



St. Joseph Catholic Church

320 NW Washington Avenue ; P.O. Box 100, Billings, MO 65610~0100
(417) 744-2490 Office ; (417) 744-2112 Rectory
stjosephbillinmo@aol.com

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

*Thirty-First Sunday
in Ordinary Time
November 4, 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
(417) 743-2882 / bonniestjoepsr@aol.com

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 ~ 2nd 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



- **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.

Bookkeeper:	Mrs. Nicole Dotson	417-744-2490
Secretary:	Mrs. Janice Fabro	417-744-2490
Interim Custodians:	Mrs. Danielle Chastain	
	Mrs. Michelle Seybert	
Music Director:	Mrs. Anneleise Reeves	417-761-0231
Flower Ministry:	Mrs. Heidi Carpenter &	417-466-3633
	Mrs. Virginia Taylor	417-744-2490

Find the bulletin online at:
www.parishesonline.com



From the Pastor . . .

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

Theme: Two Loves Not to be Separated

No value in human life has been sung about so much as love. Poems, songs, and novels of all literatures of the globe deal with it endlessly. Almost no motion picture leaves it unmentioned. Jokes caricature it, wise sayings try to define what love really is, and suicide/murder quite often follows upon the failure of love. Hebrew literature, that is, the Bible, is no exception. It deals often with love, but relates it constantly to its deepest root, love of God.

Especially in the awareness of the New Testament writers, love of God and neighbor cannot be separated. "Whoever loves God must also love his brother" (1 Jn 4:21). Any attempt to separate these two loves is bound to fail in Christian experience. "If anyone says, 'I love God,' but hates his brother, he is a liar" (1 Jn 4:20). And the other way around, loving the brother, but not paying enough attention to God in prayer and worship, results in failure as well. Many a social worker has tried to love God mainly or only 'horizontally' (i.e. in the brother or sister). Usually this does not last long. When frustrations undo our best efforts to love others, love of God is needed to keep going.

Today's First Reading and Gospel deal with this issue. Do you balance your love of God and neighbor in such a way that it is lasting?



We welcome Father Vincent Au, CMC, who is celebrating Mass with us while Father Augustine is away.



Ruby Wilks, Kathleen & Roger Rill, Barbara Davis, Michael Glouse, Pat Hutton, Anneleise Reeves, Janice Duncan, 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, 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

***PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE TO PLACE SOMEONE ON THE PARISH PRAYER LIST. YOU MUST CONTACT THE OFFICE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE EACH MONTH IF YOU WANT THAT PERSON TO REMAIN ON THE LIST.**



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		
November 3 & 4	All Masses	Second Collection — St. Vincent de Paul
November 4	11:30 am	Youth Group Meeting
November 6	6:00 am-7:00 pm	Election Day
November 10	7:30 am	St. Vincent de Paul Pantry Day
November 11	All Masses	Second Collection — Maintenance Fund
November 12	Parish Office Closed	
November 17	After 4:00 Mass	PSR Program & PCCW Chili & Soup Supper
November 18	All Masses	Second Collection — Catholic Charities Collection
November 18	6:00 pm	Community Thanksgiving Service
November 21-23	Parish Office Closed	

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES November 10 & 11			
	4:00 pm	8:00 am	10:30 am
LECTOR	Teresa Hanafin	Tim Potthoff	Bryan Crockett
EUCHARIST MINISTERS	Teresa Hanafin Don Hays Chris Sellers	Tim Potthoff Julie Wolfe Arthur Gregg	Bryan Crockett Sandra Crockett Joe Sciarrino Rosario Hedgpeth
SERVERS	Julia Radtke Nicole Radtke	Lexi Reeves	Hayden Crockett
GIFTS	Teresa Fabro Chris Sellers	Larry & Janice Fabro	Bryan & Sandra Crockett
USHERS	Chris Sellers Debby Clutter	Dale Waller Nathan Waller	Mike King Jason Hedgpeth
COUNTERS	Chad & Whitney Griffin		

MASS INTENTIONS November 6-11			
	OFFERED FOR	REQUESTED BY	
Tuesday 8:00 am	No Mass		
Wednesday 8:00 am	✠	Jean Heston	Mary Schaffer
Thursday 8:00 am	No Mass		
Friday 8:00 am	No Mass		
Saturday 4:00 pm	✠	Pauline (Steinbaugh) Marek	Art & Juanita Steinbaugh
Sunday 8:00 am	✠	Craig Gordon	Bill & Margaret Baunach
Sunday 10:30 am		Michael & Barbara Glouse	Personal Intentions

COLLECTION—10/28/18			
Adult Envelopes	\$1,959	Loose	\$197
Mass Offerings		Candles	
St. Vincent de Paul	\$20	Maintenance	\$45
World Mission Sunday	\$10		



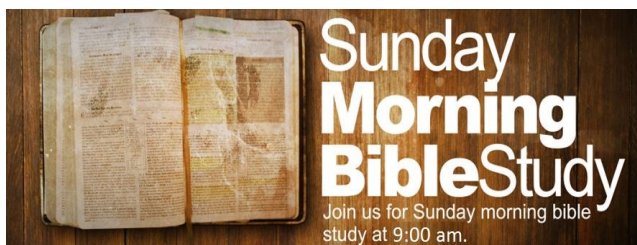


PCCW

Next meeting: January 26, 9:30
(due to chili/soup supper & upcoming senior citizens' dinner)

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.

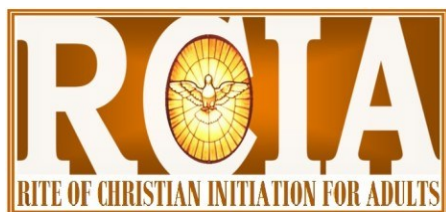


Adult education classes are held each Sunday morning in the adult classroom in the Parish Hall. It's not too late to participate! To sign up and get your book, contact Paula Foster at 417-744-8523 or email fostersr8@att.net.

Join us as we grow in faith together!



The Rosary Prayer Group meets each Thursday at 10:00 am at 304 SE Madison Avenue, Unit 7, Billings. Rosary followed by coffee time. For more information, call Frank Urban, 417-365-2364



We welcome the follow people into the RCIA program this year:

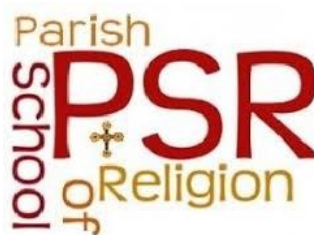
Dale Lear, Debbie Batchman, Liz Shelburn, Linda Sperry, Vacey Palazzolo, her son, Rocco, & daughter, Theresa

St. Joseph's MENS' CLUB

FAITH, FELLOWSHIP AND SERVICE

Next meeting:

Date Pending, 6:00 pm, Team 1 cooks



Request for PSR Parents: Please have your children in class the **next two weeks!** They are preparing a *See the Gospel of St. Mark*" Program for Nov. 17 after the 4

p.m. Mass.

SO it would help greatly if you could have them here on these dates: **Nov. 4, and Nov. 11.**

Of course, you should also mark your calendar to attend their presentation on **Saturday, Nov. 17,** after the 4 p.m. Mass. The PCCW is planning a chili/soup supper that evening, so why not make a night of it?

God bless you and your children and thank you for all you do!

—Bonnie King, PSR Director

Remember, no PSR class November 18 or 25.



Join us for a Youth Group Meeting after the 10:30 mass on Sunday Nov 4. Lunch will be provided! Please bring 1-2 items for the Sisters' Food Shower.



STATUES OF ST. JOSEPH PARISH, Part II

ST THERESA, THE



LITTLE FLOWER – Therese Martin entered a Carmelite convent at the age of 15. As Sister Therese of the Child Jesus, she lived a hidden life. She was just 24 when she died of Tuberculosis. The world came to know her through her autobiography, *“The Story of A Soul.”* She described her life as “a little way of spiritual childhood.” She lived each day with unshakable confidence in God’s

love. What matters in life is “not great deeds, but great love.” “My mission—to make God loved—will begin after my death,” she said. “I will spend my heaven doing good on earth. I will let fall a shower of roses.” She considered herself “The Little Flower of Jesus.” Trust in Therese is important, and when she wills, roses or their fragrance may appear.



ST ANTHONY AND THE CHILD JESUS – Once, as a guest in someone’s home, Anthony was seen through an open window, deep in meditation and communion. He was holding Christ so single-mindedly in his heart that the Christ child was seen in his arms. He was a great preacher and “This is the friar who finds lost objects.”



SACRED IMAGE OF DIVINE MERCY – In 1931, Jesus appeared to St. Faustina. She saw Jesus clothed in a white garment with His right hand raised in blessing. His left hand was touching His garment in the area of the heart, from where two large rays came forth, one red and the other pale (depicting blood

and water). She gazed intently at the Lord in silence, her soul filled with awe, but also with great joy. Jesus said to her, “Paint an image according to the pattern you see with the signature: Jesus, I trust in You. I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish. I also promise victory over its enemies already here on earth, especially at the hour of death. I Myself will defend it as My own glory. I am offering people a vessel with which they are to keep coming for

graces to the fountain of mercy. That vessel is this image with the signature: ‘Jesus, I trust in You.’” Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated the first Sunday after Easter, the Feast of Mercy. Jesus assures that it is not in the beauty of the color, nor of the brush that lies the greatness of this image, but in His grace.



OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

– The Icon-style picture of the Madonna and Child. The original wooden icon rests on the main altar of the shrine of the same name on Via Merulana in Rome. The

picture shows the Christ child, frightened by the terrifying vision of two angels showing Him the instruments of the passion. He has run to His Mother for reassurance, almost losing His sandal. His hands are turned palms down into His mother’s, illustrating that the graces of redemption are in her keeping.

The angels are designated as the Archangels Michael on the left, carrying the lance and sponge of the crucifixion of Jesus, and Gabriel, on the right side, carrying a 3-bar cross used by Popes at the time and nails.

The Blessed Virgin Mary is wearing a dress of dark red, representing the Passion of Jesus, with a blue mantle, representing her perpetual virginity, and cloaked veil, which represents her pure modesty. The veil and her face itself are rounded, indicating holiness. Mary is looking towards the faithful, while pointing at her son, Jesus Christ. The Virgin Mary has a star on her forehead signifying her role as Star of the Sea while the cross on the side has been claimed as referring to the Greek monastery which produced the icon. Byzantine depictions of the Blessed Virgin Mary in art have three stars, one star each on the shoulder and one on the forehead.

The Greek inscriptions read **MP-ΘΥ** (Μήτηρ Θεοῦ, Mother of God), **OAM** (Ὁ Ἀρχάγγελος Μιχαήλ, Michael the Archangel), **OAG** (Ὁ Ἀρχάγγελος Γαβριήλ, Gabriel the Archangel) and **IC-XC** (Ἰησοῦς Χριστός, Jesus Christ), respectively.



Thanksgiving Food & Goods Shower for the Sisters

Our parish is hosting a Thanksgiving Food & Goods Shower to benefit the Sisters.

Donation items may be placed through Thanksgiving in the marked box outside of the Parish office.

Suggested items:
dishwashing detergent; laundry

detergent, paper goods (napkins, tissues, paper towels, bath tissue), personal hygiene items (body wash/soap, toothpaste, mouthwash, shampoo, hand/body lotion, deodorant, etc), canned goods including soups, vegetables (spinach, mixed vegetables, sweet peas, green beans), cranberry sauce, canned meats, canned fish, powdered or canned milk, fruit juices, jams & jellies, peanut butter, dried fruits, nuts, hot chocolate, oatmeal and other cooking cereal, instant coffee, cookies, etc. **No candy or corn, please.**

GIFT CARDS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

This list is posted on the bulletin boards in the Church Hall. Please feel free to take a copy with you.



TEMPORARY WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

November 5-December 5

Beginning the week of November 5 through December 5, weekday Mass will be held weekly at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday while Father is out of the country. Daily Mass will resume as normal on December 11.

The weekend Sunday Mass schedule is unaffected with Father Vincent Au, CMC, serving as the celebrant.



Hosted by the PCCW

Proceeds benefitting their ministry & projects

\$5 for adults;

\$3 for children 12 and under;

\$2 refills

Menu includes choice of:

Big Bowl of Chili or Homemade Soup (Chicken Noodle, Loaded Baked Potato, Vegetable Beef, or Broccoli Cheese)

Bread / Cornbread / Crackers

Dessert

Drink

time to UPDATE

UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

Parishioners, if you have changed your contact information—email, telephone number(s), or address—within the last year, please notify the office by phone or email, so we can update our records.



Our Condolences

to the family of Frances Everett who passed away Sunday, October 28. Fran's funeral Mass was held Friday, November 2.



Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and all of the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Our Condolences

to Opal Mowry upon the death of her daughter, Patricia Rimez, who passed away Tuesday, October 30.



Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and all of the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



Sunday, November 18, 6:00 pm
St. Joseph Catholic Church

Sponsored by the seven churches of the
Billings Ministerial Alliance

Come worship in music, prayer and praise!

Enjoy refreshments and fellowship time in the Hall
after the service.



WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

*Second Collection for
Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri*

November 18 is the Second Annual World Day of the Poor and the annual Second Collection for Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri. The theme of Pope Francis' message this year is "The poor man cried, and the Lord heard him" Psalm 34:7. Hearing "the cry of the poor" and responding to thousands of our neighbors in need is the heart of the mission of Catholic Charities day in and day out!

Every dollar of your support stays here in southern Missouri for families at risk of homelessness, women facing an unplanned pregnancy, struggling veterans, survivors of natural disasters, individuals with developmental disabilities, and many others.

Join with Catholics throughout the diocese to support the Church's Works of Mercy. Together, we hear and respond to the cry of the poor. Please give generously to Catholic Charities on the World Day of the Poor, as it continues to Reach Out, Provide Hope, and Change Lives for so many throughout southern Missouri.

SACRISTANS

SERVING THE LORD & THE PEOPLE OF GOD

The Sacristan Ministry is a "behind-the-scenes"

service which can be performed by individuals or couples who wish to perform a needed service, but do not wish to be visible to the congregation. Some people are not comfortable being in front of the congregation as a lector, choir member or Eucharistic Minister. If you are shy about most ministries, Sacristan is ideal for you. The entire service of this ministry occurs before and after the Mass Liturgy.

Mission: The Mission of Sacristan is to set up the vessels before Mass. After Mass, the Sacristan takes the sacred vessels (ciborium, chalices, carafe, and cruet) to the sacristy and returns them to their proper places or resets for the next Mass.

Volunteer Opportunity: Sacristans are needed before and after the Saturday Mass and after the 8:00 and 10:30 Sunday Masses as scheduled and also at Holy Day Masses and any other extra liturgies by individual availability.

Training: Training is scheduled by appointment and takes place in the Sacristy and Sanctuary of the Church. It normally takes 30 minutes plus a supervised session at an actual liturgy.

Time Commitment: Depending on the volunteer response, we would like to assign each sacristan to serve at one or two liturgies per month. Sacristan duties take approximately 20 minutes before/after mass.

Ready to Begin Your Ministry? Please contact the Parish Office to volunteer.

2019 CALENDARS AVAILABLE NOW



The 2019 calendars have arrived and are in the vestibule of the Church. Please take one per family.



DIOCESE SEEKS SUPERINTENDENT of CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

The Diocese of Springfield/Cape Girardeau in southern Missouri seeks qualified applicants to fill a permanent, full-time position working as the diocesan Superintendent of Catholic Schools. Applicant must be a practicing Roman Catholic. Qualified individuals will have a Master's degree in education, preferably educational administration. Applicants should also have work experience in Catholic schools and in Catholic school administration and be able to assume duties on or before June 1, 2019. Applications will be accepted through November 30, 2018. The Catholic school system of Springfield-Cape Girardeau is comprised of 23 elementary schools (2,951 students in Pre-K through eighth grade) and three high schools (853 students). For more information or to request an application packet, please contact Janet Smith at The Catholic Center by Emailing jansmith@dioscg.org, or calling (417) 866-0841.



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.



There is a spam email going around that looks like it is from someone we might know and respect – Bishop Rice, Msgr. Reidy, etc. The first email is brief and asks for a favor. When the recipient replies, the mystery sender knows they have a good email address/willing person, so a second message goes out asking for money to be spent on a gift card of some sort. This is similar to the iTunes gift card series that went around a few months ago.

The “from” line is meant to look legitimate to get people to bite. If one hovers over the sender's email to see the details, it is usually easy to tell it did not come from that person. It will be from a made-up email address that will be nearly impossible to trace.

It is always best not to open such an email in the first place. However, if you do, ensure that you do not reply and then immediately delete/spam block the message. People who may have already sent a reply might want to pursue with your bank to secure your accounts.



Lord God, as the election approaches, we seek to better understand the issues and concerns that confront our city/state/country, and how the Gospel compels us to respond as faithful citizens in our community. We ask for eyes that are free from blindness so that we might see each other as brothers and sisters, one and equal in dignity, especially those who are victims of abuse and violence, deceit and poverty. We ask for ears that will hear the cries of children unborn and those abandoned, men and women oppressed because of race or creed, religion or gender. We ask for minds and hearts that are open to hearing the voice of leaders who will bring us closer to your Kingdom. We pray for discernment so that we may choose leaders who hear your Word, live your love, and keep in the ways of your truth as they follow in the steps of Jesus and his Apostles and guide us to your Kingdom of justice and peace. We ask this in the name of your Son Jesus Christ and through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.