



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.



Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday - 8:00 am

Thursday - 6:00 pm

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

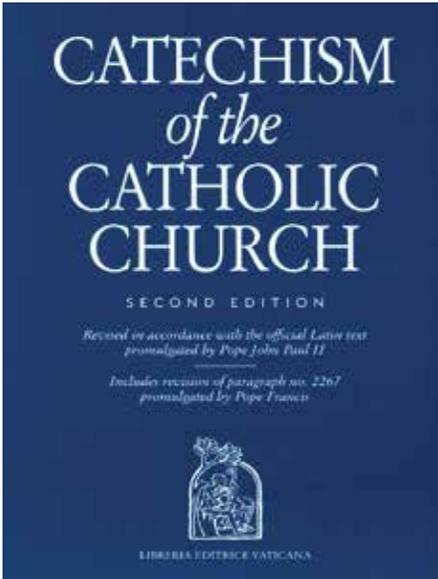
Thursdays 5:00 - 5:45 pm

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



What are the next stages of God's Revelation?

God chose Abram, calling him out of his country, making him “the father of a multitude of nations” (Genesis 17:5), and promising to bless in him “all the nations of the earth” (Genesis 12:3). The people descended from Abraham would be the trustee of the divine promise made to the patriarchs. God formed Israel as his chosen people, freeing them from slavery in Egypt, establishing with them the

covenant of Mount Sinai, and, through Moses, giving them his law. The prophets proclaimed a radical redemption of the people and a salvation which would include all nations in a new and everlasting covenant. From the people of Israel and from the house of King David, would be born the Messiah, Jesus. CCC 59-64,72

Your Gifts to God and Parish

January 18, 2026

Weekly Collection

Adult Envelopes	\$8,912.00
Electronic Deposit	\$2,040.00
Loose	\$896.00
First Offering	\$40.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$42.00
Christmas Offering	\$2.00
	\$11,932.00

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Sunday Offering	\$11,932.00	\$402,483.34
Budgeted Amount	\$12,950.00	\$375,550.00
Shortage/Overage	(\$1,018.00)	\$26,933.34

Specials

Latin American Apostolate	\$15.00
Maintenance & Repair	\$27.00
School Donation	\$300.00
St. Louis Review	\$355.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$75.00
Women of Mary	\$300.00
Total for Specials	\$1,072.00

OFFICE HOURS
MONDAY - FRIDAY
 8:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Fr. Gerson's Schedule

Office Hours
 Tues- Thurs.:
 10 am - 2 pm
 Friday:
 10 am - 12 pm

Feb 3

10:00 am
 Staff Mtg.
 2:15 pm
 Spanish Class

Feb 4

10:00 - 3:30 pm
 Archbishop's
 Study Day
 4:00 pm
 OHM
 7:00 pm
 K of C Mtg.

Feb 5
 10:00 am
 Meeting
 2:15 pm
 Spanish Class
 5:00 pm
 Confessions





A Note from Fr. Gerson

The Word of God constantly invites us to take a step toward the Lord. The prophet Zephaniah exhorts us: *“Seek the Lord, all you humble of the earth,”* reminding us that all people are called to be part of that people who recognize themselves as poor before the Lord. Recognizing our spiritual poverty is not a weakness, but the beginning of an authentic relationship with God. In the Gospel, we hear a brief yet decisive phrase: *“The disciples came to Jesus.”* This coming near is not merely an outward gesture, but an inner attitude of faith, humility, and trust.

Throughout Sacred Scripture, we see how humanity draws near to God when it allows itself to be attracted by Him. Moses approached the burning bush and encountered the living God; Zechariah approached the altar of the Temple to offer incense; Andrew and Peter approached Jesus, and their lives were transformed. Saint Augustine expresses this experience by saying: *“Our heart is restless until it rests in You.”* The human heart, aware of its poverty, seeks the Lord because only in Him does it find fulfillment.

The Church Fathers insist that humility is the primary condition of those who belong to Christ. Without humility, it is not possible to truly draw near to God or to persevere in the Christian life. Saint John Chrysostom teaches this clearly:

“When humility is laid as the foundation, the builder can safely construct the entire building upon it. But if humility is lost, even if your holiness seems to reach heaven, everything will collapse and end in catastrophe. Fasting, prayer, almsgiving, chastity, or any other good you accumulate—if humility is lacking, everything slips away like water and everything is lost.”

Today, the Lord continues to invite us to draw near to Him in concrete ways. The principal and fullest way is the Eucharist. In the Holy Mass, we approach the altar, the sacrifice of the Lamb, where Christ gives Himself for our salvation. Saint Ignatius of Antioch called the Eucharist the “medicine of immortality,” and Pope Benedict XVI reminds us that the Eucharist is a real encounter with Christ that transforms our lives.

We also draw near to the Lord through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, the sacrament of mercy. Although going to confession can sometimes be difficult, it is there that Christ waits for us to forgive us and restore the grace we have lost. Saint Ambrose affirmed: “Where there is forgiveness of sins, there is life and salvation.” Pope Francis encourages us by saying: “God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of asking for forgiveness.” In our parish, this sacrament is available on Thursdays at 5:00 p.m. and Saturdays at 4:00 p.m., or at other times just let me know.

Finally, we draw near to Jesus in Eucharistic adoration. In silence and prayer, we learn to recognize our poverty and to place our trust in Him. Saint Teresa of Ávila expressed it simply: “To look at Him is to love Him.” Every Thursday, Jesus awaits us for a personal encounter that strengthens our faith.

Drawing near to Jesus is a daily decision and a path of humility. He never moves away from us; it is we who are called to take the step. If we recognize ourselves as poor before the Lord and approach Him with trust, we will find in Him forgiveness, consolation, and new life.

Today Kevin Smith approaches the Lord to request the ministry of acolyte, an important step in liturgical service within the Church.

The acolyte ministry is an instituted ministry whose primary mission is to serve at the altar and assist the priest and deacon during the celebration of the Eucharist and other liturgical events. The acolyte cares for the sacred vessels, prepares the altar, and, when necessary, may distribute Holy Communion as an extraordinary minister. This service is not only practical but deeply spiritual: the acolyte is called to live a special closeness to the Eucharist and to bear witness to a life of faith, reverence, and dedication.

It is important to distinguish the ministry of the acolyte from that of the deacon. The deacon receives the sacrament of Holy Orders, and his ministry is oriented toward the service of the Word, the altar, and charity. He can proclaim the Gospel, preach the homily, baptize, witness marriages and funerals, and assist the priest at the Eucharist. The acolyte, on the other hand, does not receive the sacrament of Holy Orders; he is instituted for a lay ministry. His service is primarily focused on the altar and the Eucharist, always in collaboration with and under the guidance of the priest or deacon.

Our parish benefits from the acolyte ministry because it strengthens liturgical life and ensures celebrations are more reverent, organized, and dignified. Additionally, the acolyte serves as an example of service for the whole community, especially young people, reminding us that serving the Lord at the altar is a beautiful vocation that builds up and unites the Church.

Finally, we rejoice at the visit of our Archbishop Mitchell Rozanski, who will celebrate Mass on Saturday, January 31 at 5:00 p.m. His presence is a source of joy and blessing for our parish community.

We accompany Kevin with our prayers, so that this ministry may bear abundant fruit in his life and in the life of our parish.

Fr. Gerson Parra
Parochial Administrator

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL



HORNET NATION

February 1, 2026



573-756-6312

www.stjosephfarmington.com



A Note From Dr. Boyd, Principal

Come join us after mass today for Doughnut Sunday in the school cafeteria. We will have student ambassadors giving building tours.

Thank you to everyone that helped us with Catholic Schools Week. It also kicks off our enrollment for the 2026-2027 school year. Enrolling early helps us in many ways to prepare for the beginning of the school year.

We want to grow our school. If you or someone you know wants a great place to send their kids to grow spiritually and academically, St. Joseph Catholic is just that place. Call the school for more information or to schedule a tour.

We are also working on a couple service projects for February: CASA House, and the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry. Thanks in advance for helping as you can. If you need more information on those projects, call the school.



SJ Faculty/Staff Spotlight

**Mrs. Laura Wadlow,
Fourth Grade**

Mrs. Wadlow has worked in education for 32 years. This is her first year serving St. Joseph Catholic School. Her favorite class to teach is Language Arts.

Mrs. Wadlow has three children and two grandchildren. She has taught Sunday school and children's church. She enjoys spending time with family, refinishing antiques, and working out.

Her favorite Bible verse is Joshua 1:9. "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."



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UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Knights of Columbus Breakfast**
February 8 after 7:30 & 9:00 mass
- **Valentine Parties
Early Dismissal**
February 13
- **No School**
February 16
- **School Mass**
Fridays at 8:00 am

GO HORNETS!

The Week in Pictures



Students preparing for Catholic Schools Week. Eighth graders are writing letters, and third graders are coloring their section of the school poster.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR!

Up to \$2,500 per student!

**APPLICATIONS OPEN
JANUARY 20, 2026**

AVAILABLE FOR:

- ALL elementary schools in the Archdiocese of St. Louis
- ALL Catholic High Schools
- Any private elementary school in the City of St. Louis



FOR MORE INFORMATION

VISIT TTEF-STL.ORG OR CONTACT LAURA GEORGE,
SENIOR DIRECTOR OF SCHOLARSHIP
314.792.7777 | LAURAGEORGE@ARCHSTL.ORG

Scholarships

Family & Student Information

2026-2027 School Year



Missouri's Empowerment Scholarship Program

About MOScholars:

The Missouri Empowerment Scholarship Accounts Program known as MOScholars, provides financial support to qualifying families to offset educational expenses including tuition.

Families Must PreQualify to Apply

ttef-stl.org/MOScholars
OR
Scan the QR Code



Contact the Today and Tomorrow Educational Foundation:



Jeanette Katic
Program Director
314-792-7043
mottef@archstl.org

Application Period Opens Fall 2025

Benefits

- A \$6,375 annual scholarship for eligible K-12 students
- Renewable through high school
- Access to exceptional private education and approved educational resources

Who is Eligible?

All of Missouri residents are eligible.

← OR →

IEP/ISP

- Private School
- Not intended for students remaining in public schools

Not to exceed 300% free and reduced lunch

- AND**
1. Must have attended a public or charter public school for one semester during the previous 12 months.
 2. Or attending Kindergarten or 1st grade.
 3. Or a sibling of a qualified student who received a scholarship in the previous year and will again in the upcoming school year.



ST. JOSEPH 2ND QUARTER HONOR ROLL

A Honor Roll

4th Grade

- Lizzie Eck
- Charles Hoehn
- Payton Holland
- Beau Hutson
- Ashlyn McDowell
- Clare Rariden



5th Grade

- Cece Berkgigler

6th Grade

- Lillian Jaycox *
- Di Phan

7th Grade

- Lucas Berkgigler
- Ryder Herbst
- Madison Johnson
- Abe Sharp ☆

8th Grade

- Ella Berkgigler
- Leslie Martin
- Westley Wilson



A/B Honor Roll

4th Grade

- Emma Cooper
- Keegan Harper
- Mia Martin
- Declan Miniaci
- Wesson Sheets

6th Grade

- Mia Hutson
- Ayden Kellogg
- John Maloney
- Wade Rariden

7th Grade

- Hannah Fingerhut *
- Eli Gross
- James Loughary
- Atticus Schrum
- Basil Washam

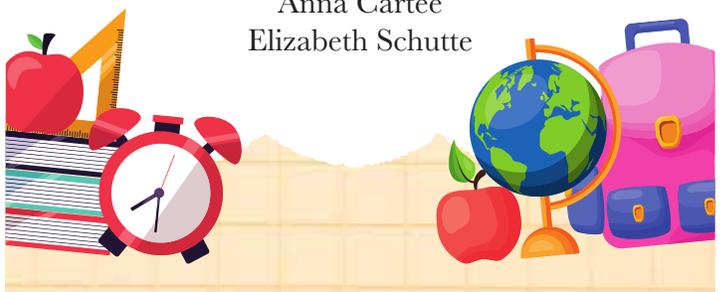


5th Grade

- Jimmy Aholt
- Andi Aseniero
- Harry Mayo
- My Phan
- Evelyn Washam

8th Grade

- Anna Cartee
- Elizabeth Schutte





Do you know of a Catholic who is homebound, in the hospital or in a nursing home in the Farmington area and needs Communion brought to them? Has someone who normally sits by you at Mass been missing for a while? Please let the Parish Office know at 573-756-4250 so we can reach out to them or family members to see how they are doing and find out if they need someone to bring them Communion.

Monarch FRC provides a variety of **FREE** services to expectant mothers and families with children under the age of 3 years old. There are no insurance or income requirements.



Clinical Care: Providing free pregnancy testing and ultrasounds to offer expectant mothers clarity and support.

Earn While You Learn: A comprehensive parenting program (available in-person or virtually) where clients earn essential baby and maternity items by attending parenting classes and completing Bible studies. Whether you are first time parents needing labor & delivery classes or experienced parents who could use some refresher lessons, Monarch is a great resource for you.

Fatherhood Initiative: Dedicated classes that equip men to lead with intention and be proactively involved in their children's lives.

Community Connections: Providing vital referrals and navigating families toward additional local resources.

Contact Info: www.monarchfrc.com



CATHOLIC WOMEN FOR CHRIST CONFERENCE



March 21, 2026
9:00am - 3:00pm
SI Commons at SLUH
4970 Oakland Ave

<https://www.catholicwomenforchrist.org>

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



\$80,411.41

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



2026 ST. JOSEPH MOUSE RACES



March 14th, 2026
Doors open after 5:00 PM Mass



Full-Service Fun
- Casino Favorites
- Adult Bottle Booth
- Mouse Races!

Dinner and open bar included
- Pulled Pork + Chicken
- Nacho bar



Get your tickets!
\$30 in advance from parish office
\$35 at the door





Rural Parish Clinic Is Coming to Serve Our Parish Community!

We are excited to share that Rural Parish Clinic is extending its services in St. Francois County beginning Spring 2026, with a new mobile clinic site located at St. Joseph Parish in Farmington, MO.

Our current clinic site in Bonne Terre will continue to be maintained, and the new location at St. Joseph Parish represents an expansion of services, allowing us to reach more individuals and families throughout St. Francois County. Rural Parish Clinic is a nonprofit, mobile medical clinic providing free medical care to individuals who are uninsured, with a special focus on rural communities. As part of the Archdiocese of St. Louis, our mission is rooted in caring for the dignity and health of every person.

Clinic Schedule at St. Joseph Parish:

Monthly Clinics: Fourth Thursday of every month, beginning Thursday, February 26, 2026

We ask parishioners to help spread the word. Please share this information with family members, neighbors, co-workers, and others in the community who may benefit from free medical care. Your invitation may be the connection someone needs to receive care and transform their life. Making an appointment is easy, just give us a call.

Medical Clinic: 888-870-9610

Dental Clinic: 314-225-4034

If you are interested in learning more about Rural Parish Clinic, helping share information, or volunteering, additional details will be shared in the coming months.

Thank you for helping us care for our neighbors and live out Christ's call to serve.



Friday, February 20
St. Joseph School Gym Farmington

Plan on sharing a great night of fellowship and good food . . .

from 4:00 - 7:00 pm
or until the food runs out

Adults \$15.00, Children (5-10) \$5.00, Children 4 and under FREE

Menu Includes

- Catfish
- Sides of toasted cheese, hush puppies, cole slaw, green beans, stewed tomatoes, french fries, macaroni and cheese, and a specialty side dish each week
- Your choice of tea, coffee, or lemonade
- Delicious desserts

Specialty items each week are:

February 20 - shrimp

February 27 - corn on the cob

March 6 - fried okra

March 13 - bean casserole

March 20 - onion rings

March 27 - shrimp



We accept, cash, check, card, venmo, & PayPal



St. Joseph's Fish Fry T-Shirts are Now Available !!!

Order Now! \$15.00

Let us display our Catholic Identity as we serve our friends, neighbors and the entire community!!!



Our thanks to Mandy Whitener for designing and making these awesome T-shirts!!!

Please fill out this form with your name, phone number and size(s), enclose your payment and place in the offering or take to the Parish Office. We will call you when your order is ready. We will also have order forms available to pick up in the parish office.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Size: _____

Size: _____

Payment enclosed of: _____



A Men's Lenten Night of Reflection

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17 AT 6:00 PM IN THE PARISH CENTER
WITH FR. CHARLIE ARCHER

We will provide plates, utensils, napkins, cups and water.

Please bring your own alcohol.

This year will be potluck, please bring your favorite dish or dessert to share.

If you would like to attend, please email Lisa at secretary@stjosephfarmington.com
or call the parish office.

	ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. LOUIS
<i>Archbishop Mitchell T. Rozanski's Intention</i>	
February 2026 For Families and Young People	
We pray for families in every stage of life, and especially for children and youth—the future of our Church. As we mark 200 years of Catholic faith in the Archdiocese of St. Louis , may our homes, schools, and parishes be places where the light of Christ is passed on with joy, courage, and authenticity, forming young hearts for a new century of witness.	

Celebrate 200 Years of Faith with the Archdiocese of St. Louis!		
		ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. LOUIS
In 2026, we joyfully commemorate the 200th anniversary of the founding of our diocese in 1826. This once-in-a-generation Bicentennial Jubilee invites us to rejoice in the light of Christ and renew our shared mission as Catholics in eastern Missouri.		Throughout the year, the faithful are invited to take part in prayer, storytelling, acts of service, and special archdiocesan initiatives rooted in the spiritual legacy of our three patron saints:
<i>"A Legacy of Faith. A Future of Hope."</i>		St. Louis, King of France <i>faithful leadership and justice</i>
		St. Rose Philippine Duchesne <i>missionary prayer and perseverance</i>
		St. Vincent de Paul <i>compassion and care for the poor</i>
Please Share Your Jubilee Moments!	As you celebrate, we'd love to see and share those moments! Tag your photos and stories with #ArchSTL200 and let's illuminate the joy of our Catholic faith across the Archdiocese.	 ArchSTL200.org

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GOSPEL

God sees the loving things you do. When you show kindness to others, especially when they don't deserve it, your kindness will come back to you. When you see others fighting, and you help them get along, you show that you are God's child. When you are gentle, not bossy, you make God smile. Even when it is hard, keep on doing what's right. One day in heaven God will reward you for the good choices you make.

PUZZLE

Unscramble words from today's Gospel.

blessed	mercy	kingdom
meek	pure	reward
filled	peace	heaven

- bsedles b l e s s e d
- pacee _____
- meke _____
- kidomng _____
- filedl _____
- reardw _____
- mecyr _____
- hevena _____
- peur _____

Sacramental Life

Anointing of the Sick

An Invitation to Healing and Peace - If you or a loved one is facing illness, undergoing surgery, or experiencing the challenges of aging, the **Anointing of the Sick** is a sacred gift of the Church—offering strength, peace, and healing through the grace of Jesus Christ.

This sacrament is rooted in Scripture:

"Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the priests of the Church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith will save the sick person, and the Lord will raise them up. If they have committed sins, they will be forgiven."— James 5:14–15

Effects of the Sacrament:

- Strengthening in body, mind, and spirit
 - The forgiveness of sins
 - Unity with Christ's suffering
- Preparation for passing into eternal life, if near death
 - Peace and courage in the face of illness

To request the sacrament for yourself or someone in need, please contact the parish office.

You are not alone—Christ walks with you, bringing comfort and hope.

Convalidation

Are You in Need of a Church Wedding? Learn About Convalidation

If you were married outside the Catholic Church and would like to have your marriage recognized as a sacramental union, the Church offers a beautiful process called convalidation.

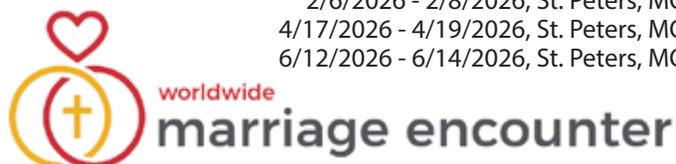
Convalidation is the celebration of the Sacrament of Matrimony in the Church, bringing your marriage into full communion with your Catholic faith. It is a joyful step that allows couples to receive the grace of the sacrament and participate more fully in the life of the Church.

"Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."— Mark 10:9

If you would like to learn more, we are here to help you take this meaningful step.

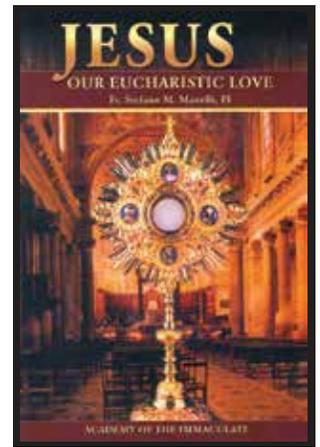
Let Jesus Feed Your Marriage in 2026!

Renew your Sacrament, deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, and rekindle your romance by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience! The following upcoming weekend experiences are available. Sign-up now as space is limited! For more information or to apply, go to wwme.org, or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.



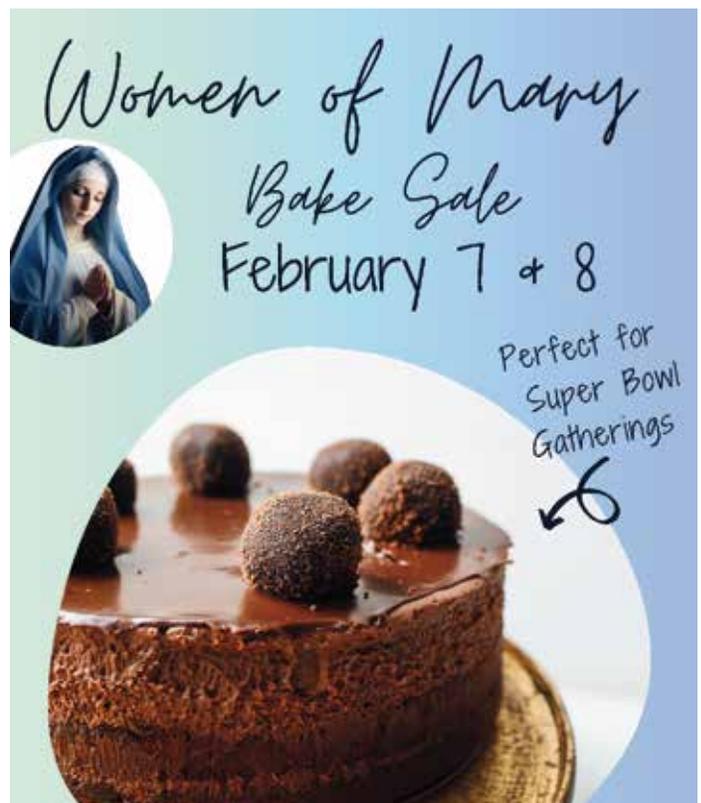
Catholic Belief Spotlight

Holy Mass Part 2 - In the book "Jesus, Our Eucharistic Love" by Father Stefano Manelli, he chronicles what the Saints have told us about the Mass.



St. Leonard of Port Maurice told his crowds of followers, "O you deluded people, what are you doing? Why do you not hasten to the churches to hear as many Masses as you can? Why do you not imitate the angels, who, when a Holy Mass is celebrated, come down in myriads from Paradise and take their stations about our altars in adoration to intercede for us?"

The Veil Removed is a short 7-minute film that reveals the coming together of heaven and earth at Mass, as seen by saints and mystics, revealed by scripture and in the catechism of the Catholic Church. Go to YouTube and search for "The Veil Removed" or scan the QR code below. This is a representation of what we would see at every Mass if we were able. **Watching this video will help you celebrate Mass more devoutly!**



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)

In Our Thoughts and Prayers...

We pray for the repose of the souls of

Barbara Moulton, parishioner,
and

Virginia Akins, mother of Jim Akins

May God welcome them home, fill them with peace and bless those who will miss them.



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

Especially **Ali (Garry) Redmond**, **Alyssa (Slade) Kenagy**, and **Lisa (Kevin) Calanquin**. Please call the parish office if you would like to be added to our prayer list.

Prayer Requests

Martin Szalmasagi, **Tammy Benoist**, Debbie Brannon Clark, Art Charboneau, Mike Naeger, **Kay Pratte**, Kim Payne, **Geneva Jokerst**, Pam Sparr, Amy Barrett, Andrew Frattini, Joe Schoeppel, Bobby Conaway, Fred Renshaw, Mary Lee Hibbits, Peg Garbarino, Tinsley Arena, **Robyn Pipkin**, Linda (Wolk) Schaper, **Eileen Abt**, Larry Winick, Mike Tully, Paul Podolak, Dick Ryan, Karen Politte-Corn, Dan Ross, Ron Robinson, 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 Strohmeyer, 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**, Steve Fowler, Norm Crocker, **Madgie Winch**, Loretta Lampen, **Richard Antil**, **Kay Pratte**, **Jo Wolo**

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



Eucharistic Adoration

Each hour you spend with Jesus will deepen his divine peace in your heart.

We are in need of 1 adorer for Thursday Adoration from 1:30-2:30. Please call the parish office to sign up.

Parish Calendar

February

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Doughnut Sunday after all Masses Hosted by School Faculty Rural Parish Clinic Visit	2 Choir Practice 6:00 pm Cantor Practice 7:00 pm	3	4 Rosary 5:30 pm PSR 6:00 pm OCIA 6:30 pm Knights of Columbus Mtg. 7:00 pm	5 Eucharistic Adoration 8:30 am - 5:30 pm Confessions 5:00 pm Benediction 5:45 pm Mass 6:00 pm	6 Eucharistic Adoration 8:30 am - 2:30 pm	7 Rosary at the Flag Pole 8:00 am First Saturday Mass 8:30 am KoFC Roses for Life
8 K of C Breakfast after 7:30 & 9:00 am Masses KoFC Roses for Life	9 Prayer Shawl 9:00 am Choir Practice 6:00 pm Cantor Practice 7:00 pm	10 School Board Mtg. 7:00 pm	11 Rosary 5:30 pm PSR 6:00 pm OCIA 6:30 pm	12 Eucharistic Adoration 8:30 am - 5:30 pm Grief Ministry 1:00 pm Confessions 5:00 pm Benediction 5:45 pm Mass 6:00 pm	13 Early Out 11:30 am Teacher PD 12:00 pm	14
15 Our Father's Table 4:00 - 6:00 pm	16 No School Parish Office Closed Choir Practice 6:00 pm Cantor Practice 7:00 pm	17 Men's Lenten Night 6:00 pm	18 Ash Wednesday Mass 7:00 am Mass 8:00 am Women of Mary Mtg. 1:00 pm Rosary 5:30 pm PSR 6:00 pm No OCIA Mass 7:00 pm	19 Eucharistic Adoration 8:30 am - 5:30 pm Confessions 5:00 pm Benediction 5:45 pm Mass 6:00 pm	20 Stations of the Cross 2:00 pm Fish Fry 4:00 - 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm	21 Trivia Night 6:00 pm
22 Rite of Sending 10:30 am	23 Prayer Shawl 9:00 am Choir Practice 6:00 pm Cantor Practice 7:00 pm	24 Confessions 5:00 pm Mass 6:00 pm	25 Confessions 5:00 pm Rosary 5:30 pm PSR 6:00 pm Mass 6:00 pm OCIA 6:30 pm	26 Rural Parish Clinic 9:00 am Confessions 5:00 pm Rosary 5:30 pm Mass 6:00 pm	27 Finance Meeting 11:00 am Stations of the Cross 2:00 pm Fish Fry 4:00 - 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm	28

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, 31st

5:00 pm: † Bud & Catherine Gillespie

7:00 pm: † Leonard Gegg

Sunday, 1st

7:30 am: † Glenda & Johnny Johnson

9:00 am: † Mark Glore

10:30 am: * Parishioners

Readings: Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/Ps 146:6c-7, 8-9a, 9b-10/
1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a

Monday, 2nd - The Presentation of the Lord

8:00 am: † Jo Boyd

Readings: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Heb 2:14-18/
Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Tuesday, 3rd - Weekday

8:00 am: † Velma Dollinger

Readings: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3/Ps 86:1-2,
3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday, 4th - Weekday

8:00 am: † Darlene Munroe

Readings: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 6:1-6

Thursday, 5th - St. Agatha, Virgin, Martyr

8:00 am: † John Jones

6:00 pm: * Alex England and * Anna Gardner

Readings: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a,
12bcd/Mk 6:7-13

Friday, 6th - St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs

8:00 am: † Joseph Carlisle

Readings: Sir 47:2-11/Ps 18:31, 47 and 50, 51/Mk 6:14-29



5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, February 7

5:00 pm Mass

Lector: Vanessa Trokey

Extraordinary Minister: Sandi Brooks, Laura Denkler,
Mark Halter, LeAnn Luedecke, Newt Luedecke

Ushers: John Denkler, Clifford Gerstner, George
Kracke, Mike Wolo

Servers: Jimmy Aholt, Michaela Goodson, Jackson
Goodson

Cantor: Emily Bach

7:00 pm Mass at St. Catherine

Lector: Agnes Herzog

Extraordinary Minister: Jimmy & Susie Herzog

Offertory Bearers: Tom & Linda Smith

Sunday, February 8

7:30 am Mass

Lector: Michael Brown

Extraordinary Minister: Charlie Dill, Marge Dill, Brenda
Donze, Tom Donze, Kathy Neiner

Ushers: Ed Brown, Jay Ellis, Jim Gerwitz, Scott
Watson

Servers: Ryder Herbst, Wade Rariden, Faith Watson

9:00 am Mass

Lector: Mitch Fuemmeler

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

Ushers: Tom Hill, Cindy Kelso, Dylan Kelso, Zach
Kelso

Servers: Carter Abt, Benedict Perez, Tobias Perez

Cantor: Michelle Podolak

10:30 am Mass

Lector: Phyllis LaPlant

Extraordinary Minister: Shirley Bieser, Charles Boyd,
Jill Patton, Helen Thurman, John Thurman

Ushers: John Bieser, Tim Maloney, Jared Pinkley,
Chad Speakar

Servers: Kannedy Hubbard, John Maloney, Luke
Maloney

Cantor: Judy Davis

Monday, February 2, 2026

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Sandi Brooks,
Bobbie Thomure,
Vanessa Trokey,
Jayne Wooldridge

Money Counters

Mary Beth Baker,
Betty Combs,
Fran Craft,
Nancy Rariden

St. Blaise | February 3

You may be familiar with the annual “blessing of throats” that many parishes in the United States use to commemorate the beloved bishop and martyr. St. Blaise lived in the fourth century in Turkey and Armenia. Due to religious persecution, he was forced to flee and hide in a cave in the back country in order to save his life.



History has it that one day a group of hunters stumbled upon where St. Blaise was living. They found the bishop kneeling in prayer, surrounded by wolves, lions, and bears that he had tamed. The legend has it that as the hunters dragged Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command, the child was able to cough up the bone and thus lived.

Today we remember the saint on his feast day by taking two candles, crossing them against the throat, and saying the following prayer:

Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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Daily Mass

Every Day @ 8:00 am
Thursdays @ 6:00 pm

Confession

Every Thursday @ 5:00 pm
Every Saturday @ 4:00 pm
Every Sunday @ 7:00 am

Nightly Rosary

Every Night @ 6:30 pm
Call 727-731-5659

Weekly Rosary

Every Wednesday @ 5:30 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Each Thursday First Friday of the Month
8:30 am - 6:30 pm 8:30 am - 2:30 pm

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First Saturday Each Month @ 8:00 am in
front of the school

First Saturday Mass

First Saturday Each Month @ 8:30 am

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