

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

**December 31, 2017**

## **The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph**

### **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](http://www.stjoeecs.org)

Church email [sjcs@juno.com](mailto:sjcs@juno.com)  
Pastor [aseiler@sutv.com](mailto:aseiler@sutv.com)  
Principal email [arnold@stjoeecs.org](mailto: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.

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

Today, as we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family, we should consider the role of stewardship within our own families. Do we receive one another with love and gratitude? Do we recognize each other's gifts? Do we care properly for one another? As followers of Jesus Christ, we should be doing these things within our immediate families, within our social families, and within our parish families. As we are all brothers and sisters in Christ, no one is exempt from being treated with love and dignity! In a world where the idea of family is rapidly breaking down, let us follow the example of the Christ child in showing love and respect to the members of our various families.

#### St. Jude's Ranch for Children Recycled Cards:

Please save all greeting card fronts and place in back of church for the children at St. Jude's Ranch in Nevada. The children use the cards to recycle into new cards and earn some spending money for their efforts. Thank you!

#### Our Gifts To God

	last week	<u>7/1/17 to date</u>
<b>Received</b>	<b>\$21,193.35</b>	<b>\$334,009.69</b>
<b>Budgeted</b>	<b>\$14,400.00</b>	<b>\$374,400.00</b>
<b>Over/(Under)</b>	<b>\$6,793.35</b>	<b>(\$40,390.31)</b>

### Mass Intentions

Saturday, Dec 30	Lord's Day Vigil	5:30 pm + Ryan Hamilton by Bill & Jodi Hamilton
Sunday, Dec 31	Holy Family of JMJ	8:00 am + Bud Dugan by Jesse & Sarah Mercer 10:30 am People of the Parish
Monday, Jan 1	Solemnity of Mary	8:00 am + Gene Martin by Shirley Simon
Tuesday, Jan 2	St. Basil the Great	8:00 am + Jerry Davis by family
Wednesday, Jan 3	Most Holy Name of Jesus	8:00 am + Catherine Roos by family & friends
Thursday, Jan 4	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton	8:00 am + Leo Benoit
Friday, Jan 5	St. John Neumann	8:00 am + Jack & Dolores Ebenkamp by grandkids
Saturday, Jan 6	Lord's Day Vigil	5:30 pm + Kirk Koester by Nancy Koester
Sunday, Jan 7	4th Sunday of Advent	8:00 am + Bill Davis by Jim & Marcia Stuhlsatz 10:30 am People of the Parish

### UPCOMING EVENTS

TUES	Jan 2	Altar Society Meeting at 7:30 pm
SAT	Jan 20	Knights of Columbus Chili Cookoff at 6:30 pm
SUN	Jan 21	Father Son Breakfast after 10:30 Mass

**Altar Society:**

Altar Society meeting Jan 2 at 7:30 pm officers in charge of refreshments. Instillation of new officers. Father Son Breakfast Jan 21 after 10:30 Mass.

Circle 2.

Rest Home Birthdays. Circle 2

Next Funeral is Circle 1

Rosary (4th weekend of the month, Sat. @ 5:30 and Sun. @ 10:30) Circle 1

Instead of dropping the money for candles in the drop box on the stand please use the envelopes provided and place in the collection baskets.

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**Knights of Columbus:**

The K of C will be holding a chili cookoff in the parish gym on January 20, beginning at 6:30 pm. Please call Allen Lange at 620-640-4225 or Darrin Seiwert at 316-308-7132 to register your entry. All are invited.

**Free Throw Championship:**

This is open to all boys and girls ages 9–14. This will be held on January 14 at CS Middle School Gym. Gym opens at noon, shooting starts at 1 pm. You will need proof of age. Birth Certificate or a copy. Bill Roth at 620-456-2894.

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**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** the sick and homebound, and those in harm’s way. Especially Alex Grimm serving in South Korea.

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**Marian 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.

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**Prayer Intentions of Pope Francis:**

The Elderly

That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.

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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..

**Liturgy assignments for January 6 & 7**

Time	Servers	Commentator/ Reader	Music Ministers	EM of Holy Com- munion	Offetory
5:30 p.m.	Katelyn Koester Haylee Osner Kara Zoglmann	R-Susie Steffen	Sarah Mercer	H-N Koester C-M Ebenkamp C-T Ternes	Derek & Megan Zoglmann
8:00 a.m.	Jan Stuhlsatz Faith Stuhlsatz Janel Meyer	R-Marcia Stuhlsatz	Paul Lange	H-L Palsmeier C-D Stuhlsatz C-T Palsmeier	Jason & Beth Carl
10:30 a.m.	Isabella Linn Reghan Ohl Caitlyn May	R-Keith Leddy	Karen Struble	H-J Pauly C-V Struble C-M Becker	Matt & Jane Berntsen

### School News

#### **Upcoming Events**

Dec 21–Jan 2: Christmas Break

Wed. Jan. 3—Reading Extravaganza 12:30-3:30

Mon. Jan 8—PTO Meeting and Parent University—all parishioners are invited to hear Sr. Maria Jacinta, IHM speak at 7:30

Mon. Jan 15—No School Teacher Retreat

Sat. Jan 20—First Reconciliation for 2nd graders

Sat. Jan 27—Carnival

Parent University: On Jan. 8, our topic will be “Building a Stronger School.” We all want our school to grow and thrive for generations to come. How do we help to make that happen? Just as the building is only as strong as its bricks, our school is only as strong as the individual families. Sr. Maria Jacinta, IHM, will offer practical suggestions for how you can grow in your faith and share Gods love with your children. All parishioners are invited to hear her speak at 7:30 in the cafeteria.



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