

217 North Sixth Street, Conway Springs 620-456-2276

February 25, 2018 2nd Sunday of Lent

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.
Saturday: 5:30 p.m.
Weekdays: 8:05 a.m. (Tues. thru Fri.)
Holy Day vigil 7:00 p.m.,
Holy Day 7:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

MARRIAGES

In order for weddings to take place here at St. Joseph, either the bride or groom must be registered in the parish for a minimum of six months before preparations for marriage will begin. In addition, the bride or groom registered in the parish is expected to be actively participating in the life of the Church by living the Stewardship Way of Life. Please contact Father for additional information.

REGISTRATIONS

New parishioners, please contact the Parish Office for a Registration form. Forms may be returned via the collection basket, mail or delivered to the Parish office.

ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT Exposition takes place after Wednesday Mass. Adoration ends before Thursday Mass. Two persons are needed in prayer before Our Lord at all times.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday afternoon from 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Wednesday & Friday 7:45—8:00a.m.
(or by appointment)

BAPTISMS

By appointment and usually after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Parents who plan to have their child baptized are required to be registered and practicing their Catholic faith. The Baptism Information Form must be returned to the Parish Office prior to the scheduled baptism. Please call the Parish Office at (620) 456-2276 with any questions.

PARISH PRAYER LINE

If you would like to sign up for this ministry or if you have a prayer request, call Eileen Harrington at (620) 456-3225 or 456-3283 or Bes Becker at (620) 456-2849

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Enrollment in our parish school is without tuition for registered families who live their Catholic Faith by following the Commandments publicly, and by observing the Precepts of the Church, including the practice of stewardship through sacrificial giving of time, talent and treasure.

Phone Numbers & Email Addresses

Rectory/Office (620) 456-2276
Church Fax (620) 456-3317
School (620) 456-2270
Hall (620) 456-2271
School Fax (620) 456-2272
Parish website www.stjoeecs.org

Church email sjcs@juno.com
Pastor frsmeltzer@stjoeecs.org
Principal email arnold@stjoeecs.org
Altar Society Peggy Winter (620-584-6605)
K of C Phillip Lange (316-644-5683)
P T O Danny Pauly (620-456-3514)

Prayer Before Mass

Come, Holy Spirit, quiet my heart and my head, as I gather with my family, friends and neighbors to celebrate Mass. Quiet the thoughts and distractions that will keep me from worship. Open my mouth in prayer and song. Open my ears to hear God's Word. Open my eyes to the mystery of the Eucharist. Open my heart to receive Jesus with Love. May I go forth strengthened to take the Mass into my life this week. Amen.

For the Second Sunday of Lent we read of how God tested Abraham's faith. In the gospel we witness how Jesus showed his disciples his glory, to prepare them for what is to come. A voice from a cloud said, "This is my Son, my beloved. Listen to him." All we need to do for the journey ahead is to listen to him.

The second week begins with Jesus telling us: "Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful... For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you." All week we will be taught by Jesus about the simple lessons of being his followers. "Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted." Jesus predicts his passion again. Again, they misunderstand, and so he says, "whoever wishes to be great among you shall be your servant." Jesus tells the Pharisees a parable about a poor man and a rich man. The rich man asks Abraham to warn his brothers about the consequences of this behavior. Abraham answers: "If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead." Then Jesus tells the scribes and religious leaders the parable about the farmer whose servants were abused by his tenants. Finally, they killed his own son. Jesus concludes, "the Kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit." While tax collectors and sinners are being drawn to Jesus the Pharisees complain, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." So Jesus tells them the wonderful parable of the Prodigal Son.

"Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer" on the Creighton University's *Online Ministries* web site: <http://www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html>
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Mass Intentions

Saturday, Feb 24	Lord's Day Vigil	5:30 pm	+ Doris Dick by Albert & Evelyn Osner
Sunday, Feb 25	2nd Sunday of Lent	8:00 am	People of the Parish
		10:30 am	K of C
Monday, Feb 26		8:05 am	No Mass
Tuesday, Feb 27		8:05 am	No Mass
Wednesday, Feb 28		8:05 am	+ Norbert & Mary Hageman by Virginia Heimerman
Thursday, Mar 1		8:05 am	+ Nick Kerschen
Friday, Mar 2		6:00 pm	+ Phyllis Crowell by Jim Crowell
Saturday, Mar 3	Lord's Day Vigil	5:30 pm	+ Jack & Dolores Ebenkamp by grandkids
Sunday, Mar 4	3rd Sunday of Lent	8:00 am	+ Audra Bengé by Terry & Carol Bengé
		10:30 am	People of the Parish

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUN	Feb 25	Birthline Bingo at 7:00 pm
FRI	Mar 2	Stations & Mass at 6:00, soup supper
SUN	Mar 4	Birthline Bingo at 7:00 pm
MON	Mar 5	Altar Society Meeting Get Acquainted Potluck at 6:30 pm
FRI	Mar 9	Stations & Mass at 6:00, soup supper

Altar Society:

Circle 1—Next funeral

Circle 2—Rosary before Mass for February

Circle 1 has next funeral.

- Altar Society Get Acquainted Potluck and Quilt Showing Monday, March 5 at 6:30 pm.
- Church cleaning is March 10 at 9:00 am
- Quilt Bingo is March 25.

Quilting: A quilt for the Marian Mantle Group will be at Old Town on Tuesday, February 27 and Wednesday, February 28. Lunch will be served.

Fridays during Lent: Stations and Mass will be at 6:00 p.m. Soup Supper to follow. There is a sign up sheet in the entrance of church. Thank you.

Pop tabs for Ronald McDonald house can be turned in to the school office or left at the back of church. These pop tabs will be given to help cover the operating costs for the Ronald McDonald house. Thank you for your stewardship with this project.

Our Gifts To God

	last week	<u>7/1/17 to date</u>
Received	\$15,602.93	\$416,594.96
Budgeted	\$14,400.00	\$489,600.00
Over/(Under)	\$1,202.93	(\$73,005.04)

The 5th and 6th grade students at St. Joseph School will perform “The Living Passion” on the following dates:

March 2—Danville—7:30 pm

March 9—St. Joseph Church—8:05 am & 6 pm

All churches and community members are invited to attend.

This very moving experience will take you in Christ’s steps through his suffering and death on the cross. It is a very fitting time of reflection during this Lenten season as we prepare for the Resurrection.

The students invite you to attend “The Living Passion”.

The KofC would like to thank the parish for supporting our Chili Cookoff and latest breakfast. We had 9 chili contestants, and many chili eaters. In the end Allen Lange, Kent Gerber, and Mike Gibbs finished in 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place, respectfully. This event raised \$550 for the Kansas Ultrasound Program! Our last breakfast raised \$450, which will go to our school. Thank you to all of the Knights that helped make both events a success.

For the month of February, the KofC Knight of the Month is Allen Lange. The Family of the Month is the Clint & Jamie Lange family. If you know of a Knight or Family of the Month that deserves recognition please email nominations to kofc2987@gmail.com.

Liturgy assignments for March 3 & 4

Time	Servers	Reader	Music Ministers	EM of Holy Communion	Offetory
5:30 p.m.	Katelyn Koester Caitlyn May Kara Zoglmann	Robin Luckner	Sarah Mercer	H-N Koester C-M Ebenkamp C-T Ternes	Matt & Sue Neises
8:00 a.m.	Hayden Dalbom Owen Friess Kendall Heimerman	Pamela Lange	Phillip Lange	H-L Palsmeier C-D Stuhlsatz C-T Palsmeier	Rob & Paula Heimerman
10:30 a.m.	Cooper Shobe Anthony Reep Zane Zoglmann	Michelle Leddy	Karen Struble	H-J Pauly C-V Struble C-M Becker	Clint & Jamie Lange

Marian Mantle Group: For the return of our children to the practice of the Catholic Faith will meet Wednesdays at 5:00 pm. Praying the Rosary, Parents' Litany and the Way of the Cross.

Please Pray For: the sick and homebound, and those in harm's way. Especially Alex Grimm serving in South Korea.

The Universal Living Rosary is in need of rosaries for a priest in China. Mail to: Universal Living Rosary, PO Box 1303, Dickinson, TX 77539 or put in the back of church. Peace in Christ.

Mission Mart—There is a green tub in the entrance of church to drop off non-perishable items for our local mission mart. If you are in need of assistance, at any time, for food or to help pay utility bills, you can contact Pastor Bryce Hensen, or Lori Zoglmann @ the United Methodist Church 620-456-2300. Their office is open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, from 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm. Any other time you may leave a message and they will get back with you..

**Stewarding our Gifts:
Who Are You Following**

“God put Abraham to the test.” And what a test it was! Sometimes we might think that our gifts of time or treasure are more than we can afford to give. Most of us, however, are not making the kind of sacrifice Abraham was willing to make. He was about to take the greatest gift God had given him—the son he and Sarah had pleaded for—and offer him back to God. Abraham proved that his love for God was greater than anything, even his love for his only son! We might not be asked to sacrifice our child, but we are asked by God to entrust our children to Him. To let go of anxiety or control, and allow God to provide for our children. Everything we have comes from God, and must be offered back to Him with a grateful heart, and we trust that God will provide, even for our children.

School News

UPCOMING DATES

- FRI. MAR. 2-Living Passion performed in Danville at 7:30
- WED. MAR. 7-Family Reading Night and Book Fair
- FRI. MAR. 9-Living Passion performed here at 8:05 am and 6:00 pm
- SUN. MAR. 10 and 11-Book Fair open after weekend Masses
- FRI. MAR. 16-Kindergarten Screening
- MAR. 19-23 Spring Break

Letters to prospective Kindergarten parents were mailed out last week. If you did not receive an information packet this week and have a child who will be 5 by Aug. 31, (or if you know of a family that we should reach out to) please contact Mrs. Whitney in our school office at 620-456-2270. We would love to have you at our school this fall!



We joyfully welcomed
(name) into the parish
family of
St. Joseph
Baptized date
Son daughter
of



St. Joseph Parish joyfully
celebrated the marriage
of

John Henry & Mary Anne Smith

Celebrated May 27, 2017