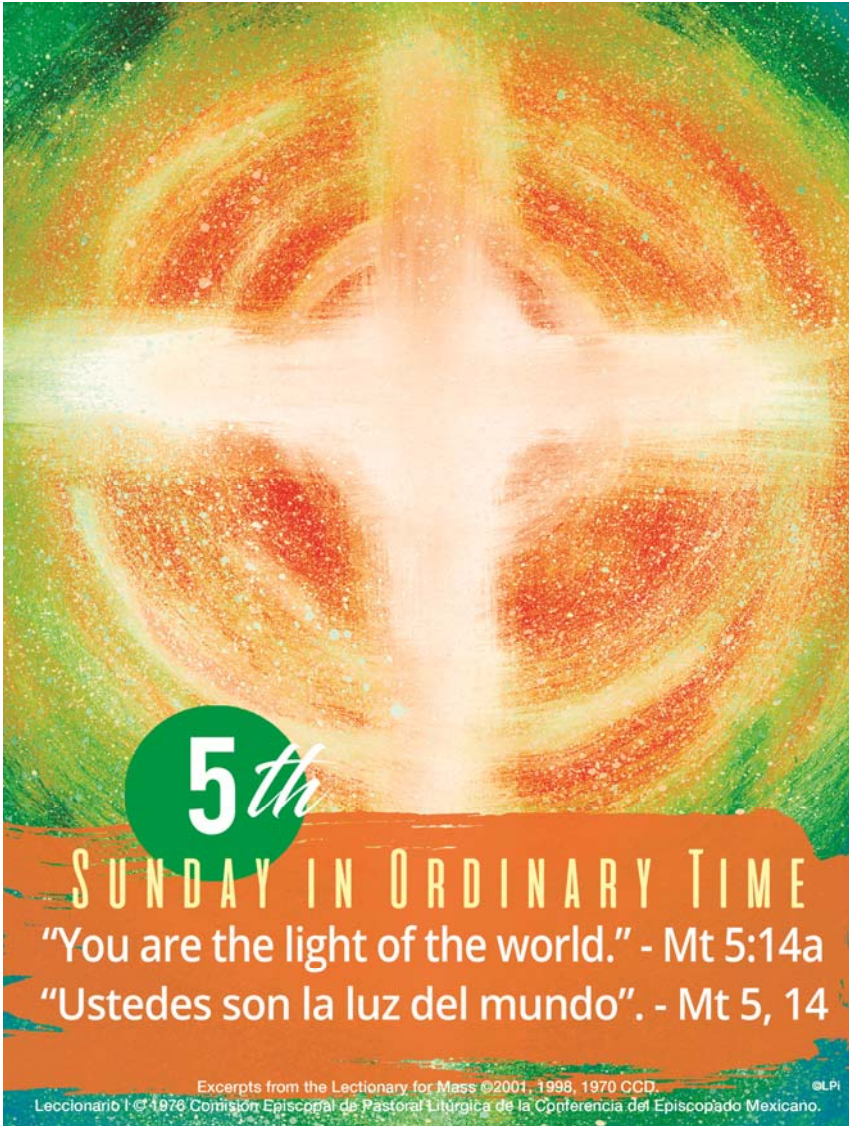




Saint Joseph Parish

A Christ-centered family engaging, connecting, and empowering God's people

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Breaking Open the Word
February 9, 2020
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Lectionary: 73 Gospel MT 5:13-16

Spiritual Reflection: Let us not confuse today's Gospel with a pep talk. God seriously wants to transform us into instruments of peace.

Spiritual Questions:

1. Do I believe Jesus when he says that I am the salt of the earth? If so, how? If not, why not?
2. How do I experience opportunities of servant leadership?
3. How does my sacramental theology and its practice reveal the light given to others?
4. Is my baptism shining as brightly as it could be?
5. How does your weakness display God's grace?



We have multiple days open for Mass intentions, particularly for the daily Masses. Please stop by the Ambassador's Station or Parish Office if you would like to have a Mass offered for someone. The current stipend for Masses is \$10.

Masses

Saturday (Sunday obligation) 4:00 pm
Sunday 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 am
1:00 pm (Spanish) & 5:00 pm

Monday-Friday 6:30 am
Mon., Wed., Fri., Sat. 8:30 am
Tues., Thurs. 6:15 pm

Third Saturday of the month
in Portuguese. 6:00 pm

Confessions

Wednesdays 7:30 pm
Saturdays 7:30 - 8:20 am

Baptisms

Held during weekend Masses in English and during the 1:00 pm Mass in Spanish. Call in advance to reserve your date and get information about the required instruction class.

Marriages

Couples need to call the parish office at least six months in advance.

Anointing of the Sick

Celebrated on the first Saturday of the month after 8:30 am Mass and upon request.

Communion for the Sick

To request Communion, please call the parish office.

February 9, 2020

St. Joseph Church 636-227-5247
567 St. Joseph Lane Manchester, MO 63021

Parish Staff Personal Parroquial

Pastoral Ministers

Pastor.....Rev. Thomas M. Pastorius
Associate.....Rev. Ricardo Escobar, O.P.
Deacons.....Deacon Jimmy Broyles
.....Deacon Daniel Donnelly
.....Deacon George Miller
.....Deacon Larry Damato (ret.)
Seminarist .. Benjamin Wanner (from Bismark)
Pastoral Associate..... Julie Quillo
Dir. of Evangelization/Adult Faith Form....Greg Barker
Coordinator of Parish Worship....David Broemmelsick
Coordinator of Hispanic Ministry.....Imelda Cervantes
Youth Minister.....Maggie Schurz

Administration and Office Staff

Director of Admin.....Jim Weiskopf
Asst. to Director.....Shari Heitmann
Bulletin Editor/Child Safety Coordinator...Maureen O'Reilly
Receptionist.....Maria Murillo
Administrative AssistantKatie Markiewicz

Are you a new parishioner? Welcome! Please visit the parish website at www.stjoemanchester.org, scroll over *Parish Life* and then click *New Parishioner* to begin the registration process.

Office Hours Horario de la oficina

Monday - Thursday *Lunes-Jueves*.....8:30 am-4:30 pm
Sunday - *Domingo*..... Before & After Mass in Church Vestibule

Full Time School Escuela 636/391-1253

Principal.....Greg Sturgill
School Secretary.....Donna Carroll
School Liturgist..... Julie Quillo
After School Care.....636/391-7659

ECLC (Early Childhood Learning Center)

Director.....Cathy Noyes
After School Care.....636/438-0592

Parish School of Religion 636/391-1404

Coordinator..... Michelle Foster
Secretary.....Debby Marshall
Online registration: <https://stjoseph.psrenroll.com>

Registration Registro

New members may register at the Parish Office during business hours or online at www.stjoemanchester.org.

Bulletin Notices Noticias

Submitted by noon on Tuesday for the following Sunday. Items will be included as space provides.

ACTS Retreats

Offered each year, women's retreat in the fall, men's in the spring. For information visit the parish website.

St. Vincent dePaul

For assistance call.....636/779-5616

St. Joseph Prayer Chain

For Prayers.....Barb 636/230-9171

Strengths Finder

For information...strengthsfinder@stjoemanchester.org

Mass Intentions Intenciones de la Misa

Monday-Lunes-February 10 St. Scholastica

6:30 am Marvin Trabel
8:30 am Gary Walk

Tuesday-Martes-February 11 Our Lady of Lourdes

6:30 am Mary Martha Schreiber
6:15 pm John Collins

Wednesday-Miercoles-February 12

6:30 am Marvin Trabel
8:30 am Dolly & Anthony Busalaki

Thursday-Jueves-February 13

6:30 am All Souls Memorial
6:15 pm Dennis Fogarty

Friday-Viernes-February 14 Sts. Cyril and Methodius; Valentine's Day

6:30 am Marvin Trabel
8:30 am Gene Effinger

Saturday-Sabado-February 15

8:30 am Guy Penn Sr.
4:00 pm Robert Olechny
6:00 pm Open (Portuguese Mass)

Sunday-Domingo-February 16 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 am People of St. Joseph
9:00 am Ginny Herbel
11:00 am Joe Genne
1:00 pm Alicia Fernandez
5:00 pm Ann Marie Cochran (living)

Readings of the Week

- Sunday: Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16
- Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-7, 8-10 [8a]/Mk 6:53-56
- Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11 [2]/Mk 7:1-13
- Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40 [30a]/Mk 7:14-23
- Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40 [4a]/Mk 7:24-30
- Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15 [11a and 9a]/Mk 7:31-37
- Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22 [4a]/Mk 8:1-10
- Next Sunday: Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34 [1b]/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37



RCIA: ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

- has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?
- was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation?

We offer an opportunity to learn more about our Catholic faith and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. There is a separate process for children or youth.

For more information on becoming a Catholic, call the parish office at 636-227-5247.

The doors are open... We invite you to join us!

1. Denzel Washington I have always been a big fan of the actor Denzel Washington. My opinion of him greatly increased when a friend of mine who was serving as a military chaplain at the time sent me an article from a San Antonio newspaper. The article told the story of a visit by Denzel to a Fisher House at one of the military hospitals. A Fisher House is a house where families of wounded soldiers can stay while their loved one recovers from their injuries at the nearby military hospital. Sometime during his visit, Denzel asked how much it cost to build and operate a Fisher House. The person giving him the tour gave him an estimated cost and Denzel agreed to pay for a new Fisher House to be built. My friend who sent the email pointed out how sad it was that this article appeared on page six of a local newspaper, whereas the headlines on a major national newspaper that weekend all dealt with other celebrities behaving badly. Denzel Washington, through his amazing generosity, has helped so many of our soldiers and their families and received very little recognition for his generosity.

In a similar way, the people contributing to our Legacy Wall are making an amazing difference by keeping our parish vibrant. On behalf of the people we help as a parish, I want to thank you. You still have a chance to participate in our Legacy Wall fundraiser to help keep St. Joseph Parish a powerful force for good in our community.

2. Thoughts on the Legacy Wall...

A) Please give to the Legacy Wall. Any donation from \$1 to \$600 (or more)

makes a difference.

- B) Enjoy the simplicity of this fundraiser. We are asking you to make a one-time donation. We are not asking you for a pledge of a huge dollar amount that you will be expected to pay off over a 3 - 5 year period.
- C) Realize that this is your opportunity to give thanks to God and the St. Joseph Parish community for the many blessings in your life.
- D) Seize the moment to be an unsung hero. Your donation to our Legacy Wall is like a person giving a \$100 tip to a waitress or waiter. Keeping our parish alive and vibrant means we will be able to continue to serve those in need.
- E) Pray for our parish. We ask God to bless our efforts to face our current struggles.
- F) Do not hesitate or procrastinate. Make your donation NOW... online...in the back of Church after Mass...in the parish office.
- G) Avoid thinking that someone else will do what God is calling you to do.
- H) Attend a listening session if you still have questions: February 10→10:00AM & 7:00PM; February 13→1:00PM & 7:00PM

3. Liturgical Minister Crisis The weekend of January 12th as we celebrated the Baptism of the Lord, I asked all the priests and deacons preaching at St. Joseph to make a plea for more liturgical ministers. You still have time to answer this call and become a liturgical minister at St. Joseph. With the lack of volunteers, our current ministers are being asked to minister 3 to 4

times a month and then are experiencing burn-out and quitting. If we cannot limit the number of times someone is scheduled each month, then we will need to consider cutting back on how often we distribute the Precious Blood at Mass.

4. Exploring the Mass After the homily the congregation stands and recites the Creed (a prayer listing some of our key beliefs). I used to think that this was one of the most boring parts of the Mass until I read in a book somewhere that the Creed is like singing the National Anthem at a ballgame. As we listen to the National Anthem, I think about all the men and women who protect me and my freedom, especially those who have died. In a similar way, when we recite the Creed, I think of all those who have gone before me and have passed the faith down to me. Some were martyred for the very faith that I am professing.

5. Shout Out I would like to give a shout out this week to the leaders of our parish organizations who attended our Leadership Summit this past Monday. Thank you for serving your brothers and sisters in faith. *Please feel free to send any words of gratitude and praise about St. Joseph and its members to me at tpastorius@stjoemanchester.org.*

LEGACY WALL THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who has donated to our Legacy Wall so far. See page 8 for a list of donors. This list is also available online and is updated weekly.

Pray For... Our Sick

Mike Bick	Greta Haynes
Stephanie Caratenuto	Fr. Houlihan S.J.
Pam Crotty	JoAnn Kaestner
Jennifer Delgado	Lauren King
Len DeMoor	Linda King
Lois DeMoor	Kathleen Lancia
Linda DeVillar	Lucia Lindh
Karen Doyle	Betty Penn
Maureen Duke	Peter Rolfe
Carol Erickson	Maureen Sox
Rob Evans	Ruth Strothkamp
Jan Flake	Marge Voigt
Theresa Giuliani	Carolyn Wamhoff
Cathy Glatz	Larry Wamhoff
Joanne Goedeker	



Eucharistic Adoration

*I am the light of the world,
says the Lord, whoever
follows me will have the light
of life.* - John 8:12

Pray today for the light of Christ to shine through us. Spend an hour with Christ during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament each Wednesday in our church and pray for that grace. Exposition is on Wednesdays beginning after 8:30am Mass, concluding at 8:15pm with Benediction.

For more information contact Joan at 636-391-9747.



Georgiann Schmitt

Robert Walter Walczuk

Fr. Thomas Pastorius

February 9, 2020

*Spiritual Ponderings***Mass and Evangelization**

A few years ago, a group of ex-Protestant ministers who are now Catholic, gathered together and wrote a series of articles about what attracted them to the Catholic Church. They called the series *Catholic For a Reason*. The third volume of this series was titled: *Catholic For A Reason III: Scripture and the Mystery of the Mass* and focused on what it was about the Mass that they found so inspiring. For the month of February, I have decided to reflect on one of these articles titled “The Mass and Evangelization” written by Curtis Martin. Quotes from his article will be in bold and my commentary will be in normal font.

Many Catholics are not comfortable as evangelists. In our modern world, we are trained to live and let live, not to impose our views upon others. But, as we have seen, these attitudes have to be reexamined in light of Jesus’ Great Commission. We ought not to impose our views on others, but we have been commissioned by Christ Himself to charitably propose the truth of the Catholic faith to everyone.

We have to remember that being evangelizers is not also a call to be successful in getting people to become Catholic. It is more a call to plant the seed and to allow God to take over. If we get caught up with numbers we will begin looking for forced conversions and end up defeating our own purpose and driving more people away from the Church.

If we take a deeper look, we can see at least six reasons (3 this week and 3 next) why many Catholics are hesitant to share their faith with others.

1. Lack of belief in objective truth. As long as religion is seen only as a matter of preference, then our missionary zeal is thwarted. Catholics don’t believe that Jesus is God only for Christians; we must believe that He is God, period. If Jesus is God, then those who do not accept His claims of divinity are wrong—not evil—but wrong, broken by sin and in need of the healing and forgiveness that only Jesus can give. Telling someone about the forgiveness of Jesus Christ should be like telling someone suffering from cancer about a cure.

Our evangelization story can be really simple and follow this pattern: I was (*describe how I was worse off before my faith conversion*), then I met Jesus and now (*describe how I am better off for having met Jesus*). My story would be that I was a man who felt really depressed in life, then I developed a relationship with Jesus, and now I have a brand new joyous outlook on life. So as long as I think my life is better off for having faith and religion, I should want to share it with others.

2. A misunderstanding of the Church. Many people view separation from God as the only problem caused by sin. This is certainly the most significant effect, but not the only one. God originally created us to share kinship with Him and with one another. Humanity is intended to be a family. Salvation history can be summarized as God’s gracious initiative to reconstitute the broken family of Adam into the family of God. Being disinherited from God’s family through sin is precisely what we are saved from. We all want to belong, and who would not want to be a part of God’s family? The Church has its problems because it is made up of human beings like you and me, but it is the only place that has lasted for two-thousand years despite those problems. We are meant to be saved as a community and not as individuals.

3. A reluctance to use the name of “Jesus.” Evangelization is essentially making an introduction, and in order introduce someone, you must know his name. Catholics seem to be comfortable speaking about “the Lord” but find it more difficult to use the name “Jesus.” Ironically, and tragically, the name of our Lord is sometimes only heard when used in vain. Others, who would never dream of offending our Lord, show a sort of misguided reverence by never speaking His holy name. Listen to the wisdom of Mother Church: “But the one name that contains everything is the one that the Son of God received in his incarnation: Jesus. The divine name may not be spoken by human lips, but by assuming our humanity the Word of God hands it over to us and we can invoke it: “Jesus,” “YHWH saves.” (Ex 3:14; 33:19-23; Mt. 1:21) (Catechism 2666).

As an introvert, I really hate being the center of attention, and sometimes I feel like if I say Jesus’s name then I will become the center of attention. But then I think how I would feel if he refused to acknowledge my presence.

STEWARDSHIP
CORNER

“Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.” - Matthew 5:16

The generosity of being a good steward of your gifts has a positive effect on people and it is contagious! Good works encourage more good works. Let your light shine! Be careful to recognize that God is working through you and don’t put yourself above the people you have been called to help.

Week of	1.26.2020
Offertory Gifts	\$34,750
Weekly Goal	32,000
Overage/(Deficit)	2,750



For an easy way to make a donation to St. Joseph Parish, you can text “STJM” to 555888 and follow the instructions on the reply text OR simply scan the QR Code.



In Proverbs 28 it says, “He who gives to the poor will not want.” Some of our neighbors in need experience financial ups and downs. Some days are dark and scary. Your continued support from donations and special offerings allows us to insert some much needed light into the lives of those neighbors requesting assistance. For those who receive support, we pass along their thanks! If you or someone you know needs help, please call 636-779-5616.

PRO-LIFE “As disciples of Jesus, we are called to become neighbors to everyone (cf. Lk 10:29-37), and to show special favor to those who are poorest, most alone and most in need. In helping the hungry, the thirsty, the foreigner, the naked, the sick, the imprisoned—as well as the child in the womb and the old person who is suffering or near death—we have the opportunity to serve Jesus.”

- Pope Saint John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae*, 87.
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Ministry Schedule February 15-16, 2020

- 4:00 pm Fr. Pastorius
- 6:00 pm Fr. Escobar (Portuguese Mass)
- 7:00 am Fr. Escobar / Deacon Broyles Preaching
- 9:00 am Fr. Pastorius
- 11:00 am Fr. Rozier S.J.
- 1:00 pm Fr. Rozier S.J. (Spanish Mass)
- 5:00 pm Fr. Pastorius

The Ministry Schedule for Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, and Servers is available on the parish website, stjoemanchester.org. From the home page scroll over "I-P" and then click on "Liturgical Ministries." Scroll down to "Ministry Scheduler Pro" on the right-hand side of the page. Questions? Contact David Broemmelsick at dbroemmelsick@stjoemanchester.org or call the parish office.



Feb. 15	K of C Trivia Knight
Feb. 28	Fish Fry
March 12	40 Days for Life
March 19-22	Men's ACTS Retreat
April 25	Parish Legacy Gala
May 30	Blood Drive
June 13	Cow Patty Bingo



Stephen Ministry *Stress*: Constraining forces or influences that can cause bodily or mental tension. We've all felt it and know what it is. But sometimes the stress level reaches a point where things begin to break. Don't let your stress reach that point. Our Stephen Ministers are available to help you work through life's difficulties and to give you a safe, confidential place to vent your troubles. Simply call Anne Grant, 636-399-7633 or Jerry Nash, 636-386-3650.



ST. JOSEPH LEGACY GALA
CASINO ROYALE
SAVE THE DATE
APRIL 25, 2020
PARISH CENTER
A NIGHT TO BENEFIT THE YOUTH OF ST. JOSEPH

This Week Esta Semana

Monday *lunes* February 10

- 10:00 am Listening Session Cafeteria
- 6:15 pm Toastmasters Archbishop May
- 6:30 pm Deacon Support Group Room 13
- 6:45 pm Choir Rehearsal Church
- 7:00 pm Al-anon Meeting Notre Dame Bsmt
- 7:00 pm Blessed is She Parish Ctr Conf Rm
- 7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 751 Cafeteria
- 7:00 pm Listening Session Room 13
- 7:00 pm Men's ACTS Team Room 15
- 7:00 pm Men's Faith Sharing Resurrection
- 7:00 pm Spiritual Movements Parish Ctr Stage
- 7:00 pm St. Joe FIRE Team Meeting Gym
- 8:00 pm Men's Basketball Gym

Tuesday *martes* February 11

- 4:30/6:30 pm PSR School
- 7:00 pm Ladies Auxiliary Meeting Notre Dame
- 7:45 pm Mesa Hispana Meeting Parish Ctr Conf Rm

Wednesday *miércoles* February 12

- 9:00 am Eucharistic Adoration Church
- 10:00 am Quilters Resurrection
- 6:30 pm Armada Blanca Rosary Atrium Room 12
- 6:30 pm Protecting God's Children Cafeteria
- 6:30 pm PTO Meeting Room 15
- 7:00 pm Neocatechumenal Way Resurrection
- 7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Cont. Ed. Archbishop May
- 7:00 pm Youth Ministry Prayer Parish Center
- 7:30 pm Confessions Church
- 8:00 pm Men's AA Notre Dame Bsmt

Thursday *jueves* February 13

- 9:15 am Bible Study Parish Ctr Conf Rm
- 9:30 am Legion of Mary Archbishop May
- 1:00 pm Listening Session Cafeteria
- 5:00 pm Chess Team Room 15
- 6:30 pm Ensemble Practice Music Room
- 7:00 pm Bible Study Room 13
- 7:00 pm Life in the Spirit Prayer Group Notre Dame Bsmt
- 7:00 pm Listening Session Cafeteria
- 7:00 pm Spanish Bible Study Resurrection
- 7:30 pm K of C Council Meeting Archbishop May

Friday *viernes* February 14

- 9:15 am Beta Prayer Group Parish Ctr Conf Rm
- 7:00 pm Spanish Choir Practice Church

Saturday *sábado* February 15

- 7:00 am St. Joe Men for Christ Notre Dame Bsmt
- 7:00 am Women's Faith Sharing Group Room 15
- 7:30 am Confessions Church
- 7:30 am Men's Scripture Faith Sharing Notre Dame
- 10:00 am Story Time with King Joey Atrium
- 5:00 pm Neocatechumenal Way Resurrection
- 6:00 pm K of C Trivia Knight Parish Center
- 7:00 pm Matrimonios con Proposito en Dios Room 15

Sunday *domingo* February 16

- 7:00 am Donut Sunday Cafeteria
- 10:00 am RCIA Formation Room 15
- 11:00 am Men's ACTS Commissioning Church
- 11:30 am Spanish PSR School
- 6:30 pm Youth Ministry Life Night Parish Center
- 7:00 pm ACTS Core Team Meeting Notre Dame



**Knights of Columbus
25th Annual Trivia
Knight**

Saturday, February 15



St. Joseph Parish Center
Emcees & Spotlight Charities
Mike Roberts
Abby Llorico



REGISTER AND PAY ONLINE

www.stjoemanchester.org/trivia-night
Registration forms available in the vestibule.

Questions: Denny Pezzani
314-662-1354
dpezzani@sbcglobal.net



We have several parishioners who need rides to Mass. Are you available and willing to help? Please call the parish office, 636-227-5247.

Lifetouch pictures are available!

If you had your picture taken for our pictorial directory, the free 8X10 photo included with the sitting is available at the Ambassador's Station in the vestibule.

Purchased pictures were mailed directly from Lifetouch.



Alpha on Tuesday mornings and Thursdays evenings has been postponed. More information to come. Check the parish website for updates. We apologize for the inconvenience.



**ASH WEDNESDAY SOUP SUPPER
FEBRUARY 26, 2020**

- Begin Lent and Reflect on the Upcoming 40 Days -
Everyone is Invited!

Bottomless Bowls of Tomato Soup, Vegetable Soup & Clam Chowder - *Plus* - Bread, Crackers & Beverages

**** Served 4 pm - 7 pm ****

- Free-Will Donations Encouraged -
Profits Donated to St. Vincent DePaul
Prepared for you by Ladies Auxillary

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**A READ-A-THON to benefit Tiny House
PROJECT UNDER COVER**

Help our PSR and school children raise money for their Tiny House PROJECT UNDER COVER by making a pledge to their Read-a-Thon!

Our goal is to raise enough money to pay for a roof for one Tiny House. Our efforts will put the homeless into a TINY HOUSE and "cover" them with their own roof.

Donations accepted NOW through February 21.

<https://stjoemanchester.weshareonline.org/>

Restore
BLESSED IS SHE RETREAT

**SAVE THE DATE! The Blessed is She RESTORE
Retreat is coming to St. Joseph - May 29-30.**

This retreat is for any and all women 18 and older. Tickets are on sale now! Purchase your ticket for \$135 (early bird price) and check out speakers, schedule and more FAQ's at blessedishe.net/retreat.



Giving Sunday DRIVERS NEEDED for March 8 & April 19. You can make a difference in someone's life. Call Pat at 636-227-8704.

Sts. Peter & Paul Soup Kitchen Please bring cupcakes to the parish office between 8:30am and 2:00pm on Feb. 12. We prepare and serve dinner at the soup kitchen and can always use extra help. We leave St. Joseph at 2:15pm and return around 6:30pm. Call Jim or Muriel Christman for info and to volunteer, 636-225-4483.

Refrigerator Needed The refrigerator that our sandwich ministry uses is on its last leg, so if you have an old working refrigerator that you would like to donate, or if you would like to purchase a new one for this ministry, please contact Jim Weiskopf, our business manager.

FISH FRY VOLUNTEERS will be needed on Fridays at 12:30pm for setup and cleanup afterwards starting Friday, Feb. 28!



The 11:00am Ensemble is looking for an additional guitarist. We rehearse on Thursday evenings and provide the music for the 11:00am Sunday Mass. We are a fun group with a passion for music and lifting up the congregation in sung prayer. **If you play guitar and are looking for a way to use your talent through ministry, please contact Marti Signaigo, martisig65@gmail.com.**

OPPORTUNITY FOR VOLUNTEERS

The St. Joseph Sandwich Program is in need of parishioners who could be substitute deliverers of food to St. Louis charities. Each Saturday morning food is delivered and there are parishioners who regularly make these deliveries, but periodically a substitute is needed. Typically a delivery starts from the parish around 9:00am and takes 2 hours to complete. It is anticipated that a substitute may be called only a few times a year.

It is necessary to have at least 2 people to make a delivery and presently most of our volunteers are family couples. This could also be a learning experience for school-age children who might be able to assist parents as they deliver food for the poor and hungry.

For more information, call Bob at 636-391-7614. Thanks for considering.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE Save the Date!

Our Adopt-a-Day for the spring 40 Days for Life campaign at Planned Parenthood in St. Louis is **Thursday, March 12**. Please mark your calendar today. Sign-ups for one hour of prayer on the sidewalk will begin soon. Anyone who saw the movie "Unplanned" knows just how much these prayers work!

School / PSR / Youth News

School Dates

- Feb. 13 ECLC Valentine Party
- Feb. 14 All School Mass/International Day/Noon Dismissal
- Feb. 17 No School - President's Day

PSR Notes

Tiny House: PROJECT UNDER COVER!
 Jan.-Feb.—READ-A-THON – collect your sponsors now! Pledges can be made online! <https://stjoemanchester.weshareonline.org/>
 Feb. 9 – Faith & Family Sunday session 9:15-10:45am. Unit 6 – Sacraments.
 Feb. 11 – Traditional Tuesday PSR-classes held. Faith & Family Tuesday session 6:30-7:45pm. Unit 6 – Sacraments.

COMING SOON!!

- Feb. 15 – King Joey Story Time 10 am in room 12.
- Feb. 16 – Donut Sunday
- Feb. 21 - Family Story Night at 7pm in parish center!



St. Joe Athletic Association: Currently has one board position open - **Soccer Director**

If you are interested in the position and would like more information please contact Steve Wichmann at Sjaa@stjoemanchester.org, be sure to ask about the discounts on registrations!

Registration OPEN for:

Golf, Track, Baseball & Softball – visit the website for details...
<https://www.stjoemanchester.org/athletic-association>



Attention all Young Crusaders!
 Join us for
Story Time with King Joey
Saturday, February 15

10:00am in the Atrium in School (Room 12)

All Children ages 2-5 are Welcome!

Don't forget to bring your parents!

St. John Vianney High School invites 7th Graders to spend the day as a Griffin! We pair students with a Griffin Guide to visit two classes, participate in our Character & Accomplishment Workshop with Mr. Kevin Walsh, and enjoy a free lunch in our world-famous Griffins' Café. **Spring visits begin Feb. 24.** To register visit vianney.com, Admissions, Visit Vianney. Use our online calendar to select a date and then scroll down to complete and submit the form. If you have questions or would like a parent tour, please contact Monica Sabatino at msabatino@vianney.com or 314-965-4853 ext. 134.

LEGACY WALL DONORS (as of Feb. 2)

40 Days for Life	Karen and Matt Masalskis
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Buescher Family	Becky Nieters
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Mazi Campanella	Connell O'Reilly
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Michael and Sally Cherre	Fr. Tom Pastorius
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Richard and Evora Cowan	Christopher Pellerito
Bamby Craig	Kimberly Poeling
Leslie Dempewolf	Barbara Potter
Drnec Family	Shirley Potter
Liz Effinger	Mark Rathgeber
Rick and Roberta Everson	Angela Reed
Henry and Judith Flauaus	Bryan and Leslie Robb
Jeannie and Matt Freeman	Rhonda and Ed Roberts
Frank Ganninger	Martha Roedder
Genevieve Gibson-Newman	Jason and Kari Roehr Family
David Giuliani	Susan Salisbury
Dick and Cathy Glatz	Carol Schaefer
Ed and Joanne Goedeker	Emily Schlesinger
Joyce and Vern Gothoff	Michael and JoAnne Scott
Grandstaff Family	Cindy Seaman
Rick and Mary Grosch	Pamela Strasser
Kim and Linda Gutenkunst	David Taylor
Trent and Stacy Hamm	Chrissy and Paul Tobin
Mary Higgins	Toffee
In memory of all the deceased members of the Ruggeri, Marcolina and Hayes Families	Robert Vondera
Greg and Rosie King	Allan Wachtel
Steve and Paulette Kohlmeier	Michael Wasylczak
Daniel Kramer	Thomas Westman
Lisa Lyon	Marvin and Carol Wibbenmeyer
Mike and Kathy Maher	Ann Wiegers
L Don Marcinkiewicz	Wills Family
Richard Marking-Camuto	Jessica Woldman
Kay Martin	John and Sandra Wooten
	Wally and Gloria Zuchowski

Veterans Resource Event—Thursday, Feb. 27 from 9am - 12:00pm at Manchester United Methodist Church, 129 Woods Mill Rd., Manchester, 63011. *Organizations representing:* housing, food assistance, VA resource & benefit information, entrepreneurial services, legal assistance, mental health, substance use, veterans organizations and more! Questions, contact Stephanie Kirk, VA Representative, at 636-275-5661 or stephanie.kirk@dhewd.mo.gov.

JOIN THE FUN & SUPPORT BIRTHRIGHT! 20th Annual Birthright Trivia Night - Saturday, February 29th - Holy Infant Upper Cafeteria. **Doors open at 6:30pm, trivia starts at 7:00pm.** \$20 per person / 8 people per table. Silent Auction/ Raffle, beer and soda, childcare (\$5.00 per child, must be potty-trained) Pizza available to order. RSVP to Maria Cummins, 636-394-1681 or macummins88@yahoo.com. Walk-ins are welcome.

Our Lady of Lourdes Feast Celebration La Salle Retreat Center (2101 Rue De LaSalle Dr.) will celebrate *Our Lady of Lourdes Feast Day* on **Tuesday, Feb. 11** praying the rosary at 11:30 am near the beautiful Lourdes Grotto on La Salle's grounds (dress for the weather). If weather is bad, prayer will take place in the chapel. Lunch will be served afterward. All are welcome! To register, www.lasalleretreat.org or call 636-938-5374.

Women's Retreat—Saturday, February 15 at St. John Bosco Catholic Church *I Believe in the Holy Spirit: Discernment in Everyday Life*. This morning of reflection will focus on the Third Person of the Blessed Trinity. Retreat director: Denise Sausville, RSM. Retreat begins at 9 am and concludes at Noon with a catered luncheon to follow. Cost is \$15. To register, please call Cindy at 314-878-6492 or email cindy.meirink@stjohnboscostl.com.

Let Your Eye See: Experiencing the Divine through Spiritual Art - Tues., Feb. 18 from 6:30 to 8pm. All Saints Chapel inside the Basilica, 4431 Lindell Blvd. Experience visio divina, a method of praying with sacred images. **Registration is due by Feb. 14** at www.fsolph.org/events or 314-965-3700.

Zechariah Men's Prayer Breakfast is focused on sharing the story of an encounter with Christ, one man at a time. **Come to breakfast Saturday, February 22** at the May Room, Cardinal Rigali Center, 20 Archbishop May Drive in Shrewsbury, 9:00am - 11:30am. Our speaker is Fr. William Dotson. Breakfast reservations (\$15 at the door) may be made by email to gary.whitlock@att.net, by phone to 636-296-2903, or online at StlRenewal.Org/ZPB. Information is at the Catholic Renewal Center website, ArchStl.org/Renewal.

Lay Eucharistic Conference The Archbishop's Committee on Eucharistic Adoration will hold a Lay Eucharistic Conference on **Saturday, March 21** at the Cardinal Rigali Center with Monsignor C. Eugene Morris as the guest speaker. Registration opens at 8:00 am followed by Mass at 8:30 am. The first conference is at 9:45 am and concludes with a Holy Hour and Benediction at 11:30 am. Continental breakfast is included in the \$20 registration fee (\$25 after March 6.) Send name, address, phone number and \$20 fee (payable to "Office of Worship") to: Archdiocese of St. Louis, Amy Buehrle, Office of Sacred Worship, Attn: Lay Eucharistic Conference Registration, Mail Stop 100700, PO Box 953745, St. Louis, MO 63195-3745. Questions, call 636-447-3673.

FECHAS IMPORTANTES

- ALPHA - ESPAÑOL DOMINGOS 11:00AM CAFETERIA
- ADORACION AL SANTISIMO TODOS LOS MIERCOLES 8:30AM—8PM.
- ESTUDIO BIBLICO TODOS LOS JUEVES 7:15 PM EN LA CASA NOTRE DAME
- MISA TODOS LOS DOMINGOS 1PM
- GRUPO DE JOVENES LOS MIERCOLES 7PM Y DOMINGOS 6:30PM EN EL CENTROL PARROQUIAL

Sacramentos

Para mas informacion favor de visitar la pagina www.stjoemancher.org. Revise la seccion Spanish Ministry para una lista de requisitos para cada sacramento o favor de comunicarse con Imelda Cervantes, 636-346-9270, icervantes@stjoemanchester.org.

MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGÉLIO – ALENTAR UN ENTENDIMIENTO MÁS PROFUNDO DE LA ESCRITURA

5º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
9 de febrero de 2020

Ni siquiera nos podemos imaginar el mundo sin sal y sin luz; ambos son importantes para la vida humana. La sal da sabor a la comida y la luz incrementa la visibilidad. Por esta razón, nuestro compromiso al discipulado cristiano por medio del bautismo debe de dar sabor y luz al estilo de Cristo. El discipulado siempre debe de llevar al discernimiento del cómo se relaciona la persona con Dios y con los demás. En las lecturas, especialmente el Evangelio, Jesús dice claramente que si la sal pierde su sabor no sirve para nada. Advierte claramente a sus discípulos con la siguiente catequesis: “*Ustedes son la sal de la tierra. Si la sal se vuelve insípida, ¿cómo se le devolverá el sabor? Ya no sirve para nada y se tira a la calle para que la pise la gente.*” (Mateo 5:13). Enseguida, también dice: “*Ustedes son la luz del mundo.*” (Mateo 13:14). ¡Vaya compromiso el que se tiene al ser discípulo de Jesús!

Ahora, la pregunta es: ¿Qué clase de sabor doy? Soy persona amargada, egoísta que donde me presento cambia el ambiente y la conversación por la negatividad que perciben los demás en mí o por el contrario, soy sal y luz en la familia, trabajo y comunidad. No se debe de olvidar que Cristo es la sal y la luz para todos. “*Parece poca cosa’ pero el Señor ‘con pocas cosas nuestras hace milagros, hace maravillas’ por lo tanto, es necesario tener esta actitud de ‘humildad’ que consiste en buscar solamente ser sal y luz.*” (Papa Francisco). Pero, ojo, no se puede ser sal y luz sin relación personal con Cristo que es sal y luz en mí.

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