



Est. 1869

St. Joseph Parish

10 N Long Street, Farmington, MO 63640



Parish Mission Statement

We are called by our Lord Jesus Christ, to be His church and live His gospel.

We strive to fulfill our baptismal calling by prayer, worship, teaching and in sharing our faith and serving others. Guided by the Holy Spirit and through our patron St. Joseph, we commit ourselves to the responsible stewardship of all God's gifts.



December 21, 2025

4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT

“She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.” - Mt 1:21

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Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday. - 8:00 am

Saturday - 5:00 pm

St. Catherine - 7:00 pm

Sunday - 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 am

First Saturday - 8:30 am

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday • 8:00 - 3:30 pm

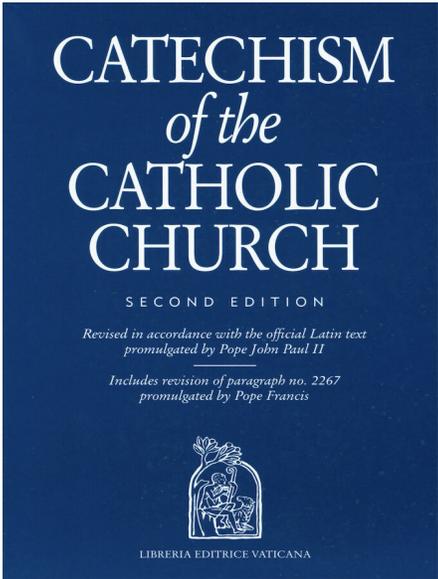
Reconciliation

Saturdays 4:00-4:45 pm

Sundays 7:00-7:15 am

No Need for an Appointment During
Father's Office Hours

573-756-4250 www.stjosephfarmington.com



Why does man have a desire for God?

God himself, in creating man in his own image, has written upon his heart the desire to see him. Even if this desire is often ignored, God never ceases to draw man to himself because only in God will he find and live the fullness of truth and happiness for which he never stops searching. By nature and by vocation, therefore, man is a religious being, capable of entering into communion with God. This intimate and vital bond with God confers on man his fundamental dignity. CCC 27-30, 44-45

Your Gifts to God and Parish

December 7, 2025

Weekly Collection

Adult Envelopes	\$20,433.00
Electronic Deposit	\$3,660.00
Loose	\$853.00
Immaculate Conception	\$812.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$75.00
Christmas Offering	\$125.00
	\$25,958.00

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Sunday Offering	\$25,958.00	\$286,811.04
Budgeted Amount	<u>\$12,950.00</u>	<u>\$281,900.00</u>
Shortage/Overage	\$13,008.00	(\$8,038.96)

Specials

Christmas Flowers	\$746.00
Evangelization	\$351.00
Help the Hungry	\$6.00
Maintenance & Repair	\$319.00
Mission Sunday	\$5.00
School Donation	\$535.00
Seminaries	\$170.00
Total for Specials	\$2,132.00

<u>St. Catherine of Alexandria</u>	
<u>December 6, 2025</u>	
Adult Collection	\$710.00
Loose	\$72.00
Immaculate	<u>\$27.00</u>
Total	\$809.00

Mass Times & Information

SAT 5:00 PM
7:00 PM
SUN 7:30 AM
9:00 AM
10:30 AM

MON-FRI
8:00 AM

THURS
6:30 PM

FIRST SATURDAY
8:30 AM

OFFICE HOURS

MON-FRI
8:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Fr. Gerson's Schedule

Office Hours
Tues- Thur.:
10 am - 2 pm

Friday:
10 am - 12 pm

12/23
5:30 pm
Confessions
6:30 pm
Mass

A Note from Fr. Gerson



Feliz Navidad!

Christmas invites us to contemplate the great mystery of our faith: that God became man to redeem us. As St. Athanasius beautifully expressed, "God became man so that man might become God." In the Incarnation, the eternal Word took on our human nature so that we might participate in His divine life. This profound truth reveals the depth of God's love, a love so close that it enters our world, our history, and our humanity.

Jesus, the Incarnate Word, is the light that breaks into our darkness. Born in the humility of a stable, into a poor family, He chose simplicity as the doorway through which salvation would enter the world. The first to witness this miracle were simple shepherds reminding us that God's glory is often revealed to the humble of heart.

The Catechism describes this holy night with poetic beauty: "The Virgin today brings into the world the Eternal, and the earth offers a cave to the Inaccessible. The angels and shepherds praise Him, and the magi advance with the star, for You are born for us, Little Child, Eternal God!" (CCC 525)

During this Christmas season, let us fix our eyes on the innocent Child who lies in the manger. As Pope Benedict XVI reminds us, God is truly "God with us." No longer distant, He has chosen to dwell among us and remain with us. The Risen Christ assures us: "I am with you always, until the end of the world" (Mt 28:20).

If you would like to join me on the Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Guadalupe in March, please reach out to Maria Haro, at mariasocorroharo@yahoo.com or Lisa in the parish office.

May this Christmas strengthen our faith, renew our hope, and fill our hearts with the peace of Christ.

Feliz Navidad!

Fr. Gerson Parra
Parochial Administrator

News



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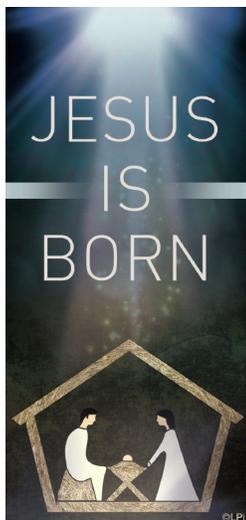
Vatican Communicates St. Catherine of Alexandria Appeal Decision

The Vatican's Prefect of the Supreme Tribunal of the Apostolic Signatura has responded to a parish that appealed its suppression or merger as part of All Things New.

The Prefect has rejected the petition for hierarchical recourse for St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish in Coffman, thus upholding Archbishop Mitchell T. Rozanski's 2023 decree to subsume St. Catherine of Alexandria into St. Joseph Parish in Farmington. The prefect decreed that the decision is final.

There is one remaining parish, St. Barnabas, for whom there is an outstanding appeal to the Supreme Tribunal of the Apostolic Signatura.

Please visit the All Things New website, <https://allthingsnew.archstl.org> for more information, including all related decrees, letters, and news releases.



ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL



HORNET NATION



December 21, 2025

573-756-6312

www.stjosephfarmington.com



**SJ Faculty/Staff
Spotlight**
Mrs. Amy Williams,
Math/Sixth Grade
Homeroom

Mrs. Williams has been in education for 11 years. She served St. Joseph Catholic School as an art teacher for four years and is in her seventh year of teaching math. Her favorite class to teach is algebra.

She has been married to Steve for 24 years. She has three daughters who graduated from our school.

Mrs. Williams enjoys reading, sudokus, baking, and shopping with her daughters.

Her favorite saint is St. Anne, the mother of Mary. St. Anne is her confirmation saint and the patron saint of mothers and equestrians.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Christmas Break**
December 20 - January 4
- **No School**
January 19
- **Catholic Schools Week**
January 25 - January 31
- **School Mass**
Fridays at 8:00 am

A Note From Dr. Boyd, Principal

Everyone at St. Joseph Catholic wishes you a Merry Christmas and a happy, healthy 2026. Thank you for your generous support to our school and parish. We will continue to pray for all of you; please do the same for our students, families, faculty and staff.

The school will be closed December 20th for Christmas break. We will resume 2nd semester on Monday, January 5th.

May the Peace of Christ be with all of you during the Advent season.

GO HORNETS!

The Week in Pictures



Congratulations to our Keep Christ in Christmas art contest winners!



First graders received a crucifix for their prayer tables. First and second graders received an Our Lady of Fatima medal from Mrs. Klump. She shared them with our students after her trip to Fatima. Thank you, Miss Lin!

Preschool and Pre-K decorated for the Season.

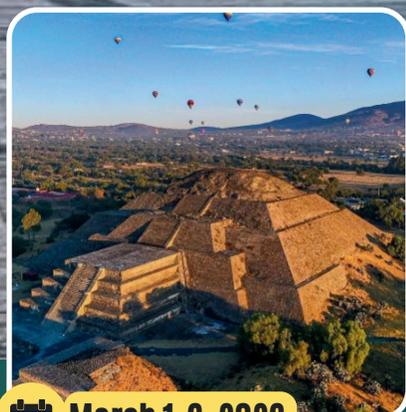
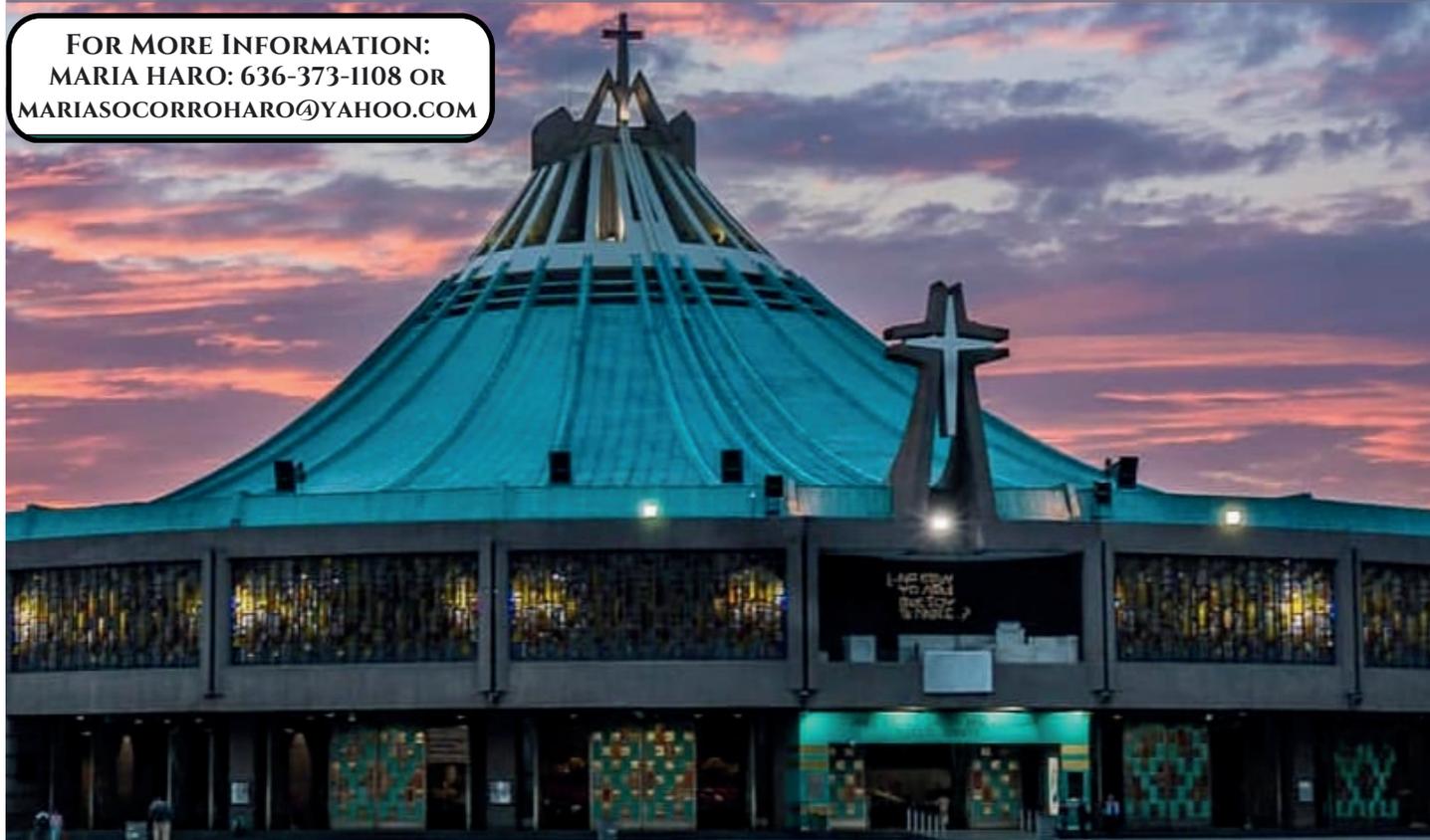


Fourth graders received an Our Lady of Guadalupe rosary bracelet to celebrate Mary's Feast Day.



PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE WITH FR. GERSON

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
MARIA HARO: 636-373-1108 OR
MARIASOCORROHARO@YAHOO.COM



 **March 1-6, 2026**

- BASILICA OF GUADALUPE AND TEPEYAC
- TEOTIHUACAN PYRAMIDS + RENEWAL WORKSHOP
- PUEBLA AND CHOLULA
- XOCHIMILCO · ZÓCALO · CATHEDRAL · PLAZA GARIBALDI

\$2,399 USD
PRICE PER PERSON DOUBLE OCCUPANCY



Keep "Christ" in Christmas!

PLEASE RSVP TO THE OFFICE

SERVER TRAINING

Highschoolers, PSR & Homeschooled students (4th-12th grades)

Tuesday, December 23 after 8:00 am Mass

If you are new or have been serving, please join us for an updated training for the servers

573-756-4250

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Saint John the Apostle | December 27

Saint John was one of the Twelve, part of Jesus' inner circle, among the few that witnessed the Transfiguration, the raising of Jarius' Daughter, and the Agony in the garden at Gethsemane. He and his brother James were the sons of Zebedee and Salome. When Jesus called them, they left their father mending nets and followed him. Jesus called the brothers "Boanerges," meaning "sons of thunder" — they were passionate in their faith and Jesus had to rebuke them for their fiery zeal on more than one occasion. John, the younger brother, possibly the youngest disciple, was the only one present at Jesus' death.



Saint John the Apostle is traditionally thought to be the author of the fourth Gospel, the three Epistles of John, and the Book of Revelation. However, there has been some debate among scholars from antiquity to the present. Tradition also gives him the title Beloved Disciple and John's Gospel sees him seated next to Jesus at the last supper and the one to whom Jesus gives the care of Mary at the crucifixion.

Although Church tradition says that John survived the other disciples, living a long life, much of it is steeped in myth and legend. Some say he retired to Ephesus after the crucifixion with Mary and remained there until he died. But in other traditions he is more active. For a time he remained in Jerusalem with the other disciples, then founded churches in Asia Minor. In a legend of his persecution, during the reign of the Emperor Domitian, John is taken to Rome and thrown into a cauldron of boiling oil but preserved from death. He is then exiled to the island of Patmos where the Book of Revelation was written.

Most accounts agree that after his exile and the Assumption of Mary he returned to Ephesus where he died sometime after 98, during the reign of the emperor Trajan.

IT'S ALL FUN & GAMES

St. Joe Trivia Night

JAN. 24, 2026
DOORS OPEN 5:45 PM
TRIVIA STARTS 6:30PM

UNITED WAY
Of St. Francois County

BELL Ringing

SIGN UP TODAY!

St. Joseph Catholic Church in Farmington

Advent Schedule

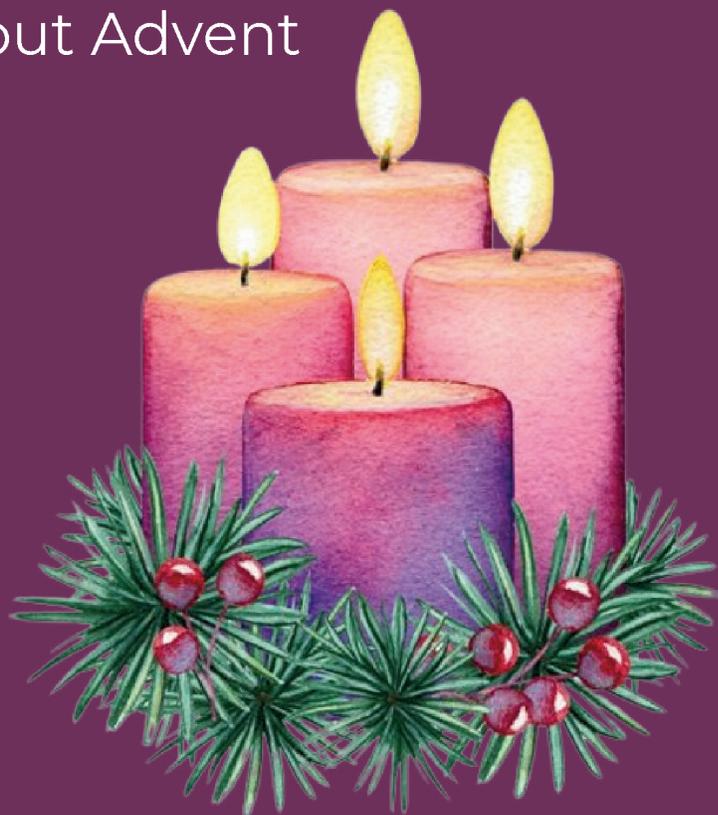
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays
throughout Advent

Confessions
5:30 pm - 6:15 pm

Mass 6:30 pm
December 23

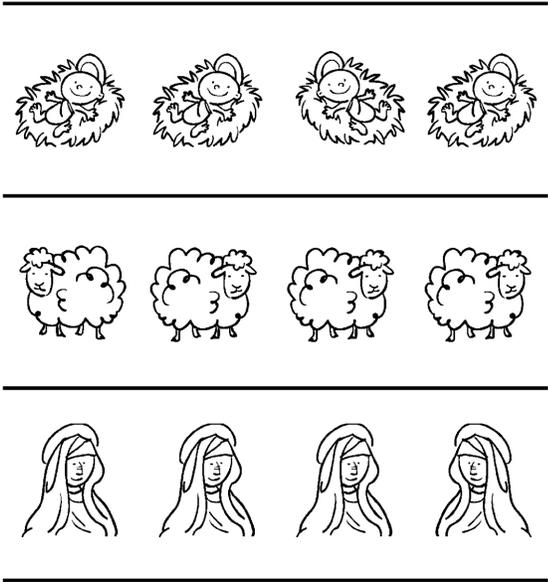
Faith Formation Class
“The Holy Mass -
Explained to Catalina
by Jesus and Mary”
on Tuesday at 7:00 pm in the parish center.

Mass on December 23rd will be a Teaching Mass
(to conclude the Faith Formation Class on “The Holy Mass”)



PUZZLE

Circle the picture that is facing the wrong way. Then color in all the pictures.



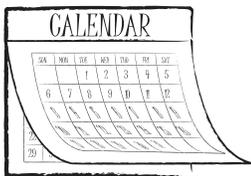
MISSION

I will be a good shepherd and protect my brother and sister from harm.

The Christmas season is a time to remember those less fortunate than ourselves. In the spirit of giving, the Respect Life Committee is asking families to bring baby items to church on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day and place them at the manger. These items will be distributed to Monarch Family Resource Center. They in turn will give the items to families in need. Items particularly requested are: clothes and sleepers (especially size 18-3T), scratch mittens, diapers and pullups size 4, 5, & 6, or any items parents would need to take care of their children. If you would like, the gifts may be wrapped. Thank you for your support!



2026 Religious Calendars



Compliments of
Cozean Memorial Chapel
& C.Z. Boyer & Son
Funeral Homes

Available in the back of church.

GOAL

Today, as disciples of Jesus looking toward the future, we are called once again to come together in faith and unity. Our parish is currently facing several important needs:

\$198,000

\$44,011.41



Our Church building is in need of a new air conditioning system and new air handlers.

Our School Gymnasium requires both air conditioning and heating systems.

Our Parish Center Hallway also needs air conditioning installed.

These improvements are vital to ensuring a comfortable and welcoming environment for all who come to worship, learn, and serve within our parish. As your Parochial Administrator, I invite you to do two things: first, please pray for the success of these projects. Second, ask Jesus how He may be calling you to support this mission.

Help us reach our goal by April 2026

St Andrew Christmas Novena



St. Andrew Christmas Novena, Explained!

The St. Andrew Christmas novena is a prayer said from November 30, the Feast of St. Andrew, through Christmas Eve. Traditionally, it is recited 15 times each day.

The Gospel of John tells us that St. Andrew was a disciple of John the Baptist who heard John call Jesus “the Lamb of God.” Andrew followed Jesus, curious about him, and realized that he was the Messiah, so he quickly found his brother, Peter, and the two became the first disciples.

In praying this novena, Christians follow the example of Andrew’s prescient faithfulness throughout the season of Advent.

The prayer of the novena reads: “Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold. In that hour vouchsafe, I beseech Thee, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires through the merits of Our Savior Jesus Christ, and of His blessed Mother. Amen.”

Thank you for your loving Christmas Memorials



in memory of the following loved ones...



In memory of..... **from**

Glennon & Hildegard Smith, Fred & Jean Bach Jerry & Dotty Bach
 Bill Baker, Zolman & Baker Families Mary Beth Baker
 Gerald Becker and Rhonda Tedder Catherine Becker
 Eva & Francis Bieser, Cletus & Frances Seabaugh, Lillian & Frank Williams John & Shirley Bieser
 The Blocks - Henry, Regina, Ollie, Vince, Marge, Tony, Ronnie, June, Jane, Michael, Richard & my babies
 Donna Block-Angell
 Vincent & Jewell Blunt David Blunt
 Glennon & Hildegard Smith, Dale & Rose Marie Boatright, Lindell & Elvina Harter.. Kevin & Pat Boatright
 The Boyd Family & The Lampen Family Charlie & Rita Boyd
 C.E. (Kopie) & Lucille Koppeis, Charles Belken Family, Florian Koppeis Family, & Harley Burch Family ..
 Deacon Mike & Pat Burch
 Jerry Bush, Dr. W.R. & Gloria Sheets Diane Bush
 Dolores Fitzgerald, The Deceased Santoyo Family Members Fran Craft
 Wulfers & Crawford Families, Teresa Kiser Curt & Anne Crawford
 Ed & Darlene Munroe, and Frances Damba Dwayne & Vicky Damba
 Charles & Adel Gaydos, Bob & Sue Dill Charlie & Marge Dill
 Mark & Pat Miller Rich & Jana Dore
 Paul Fortman, Joe & Jean VanderBol Family, & Fritz & Agnes Fortman Family Joann Fortman
 Bob Govreau, Striebel Family, Govreau Family, Mary Huber, and Justin Wright Mary Lou Govreau
 Jack & Peggy Weber, Bill & June Hall, and Steve Weber Kent & Jennifer Hall
 Harris and Keaveny Families Rick & Rita Harris
 Virginia King, Garrett & Bryant Propst Joel & Karen Hommelson
 Todd Jokerst, Jokerst and Montroy Families Bill & Geneva Jokerst
 Wm. & Rita Kramek, Margie Ferrell, James Kramek, Mary Moll, and Earl Jones Gary & Joni Jones
 Margaret, John, David, Melba Kite, John & Fannie DeClue, Joe & Joan Ruby, Harry, Charlotte &
 Jerry Morris LaDonna Kite
 Dorothy Luedecke, Douglas Luedecke, Gene & Helen Mohr Newt & Leann Luedecke
 Louis & Corinne Dolence, Corinne Hart, Russell & Faye Miller, & Janet Miller Gary & Kathy Miller
 King & Oder Families Norma Oder
 Robert Penberthy Linda Penberthy
 Vernon & Frances Govreau, Matthew Mullen, JoAnnette Govreau Mary Reed
 Chastain & Rhodes Family Rod & Katie Rhodes
 Tom Rigdon, Rigdon & Smith Families, and Jerry Wengler Carolyn Rigdon
 Mary Lou & Warren Lodholz Gary & Sue Ross
 Irene Herbst and Myranda Starkey Lee & Katie Schwent
 Edgar & Thelma Hermann, Fred, Terry & Greg Urbantke Gary & Ruth Urbantke
 Robert & Mary Mather, Judson & Catherine Willis, Judson III & Steve Willis, Marc & Paulette Boardman,
 Stephen, Jeannette & Patricia Mather Jim & Annette Willis

In honor of..... **from**

The Robinson Family, Naeger Family & Hoehn Family Tom & Jean Robinson

Sacramental Life

Sacrament of Confession

You are lovingly invited to encounter God's mercy and peace through the beautiful **Sacrament of Confession**.

No matter how long it has been, Jesus is waiting for you with open arms—ready to forgive, to heal, and to renew your heart. His love is never withheld from a heart that seeks Him in humility and trust.

This sacred sacrament is rooted in Scripture, where Christ entrusted His apostles with the ministry of reconciliation:

“Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.” — John 20:23

The effects of this sacrament include:

- Complete forgiveness of sins and reconciliation with God
- Healing of the soul and restoration of grace
- Peace and spiritual consolation • Strength to resist future temptation • Reconciliation with the Church community

Five Simple Steps to a Good Confession:

1. **Examine Your Conscience** / Reflect honestly on your thoughts, words, actions, and omissions since your last confession.

2. **Be Sincerely Sorry for Your Sins (Contrition)** / Feel true sorrow for offending God's love and the desire to change your life.

3. **Confess Your Sins to the Priest** / Speak honestly and openly. The priest is there to help and guide, never to judge.

4. **Receive Absolution** / Through the words of the priest, Christ forgives your sins and restores your soul.

5. **Do Your Penance** / Fulfill the act of penance the priest gives you as a sign of your conversion and gratitude.

Confession Times

Saturday: 4:00 pm – 4:45 pm before Mass

Sunday: 7:00 am before Mass

Take a moment to step into His grace. Let go of the burdens, and come be restored in His love.



Solemnity of Mary

Wednesday, Dec. 31
Vigil
Mass times are
5:00 pm
7:00 pm @ St. Catherine

Thursday, January 1
Mass times are
8:00 am & 10:00 am

Catholic Belief Spotlight



The Catechism of the Catholic Church is the reference book (encyclopedia) of our faith. If your family doesn't have one at home, it's a great idea to get one. When questions about faith come up, the answers are most likely found in the Catechism.

The Sacrament of the Eucharist is explained in paragraphs 1322-1419. **“At the heart of the Eucharistic celebration are the bread and wine that, by the words of Christ and the invocation of the Holy Spirit, become Christ's Body and Blood . Faithful to the Lord's command the Church continues to do, in his memory and until his glorious return, what he did on the eve of his Passion...”** (CCC 1333)

The Catholic Church, from its founding, has followed Jesus' command to continue the “breaking of bread” (Sacrament of the Eucharist). This bread is truly the Body of Jesus Christ! Let us approach the altar with humility and reverence.



Christmas Mass Times

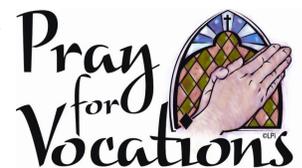
Christmas Eve
5:00 pm
7:00 pm - St. Catherine of Alexandria
10:00 pm

Christmas Day
8:00 am
10:00 am

Prayer for Vocations

Almighty Father, You have created us for some definite purpose. Grant us the grace to know the path You have planned for us in this life and to respond with a generous “Yes.” Make our archdiocese, parishes, homes and hearts fruitful ground for Your gift of vocations. May our young people respond to Your call with courage and zeal. Stir among our men a desire and the strength to be good and holy priests. Bless us with consecrated religious and those called to chaste single life, permanent deacons, and faithful husbands and wives, who are a sign of Christ's love for his Church. We commend our prayer for vocations to You, Father, through the intercession of Mary our Mother, in the Holy Spirit, through Christ our Lord.

Amen
Archbishop
Dennis M. Schnurr



Welcome to St. Joseph

We appreciate you celebrating with us. If you are not registered as a member of our Parish Community, please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket or mail it to the Parish Center and someone will contact you.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

Please Call: ___ I've Moved: ___ New Parishioner: ___ Address Change: ___

___ I would like more information on St. Joseph Catholic School (Preschool - Grade 8)



St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry would like to thank the Knights of Columbus for allowing them to use the Meeting Room for their Christmas Giving Tree Room. A special thank you to all the parishioners who made a picked an ornament and purchased a gift or gift card for the food pantry clients for the month of December. There were over 900 items donated this year! Without the support from all the parishioners this wouldn't have been possible. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Prayer Requests

Mike Tully, Paul Podolak, Dick Ryan, Karen Politte-Corn, Peggy Gabarino, Dan Ross, Ron Robinson, **Linda Penberthy**, **Cathy Barron**, Andrew Robinson, Steve Derby, Katie Eaves, Randy Graham, Sally Whitener, Sid LeGrand, Connor Roth, Harold Blankenship, Ralph Jones, Daniel Cabral, Todd Thomas, Cindy Roberts, **Joe Mondello**, Brett Kerner, Mark Biehl, Dana Miller, **Pat Raymer**, Marilyn Hasty, Jennifer Cowie, Mary Strohmeier, Melissa Clauser, Kenneth Fingerhut, George Bechtoldt, Adonis Paroski, Dean Fortman, **Diane Greer**, Dana Miller, Ange Amonette, Barbara Neubauer, Lloyd Davis, Laura West, **Michelle Evans**, Ken Lutsch, **Ducky Bordewick**, **Joel Hommelson**, Kim Payne, Steve Fowler, Norm Crocker, **Madgie Winch**, Loretta Lampen, **Richard Antil**, **Kay Pratte**, **Jo Wolo**, Mark Goodwin, Laura Goodwin, **Tom Donze**, Linda Dickey, Pat Williams, Marian Voss, Brenda Hamby, **Phil Roth**, **Sandy Roth**, John Fox, **Jenny Davault**, **Steven Paroski**.

To add someone to the prayer list contact prayerpower@stjosephfarmington.com or 573-756-4250.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Happy Birthday & Anniversary

To All of Our Parishioners Celebrating This Week



Please pray for those who are carrying the gift of life.

Especially **Ali (Garry) Redmond**. Please call the parish office if you would like to be added to our prayer list.

Parish Calendar

December

<p>Sunday 21</p>	<p>Monday 22</p>	<p>Tuesday 23</p>	<p>Wednesday 24</p>	<p>Thursday 25</p>	<p>Friday 26</p>	<p>Saturday 27</p>
	<p>Youth Group Visiting Nursing Homes (Text - @STJYOUTH21 to 81010 for time and details)</p>	<p>Server Training 8:30 am Confessions 5:30 pm Choir Practice 6pm Cantor Practice 7pm Advent Mass 6:30 pm Advent Class 7 pm</p>	<p>Christmas Eve 5:00 pm Mass 7:00 pm Mass @ St. Catherine's 10:00 pm Mass</p>	<p>Christmas Day Holy Day of Obligation 8:00 am Mass 10:00 am Mass No Adoration Parish Office Closed</p>	<p>Parish Office Closed</p>	
<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>
	<p>Parish Office Closed</p>	<p>Parish Office Closed</p>	<p>Parish Office Closed</p>	<p>Solemnity of Mary Holy Day of Obligation 8:00 am Mass 10:00 am Mass No Adoration Parish Office Closed</p>	<p>No Adoration Parish Office Closed</p>	<p>Rosary at the Flag Pole 8:00 am First Saturday Mass 8:30 am</p>
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<p>Doughnut Sunday after all Masses Hosted by School Board</p>		<p>Choir Practice 6pm Cantor Practice 7pm</p>	<p>Rosary 5:30 pm PSR 6:00 pm OCIA 6:30 pm</p>	<p>Eucharistic Adoration 8:30 am - 5:30 pm Greif Ministry 1:00 pm</p>		
<p>11</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>
<p>Knights of Columbus Breakfast after 7:30 & 9:00 Masses</p>		<p>Choir Practice 6pm School Board 6 pm Cantor Practice 7pm</p>	<p>Rosary 5:30 pm PSR 6:00 pm OCIA 6:30 pm</p>	<p>Eucharistic Adoration 8:30 am - 5:30 pm</p>		

January

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Saturday, 20th

5:00 pm: † Perron Butler

7:00 pm: † Jim & Doretta Herzog

Sunday, 21st

7:30 am: * Parishioners

9:00 am: † Joseph Carlisle

10:30 am: † Ron LaPlant

Readings: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (7c, 10b)/

Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24

Monday, 22nd - Advent Weekday

8:00 am: † Helen Robinson

Readings: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/

Lk 1:46-56

Tuesday, 23rd - Advent Weekday

8:00 am: † Tom Herrell

Readings: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/

Lk 1:57-66

Wednesday, 24th - Advent Weekday

8:00 am: † Jacob Crites

Readings: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27
and 29/Lk 1:67-79

5:00 pm: * Larry Pratte Family

7:00 pm: † Leonard Gegg

Readings: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 (2a)/

Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/

10:00 pm: † Jim & Ginger Baechle

Readings: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 (Lk 2:11)/

Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14

Thursday, 25th - The Nativity of the Lord

8:00 am: † Todd Jokerst

10:00 am: † Robert McManus & Aurora Panes

Readings: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 (3c)/

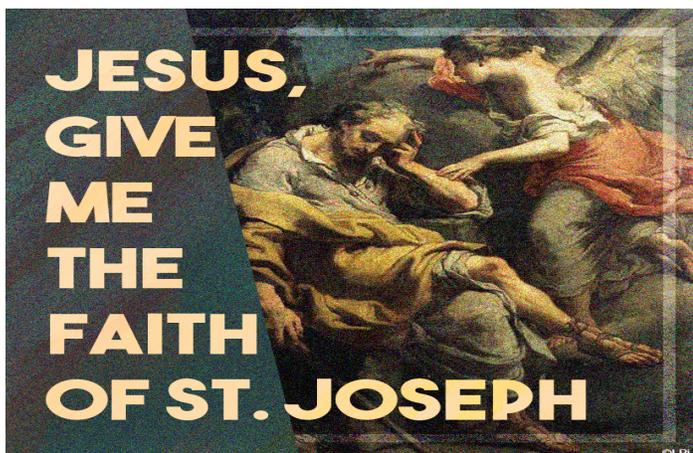
Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

Friday, 26th - St. Stephen, The First Martyr

8:00 am: † Ryan Dowell

Readings: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab,

16bc and 17/Mt 10:17-22



The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Saturday, December 27

5:00 pm Mass

Deacon: Deacon Mark Byington

Lector: Shawn McCarver

Extraordinary Minister: Laura Denkler, LeAnn
Luedecke, Newt Luedecke, Jill Patton

Ushers: James Cissell, John Denkler, George Kracke,
Mike Wolo

Servers: Cecelia Berkbigler, Ella Berkbigler, Luke Maloney

Cantor: Emily Bach

7:00 pm Mass at St. Catherine

Deacon: Deacon Mark Byington

Lector: Peggy Adams

Extraordinary Minister: Lisa Cartee

Offertory Bearers: Mike & Linda Hagan

Sunday, December 28

7:30 am Mass

Lector: Norene Leonard

Deacon: Deacon Mark Byington

Extraordinary Minister: Charlie Dill, Marge Dill, Steve
Forsythe, Kathy Neiner

Ushers: Jay Ellis, Jerry Hulse, Jack Neiner, Scott
Watson

Servers: Ryder Herbst, Nora Jannin, Wade Rariden

9:00 am Mass

Deacon: Deacon Rich Doré

Lector: Jennifer Rhodus

Extraordinary Minister: Emily Barnhouse, Cheryl
Gibson, Jimmy Gibson, Kevin Schmid

Ushers: Cindy Kelso, Dylan Kelso, Zach Kelso, John
Podolak

Servers: Lizzie Eck, Madi Johnson, Logan Pinkston

Cantor: Dawn Fuemmeler

10:30 am Mass

Deacon: Deacon Rich Doré

Lector: Pam Aiello

Extraordinary Minister: Charles Boyd, Katie Schwent,
Lee Schwent, Mandy Whitener

Ushers: Tim Maloney, Chad Speakar, Mike Ward, Cory
Wolff

Servers: Jackson Goodson, Lillian Jaycox, Harrison
Jaycox

Cantor: Rita Boyd

Monday, December 22, 2025

Sacristans

Pat Boatright, Rita Boyd,
Charlotte VanderBol,
Ann Lutsch

Money Counters

Fran Craft, Betty Combs
Nancy Rariden,
Mary Beth

The Nativity of the Lord

Wednesday, December 24

5:00 pm Mass

Deacon: Deacon Rick Doré
Lector: Phyllis LaPlant
Extraordinary Minister: Sandi Brooks, Jana Doré, Cheryl
ibson, Jimmy Gibson
Ushers: Jay Ellis, George Kracke, Jack Neiner, John
Podolak
Servers: Mazie Bach, Stella Gaines, Lucas Wolo
Cantor: Emily Bach

7:00 pm Mass at St. Catherine

Deacon: Deacon Mark Byington
Lector: Betty Vogt
Extraordinary Minister: Lisa Cartee
Offertory Bearers: Mike & Linda Hagan

10:00 pm Mass

Deacon: Deacon Mark Byington
Lector: Susan Stroud
Extraordinary Minister: Mark Halter, Jill Patton, Kay
Schmid, Kevin Schmid
Ushers: John Podolak, Jerry Hulsey, Mike Ward, Cory
Wolff
Servers: Rylan Bruenderman, Jimmy Martin, Leslie
Martin
Cantor: Michelle Podolak

Thursday, December 25

8:00 am Mass

Deacon: Deacon Rich Doré
Lector: Vanessa Trokey
Extraordinary Minister: Charlie Dill, Marge Dill, Brenda
Donze, Mandy Whitener
Ushers: Ed Brown, Tom Donze, Tim Maloney, Jack
Neiner
Servers: Gage Whitener, Kael Whitener, Kya Whitener
Cantor: Jane Ramos

10:00 am Mass

Deacon: Deacon Mark Byington
Lector: Dawn Fuemmeler
Extraordinary Minister: Shirley Bieser, Charlie Boyd,
Katie Schwent, Nikki Sheets
Ushers: James Cissell, John England, Clifford Gerstner,
Tom Hill
Servers: Carter Abt, Jackson Goodson, Michaela
Goodson
Cantor: Rita Boyd

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