

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

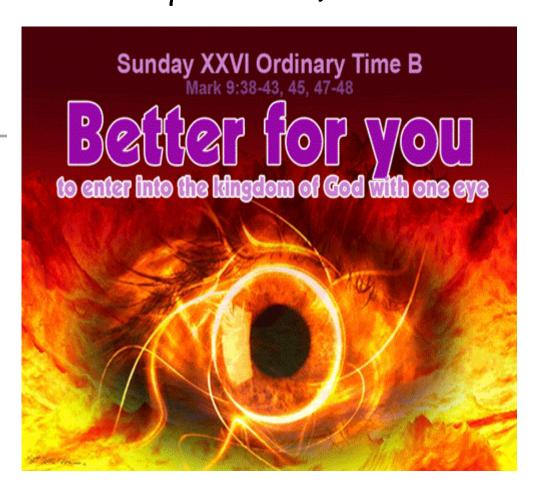
PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

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

St. Joseph Catholic Church

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Pastor Fr. Augustine R. Njuu, A.J.
Twenty-Sixth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
September 30, 2018



- **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.

Mrs. Nicole Dotson 417-744-2490 **Bookkeeper:** 417-744-2490 Secretary: Mrs. Janice Fabro **Custodian:** Mrs. Frances Everett 417-744-2490 417-761-0231 **Music Director:** Mrs. Anneleise Reeves Mrs. Heidi Carpenter & 417-466-3633 Flower Ministry: Mrs. Virginia Taylor 417-744-2490

Find the bulletin online at: www.parishesonline.com



From the Pastor . . .

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B
Theme: Open-Minded, Respect and Jove For All.

It seems to be an inborn instinct to mistreat and disqualify people who are different from us. Let bearded and long haired youngster or a lady whose dress code is not ours appears and immediately eyebrows are raised! The more isolated life is, be it geographically in rural areas or socially by self-impose isolation (the railroad dividing black and white sections of little towns in the south or the inner city versus the suburbs of the north) the more narrow-minded and biased people are even to the extent of expelling the "outside agitator" and violent ostracizing him socially.

This very thing happened to our lord who come to his own, "but his own people did not accept him" (In 1:11) he was different. In his home town of Nazareth the people even become hostile. They took offense at him" (Mk 6:3) being a Jew our Lord would be refused membership today in many a country club! Over the centuries, Christian denomination has isolated themselves socially. Small wonder then that they mistrust one another. An imprudent proselytism may have contributed to religious bias as it still exists in our country though the ecumenical movement has done much good by trying t eliminate a "ghetto mentality" that has been with the churches for a long time.

Today's Bible readings deal with this topic. Since bias (whether social, racial, or religious) is so subtle, we should check ourselves honestly and pray: "Cleanse me from my unknown faults! (Today's Responsorial Psalm)

Adopted from Sunday Missal





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 Kissee, 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

<u>Prayer Intercessors</u>: 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, Robert Alsup, Elaina Parks, Clayton Taylor, Dakota Harter, Chris Batchman, Cody Warnken, Austin Williams, Vaughn Brown

PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS						
October 4	12:00 PM	Jean Heston Funeral Mass				
October 5	After 8:00 am Mass	First Friday Devotions				
October 6	10:00 am	First Saturday Rosary				
October 8	Parish Office Closed	Columbus Day Holiday				
October 12	6:30-8:00 pm	Correlators Group meets in Parish Hall				
October 19	2:00 pm	Jenisch-Davis Wedding				

1	LECTOR	Kelly Harter	Roberta Emery	Sandra Crockett		
	EUCHARIST MINISTERS	Kelly Harter Debby Clutter Bill Meisenheimer	Roberta Emery Arthur Gregg Taylor Waller	Bryan Crockett Sandra Crockett Joe Sciarrino Paula Noviello		
	SERVERS	Cate Hubbert Elizabeth Hubbert	Lexi Reeves	Hayden Crockett Hayden Mitchell		
	GIFTS	Volunteers	Arthur Gregg Family	Tom Talty Family		
	USHERS	Jerry Vermule Volunteer	Barney Fabro Larry Fabro	Jimmy Butler Joel Butler		
	COUNTERS	Julie Wolfe & Diana Dickey				
	COLLECTION—9/23/18					
		Adult Envelo	pes 2,207.	00		
		Loose Donati	ons 383.	00		
		Mass Offerings				

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES October 6 & 7

8:00 am

10:30 am

4:00 pm

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Tuesday 8:00 am	₩ Kevin Wade	
Wednesday 8:00 am	NO MASS	
Thursday 12:00 pm	Funeral Mass for Jean Heston	
Friday 8:00 am	NO MASS	
Saturday 4:00 pm	Pat Hutton Intentions	
Sunday 8:00 am	Parish Family Intentions	
Sunday 10:30 am	Arlene Verfurth Birthday Intentions	Jim Verfurth Family

COLLECTION—9/23/18					
Adult Envelopes	2,207.00				
Loose Donations	383.00				
Mass Offerings					
St. Vincent de Paul	30.00				
Maintenance	219.00				
Candles					
Peters Pence	95.00				
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One who first gave.					
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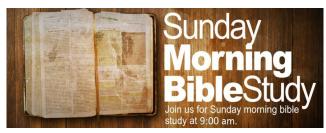
PCCW

Next meeting: October 26, 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.

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



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

St. Joseph's



faith, fellowship and service

Next meeting: September 30, 6:00 pm, Team 3 cooks



It's not too late to register for PSR Classes! Please see Bonnie King for a registration form. Upcoming classes are: Sept. 23 & 30; 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.



NAVE—Entering the church proper, the nave (from the Latin word for "boat"), we find ourselves in a large room. If we are taking our tour at a time



when the liturgy is not being celebrated and no people are present, this space may look a little "strange," but that is normal. The space only looks "right"

when it is functioning. Visiting an empty church is something like visiting an amusement park during the winter when the park is closed. We can imagine what the park would look like when the lights are flashing and the music is playing and the children are running through the crowds of happy people. But the park needs these people and activity to look "right." Similarly, the nave of the church "needs an assembly of people to complete it (Environment, 24). It looks especially right when it is actually functioning as an assembly space for God's people at prayer.

The nave is usually filled with benches, or pews. Catholics expect to find pews in a church and are surprised when they enter one of the older churches of Europe and find no pews or fixed seating. The absence of pews in older churches is a reminder to us that the principal posture for Christian worship is standing. We stand in the presence of one we wish to

honor and to serve—just as the priest stands at the altar during Mass. Standing is a mark of reverence and readiness. Pews and fixed seating entered the church at about the same time western culture discovered the printing press; people in church began to "line up" like lines on a printed page to hear the word of God read to them from a printed book. At the time of the Reformation, pews enabled the congregation to sit and listen to the sermon, which often lasted several hours.

Fixed pews reinforced the image of the congregation as "listeners," like the audience in an auditorium (audire, Latin, "to listen"). Recent liturgical renewal suggests that we are present as "doers," actively engaged in the liturgical action, and not merely "listeners." Some churches today do not have fixed pews but use individual chairs. A more flexible seating arrangement can encourage a more active and participatory liturgy. Church architects are "striving for a seating pattern and furniture that do not constrict people, but encourage them to move about when it is appropriate" (Environment, 68).

In the 13th century, when Christians no longer received Holy Communion frequently and the high point of the Mass was looking at the Sacred Host after the consecration, Christians began to kneel at this point in the Mass. As the practice of kneeling was extended, kneeling benches were introduced, often attached to the back, of the chairs or pews. You will see kneelers in most churches today.



CONTEMPLATIVE OUTREACH OF SPRINGFIELD HOSTING "SILENT SATURDAY"

October 6, 2018, at Our Lady of the Lake in Branson. Mass at 9:00 am; Registration at 9:45; Program begins promptly at 10:00 and ends at 12:00

noon. There will be periods of centering prayer and a period of Lectio Divina. If you have questions, please contact Annette Smith at S2duffers@gmail.com; 230-0919



SHOE DRIVE

American Heritage Girls Troop MO1118 is collecting shoes again this fall. The shoes will be distributed to small business owners in developing nations, where they will be cleaned, re-

paired, and repurposed. Our troop will receive a small reimbursement for each pair of shoes collected. All types and sizes of shoes are welcome. This is a great way to get rid of any unwanted shoes, keep them out of the local landfill, help families in need, and our AHG troop as well. Please place them in the marked box located in the gathering area by November 17. Any questions, please contact Cindy Faust, 521-9461.

HAPPY FEET 5K RUN & WALK

The Republic Pregnancy Resource Center is holding their 7th Annual Happy Feet Run/Walk on Saturday, Nov. 3, 2018, at 8:30 am, starting at Calvary Baptist Church (804 US Hwy. 60, Republic) with awards and breakfast served after at 10:15 am. Check-in begins 6:30 am.

Register online at actnowracing.com. Visit reppregnancyresourcefriends.org to download registrations and route maps. Early registration through Oct. 12—5K Run/Walk \$30 adults; \$20 children 5-12. Fees after Oct. 12—\$35 adults; \$25 child. T-shirt and pledge forms included with registration. Awards include Boy & Girl Award and Most Pledges Award. Race packets may be picked up on Thursday, Nov. 1, from 10:00-5:00 or Friday, Nov. 2, from 3:00-6:00.

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RESOURCE CENTER

"YOUNG ADULT PILGRIMAGE AND RETREAT"

The Society of St. Vincent De Paul is hosting its first-ever nationwide young adult pilgrimage and retreat in St. Louis, from the evening of November 2 to the afternoon of November 4. The weekend will include:

- Tours of the oldest continuous parish in the United States and the 83000 sq ft of mosaics in the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis
- Reflections and talks at St. Vincent De Paul Parish on the history of the Vincentian saints and the work of the Society
- Mass at the Old Cathedral, the first cathedral west of the Mississippi
 - Holy hour and confessions
 - Socials on Friday and Saturday night

The event is open to young adults from ages 18 - 40.

Except for Sunday brunch, the event is FREE to participants (other than travel costs to the region). To find out more or receive a registration, please write Bryan Kirchoff at bryankirchoff@att.net."





Nora's 1st Birthday Saturday, October 20th from 2:00-3:30pm Church Hall

Please join us to celebrate Nora's

1st Birthday!

We request your PRESENCE not your

PRESENTS!

NO gifts please. However, we will be collecting donations for the Republic Pregnancy Care Center and/or the Humane Society/CARE Animal Shelter.

Chad & Whitney Griffin