderson, Y. Rizo, A. Roney
Cantor: Dawn Fuemmeler

Monday, January 2, 2016

Sacristans

Sue Brown, Jayne
Wooldridge, Barb Doss,
Geneva Jokerst

Money Counters

Donna Black, Mary Brady,
Sue Brown, Kathy Neiner,
Debbie Thomure

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 all Christians throughout the world, may they feel the true Peace of Christmas.”



Merry Christmas from our St. Vincent de Paul

Our St. Vincent de Paul volunteers wish you true Peace and Joy this Christmas.



Unto Us
A Child
is Born...



Happy 70th Birthday to Dan Stott!

Dan is our Organist and Choir Director of many years.

May Your Day be Blessed!

HAPPY 70TH BIRTHDAY

Your Gifts to God and Parish

Sunday, December 18, 2016

Adult Envelopes	\$6,676.00
Loose	\$401.00
Immaculate Conception	\$30.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$15.00
Electronic Deposit	<u>\$2,990.00</u>
	\$10,112.00

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Sunday Offering	\$15,745.99	\$297,725.12
Budgeted Amount	<u>\$11,350.00</u>	<u>\$272,400.00</u>
Shortage/Overage	4,395.99	\$25,325.12

Partners in Education	\$115.00
Washington DC Pro-Life	\$250.00
Seminaries	\$27.00
Christmas Flowers	\$400.00
Christmas	\$25.00
Secret Santa	<u>\$300.00</u>
Total for Specials	\$1,117.00

Thank You For Your Faithfulness!!!



Merry Christmas from St. Joseph Prayer Shawl Ministry

Louise Brewer, Sandi Brooks, Anne Crawford, Linda Hamill, Joni Jones, Judy Montgomery, Glenda O'Farrell, Rose Petinga, Michelle Podolak, Susan Rudroff & Paula Russell

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

Please pray for: Mary Jane Huffaker, Billy Neels, Ollie Ragsdale, Mark Huels, Ted Scarborough, Gary Schumacher, Norman Blankenship, **Margaret Kornhardt**, Elaine George, George Bennett, **Linda Hamill**, **Carleen McDermott**, **Wilma Kernan**, **Sue Rariden**, Jenny Brawley, **Louie Bley**, Jerry Grimshaw, **Loretta Forsythe**, Elizabeth, Kelly Roberts, Bernice Winch, Laura McFarland, Ken and Claire MacLeod, **Carleen McDermott**, **John Karl**, **John Crouch**, **Ronnie Jones**, **Jeanie Gegg**, **Ben Schlager**, **Mary Carter**, Ellen Marquart, **Mary Lou Schuler**, **Wilma Whitworth**, **Weldon Sullivan**, **Verna Springs** and **Renee Parmley**.

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

A Message from Fr. Abe...

Rejoicing at the Birth of our Savior

By: Fr. Abe Arganiosa



This Solemnity of Christmas let us proclaim: **“Today is born our Savior, Christ the Lord”** [Lk 2:11]. Christmas is the best day of the year. There is joyfulness everywhere. The Season simply brings out the best in us either in music, arts, and most of all in prayers and worship. The reason for so much rejoicing must be one and only: Jesus the Lord. Our God has come down from heaven to be with us. Just imagine how great an honor it is to know that God is one with us [cf. Mt 1:23]. He experienced having a family, walking on earth, and breathing the same air that we do. He knew how it was to be happy and to be wounded. He became exactly like us in all things except sin [cf. 2 Cor 5:21/ Heb 4:15]. Let us then be filled with gratitude to God for loving us so much that He shared our poverty and frailty: “Give thanks to the Lord for His great love is without end, for His mercy endures forever” [Ps 136:1].

The Nativity of Jesus gives us hope that there is a way out of our sins because we have a Savior. There is a way out of our poverty because God is with us. There is a way out of our vices because God transforms us. There is a way to eternal life because Jesus redeems us. No matter how grave our sins and problems are, the love of God is greater [cf. Rom 5:20]. **All we need to do is to believe in Him, to call Him and let Him be born in our hearts.**

Since the Lord gave us the greatest gift: “The Gift of Himself” let us also do the same – let us consecrate our hearts to Him. We live this spirit of Christmas when we share our food especially to the hungry and share our blessings to those whom we love and even to the needy. Our eating, singing, playing and partying together are our way of loving God because whatever we do to the least of our brothers and sisters we do it for Him [cf. Mt 25:40].

A BLESSED MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ONE AND ALL!

On December 28, 2016 shall be my 16th Anniversary of Priesthood.
Please remember me in prayer.

**Please Join Father Abe
For a Very Special Rosary...**

*Rosario Por La Vida
En Solidaridad Con Los
Immigrantes*

**(Rosary for the Life and
Solidarity with the Immigrants)**



**Friday, January 13, 2017
6:30 pm • Church
With Fr. Abe Arganiosa**



**“And the Word
became flesh”**

John 1:14

Jesus is God's ultimate gift of love to us. The countless other blessings that God showers upon us are nothing compared to the gift of His only Son. The only appropriate way for us to respond to such generous love is with our own generous love. When we dedicate our lives to sharing all the gifts God has placed in our hands, the peace of Christ truly will control our hearts and we will know Christmas joy every day.

*The Parish Family of St. Joseph
would like to wish all those
Serving in our Military
a Safe and Joyous Christmas*



Sergeant Jacob Steven Baechle

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

Major David Brewer

Congressional Fellow
The George Washington University
Washington, D.C. • 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 Killeen, Texas
Niece of MaryLou Brady

Captain Tessa J. Ball, MD

Cpt. U.S. for A-N-KC-2.506-IN-HHC
stationed at Madigan Hospital at Fort Bliss, TX
niece of MaryLou Brady

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 Sargeant Chris Perkuhn

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

ET2 Josh Rustemeyer

US Coast Guard in Bahrain
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

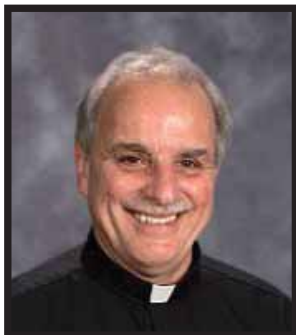
CW3 Nicholas Andrew Rice

Army Reserves Stationed in Afghanistan
Son of Nick and Margaret Rice

The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Messiah and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger."

Luke 2:10-12

St. Joseph Parish Staff Wishes You a Joyful Holiday Season



Fr. Rickey Valleroy
Pastor



Fr. Abe Arganiosa
Associate Pastor



Deacon Mark Byington
Permanent Deacon



Shirley Bieser
Principal



Jane Ramos
Coordinator of
Religious Education



Agnes Hinkebein
Pastoral Health



Lisa Cartee
Business Manager



Jill Patton
RCIA Coordinator



Jessi Howard
Event Coordinator



Brian Wade
Maintenance Chair



Thank you for your loving Christmas Memorials in memory of the following loved ones...



<i>In memory of</i>	<i>from</i>
Carroll Allen, Jill Walker and H.E. Norma Francis	Jane Allen
Hildegard & Glennon Smith and Jean & Fred Bach	Jerry and Dotty Bach
Owen Michael Backer	Mike and Ethel Backer
Leonard Pinson, Ruby Kincaid, Ted & Sally Barnhouse and Eva Kohut	Joseph and Kelly Barnhouse
Gerald Becker	Catherine Becker
Max Bellamy, Baby Monica and The Brzozowsk Family	Sophie Bellamy
John Keith and June Hulsey.....	Tom and Tammy Benoist
Vincent and Jewell Blunt	David Blunt
Glennon and Hildegard Smith, Lindell and Elvina Harter and Dale Boatright.....	Kevin and Pat Boatright
Bob & Jo Boyd, Art & Madeline Lampen, George Boyd and Bob Boyd	Charles and Rita Boyd
Walter P. and Clara Klinkhardt.....	Elroy and Mary Lou Brady
Don Burns, David Price and Catherine Johnston	Mary Ann Burns
Dr. W.R. and Gloria Sheets	Diane Bush
Mike Carriere, Joe & Dorothy Carriere, Nide & Lill Cobb and Carrie Carroll.....	Judy Carriere
Orval Carrow Family and Edward Huber Family.....	Francis and Beulah Carrow
Dolores Fitzgerald, Frank Santoyou & Emma Mayberry Deceased Family and Mary & Jim Franklin.....	Fran Craft
Wulfers Family.....	Curtis and Anne Crawford
Edward Frystak, Dr. F.R. Crouch and Mary Crouch	John and Kathy Crouch
Shields and Doss Families	Ronald and Barb Doss
Darrel James Shoemake and Lena Martin Chapman	Rosemary Dunaway
Carol Agostini, Mary Moss and Charles Moss.....	Milton and Gail Dunn
Raymond F. Edgar.....	Marie Edgar
Dolores Fitzgerald and Santoyo Family	Eric Fitzgerald and Family
David Wiseman, John Matthew Forsythe, Lilian Olivia Hale, Mary Ann Yurchak, Barbara Schuh, Harry Yurchak, John and Janet Forsythe	Steve and Retta Forsythe
Joe & Jean Vander Bol, Fritz & Agnes Fortman, Gospert & Anna Krapf and Gabriel & Mary VanderBol.....	Paul and Joann Fortman
Guadalupe and Jesus Galvan	Rosie and Josephine Galvan, Carmen Hall and Tommi Burton
Ben & Eleanora Striebel, Bern Striebel & Betty Smith, Charles & Josephine Govreau and Mary Huber.....	Bob and Mary Lou Govreau
Bob & Mutsie Greif and Sam Hulsey.....	Sarah Greif
Peggy Weber and June Hall.....	Michael and Jennifer Hall
John and Ann Breen, Blasco & Harriett Fontanini, LaVerna Harris and Amanda Fontanini	Gary and Cathy Harris
Bert & Vi Hayden, Hazel Steveson, Eleanor Grimminger and Lon & Lonnette Hayden.....	Chuck and Rose Hayden
Brian Heberlie, Heberlie & Vogt Families	Clinton and Mary Heberlie
Ernest and Marie AuBuchon and Curtis and Hattie Hill.....	Tom and Shirley Hill
Dolores Fitzgerald and Santoyo Family	Linda, Jeannie and Brian Hoffman
B.F. "Johnny" Johnson and Glenda Johnson	David and Jane Howard
Mary Lee Huck and Arnold and Betty Basler.....	Keith and Linda Huck
Sam Hulsey.....	Jerry, Debby, Frank and Joe Hulsey
The Deceased Members of the Hutton Family.....	Margaret Hutton
Todd Jokerst, The Jokerst and Montray Families	Bill and Geneva Jokerst
Bill and Elba Martin	Dale and Arlene Jones
William & Rita Kramek and Earl & Mary Jones	Gary and Joni Jones



Anna Herbst	Steve Kaba Jr.
John & Fannie DeClue, David & Melba Kite and Joe & Joan Ruby	LaDonna Kite
George & Nellie Kracke, Jesse & Dorothy Gandy and Charles & Kenneth Gandy.....	George and Sandra Kracke
Dick Kreitler	Richard and Julie Kreitler
Dick Kreitler	Lee Kreitler
Mable & Richard Streich, Lucy & Edward Lober	Norman and Rosemary Lober
Mary Lou Lodholz	Warren Lodholz
Gene and Helen Mohr, Dorothy Luedecke and Douglas Luedecke	Newt and LeAnn Luedecke
Joe Maloney, Christopher Schwent, Philomena Schwent, Mary Adelaide Maloney and Clarence Maloney	Jackie Maloney
Lauren Tritt	John and Amy Martin
James McNamara	Arlene McNamara
Corinne Dolence, Russell and Faye Miller	Gary and Kathy Miller
Dorothy and Andy Paule and Tack Montgomery	Judy
Dr. & Mrs. Kotting and James & Rose Neville	James and Mary Neville
David F. Nichols and Sister John Francis	Paulette Nichols
J.C. and Sallie King and L.D. and Mary Oder	Bob and Norma Oder
Mike & Cecelia Ott and Charles & Matilda Ganniger	Chester and Nancy Ott
Chester & Elizabeth Dennis, Dan Hawlor, Elizabeth Hawlor, Mrs. Rose Hughes and Art & Dorothy Dennis	Robyn Pipkin
Jack and Mildred Cox and Joan Carlson	Dottie Reeves
Helen Naeger and Leroy & Pauline Reidt	Todd and Debbie Reidt
Caroline Chastain	Rodney and Katie Rhodes
Jim Rigdon, Elmer & Evelyn Rigdon and "Weedy" & Nadine McCalister	Carol Rigdon
Tom Rigdon, Jerry Wengler, Barbara Reynolds, Elmer and Evelyn Rigdon	Carolyn Rigdon
Dr. & Mrs. A. P. Basler, Della Stanfill and Mr. & Mrs. Bud Rollens.....	Danny and Carol Rollens
Mary Lou Lodholz	Gary and Sue Ross
Harold and Ralph Rustemeyer	Jo Rustemeyer
Vel Schnurbusch, Craig Schnurbusch, Theresa Schnurbusch and Louis Schnurbusch	Ralph Schnurbusch
Walter Schuessler, Margie Hull, Linola Dawson and Unger Family	Hermine Schuessler
Myranda Starkey, Lillian Olivia Hale and Eugene Herbst	Lee and Katie Schwent
Albert & Thelma Sewald, John J. Valleck, Laura K. DeClue, Glenn & Ethel Shaw and Carol J. Thurman.....	Gloria Shaw
Donald Bourisaw, Rachel Bourisaw, Billy Bourisaw, Bill Shelton and May Shelton	Howard and Shirley Shelton
Joe and Eugene Smith	Rose Marie Smith
Adam Weldon Sullivan	Mary Ann and Weldon Sullivan
Francis & Eva Bieser, Antony & Marie Thurman and Matt Inman	John and Helen Thurman
Mr. & Mrs. Joe Trepasso, Mr. & Mrs. Dan Stafford, Mr. & Mrs. Roy Ballantonio and Mr. & Mrs. Ray Stafford	Ralph and Rose Trepasso
Edgar and Thelma Hermann & Terri and Greg Urbantke	Gary and Ruth Urbantke
Joseph L. & Georgianna Vander Bol, Norman & Elizabeth Boyd and Joseph Bechtoldt	Ron and Charlotte Vander Bol
Edsel Wade and Mary James	Ken and Debbie Wade
Edsel Wade	Dorothy Wad
Valleroy and Geringer Families	Fr. Rickey Valleroy
William Zolman	Frances Zolman
In honor of.....	from
Jo Rustemeyer	Chuck and Rose Hayden

Dear St. Joseph Parishioners,
 May your Christmas brings love, unity and peace
 in each one of you. Wishing you all a hopeful New Year!
 Keeping you all in our prayers. God will reward you
 for your thoughtfulness and generosity. Blessings! Sr. Beth
 Dec. 2016

Dear Ones:
 There is really no
 way to thank you
 for your overwhelming
 kindnesses to us.
 You are all
 tucked into my
 grateful
 heart
 and
 prayers.

NOW THERE WERE IN THE SAME COUNTRY
 SHEPHERDS LIVING OUT IN THE FIELDS, KEEPING
 WATCH OVER THEIR FLOCK BY NIGHT. AND BEHOLD,
 AN ANGEL OF THE LORD STOOD BEFORE THEM, AND
 THE GLORY OF THE LORD SHONE AROUND THEM,
 AND THEY WERE GREATLY AFRAID. THEN THE ANGEL
 SAID TO THEM, "DO NOT BE AFRAID, FOR BEHOLD,
 I BRING YOU GOOD TIDINGS OF GREAT JOY WHICH
 WILL BE TO ALL PEOPLE. FOR THERE IS BORN
 TO YOU THIS DAY IN THE CITY OF DAVID
 A SAVIOR, WHO IS CHRIST THE LORD."
 Luke 2:8-11 (NRSV)



Dear friends
 May all of you
 have a graceful
 and blessed Christmas
 and joyful and
 blessed new year.
 May God bless
 all of you.

Shall we meet in our
 prayers?
 with love and thankful
 heart
 Sr. Rose Marie
 you very much
 for beautiful. Good
 Shepherd. God bless you.

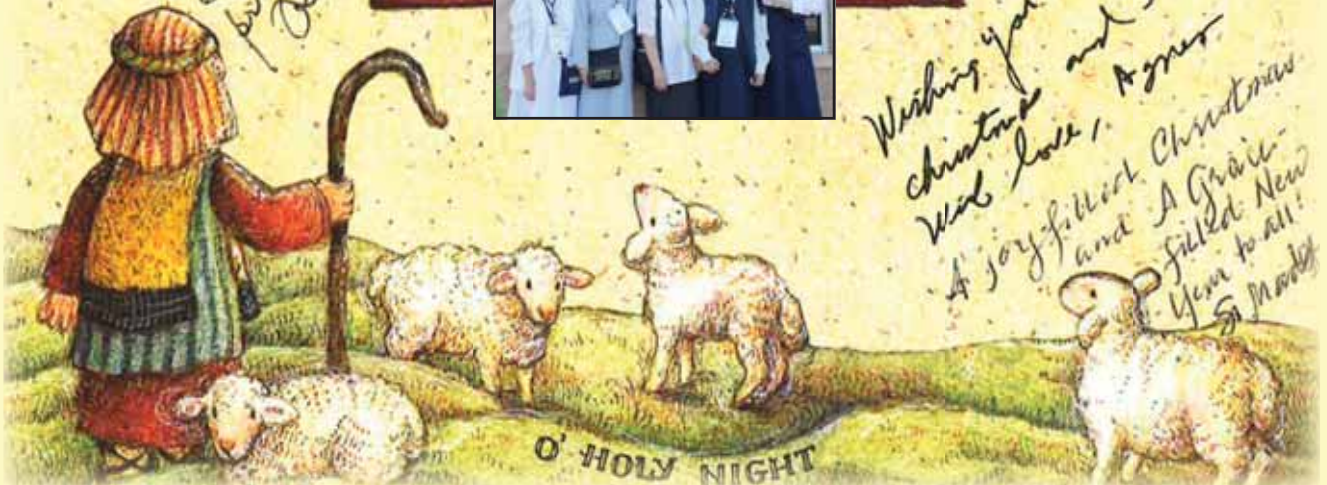
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Merry Christmas from our
 "Little" Sister Community...
 The Contemplative Sisters
 of the Good Shepherd



Blessings
 for Christmas
 and for each day
 of the New Year
 Lovingly,
 Sr. Sharon
 Rose

Wishing you very blessed
 Christmas and each day
 with love, Agnes
 A joy-filled Christmas
 and A Grace-filled New
 Year to all!
 Sr. Madeline



Coming up in our Parish...



January 24 - 29
DC Pilgrimage



January 29
Our Father's Table



January 30
Catholic Schools
Week



February 3
Young Couples
Evening



February 14
Yesterday's Kids
Bingo

Help us, Jesus, to understand that in order 'to do' in Your Church... we must first learn 'to be', that is, to stay with You, in Your sweet company, in adoration. Authentic, effective, and true apostolic action can only come from intimate communion with You."



**John Paul II,
Servant of God**

Eucharistic Adoration
Thursdays • 7:30 am - 7:30 pm
First Friday of the month
9:00 am - 2:15 pm

For more information contact
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Let us Adore Him.



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

Today we celebrate the feast of Christmas and hear how the shepherds found Mary and Joseph and the infant lying in the manger. Then they left glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen.

Your gifts to St. Vincent de Paul helped those who are poor and suffering to find Emmanuel and they also came to know that "God is with us."

**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

Wishing everyone a holy and very blessed Christmas season!! During this season please give a gift to the elderly or lonely.... give them the gift of your presence. Please help me give the special gift of presence let me know who may need of a visit, please contact me at 756-4250 or email healthminister@stjosephfarmington.com



This Week in Our Parish...

Wednesday • December 28

Rosary
7:15 pm • Church

Thursday • December 29

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

Saturday • December 31

New Year's Eve

Sunday • January 1

New Year's Day
Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother
Regularly Scheduled Masses

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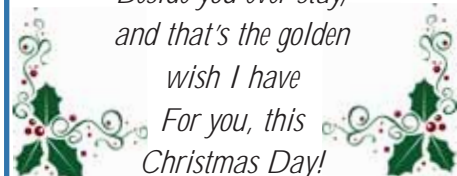
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A Christmas Blessing

*May all the days
of all the years
That God has still in store
Be filled with every joy and grace
To bless you more and more.
May hope of heart
and Peace of mind
Beside you ever stay,
and that's the golden
wish I have
For you, this
Christmas Day!*





St. Catherine's in Coffman, Missouri
invites you to their 5th Annual



Old Fashioned Country Christmas

Saturday, January 7, 2017
5:00 pm Mass

celebrating the Epiphany of the Lord
with Fr. Rickey J. Valleroy, celebrant
and music by Daryl Buchheit



After Mass please join us for some country fun

- **"All-You-Can-Eat" warm homemade cinnamon rolls,**
hot chocolate, milk or coffee in the church hall
- Traditional Christmas Songs with Daryl Buchheit
- *The Nativity Story* by the children of St. Catherine's
- All the way from the North Pole . . . a visit from Santa
 - Coffman's Biggest Buck Contest

NEW this year:

- **Deer Hunting in the Snow!!!**
- **Chomping Down the Christmas Tree!!!**



- An Old Fashioned Country Bingo
come join us and win some great give-aways
(free for all to enjoy)



The Retiring Queen of the 2016 Coffman County Cinnamon Roll Queen
Phyllis Hartupee taking her final walk before passing her crown to the new winner

**The Crowning of the 2017 Cinnamon Roll Queen
of Coffman County**



St. Catherine of Alexandria

Saturday, December 31

Celebrant

Fr. Rickey Valleroy

Lector

Agnes Herzog

Extraordinary Ministers

Helen McDaniel
& Joyce Heberlie

Offertory Bearers

Curt & Lynette Heberlie

Mass Intentions

Deacon Al Gegg

Happy Birthday

Klarissa Heberlie

December 27

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, December 17, 2016

There was no collection for this weekend due to the icy weather.

Thank You For Your Faithfulness

A Note from Fr. Rickey. . .

Mass of the Epiphany of the Lord will be at **5:00 pm**



Saturday, January 7 followed by our wonderful **Old Fashioned Country Christmas**. The highlight of the evening will be the crowning of the 2017 Cinnamon Roll Queen of Coffman County!

Blessings of Christmas Joy...Fr. Rickey