



# St. Joseph Catholic Church

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*Pastor Fr. Augustine R. Njuu, A.I.*

*Twenty-Seventh Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
October 7, 2018*

## MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday: Tuesday ~ Friday 8:00 am  
Sunday Masses: Saturday, 4:00 pm;  
Sunday, 8:00 am & 10:30 am

## CONFESSION

Saturday, 3:00-3:45 pm or by appointment

## **ORGANIZATIONS of ST. JOSEPH**

### ST. JOSEPH MEN'S CLUB


Meets last Sunday of the month at 6:00 pm  
Mr. Jason Hedgpeth, President  
(417) 839-8142 / jasonkhedgpeth@hotmail.com

### PARISH COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN (PCCW)

Meets the last Saturday of the month at 9:30 am  
Bobbie Emery, President  
(417) 209-4387 / roberta.emery@va.gov

### PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Classes held 9:10-10:15 Sunday morning from  
August through May

 Bonnie King, PSR/Confirmation Director  
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### YOUTH GROUP

Mrs. Michaela Barrett, Youth Leader  
(417) 849-1523 / michaela\_barrett@yahoo.com

 St. Joseph Youth Group-Billings

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Meets the third Sunday of the month at 1:30 pm  
Mrs. Pat Hutton, President (417) 732-6180  
Pantry Day ~ 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month

### PARISH COUNCIL

Meets the first Tuesday of the month  
Bill Baunach, President  
(417) 732-4621 / (417) 576-1502

### EVANGELIZATION

The Society of Our Mother of Peace  
Queen of Heaven Solitude  
(417) 744-2011

### PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Meets Wednesday mornings after 8 am Mass  
Mrs. Joanne Verfurth (417) 744-2911



*"Therefore what God  
has joined together,  
no human being must  
separate."*

*Mark 10:9*

- **Parish Registration:** Forms available in the church vestibule & parish office or faxed/e-mailed upon request.
- **Baptism:** Contact the Parish Office to schedule.
- **Marriage:** Contact Father at least nine months prior to the wedding date.
- **Anointing of the Sick:** Contact the Parish Office if you are having surgery or have a family member needing anointed.
- **Hospital Visit:** Contact the Parish Office if you or a family member is hospitalized and would like a visit from Father.
- **Bulletin content submissions** are due by noon, Thursday.

<b>Bookkeeper:</b>	Mrs. Nicole Dotson	417-744-2490
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## From the Pastor . . .

27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

Theme: Definition of Marriage

On this Sunday, the word of God speaks of marriage as intended by God. The scriptures have power to discriminate the good from evil and place us on the path to happiness, holiness and prosperity. I would like, therefore, to borrow a section of an article from "A Basic Theology of Marriage", by Christopher West, a catholic author and speaker, best known for his work on Pope John Paul II's series of audience addresses entitled Theology of the Body.

He defines marriage as follows: Marriage is the intimate, exclusive, indissoluble communion of life and love entered by man and woman at the design of the Creator for the purpose of their own good and the procreation and education of children; this covenant between baptized persons has been raised by Christ the Lord to the dignity of a sacrament.

Intimate communion of life and love: Marriage is the closest and most intimate of human friendships. It involves the sharing of the whole of a person's life with his/her spouse. Marriage calls for a mutual self-surrender so intimate and complete that spouses - without losing their individuality - become "one," not only in body, but in soul.

Exclusive communion of life and love: As a mutual gift of two persons to each other, this intimate union excludes such union with anyone else. It demands the total fidelity of the spouses. This exclusivity is essential for the good of the couple's children as well.

Indissoluble communion of life and love: Husband and wife are not joined by passing emotion or mere erotic inclination which, selfishly pursued, fades quickly away. They are joined in authentic conjugal love by the firm and irrevocable act of their own will. Once their mutual consent has been consummated, an unbreakable bond is established between the spouses. For the baptized, this bond is sealed by the Holy Spirit and becomes absolutely indissoluble. Thus, the Church does not so much teach that divorce is wrong, but that divorce is impossible, regardless of its civil implications.

Entered by man and woman: The complementarity of the sexes is essential to marriage. There is such widespread confusion today about the nature of marriage that some would wish to extend a legal "right" to marry to two persons of the same sex. The very nature of marriage makes such a proposition impossible.

At the design of the Creator: God is the author of marriage. He inscribed the call to marriage in our very being by creating us as male and female. Marriage is governed by his laws, faithfully transmitted by his Bride, the Church. For marriage to be what it is, it must conform to these laws. Man, therefore, is not free to change the meaning and purposes of marriage.

For the purpose of their own good: "It is not good that the man should be alone" (Gn 2:18). Conversely, it's for their own good, for their benefit, enrichment, and ultimately their salvation, that a man and woman join their lives in marriage. Marriage is the most basic expression of the vocation to love that all men and women have as persons made in God's image.

And the procreation and education of children: "By their very nature, the institution of marriage itself and conjugal love are ordained for the procreation and education of children and find in them their ultimate crown." Children are not added on to marriage and conjugal love, but spring from the very heart of the spouses mutual self-giving, as its fruit and fulfillment. Intentional exclusion of children, then, contradicts the very nature and purpose of marriage.

Covenant: While marriage involves a legal contract, this must be subordinate to the spousal covenant which provides a stronger, more sacred framework for marriage. A covenant goes beyond the minimum rights and responsibilities guaranteed by a contract. A covenant calls the spouses to share in the free, total, faithful, and fruitful love of God. For it is God who, in the image of his own Covenant with his people, joins the spouses in a more binding and sacred way than any human contract.

The dignity of a sacrament: Marriage between baptized persons is an efficacious sign of the union between Christ and the Church, and, as such, is a means of grace. The marriage of two non-baptized persons, or of one baptized person and one non-baptized person, is considered by the Church a "good and natural" marriage. While not sacramental, such marriages are holy unions that share in the same goods and purposes of sacramental marriage.



Pat Hutton, Anneleise Reeves, Janice Duncan, Dale Bond, Brad Harber, Dan Chilton, Ed & Barbara Zahner, Mark Black, Laura Medley, Karen Ward, Elizabeth Shelburn, Ron Cafourek, Mason Manegold, Colston Henderson, Julie Kisse, Michelle Lynch, Raymond Garbee, Heather Nicholson, Agnes Hayward, Susanna Pinkley, Frances Everett, Heidi & Don Carpenter, Loretta Harrison, Joe Mike Mehl, Sr., Katherine Mehl, Travis Sanders, Linda Porterfield, Virginia Mackey, Dale Lear, Virginia Zoller, Hunter Glouse, Emily Rose Turner, Art & Juanita Steinbaugh, Chelsea Williams, Roy Clark, Chuck & Virginia Reichert, Cara Reichert, Ann Stever, Halbert Family, Frank & David Luebbert, Coleman Family, Steve Netzer, Ted & Alice Verfurth, Margaret Bolden, Miles Emerson, Sherri Cafourek, Kathy Brewer, Emillia Austin, Jean Hendricks, Joe Elwood, Patty White, Floyd Burger, homebound & nursing home parishioners, all caregivers, all intentions

**Prayer Intercessors:** Gail 817/480-8985, Mary 417/619-1611, Juanita 417/744-2045, Judy 417/744-4430, Sharon 417/695-2207

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**PRAY FOR OUR MEN & WOMEN IN THE MILITARY & THEIR FAMILIES**

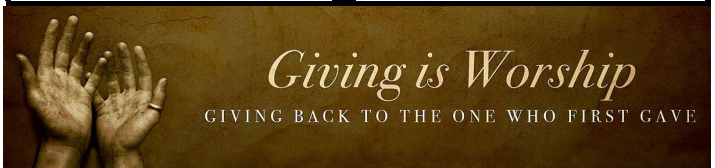
**Overseas:** Jason Boyer, Shelby Andrus, Kirsten Davis, Alexandria Stimpson **Stateside:** Tyler Eudy, Chelsey Eudy, Robert Alsup, Elaina Parks, Clayton Taylor, Dakota Harter, Chris Batchman, Austin Williams, Vaughn Brown

PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS		
October 8	Parish Office Closed	Columbus Day Holiday
October 12	6:30-8:00 pm	Correlators Group meets in Parish Hall
October 13	12:00 pm	National Rosary Rally
October 13 & 14	All Masses	Second Collection — 2018 Natural Disasters
October 19	2:00 pm	Jenisch-Davis Wedding

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES October 13 & 14			
	4:00 pm	8:00 am	10:30 am
<b>LECTOR</b>	Chuck Hubbert	Whitney Griffin	Michaela Barrett
<b>EUCHARIST MINISTERS</b>	Chuck Hubbert Teresa Hanafin Chris Sellers	Whitney Griffin Beverly Baker Tim Potthoff	Trish Bramer Barbara Glouse Andrea Butler Rosario Hedgpeth
<b>SERVERS</b>	Stephen Hubbert	Gabby Glaser	Reese Barrett Keira Barrett
<b>GIFTS</b>	Volunteers	Sean & Danielle Chastain	Jimmy Butler Family
<b>USHERS</b>	Jerry Vermule Volunteer	Barney Fabro Larry Fabro	Jimmy Butler Joel Butler
<b>COUNTERS</b>	Chad & Whitney Griffin		

MASS INTENTIONS October 9-14			
	OFFERED FOR	REQUESTED BY	
Tuesday 8:00 am	✠ Jean Heston	Gail Hulsizer	
Wednesday 8:00 am	Patty White Personal Intentions		
Thursday 12:00 pm	✠ Bob Walker		
Friday 8:00 am	Pat Hutton Personal Intentions		
Saturday 4:00 pm	Anneleise Reeves Personal Intentions		
Sunday 8:00 am	✠ Jim & Mary Harter		
Sunday 10:30 am	Parish Family Intentions		

COLLECTION—9/28/18			
Adult Envelopes	\$1,887	Loose	\$169
Mass Offerings	\$10	Candles	\$25
St. Vincent de Paul	\$175	Maintenance	\$10
Retired Religious	\$25		



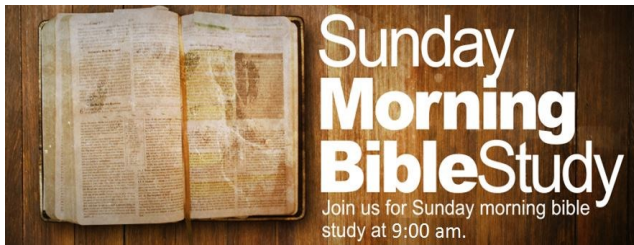


## PCCW

*Next meeting:*  
**October 27, 9:30 am**

ALL WOMEN OF THE PARISH ARE WELCOMED MEMBERS!

*Join us* for coffee, donuts & fellowship after the 8:00 am Sunday Mass. Your small donation left in the jar by the coffee helps make this possible.



Adult education classes are held each Sunday morning in the adult classroom in the Parish Hall. It's not too late to participate! To sign up and get your book, contact Paula Foster at 417-744-8523 or email [fostersr8@att.net](mailto:fostersr8@att.net).

*Join us as we grow in faith together!*

## CORRELATORS GROUP

**NEXT MONTHLY MEETING: Oct. 12**

Father David Baunach hosts the Correlators Group meetings monthly on the second Friday from 6:30-8:00 pm in the Hall.

For more information, contact Fr. Baunach (417) 851-7136, [davidbaunach@gmail.com](mailto:davidbaunach@gmail.com)



HERE WE GO AGAIN! JESUS IN MARK IS JUST BRUTAL!



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THE QUESTION OFFERS A TEACHABLE MOMENT. THERE'S NO ROOM FOR SELF-RIGHTEOUSNESS BEFORE GOD.



EVERYTHING THAT GOD HAS TO OFFER IS GIVEN TO THOSE WHO HAVE NOTHING TO OFFER GOD.



YEAH, BUT DOES HE HAVE TO GET SO PERSONAL?



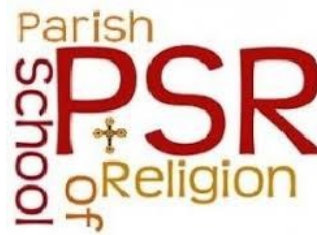
MARK 10:2-16

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# St. Joseph's MENS CLUB

FAITH, FELLOWSHIP AND SERVICE

*Next meeting:*  
**October 28, 6:00 pm, Team 1 cooks**



It's not too late to register for PSR Classes! Please see Bonnie King for a registration form. Upcoming classes are: Oct. 7, 14, 21 & 28.



Offering Masses is a long-standing tradition in the Catholic Church. An individual may ask a priest to offer a Mass for several reasons: for example, in thanksgiving for the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday or an anniversary), for someone who is sick, or for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. An offering of \$10 for each Mass is the standard stipend, determined by the United States Catholic Bishops.

Mass intention requests are gladly accepted here at St. Joseph's through the parish office. We have many dates available for your special Mass intentions. If you request Mass for specific days, it is a good idea to make the request at least six weeks before the specified date(s). Requests can be made up to one year in advance. Mass cards are also available.



From wherever we stand in the church, our attention is drawn to the focal area of the liturgical action and to the three pieces of furniture we find

there: the presider's chair, the lectern and the altar. Formerly, this area was called the **sanctuary**



(Latin *sanctus*, "holy"), but when "sanctuary" is used we must be careful not to imply that this is the only holy area in the building, for indeed the entire church, the entire as-

sembly area, is a holy place.

In the front of the assembly area, we find a very special seat for the one presiding and leading the assembly. In the principal church of a diocese, this chair, the **cathedra** (from the Greek word "chair"), gives name to the entire building, Cathedral. Each church will have a **presider's chair** or bench and seating for the other ministers. This seating is arranged so that the presiding and functioning ministers are 'clearly part of the assembly, yet conveniently situated for the exercise of their respective offices' (*Environment*, 70).



Also in this focus area we see a reading stand, the **ambo**. After the 14th century, the ambo was replaced by a **pulpit** (Latin *pulpitum*, a raised platform for speaking). Today, the pulpit is usually replaced by a **lectern** (Latin *legere*, "to read") from which we proclaim the Word of God and upon which is placed the

**lectionary**, the book of readings from Sacred Scripture. Preaching can be done from the lectern, the chair or elsewhere.

In some churches, you may see a second, very simple lectern, which is used by the song leader and reader of the announcements. This main ambo or

lectern "represents the dignity and uniqueness of the word of God" (*Environment*, 74) and is used only for that purpose.



The **altar** is the holy table upon which we celebrate the Lord's Supper. It functions as both altar and sacrifice and banquet table for the Eucharist, and is

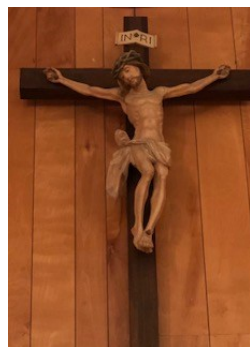
both "a memorial of Christ's death and resurrection" and "a paschal banquet 'in which Christ is eaten, the heart is filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory given to us'" (Second Vatican Council, *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy*, 47, quoting St. Thomas Aquinas). No ordinary table would be able to bear the weight of these symbolic functions; that is why this table "should be the most noble, the most beautifully designed and constructed table the community can provide" (*Environment*, 71).

When the Eucharist is celebrated, the table is covered with an **altar cloth**. On the altar is placed the bread and wine for Mass.



The bread is on a **bread plate** or **paten** (from *patella*, meaning "platter," "plate") and the wine is poured into a **chalice** (from *calix*, the Latin word for "cup" or "goblet").

We will also find in



this area a **cross** or **crucifix**. This may be a processional cross with a floor stand or a cross hanging from the ceiling or on the wall. In the cross, we see the basis symbol of any Christian liturgical celebration. For in the Paschal Mystery of Christ, we find our own image as a Christian Community.



Congratulations to **Andrea Butler, Jim Fry, and Gary Stepp**, who were elected to serve a three-year term on the Parish Council. Please remember these and all our Parish Council members in your prayers as they work with our pastor to guide the future success of our parish.

A special thank-you to all the nominees for your willingness to serve and to the outgoing members—Teresa Fabro, Lisa Gardner, and Arthur Gregg—for your faithful service these last few years.

Monday, October 1, 2018 — The Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau reports an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor involving Msgr. John J. Rynish, deceased (2001). The allegation pertains to a period in the early 1970s. Following procedures outlined in diocesan Safe Environment Policies and Procedures, the Diocese has notified civil authorities of the allegation, including Missouri Child Abuse and Neglect and the Greene County Prosecuting Attorney. Additionally, pastoral support is being offered to the victim's family.

Msgr. Rynish was born in Kansas City, MO, and ordained a priest in 1943 for the Diocese of Kansas City. The Diocese of Springfield Cape Girardeau was formed in 1956 from territory that was prior to 1956, part of the Archdiocese of St. Louis and the Diocese of Kansas City. Msgr. Rynish retired from active ministry in 1993. He died Sept. 23, 2001.

Msgr. Rynish served as Pastor of St. Joseph Parish, Billings, 1979-1993, as well as elected Diocesan Administrator in 1969, at the departure of then-Bp. Ignatius Strecker until April 6, 1970; again, elected Diocesan Administrator in 1973 for a few months at the departure of then-Bp. William Baum, until Dec. 5, 1973. Msgr. Rynish is buried in Billings.

Assistance Provided to Victims — The Diocese will reach out to every person who has been the victim/survivor of sexual abuse as a minor by anyone acting in the name of the Church, whether the abuse was recent or occurred many years in the past. This outreach will include provision of counseling, spiritual assistance, support groups, and other social services agreed upon by the victim and the Diocese. The Assistance Coordinator will aid in the immediate pastoral care of persons who claim to have been sexually abused as minors by clergy or other diocesan personnel.

Persons who wish to document an allegation may do so by calling the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline: 1-800-392-3738; or contact William Holtmeyer, Jr., MS, NCC, LPC, CEAP, Director of Child and Youth Protection, (417) 866-0841, or [billholtmeyer@dioscg.org](mailto:billholtmeyer@dioscg.org); or Victim Assistance Coordinator Judy St. John, LPC, NCC, (573) 587-3139, or [vacl@dioscg.org](mailto:vacl@dioscg.org); or through the diocesan Web-based TIPS Online Reporting portal (see [dioscg.org](http://dioscg.org) and look for "TIPS" link).

The Safe Environment Policies for the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau are available by logging on to the diocesan Website at [www.dioscg.org](http://www.dioscg.org) under the Child and Youth Protection ministry tab.

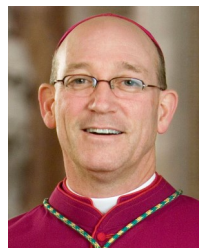
Leslie Anne Eidson, Director of Communications – Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau,  
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During the Month of October, please assemble your family and friends together to pray the rosary. Sharing this prayer calls us to meditate on the life of Jesus. The Rosary is prayed before weekday masses Tuesday-Friday at 7:30 am.

**A Rosary Rally will be held here at St. Joseph's on Saturday, October 13, at noon** in front of the Church (inside if inclement weather).

See Roberta Emery for more information.



## BISHOP RICE REQUESTS EMERGENCY COLLECTION

Bishop Rice has requested that a special emergency collection be taken next weekend, October 13 & 14.

The funds collected in this special appeal for 2018 disasters will be used to support the efforts of Catholic Charities USA and/or Catholic Relief Services, the official relief agencies of the U.S. Catholic Church, as they and their local agencies respond to immediate emergency needs for such necessities as water, food, shelter, and medical care and aid in long-term rebuilding and recovery efforts, and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops for pastoral and reconstruction needs of the Church. Funds will be used in response to Hurricane Florence and any other natural disasters that occur this year.