

St. Joseph Catholic Church
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

15 St. Joseph St., Bonne Terre, MO
January 21, 2018



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MASS SCHEDULE:
WEEKDAYS: 8:00 am Monday-Friday
SATURDAYS: 5:00 pm
SUNDAY: 10:00 am
HOLYDAYS: 8:00 am & 6:00 pm on Holyday
ROSARY: Thursday after Mass
Saturday at 4:30 pm
PERPETUAL HELP
DEVOTIONS: Tuesday after Mass



**ST. ANNE CATHOLIC
CHURCH**
French Village, MO
Sunday Mass: 8:00 am
Organist: Jim Wagner

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:
First Tuesday of the Month
Following 8:00 am Mass with
Benediction at 10:00 am
RECONCILIATION:
Saturday from 4:00—4:45 pm
BAPTISMS:
First Sunday of Each Month
By Appointment with Pastor
MARRIAGES:
Arrangements Must Be Made with
The Pastor 6 Months Prior to
Proposed Marriage
ANOINTING: By Request
PSR CLASSES:
Second Sunday of the Month
At 8:30 am at the St. Joseph School Bldg.
FOOD PANTRY:
Mondays & Fridays from 9—11:00 am
Parish Registration & Membership for St. Joseph
And St. Anne Churches—New Families are
Welcome and are asked to register at the
earliest convenience.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Mon.	22	8:00 a.m.	Cindy Castleberry
Tues.	23	8:00 a.m.	Sandy McCormick
Wed.	24	8:00 a.m.	Seth Burnes
Thur.	25	8:00 a.m.	Katie Bisch
Fri.	26	8:00 a.m.	Glenn Pratte
Sat.	27	5:00 p.m.	Marjorie Esch
Sun.	28	10:00 a.m.	R. & V. Vivrett
(SA)		8:00 a.m.	Parish Family

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

ST. JOSEPH SATURDAY VIGIL:

January 27 - 5:00 P.M.

Lector-----	Frances Haug
Eucharistic Ministers-----	Char Gestring Dennis Bender Jacob Stotler
Altar Servers-----	Matt Haug
Ushers-----	Fred Basse, Joan Knott N. Spruell, P. Meagher
Cross Bearer-----	Jim Novotny

ST. JOSEPH SUNDAY MASS:

January 28 - 10:00 A.M.

Lector-----	Paulette DeGonia
Eucharistic Ministers-----	Marcy Mueller Mary AuBuchon Lou Ann Byington
Altar Servers-----	Deborah Pace Theresa Pace
Ushers-----	Tom Willette Gerald Stanley Mike Lukachick Robert Armstrong
Cross Bearer-----	John Pace

ST. ANNE SUNDAY MASS:

January 28 - 8:00 A.M.

Lector-----	Mary Lou Basler
Eucharistic Ministers-----	Delores Brawley Russell Basler
Gift Bearers-----	Randy & Joan Beck
Ushers-----	Victor Bender Ron Byington
Altar Servers-----	Clare, Patrick and Audrey McDowell
Cross Bearer-----	Audrey McDowell

Prayer Service – January 21, 2018

A Prayer Service led by Father Steve will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Berry Road after the 10:00 a.m. Mass today in recognition of the anniversary of the Roe v. Wade ruling which legalized abortion. Coffee and refreshments will be served.

Dynamic Catholic, Alive! – Repentance

The message we hear from the Gospel reading today is one that we must hear again and again: repent and believe the good news. This is the constant task of the faithful Christian, to seek to grow in virtue and root out sinfulness. The authentic witness of a disciple who has truly repented of his sins can work wonders in the cause of evangelization. We love conversion stories of the saints and people we know in our own lives today. One who has repented and has chosen to live for Christ alone provides an extraordinary example for us who want to be better evangelists. archstl.org/dynamic

Stewardship Bible Reflections

“Follow me and I will make you fishers of men.” - Mark 1:17

Jesus’ call to “Follow me” is a call to all Christians! The call is in the here and now, in our present circumstances, not when we think we are “ready” or have everything in order. Good stewardship of our God-given gifts means that things aren’t always going to go according to our schedule and that God has a much better plan in store for each of us.

Bingo

Bingo figures from January 11, 2018:
Gross Receipts: No Bingo due to Weather

St. Joseph Church Cleaning

Jan. 23: Gina and Mike Jennings
Jan. 26: Volunteers needed

Your Gift to God January 13 & 14, 2018

	St. Joseph	St. Anne
Envelopes	\$3,274.00	\$ 770.00
Loose	339.00	37.00
St. Vincent de Paul	63.00	25.00
Building Fund	170.00	5.00
Cemetery Fund	20.00	-0-
First Offering	71.00	-0-
St. Louis Review	100.00	-0-

Readings for the Week of January 21, 2018

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31/
Mk 1:14-20
Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26 [25a]/Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 [8]/Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30 [29a]/Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15
Friday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 [3]/
Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [12a]/Mk 4:35-41

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ST. ANNE CHURCH

Church Cleaning Team #3 – J. Knobbe, M. Broome

Saint Francis de Sales – January 24



Pope Benedict XVI said that those seeking "true liberty" should follow the example of a 16th-century French saint who urged the faithful to give themselves up completely to God's love. The Pope said St. Francis de Sales believed and wrote that "divine love is the reason for all things" and that his views, which were influential during his lifetime between the 16th and 17th centuries, were still relevant today. "In an era like the one we are living, that seeks liberty even with violence and trouble, we can't help but see the relevance of the words of this great master of spirituality and peace." Pope Benedict said St. Francis' total love for God inspired him to write important works, including the "Introduction to the Devout Life" and "Treatise on the Love of God," in which he stresses the "universal call to holiness."

Annual Media Mass

Come celebrate with your fellow communicators in the media world at the annual Media Mass on Wednesday, January 24, 2018 - 12:00pm - 1:00pm at the Old Cathedral. This Mass is being celebrated on the Feast of St. Francis de Sales—the patron saint of writers and journalists. For all who are unable to join us, this Mass will be live-streamed.



Year 2017 in Review

You may log onto <http://archstl.org/> for an in depth review of the year 2017 in the Archdiocese of St. Louis. Newspaper articles published by the St. Louis Review and pictorial accounts highlight the people, places, and events from the past year.

Annual Memorial Mass and Prayer Vigil Saturday, January 27, 2018 - 10 a.m. Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis

January 22, 2018 marks 45 years since the Supreme Court decisions which legalized abortion in our country which has negatively impacted countless babies, moms, dads, and families. Please join Bishop Rivituso and the St. Louis community to pray for an end to abortion, healing, and forgiveness for those involved in abortion, and increased respect for all human life.

The offertory collection will benefit LifeLine Coalition, a group of local social service agencies whose financial and emotional support help more than 10,000 women facing crisis pregnancies annually. Mass will be followed by a peaceful and prayerful Rosary Procession to Planned Parenthood followed by Benediction at the Cathedral. For more information call the Respect Life Apostolate 314-792-7555 or prolife@archstl.org.



The Pastor's Workshop

In regards to Respect Life Sunday, here are a few words about the **Miracle of Life** that I came across which were written by Sr. Melannie Svoboda.

Life is a miracle. The fact that it even exists is a miracle.

Scientists say the chances of life, as we know it, ever occurring were highly improbable. Why? Because conditions had to be perfect for life to "happen." Take the location of our planet. Earth resides in what scientists call the "Goldilocks Zone." Earth's distance from the sun means it is neither too hot nor too cold to support liquid water, a key ingredient of life. Thus, earth's location is "just right."

Earth's orbit is also "just right." It is circular and not elliptical, thus avoiding extreme variations in temperature that would have prevented life from occurring. Earth's size facilitates life too. Its gravity is "just right" to retain an atmosphere essential for life. That all these variables – location, orbit, size, atmosphere - are "just right," is, indeed, a miracle.

There are more miracles, too. Take diversity. Earth is home to 100 million unique species of living things. 100 million! Amoebas, daisies, ladybugs, bees, salmon, wheat, oak trees, chickadees, blue herons, turtles, otters, aardvarks, dogs, cats, polar bears, elephants, whales. There seems to be no limit to our Divine Creator's imagination.

And what about human life? More miracles abound: our brains have 100 billion neurons that direct our ability to walk, talk, wonder, work, learn. We are also capable of forming relationships and, most important of all, capable of loving - not only our own family and clan but strangers, people far away, and generations yet to be born.

Another miracle: the Incarnation. Jesus, the Author of Life, became human, walking our roads, drinking our water, gazing up at our stars. Jesus taught that life was a precious gift to be nourished and shared. Thus, babies must be welcomed, and children must be cherished and educated. All individuals must be respected, relationships nurtured, injustices addressed, disagreements negotiated, the marginalized drawn in, the hungry fed, the imprisoned visited, the sick nursed, the dying accompanied with tenderness.

Yes, life is a miracle, a precious gift pouring forth from our Creator's love. And we give thanks for this miracle by reverencing life in all its splendor and beauty.