

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

September 3, 2017
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.
Saturday: 5:30 p.m.
Weekdays: 8:10 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 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 aseiler@sutv.com
Principal email arnold@stjoeecs.org
Altar Society Cathy Osner (620-456-2316)
K of C Phillip Lange (316-644-5683)
P T O Brian Beck (620-456-2132)

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.

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"You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." Peter had expressed horror at the prophetic words announcing that Jesus' suffering and death were imminent. Peter didn't want his friend and teacher to undergo this terrible ordeal. But Jesus sharply rebuked Peter's response, comparing it to that of the tempter, Satan. Just as temptation becomes an obstacle to our doing what is right, so Peter was presenting an obstacle to Christ's mission. Suffering was part of it, like it or not. To deny this difficult element of Christ's work would be to deny the bigger plan of God. And so Jesus rightly told Peter that he wasn't thinking like God thinks.

Of course, since we are human, it's only natural that we should think as human beings do. We, like Peter, tend to recoil at the idea of facing unpleasant or painful circumstances. But clearly God sometimes allows such situations to take place for a greater good. Jesus understood this; even as he prophesied about his death, he also mentioned his resurrection.

Today's Gospel challenges us to think *"as God does"* by holding both of these elements together. Unlike Peter who only focused on the sad part of the story, we are called to recognize the Resurrection on the other side of the cross, and to be willing to do whatever is necessary to get there. In fact, Jesus tells us later in this Gospel to take up our cross and follow him. That is not the *"human"* way of thinking. It's the Godly way. Our natural response is to reject and scorn the trials and tribulations that we face, but Jesus wants us to embrace them patiently and *"come after"* him on the road to eternal life.

Our Gifts To God

	last week	7/1/17 to date
Received	\$11,013.52	\$129,309.95
Budgeted	\$14,400.00	\$129,600.00
Over/(Under)	(\$3,386.48)	(\$290.05)

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Sept 2	Lord's Day Vigil	5:30 pm + Angie Ahne by Virginia Nicolet
Sunday, Sept 3	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:00 am People of the Parish by Father Seiler
		10:30 am Thanksgiving for the Katherine Drexel Fund
Monday, Sept 4		8:10 am No Mass
Tuesday, Sept 5		8:10 am + Presley Bartonek & family by Dave & Nancy Young
Wednesday, Sept 6		8:10 am + Gene Martin by Elaine Martin
Thursday, Sept 7		8:10 am Rain
Friday, Sept 8	Nativity of the BVM	8:10 am + Everett Hartman by Bernard & Barbara Kraus
Saturday, Sept 9	Lord's Day Vigil	5:30 pm + Richard Meyer
Sunday, Sept 10	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:00 am + Virginia Winter by Jim & Sandra Ast
		10:30 am People of the Parish by Father Seiler

UPCOMING EVENT

SUN	Sept 17	Parish Picnic
TUE & WED	Sept 19 & 20	Rummage Sale
SUN	Oct 1	Life Chain Sunday

Parish Picnic—Sunday, September 17

Activities begin at 3

Dinner at 5

K of C: Thank you to all of the brother Knights, and young men, that helped with the breakfast last Sunday. We would also like to offer a special thank you to the parishioners and community members that enjoyed the delicious food. We depend upon you for our success, and your support is truly appreciated!

Religious education tickets are now available through the K of C. They are \$100/ea and there are 10 tickets available. To purchase a ticket, contact Tony Ternes at 316-259-1642. The purpose of the K of C Religious Education program is to provide money to parishes for their Catholic education programs. Each ticket is entered into a drawing, which takes place mid-December. Get yours today for a chance to win the Grand Prize of \$25,000.

PSR: Wednesday evening PSR for 7th–12 grade will begin on Sept. 6 with Mass at 7 pm and class until 8:30 pm.

Sunday morning class for K–6 will begin Sept 10 from 9:15–10:15 am.

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

Today’s Gospel reading points to the extreme challenge all stewards face: “Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.” It is easy for us to say that we want to follow Christ, but doing so requires great fortitude. In the first reading, Jeremiah laments at being “duped” by the LORD; he feels like he was tricked into the role of prophet, a job he never wanted. Yet at the end of his rant, even he has to admit that he literally cannot have it any other way. He knows in his heart that he must offer his life to the LORD. The Holy Spirit has given each of us similar fortitude, that we can confidently choose to deny ourselves and take up our crosses, following Jesus wherever he leads us.

Parish Directory Portraits Sept. 7–11.

Parish Directory portraits sign up still available online at www.stjoecs.org. If you are unable to keep your appointment time please cancel prior to picture day. Remember to bring nonperishable food item to your appointment for the local food bank and receive a \$5 discount.

Quilting: Patty Ebenkamp, Melissa Doffing & Donna Devlin’s quilt group will be quilting at Old Town Tuesday, Sept 12 and Wednesday, Sept. 13. Lunch will be served.

Liturgy assignments for September 9 & 10

Time	Servers	Commentator/Reader	Music Ministers	EM of Holy Communion	Offetory
5:30 p.m.	J Berntsen N Berntsen Kara Zoglmann	C-Nancy Koester R-T Ternes	Marc Robinson	H-G Ebenkamp C-T Zoglmann C-B Zoglmann	Tim & Gay Pauly
8:00 a.m.	Jan Stuhlsatz Faith Stuhlsatz Emma Zoglmann	C-Lori Gerber R-Jim Schmitz	Jim Brozovich	H-H Ohl C-H Ohl C-D Seiwert	Aaron & Liz Hemberger
10:30 a.m.	Kiersten Whitney Reghan Ohl Caitlyn May	C-Beth Crick R-Gala Mies	Jessie Gerlach	H-P Winter C-T Gerber C-R Hartman	Clint & Jamie Lange

Virtus training Sunday, September 24 at St. Joseph. Anyone wishing to serve St. Joseph students in any way must have this training before they can volunteer. You may RSVP to Paula at 456-3470 or text your name to 620-440-1626. Walk ins are welcome.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: the sick and homebound, and those in harm's way. Especially Alex Grimm serving in South Korea. Please call the office to add to the prayer list.

Prayer Intentions of Pope Francis:

Parishes.

That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen.

Readings for the week of September 3, 2017

Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2-6, 8-9/Rom 12:1-2/
Mt 16:21-27
Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13/
Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4,
13-14/Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10-11/
Lk 4:38-44
Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-6/
Lk 5:1-11
Friday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/
Ps 13:6/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23
Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8/Lk 6:1-5



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

School News

Upcoming Events

- Sept 4 No School
- Sept. 8 Mary's Birthday-Rosary and Cupcakes at 2:45
- Sept. 10 Open House

School Newsletter

We want to continue keeping the parish up to date about our school, but we worry that printing copies of the school newsletter for every bulletin is not being good stewards of the parish's gifts. Starting next week, we will no longer print copies for every single bulletin, but parishioners can still see the bulletin in three different ways.

1. We will have extra copies of the newsletter available at the back of the church, so that those interested can pick on up.
2. Each week we will post the newsletter on our website-stjoeecs.org.
3. We will email the newsletter directly to you! If you would like us to do this, simply send a quick email to blake@stjoeecs.org with the subject line Newsletter Email
4. This will help us save A LOT of paper! Thank you!

Updated Website

Next weekend, we will be launching our new and improved parish website. Solutio, a local Catholic website company, has redesigned our website at no cost to our parish. We will have laptops at the Open House to showcase the website and our teachers and aides will be happy to assist anyone who wants to learn how to check out the bulletin or newsletter online!

75th Anniversary

As part of our festivities at our Parish Picnic, we would like to recognize the family that has had the longest streak at St. Joseph Catholic School! I have visited with a family that has had students here nonstop for 64 of our 75 years? Can anyone top that?



We joyfully welcomed
the following child in-
to the parish family of
St. Joseph

name
Baptized May 21, 2017
Son of
John and Mary Smith



St. Joseph Parish joyfully
celebrated the marriage
of

John Henry & Mary Anne Smith

Celebrated May 27, 2017