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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE:  
Saturday evening at 4:00 pm & 6:30 pm at Tiff  
Sunday morning at 8:00 am & 10:00 am  
WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE:  
8:00 am – Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri.  
8:15 am – Tuesday - Perpetual Help Devotions  
& Rosary before the 7:45 am  
CONFESSIONS: Saturday at 3:00-3:45 pm or  
by appointment.  
HOLY DAY SCHEDULE: Please check the  
Bulletin inside for Mass times.

FOOD DRIVE of non-perishable foods for the  
St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Pantry on the  
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THANK YOU!

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FEBRUARY 7, 2016  
FIFTH SUNDAY  
OF ORDINARY TIME

Good News!

February 7, 2016  
FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)  
Is 6:1–2a, 3–8 / 1 Cor 15:1–11 or 15:3–8, 11 /  
Lk 5:1–11

In her later years, my mother lived on a lake in Wisconsin, not far from our home. There, our daughters learned to swim and fish. One day, when our younger daughter was about eight, we went to the end of the pier to fish quietly. She had learned to cast her rod after a fashion and was happily doing that when I looked out to where I expected to see the bobber on her line and realized it wasn't there. Just as I started to ask about it, she gave a little yell as her line suddenly took off and she grabbed her rod to hang on. She saw the foot-long bass jump out of the water a little distance away and her eyes widened. With some help, she got the fish to the pier, where my husband netted it. The amazement of a child who had never caught more than small fish was evident, and she proudly helped clean it for the evening meal.

I can only imagine what the apostles, who were seasoned fishermen, felt that day on the Sea of Galilee, the subject of today's Gospel. Likely it was amazement at this stranger who apparently knew more about fishing than they did, but there was also a glimpse of an abundance they didn't know was possible and a sense that Jesus meant life for them. Peter drops to his knees, suddenly aware of his doubts and sins. Jesus simply tells him not to be afraid, shows him what he can do with God's help, and waits for him to follow. Let's approach the life God calls us to with the same amazement and humility.

Mary Katharine Deeley  
sundaybulletin@liguori.org

**Monday**  
FEBRUARY 8  
Weekday  
1 Kgs 8:1–7, 9–13  
Mk 6:53–56

**Tuesday**  
FEBRUARY 9  
Weekday  
1 Kgs 8:22–23, 27–30  
Mk 7:1–13

**Wednesday**  
FEBRUARY 10  
Ash Wednesday  
Jl 2:12–18  
2 Cor 5:20—6:2  
Mt 6:1–6, 16–18

**Thursday**  
FEBRUARY 11  
Thursday After  
Ash Wednesday  
Dt 30:15–20  
Lk 9:22–25

**Friday**  
FEBRUARY 12  
Friday After  
Ash Wednesday  
Is 58:1–9a  
Mt 9:14–15

**Saturday**  
FEBRUARY 13  
Saturday After  
Ash Wednesday  
Is 58:9b–14  
Lk 5:27–32

**Sunday**  
FEBRUARY 14  
First Sunday of Lent  
Dt 26:4–10  
Rom 10:8–13  
Lk 4:1–13

MISSION STATEMENT: We, the Parish Family of St. Joachim & St. Joseph, of the Archdiocese of St. Louis, are a people with a heritage of faith. Encouraged by the Tradition of Christian hospitality, caring, and love towards neighbor, we are committed to continue to support each other on our pilgrim journey to the Father. In response to God's Word, we strive through a sacramental life to bring all to a fuller understanding of God's love by praying, teaching, and by witnessing to Christ, in the service of one another.



**FEBRUARY 7, 2016 -5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time**  
**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**Monday, February 8**  
8:00 am – Donald Bequette  
**Tuesday, February 9**  
7:45 am – Rosary & Perpetual Help Devotions  
8:15 am – Rachel Coleman  
**Wednesday, February 10 – ASH WEDNESDAY**  
8:00 am – Craig Busken  
6:30 pm (TIFF) – Virgil Bone  
7:00pm – Parish Family  
**Thursday, February 11**  
8:00 am – Amelda Marie Boyer  
**Friday, February 12**  
8:00 am – Barb Gum  
7:00 pm - Lena Boyer  
**Saturday, February 13**  
4:00 pm – Parish Family  
6:30 pm (TIFF) – Fannie Sansoucie & Mandy Missey  
**Sunday, February 14**  
8:00 am – Shirley Dalton  
10:00 am – Ronnie Portell

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** March 4, 2016 (9 am- until 5:45 pm)  
**NURSING HOME:** March 4, 2016 @ Georgian Gardens @ 10 am

**LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>:**

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION:**  
4:00 pm –Mary Etta Boyer, Ken DeGonia, Volunteers Needed  
6:30 pm (Tiff) – Rae Govero & Volunteer  
8:00 am - Catherine Dickey, Glenn Bequette, Laura Busken, Barb Bequette, Volunteer Needed  
10:00 am – Charles & Laura Villmer, Dave & Vicki Johnson, Rita Kamper

**LECTORS:**  
4:00 pm – Bill Portell  
6:30 pm (TIFF) – Juanita Daugherty  
8:00 am – Mary Ann Pratt  
10:00 am – Vicki Thurmond

**OFFERTORY PROCESSION:**  
4:00 pm – Nancy Richardson Family  
6:30 pm (TIFF) – Volunteers  
8:00 am – Ed & Nancy Politte  
10:00 am – David & Monica Pratt

**SERVERS**  
4:00 pm – Volunteers Needed  
6:30 (TIFF) – Ellee & Amelia Govero  
8:00 am – Volunteers Needed  
10:00 am – Anndi McGinness, Hannah & Clara Villmer  
**CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD:** Debbie Phipps

**MUSICIANS: (4 pm)** Ken Portell & Krista Portell **(8 am)** Ron Boyer  
Family **(10 am)** Tina Courtway  
**UPCOMING MEETINGS:**  
Feb. 9 – St. Anne Sodality, 6 pm  
Feb. 9 – School Advisory Board, 6:30 pm  
Feb. 10 – KC Men’s Mtg. – 7 pm  
Feb. 16 – Finance Mtg. – 6:30 pm  
Feb. 29 – St. Vincent de Paul Mtg. – 9:00 am



**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ARE SO FAITHFUL  
IN THE SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH AND  
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<b><u>CONTRIBUTIONS FOR WEEKEND OF JAN. 30<sup>th</sup> &amp; 31<sup>st</sup>:</u></b>			
# of Contributors: St. Joachim- 90		St. Joseph-11	
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Other: \$2102.10	Other: \$		
Review: \$30.00	\$		
<b>TOTALS: \$7057.74</b>		<b>\$302.00</b>	

<b><u>SPECIAL COLLECTIONS:(Restricted Funds)</u></b>	
St. Vincent de Paul: \$25.00	\$
Bldg. Fund: \$40.00	
1 <sup>st</sup> Offering: \$5.00	\$

*February 7, 2016*

*5th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*“Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, ‘Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?’ ‘Here I am,’ I said, ‘send me!’” (Isaiah 6:8)*

*Every day – in little ways and in big ways – God asks, “Whom shall I send?” Whether it is someone to take on a new ministry or just someone to open a door for a stranger, God constantly provides doors of opportunity. The next time you hear God calling, have the courage to walk through the door and say “Here I am, Lord.”*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Lucy Scott, George Ponzar, George Pinson, Ashlynn Kamper, Margaret Kite, Baby Molli Catherine Cooley, Benny Thebeau, Dr. Ken Osia, Joyce Bouresaw, Beth McCoy, Leatha Peyton, Rose Ann Richards, Breanna Harmon, Beverly Osia, Jimmy DeClue, Kevin Thebeau, Theresa Coleman, Don Bourbon, Marsha Jones, Linda Ross, Norman & Imelda Wilson, Lyndsey Cardwell, Pat Schumer, Eli Robart, Ina Mae Boyer, Ann Schwendemann, Mary Catherine Portell, Ellen Pashia, Celeste Bone, William W. Delashmit, Marion Delashmit Watson, Matt Eaton, Jessica Gough, Paisley Tate, Ruth Ann Lambing, Blanche Thebeau, Theresa Soutors, Stephanie R., Cindy Boyer, Jeremy Winick, Cody Battreal, Anthony Ward, Mike Boyer, Rick Blasé, Steve Politte, Loretta Golden, Jiggs Thebeau, Cindy Ware, Renna Eckhoff, Jimmy Hammond, Donna Tallis, Reva Politte, Shirley Boyer, Raymond Ward, Russell Thebeau, Michael T. Boyer, Lynn Coleman, Steve Ritter, Mary Politte, Bob Hahn, Nadine Morgan, Regina Martin, Lisa Hopwood, Patricia DeGonia, Debbie Phipps, Ronda DeGonia, Alma June Boyer, Steve Boyer, Debbie Crump, Theresa Ladd, Terry Estes, Virginia Hanger, Rose Ann Richards, Doris Ann Bequette, Carl McGeorge, Debbie Eddy, Roger McMahon and all who are sick and suffering.

**LENTEN OPPORTUNITY**

This Lent, Dynamic Catholic has a great opportunity for our parish – a free email program called “Best Lent Ever@.” And guess what? The prgram is based on Matthew Kelly’s new bestseller *Rediscover Jesus* – that’s the same book you all received at Christmas time this past year!

Each day you’ll get an inspirational email wih a short video featuring Matthew Kelly and a member of the Dynamic Catholic Team. Throughout Lent, they will guide you through each of the 40 chapters in *Rediscover Jesus* and share simple ways to bring Jesus into your everyday life.

I hope you will all join me for this free program! All you have to do is sign up at **DynamicCatholic.com/Lent**

Let’s do something life-changing this Lent. Let’s take a 40-day spiritual journey to encounter Jesus – and ourselves – in a deeply person way.

Even if you have already read your book, this program might offer you a greater opportunity to *Rediscover Jesus* in your life. So give it a try and delve a little deeper!

**Seventh Annual Catholic Women for Christ Conference**

***"Know Who You Are Meant To Be"***

February 27, 2016 - Doors Open 7:45 a.m. - Morning Prayer at 8:30 a.m. - Mass 4:00 p.m.  
Registration Fee: \$45 during Jan.; \$50 after Feb. 1; Groups of 10 or more: \$35 per person  
Clergy and Religious: Fee, but registration is required.

Lunch is included with all registrations.  
Please register at “CatholicWomenforChrist.org”

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**Dynamic Catholic, Alive! – Fishers of Men and BeOne**

Discipleship and Evangelization are essential to the Christian life. As part of the Archdiocese’s BeOne vision, Fostering Missionary Discipleship has received a renewed emphasis. Within this priority, the Archdiocese’s two main initiatives are Dynamic Catholic, Alive! and Parish Missionary Disciples. How much emphasis do you put on discipleship and evangelization in your own life? For more information, please visit [beone.archstl.org](http://beone.archstl.org).

HERE COMES LENT!

“It All Comes Down to Mercy...Letting Jesus Find Us This Lent”

Believe it or not, Lent will be here in less than a month. Ash Wednesday is February 10<sup>th</sup>.. For us who are Catholic, Lent becomes something of an annual retreat in preparation for the celebration of the Lord’s Passion, Death, and Resurrection. Like New Year’s resolutions, our Lenten resolutions sometimes quickly crash and burn. Perhaps if we prepared ourselves a little more strenuously we can do better this year. Please consider the following:

\*Attend weekday Mass, if not every day, from time-to-time. Weekday Mass times are 8:00 am, Monday – Friday. Tuesday morning’s Mass is at 8:15 am, with the school children. Perpetual Help Devotions and the Rosary are at 7:45 on Tuesday mornings.

\*Our 2016 Lenten season will see us continue these services on Friday evening’s: individual Confessions at 6:30 pm; Mass at 7 pm; Stations of the Cross at 7:30 pm. Please join us and encourage your family members to come each Friday evening, especially those who have stopped celebrating with us.

\*Make prayer, fasting, abstinence, and almsgiving a part of your Lenten life. By making these things part of our Lenten life, we make ourselves part of Lent.

\*Participate in our “GOD IS RICH IN MERCY – Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation” on Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 3:45 pm. Father Dattilo and Msgr. Hanson will be available throughout the day here at St. Joachim to hear confessions.

On Ash Wednesday we will hand out the Lenten edition of “The Word Among Us” and the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl, both of which provide us with prayers and reflections to guide us on our Lenten Journey.

“In the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation, also called confession, we meet the Lord, who wants to grant forgiveness and the grace to live a renewed life in him.”

— “God’s Gift of Forgiveness: A Pastoral Exhortation on the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation”,

LENTEN OBSERVANCE AND RESOURCES—ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. LOUIS

The Blessing of Ashes should take place within the celebration of the Mass or a scheduled service consisting of at least an appointed Scripture reading and a brief homily stressing the meaning of the ashes as a symbol of penance and self-denial. Please refer to the Book of Blessing for additional information that will be of assistance to you in this matter.

In the case of genuine pastoral necessity, Archbishop Carlson has given permission for lay ministers (for example, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion) to assist the priest and deacon in the distribution of the blessed ashes.

The Blessing of the Ashes is reserved to the priest or deacon, and priests and deacons should participate in the distribution of the ashes, whenever possible. They are the primary ministers of the ritual.

**ARCHDIOCESAN LENTEN REGULATIONS**  
“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.” (John 3:16-17)

The Church has always helped us fulfill these words of Jesus by prescribing very definite penance for all Catholics, so that we too might have Eternal life. Accordingly, the Pope and the American Bishops have outlined obligatory fast and abstinence as follows:

Ash Wednesday (February 10, 2016) and Good Friday (March 25, 2016) are days of abstinence for all Catholics over the age of 14. On these two days, fast, as well as abstinence, is also obligatory for those from the ages of 18-59. Abstinence means refraining from meat. Fast means one full meal a day, with two smaller meals and nothing between meals (liquids are permitted). No Catholic will lightly excuse himself or herself from this obligation. All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence from meat. Here again Catholics will not hold themselves lightly excused, but if there is a serious health problem, this obligation would not apply.

We should strive to make all days of Lent a time of prayer and penance. Following are several resources that can aid in finding different forms of prayer and penance.

ARCHDIOCESAN LENTEN RESOURCES

There are many excellent resources and events for the Season of Lent you might wish to use or share with your parishioners. Especially, this year during the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy, the Archdiocese of St. Louis has several unique opportunities for the faithful:

☐ Reconciliation Weekend Friday, March 4th and Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup> - <http://archstl.org/confession>

☐ Archbishop Carlson’s Lenten Day of Recollection at Cathedral Basilica on Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup>

☐ Attend one of the Year of Mercy Events or visit one of the Year of Mercy Pilgrimage Site - <http://archstl.org/mercy>.

Following are also a list of some resources available for Lent this year:

☐ Living the Eucharist Lenten program: <http://www.livingtheeucharist.org/>.

☐ Best Lent Ever daily reflections from Dynamic Catholic: <http://dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentevery/#signup>

☐ USCCB <http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year/lent/prayer-resources-for-lent.cfm>

We do not always know the impact our prayer may have for our family, friends, or others. In light of the recent flooding and burning of churches, I would like to encourage all in the Archdiocese of St. Louis to devote some fasting and prayer this Lent as a call to peace. Lent is a Season of reflection, penance, fasting, and service. May the Lord strengthen you as you continue to share this message with your parishioners. Be assured of my prayers for both you and the people in your parish throughout this Lenten Season and the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy.



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News from St. Joachim School

Mission Statement  
The mission of St. Joachim Catholic School is to assist the parents and parish community in the shared responsibility of providing an excellent religious and academic education that is Alive in Christ for the children of Washington County.

**FROM THE DESK OF MRS. LITTON:**  
**Thank you** to all those who came out last Saturday and supported our Chili Supper and Euchre Tournament! We had a wonderful turnout.

We are gearing up for the annual **School Auction and Dinner to be held on March 5, 2016.** So put this date on your calendar! We have always had such wonderful support from our parish family and know that you will continue to do your best! Our school could not exist without your support!

St. Joachim students are collecting new items to be used for Easter baskets that will be sold at the school's Auction on March 5. Donations can be dropped off at the rectory or the school. Items requested are: arts and crafts items, dolls, cars or trucks, Legos or building blocks, candy, Easter grass and eggs, Easter baskets, other items to be used in children's Easter baskets.

Please keep our staff and children in your prayers as we begin this Lenten Season.

**SUNDAY BEFORE ASH WEDNESDAY  
HUNGERING FOR THE JOURNEY**

Join our parish community—and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a life-changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family’s rice bowl from St. Joachim Church on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> at the 8:00 am or 7:00 pm Mass or at the weekend Masses of Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> and don’t forget to download the CRS Rice Bowl app! Remember, what you give up for Lent changes lives.

**Benefit Bingo** on Saturday, Feb. 20, 2016  
**To Benefit St. Stephen’s Church** at Richwoods, Mo. Doors will open at 11 am, Bingo starts at 12 noon. Bingo will be for Prizes as well as cash games. All proceeds will be used to renovate the Church and restore statues that were damaged by vandalism in December of 2015. Donations greatly appreciated!

Religious Education News  
Serve Him with Joy and Gladness

*Encountering Christ Every Day*

**Announcing:** An adult Confirmation course began on Sunday, January 31st at 5 p.m. in the Incarnate Word Center. It seems there are quite a number of adults who have not received the sacrament of Confirmation for one reason or another. If you are one of those persons, come join us. *Confirmation is going to change Your Life in wonderful ways. Start taking your spiritual life seriously.*

**Infant Baptism Meeting for Parents and Godparents** on February 29 at 6:30 p.m. in the Incarnate Word Center. All must be in attendance. Godparents must be 16 years of age and may not be the parents of the child. One godparent must be a practicing Catholic; the other would act as a sponsor. The practicing Catholic must be in full communion with the Church and have no marriage impediments.

**RCIA.** If interested in becoming Catholic, being fully received into Catholic Church, receiving sacrament of Confirmation call Joyce Politte, 573-438-3213 or 636-328-1343. Period of Inquiry and Catechumenate are in session. Come and See.

RCIA candidates and catechumens are celebrating the Rite of Sending this weekend at the 10 a.m. Mass. Next Saturday, February 13, they will celebrate the Rite of Election at the St. Louis Cathedral at 1:30 p.m. Candidates, catechumens, sponsors, and families will meet at the St. Joachim parking lot at 11 a.m.

Mark your calendar. A Parish Mission with Redemptorist, Father Pete Chavitz, is scheduled for September 24-28, 2016. A Mission Team is being formed to meet with Fr. Chavitz in late winter. If you would like to be a part of the team, contact Joyce Politte at 636-328-1343. Coordinators for the following Committees are needed: Transportation, Child Care, Promotion, Phone Calling, Morning Refreshments, Evening Refreshments, and Liturgy and Music. In addition, Father Chavitz wants to meet with the Youth Leader, Pastor, School Principal, DRE, Parish Council Rep, and other interested parishioners. Date is to be announced.

Thank you to Don Boyer (Music coordinator), Carolyn Politte (Parish Council Rep), Monica Pratt (Morning refreshments), Monica Pashia (Liturgy) who have volunteered to be on the planning committee.

**Next Life in the Spirit Monthly Prayer Meeting** is February 21 at 5 p.m., in the Incarnate Word Center (old convent).

At Mass do you ask “*What can I get out of this?*” or do you ask God, “*What can I give you in this?*”



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS:**

**CHICKEN & BEEF DINNERS** – February 7, 2016. Serving is from 10:30 am to 2:00 pm (unless they run out!) Your support is very much appreciated! Desserts & Workers are always needed. Please help if you can!

**LENTEN FISH FRYs:** Our Lenten Fish Fry’s will begin on Friday, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>, serving from 3:00-6:00 pm. Other scheduled dates are Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>, March 11<sup>th</sup>, & 25<sup>th</sup>. Your support is greatly appreciated!

**Fish Fry’s at St. James, Potosi,** will be Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>, March 4<sup>th</sup>, & 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Thank You!** “The Knights would like to thank everyone who participated in and supported the fundraising efforts of the “*Knights for Neighbors*” program during the Christmas Holidays, especially all those who donated cakes , pies and cookies to the bake sale!”

**THIS WEEK’S READINGS:**

All three readings today relate stories of a call issued by God, and of a hesitant response born of a sense of unworthiness. Yet each of them—Isaiah, Paul, the first disciples—was reassured and ultimately accepted their mission. We too can feel unworthy to follow Jesus at times. As we hear these readings proclaimed today, let us listen for the reassurance that we need in order to accept the call that we have been given.

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**

Whom, in my life, can I identify as someone “outside” who might long to be gathered tenderly into God’s compassionate care and welcomed into the community’s loving embrace? Might this be a fitting Lenten “project” for me as a “missionary of mercy?”

**NEXT WEEKEND,** February 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>, we will have a special **Anointing of the Sick** at all the Masses. If you are sick or you know someone who is sick, please come to one of the Masses to receive this special blessing.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION ON ASH WEDNESDAY FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE CHURCHES IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE. ENVELOPES ARE ATTACHED TO THIS WEEK’S BULLETIN. YOUR SUPPORT IS GREATLY APPRECIATED!**

**OPEN HOUSE – February 21, 2016**

Please join us at the Open House for our newly renovated ***Incarnate Word Center*** on Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup> following the 10:00 am Mass.

The building was built in the late sixties and at one time, housed 10 Incarnate Word Nuns who taught in our school. The upstairs consisted of 10 small bedrooms and a large communal bathroom. The downstairs contained a large dining and living area, kitchen, laundry room, office and chapel. After the last teaching nun left our school the two floors were remodeled into two separate rental apartments. Sometime after 2005 it was decided to no longer rent the upstairs but to use the space for meeting rooms. Presently there is the DRE office, Children’s Liturgy of the Word room, Prayer Blanket Ministry Room, RCIA meeting room and Norbut’s Tax Office. The downstairs sat empty for several years and was in danger of becoming a “storage area” when it was decided to renovate and use it for a rental area for wedding & baby showers, small anniversary dinners, small funeral dinners and such. Thanks to the efforts of Mrs. Carmen Litton, through donated labor and numerous monetary donations from parishioners and friends, the project was completed. There is still some minor work to be done.

Our next area of need for the newly renovated rental hall is to stock the kitchen with household items. A new stove was donated and a very nice, used refrigerator was donated. We also received a donation of a microwave. If anyone would like to donate any of the following items it would be greatly appreciated! We have a coffee maker and a large cup coffee pot has been donated. Other items needed are serving utensils, large spoons, spatulas, etc.; potholders, dish towels and dish clothes; dawn detergent; a chrome paper towel holder; dish drainer; 2 large dispensers with spigot for tea & lemonade; silverware tray for the drawer; punch bowl; 2 large trash cans. If there are any other items you can think of for the kitchen please feel free to donate!



St. Joachim & St. Joseph Church  
Birthday Report for February

Faye Merseal February 1  
Joe Politte February 2  
Jeff Boyer February 5  
Rae Govero February 5  
Ken Portell February 6  
Betty Coleman February 8  
Terry Estes February 8  
Charles Portell February 8  
Glen Boyer February 9  
Jessica Brown February 9  
David Gann February 9  
Denny Dalton February 10  
Cynthia Thebeau February 11  
Lindsey Boyer February 12  
Barbara Dickerson February 12  
Barbara Politte February 12  
Mike Thurmond February 12  
Robert Luna February 13  
Patrick Hahn February 15  
Clayton Engelage February 16  
Jeffrey Yates February 16  
Ted Pieper February 17  
Carolyn Politte February 17  
Diane Riddle February 18  
Ronald Boyer February 19  
Donald Boyer February 19  
Amiee Allen February 20  
Daniel Luther February 20  
Jeff Luther February 21  
Sandi Coffman February 22  
Martha Aubuchon February 23  
Arthur Boyer February 25  
Kennedy Luna February 25  
Geraldine Skiles February 25  
Regina Hall February 26  
Taylen Portell February 26  
Theresa Ladd February 28

**Anniversary**

Gary & Kathleen Boyer February 2 (28)  
Jackson & Bridget Porter February 3 (9)  
Reuben & Jayne Lawson February 15 (47)  
Gordon & Janice Litton February 15(25)  
Jerry & Agnes Courtway February 27 (56)

*On your Anniversary, May God bless you and grant you joy. May He deepen your love for each other. May He bless you + in your family and friends, and lead you to unending happiness in Heaven. May Almighty God, Father, Son, + and Holy Spirit, Bless us all, and keep us in His love forever and ever. Amen*

*God Our Father,  
The birth of your Son  
Jesus Christ brought  
great joy to Mary and  
Joseph. We give  
thanks to you for  
those whose birthday  
we celebrate this  
month. May he/she  
ever grow in your  
faith, hope and love.  
We ask this in the  
name of our Lord  
Jesus Christ. Amen.*

**The answer when teens ask, “Why do I have to go to Mass?”**

Teens today are surrounded by distractions: music fills their ear buds, while tweets and posts are constantly checked and updated. They have been conditioned to fill any void or silent moment with noise and stimulation. So instilling an appreciation and enthusiasm for the Mass can be a challenge.

**Altaration:** The Mystery of the Mass Revealed is a new five-part study on the Mass for teens that features powerful cinematography, inspiring presenters, and engaging workbook resources. **Altaration** uses humor, stories, and small group discussion to capture your teen’s attention and instill in them a deep and lasting love for the Mass.

Join us for **Altaration** at St. Joachim Catholic Church in the Immaculate Conception Center (upper floor of the Convent, RCIA Room) beginning Sunday, February 21, 2016 at 4:00pm and continuing every Sunday. For more information or to register for the study, call Mrs. Vicki Thurmond at 573-438-6181 or 573-854-1257 or email parish345@archstl.org. **\*\*Open to 7th-12th grade students\*\***

**Steubenville STL Mid-America** is a high-energy youth conference where thousands of teens are invited to encounter Jesus Christ through dynamic speakers, engaging music, the Sacraments, small group discussions, and fellowship with other teens. Our conference is an outreach of Franciscan University in partnership with the St. Louis Archdiocesan Office of Youth Ministry. Two conferences are held every year in July and take place on the campus of Missouri State University in Springfield, MO. **\*\*Our parish will be attending the weekend of July 8-10th.** Please notify Mrs. Vicki Thurmond as soon as possible if you are interested in attending. Registration opens on February 8th. There are limited spaces available and its first come, first served!

**Project Life Returns June 12-17, 2016**

Project Life gathers teens from various backgrounds to be transformed by the Gospel call to love one another through service to those in need. Throughout the course of the week, teens (aka "Feet Washers") come to know and recognize Jesus Christ in themselves and in the people they serve. Through spiritual programming, great music, hard work, and good times Project Life has become an awesome event that allows Christ to speak and work through them in ways they would never have imagined!

**\*\*Attendance at this event is entirely dependent on if we have enough chaperones/students willing to attend. This is a physically demanding trip but a very rewarding & life-changing experience! If there are any adults willing to head up this retreat week, I will be glad to do all the “paperwork” involved! However, I cannot physically go on this trip. Vicki Thurmond**