



St. Joseph Catholic Church

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

*Twenty-Third Sunday
in Ordinary Time
September 9, 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



“Be opened!”

**And immediately the man's ears were opened,
his speech impediment was removed,
and he spoke plainly. —Mark 7:34-35**

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

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www.parishesonline.com*



From the Pastor . . .

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

Theme: The Healing Activity of Our Lord.

A healthy person, who seldom or never needs a physician, finds difficulty in understanding the anguish, frustration, and never-to-be fulfilled desires of the physically handicapped. In primitive societies and prescientific times, the condition of the handicapped was even worse that it is today. There were no rehabilitation programs for them, no wheelchairs or any equipment that gave them at least some relief. Since religious beliefs regarded their misery as related to sin and moral guilt, they were often outcasts for whom nobody cared. We find it altogether natural, therefore, that the writers of the Bible used the wretched situation of the lame, the blind the deaf, the epileptics, and the lepers (all of whom they believed to be in the power of demons) as a figure to describe humankind's alienation from God, and the healing of these people as the sign of God's powerful and caring presence. Ethically speaking we could be handicapped and in need of God's healing and love.

Let us, therefore, pray that the Lord may open our ears to listen to his message of forgiveness and endless love.

Adopted from Sunday missal



- PARISH COUNCIL
- Bill Baunach
 - Dustin Bobbitt
 - Roberta Emery
 - Teresa Fabro
 - Lisa Gardner
 - Arthur Gregg
 - Dan Hanafin
 - Tim Pothhoff
 - Jerry Vermule

Are You Interested in Becoming A Eucharistic Minister or Lector?

Upcoming Training Session
Sunday, September 16 after 10:30 Mass





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, Jean Heston, 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, Gary Greco, 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, Robert Alsop, Elaina Parks, Clayton Taylor, Dakota Harter, Chris Batchman, Cody Warnken, Austin Williams, Vaughn Brown

PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS		
September 8 & 9	All Masses	Second Collection-Maintenance Fund
September 14	6:30-8:00 pm	Correlators Group meets in Hall
September 15 & 16	All Masses	Second Collection-Retirement Fund for Religious
September 16	After 10:30 Mass	New Eucharistic Minister & Lector Training in the church

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES September 15 & 16			
	4:00 pm	8:00 am	10:30 am
LECTOR	Lisa Gardner	Julie Wolfe	Bryan Crockett
EUCARIST MINISTERS	Kelly Harter Don Hays Chris Sellers	Julie Wolfe Chad Griffin Roberta Emery	Bryan Crockett Sandra Crockett Joe Sciarrino Barbara Glouse
SERVERS	Nicole Radtke Julia Radtke	Gabby Glaser	Hayden Crockett Jack Hedgpeth
GIFTS	Volunteers	Delores Langley Julie Wolfe	Bryan Crockett Sandra Crockett
USHERS	Teresa Fabro Danny Garbee	Dan Stander Steve Netzer	Mike Glouse Ed Amass
COUNTERS	Kelly Harter & Peggy Napper		

MASS INTENTIONS— September 11-16			
	OFFERED FOR	REQUESTED BY	
Tuesday 8:00 am	Newly Confirmed Intentions		
Wednesday 8:00 am	Alexandria Stimpson Intentions		
Thursday 8:00 am	Ed & Barbara Zahner Intentions		
Friday 8:00 am	Chuck & Virginia Reichert Intentions		
Saturday 4:00 pm	Raymond Garbee Intentions		
Sunday 8:00 am	Joe Mehl Intentions		
Sunday 10:30 am	✠ Damon Ryan Underwood	Marla Underwood	

COLLECTION—9/02/18	
Adult Envelopes	\$2,496
Loose Donations	\$280
Mass Offerings	\$20
St. Vincent de Paul	\$503
Maintenance	\$75
Candles	\$52
PSR	\$25





PCCW

*Next meeting: September 29,
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.



St. Joseph's MENS CLUB

FAITH, FELLOWSHIP AND SERVICE

Next meeting: September 30



Parish School of Religion

24 families & 40 students registered for PSR. If you missed it, please see Bonnie King for a registration form. It's not too late to begin!

September PSR Class dates are: September 9, 16, 23 & 30. Catechetical Sunday is September 16 with teachers installed at 10:30 Mass.



We once again sincerely congratulate our confirmation students for taking their catechetical classes seriously and for persevering in the program to its intended conclusion.

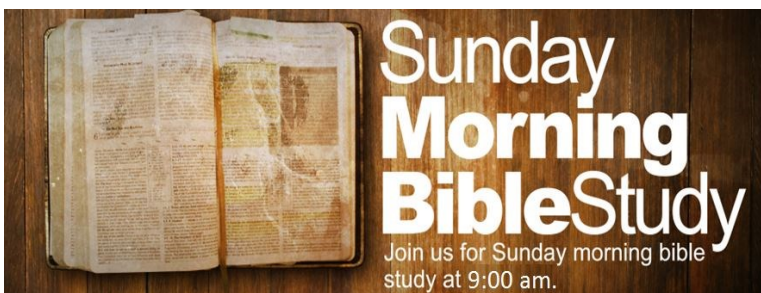
Thanks to all the PSR teachers who, in the course of years, took time and talents to prepare these young men and women for this Sacrament. In a special way, we recognize the immediate coordinators: Michaela Barrett, the Youth Coordinator of our parish, and Bonnie King, our Director of PSR and RCIA. Many kudos to the parents of our youth who facilitated and supported the attendance of their children.

CORRELATORS GROUP NOW MEETING MONTHLY

Father David Baunach will be hosting the Correlators Group meeting on a monthly basis meeting the second Friday from 6:30-8:00 pm in the Hall. Next meeting: September 14. For more info contact Fr. Baunach (417) 851-7136 or davidbaunach@gmail.com



The Rosary Prayer Group meets every 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



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!



RCIA classes are scheduled to begin Sunday, September 16. If you know of someone interested in joining the Catholic faith, please ask them to register with Bonnie King, our parish's Director of Religious Education, 417-743-2882, bonniestjoepsr@aol.com.

Confirmation 2018

Congratulations to the newly confirmed

Jacob Chastain

Hayden Crockett

Carly DeBriyn

Evan Dotson

Nicholas Dotson

Shannon Foster

Mattison Garbee

Megan Garbee

Gabrielle Glaser

John Hickman

Elizabeth Hubbert

Stephen Hubbert

Tessa Newman

Colton Plouman

Alexandra Reeves

Nicholas Reeves

Grace Vesci



This Saturday, September 8, we witness 17 youths of our parish being confirmed. We read in Isaiah 11:2: The Spirit of the LORD will rest on him—the Spirit of **Wisdom** and of **Understanding**, the Spirit of **Counsel** and of **Might**, the Spirit of the **Knowledge** and **Fear of the LORD.**”

To fully appreciate the meaning and importance of this sacrament, it will be good to go back in time and refresh our minds about how God intervened in time and place by sending Samuel (the prophet) to go Bethlehem and meet with Jesse, the father of David. The Lord said, “There anoint him, for this is he!” Then Samuel, with the horn of oil in hand, anointed him in the midst of his brothers, and from that day on the spirit of the Lord rushed upon David. **David was faithful to God’s call and filled with wisdom and courage become a great king.** He wasn’t perfect, of

course, but the spirit of God helped him to use his gifts and talents in God’s service. It is not by chance that David become the ancestor of Jesus, the promised messiah. These words of Prophet Isaiah came to pass first on David, but the action of God giving his spirit never stopped, but rather it is been given to us through Jesus Christ.

The spirit of God is fully invested in Christ. On the day of his baptism, the Spirit of God come and rested upon Him. The Spirit of God aided Jesus to fully embrace his mission as revealed in the paschal mystery.

Today by the action of the Bishop laying hands, anointing with the Chrism, and pronouncing with the words “Be sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit,” Christ pours upon these young men and women the same spirit he had received from his Father. The Holy Spirit empowers them to be witnesses to Christ—to grow into holiness, work for justice and peace, treat others with respect, share time and talents, be healers when conflicts arise, help friends do the right thing. Confirmation completes our baptism and flank us into action after the example of his first disciples: to go and build the Church.

May the Spirit of God fill our hearts, manifest his will, and renew the face of the earth.



THE PROPER WAY TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION

For the reception of Holy Communion, kneeling remains the universal norm of our Latin Rite. However, standing is permitted by the bishops of most places. When one receives standing, one is required to make a specific act of adoration before receiving the Sacred Host or taking the Precious Blood. In the United States, the bishops have mandated a bow of the head as the required act of adoration. A genuflection is discouraged, because of the obvious hazard to other people on line. While waiting for the person in front of you to receive, recollect yourself for a moment and bow your head as a gesture of adoration. Step up when it is your turn. Receiving the Sacred Host on the tongue is the normative way of receiving Holy Communion in the Latin Rite. After saying “Amen” in response to the minister of

Holy Communion, the communicant should open the mouth wide and extend the tongue far enough so that the Sacred Host can be placed upon it without danger of falling. Please note that it is important to extend the tongue, not just open the mouth.

One has the option of receiving in the hand in some places. Communion in the hand is allowed in the United States by decision of the American Bishops. If one is receiving in the hand the following is normative: upon approaching the minister of the Host, extend the hands in the middle of the chest. The left hand is extended, with the right hand under the left in support (left handed persons may wish to place the left hand under the right). In essence, a throne is formed in the sign of an X-cross to receive the Sacred Host. The response of “Amen” is given to the proclamation “The Body of Christ,” and the Host is received. The individual should then step to the side and receive the Host carefully and reverently.

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ANNUAL
BLUE MASS

FOR ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT & FIRST RESPONDERS



SUN., SEPT. 16, 2018

ST. AGNES CATHEDRAL
DURING THE REGULAR 5 P.M. MASS
CELEBRATED BY THE MOST REVEREND
EDWARD M. RICE



Bishop Rice will celebrate the Blue Mass to honor all first responders and their families at 5:00 p.m. Mass on Sunday, September 16 at St. Agnes Cathedral, 533 S. Jefferson Avenue, Springfield. All are invited to attend (Catholic and non-Catholic) to receive a special blessing for those who work as first responders.



THE PROPER WAY TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION (CONTINUED)

It is unseemly to “pop” the Host into the mouth as one walks away. Remember “Who” you are receiving! Please note that it is never acceptable to put out only one hand due to the danger of dropping the host. Those who do not have the easy use of both hands (or whose hands are not perfectly clean for whatever reason) should receive on the tongue.

It is very important that all understand that one does not have the right to receive Holy Communion as one pleases. One may only receive in the manner dictated by Church Law. Only those practicing Catholics who are in the state of grace may receive Holy Communion. Being in the state of grace means not having knowledge of having committed any mortal sins (missing Mass on Sunday through your own fault is a violation of the Third Commandment and a mortal sin!). Those who are not in the state of grace must first be reconciled to God and the Church by means of the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) before presenting themselves for Holy Communion.



**Nominations Requested by
September 15 & 16**

The Parish Council serves as an important consultative body to the pastor concerning matters of parish life and governance. Membership is comprised of registered, confirmed parishioners. The Council meets the first Tuesday of the month. Members serve three-year terms.

We are currently seeking nominations to replace three outgoing council members—Lisa Gardner, Teresa Fabro, and Arthur Gregg—whom we thank for their faithful service.

Nominations may be taken by any current Council Member (see list on page 2) or by completing the form below or available in the vestibule and returning it to the Parish Office or in the collection basket. You may also make a nomination by emailing (stjosephbillinmo@aol.com) or calling the parish office (417-744-2490). Nominees must be at least 18 years of age and are subject to approval by Father Augustine. Elections will take place the weekend of September 25 & 26.

**Please give prayerful consideration to self-nominating
and serving your parish as a Parish Council member!**

PARISH COUNCIL NOMINATION FORM 2018 — PLEASE PRINT YOUR NOMINATION(S)

Name: _____ Name: _____
Name: _____ Name: _____