

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

February 11, 2018

6th 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 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 aseiler@sutv.com
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.

The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time offers a dramatic look at leprosy. The first reading from Leviticus has clear instructions: A leper has to live away from the community, cover his head and call out, "Unclean, unclean!" as people go near him. It emphasizes even more what it means that Jesus speaks with and touches someone who was such a pariah as he heals the leper in Mark's Gospel.

In Mark's Gospel the Pharisees are asking for a sign of Jesus' authenticity. Jesus warns his disciples not to be as unbelieving as the Pharisees in the face of the signs he has given them.

The Season of Lent begins with four days that serve as an introduction to the four Lenten practices of Prayer, Fasting, Repentance and Almsgiving.

Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence. We wear ashes on our foreheads to remember who we are and express our desire to turn away from sin and to believe the Good News. The Prophet Joel helps us begin our journey: "return to me with your whole heart." "Rend your hearts, not your garments," reminds us that this is an interior journey. The Responsorial Psalm, Psalm 51, has the antiphon: "Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned." Paul, in his First Letter to the Corinthians says, "be reconciled to God ... we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain ... Behold, now is a very acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation." In Matthew's Gospel Jesus gives us a guide for our Lenten practices, "Take care not to perform righteous deeds in order that people may see them."

"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 10	Lord's Day Vigil	5:30 pm	+ Ed & Edna Stuhlsatz by family
Sunday, Feb 11	6th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:00 am	People of the Parish
		10:30 am	+ Bill Martin by Elaine Martin
Monday, Feb 12		8:10 am	No Mass
Tuesday, Feb 13		8:10 am	+ Nick Mies by John & Betty Roths
Wednesday, Feb 14	Ash Wednesday	7:00 am	+ Virginia Winter by Irene Merrell
		8:10 am	+ Rocky Weber by Jim & Ann Osner
		7:00 pm	+ Francis Ebenkamp by Delores Ebenkamp
Thursday, Feb 15		8:10 am	+ Jerry Davis by family
Friday, Feb 16		6:00 pm	+ Joyce Andra by Kenny Andra
Saturday, Feb 17	Lord's Day Vigil	5:30 pm	+ Gene Martin by Dana Thome
Sunday, Feb 18	1st Sunday of Lent	8:00 am	Souls in Purgatory
		10:30 am	People of the Parish

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUN	Feb 11	K of C Breakfast
WED	Feb 14	Ash Wednesday
FRI	Feb 16	Stations & Mass at 6:00 pm Soup Supper to follow
SUN	Feb 18	Birthline Bingo at 7:00 pm
FRI	Feb 23	K of C Fish Fry
SUN	Feb 25	Birthline Bingo at 7:00 pm

Altar Society:

Circle 1—Next funeral
 Circle 2—Rosary before Mass for February
 Circle 3—February Rest Home birthdays
 There are revised copies of the 2018 Altar Society Circle list in the back of church. Please pick one up at your convenience.
 Circle 1 has next funeral.
 Please remember to pay your quilt leader.

Ash Wednesday: Mass will be at 7:00 a.m., 8:10 a.m., and 7:00 p.m.
 Fridays during Lent: Stations and Mass will be at 6:00 p.m. Soup Supper to follow.

There will be a reception in the cafeteria following all of the Masses next weekend, February 17 and 18, to welcome our new pastor Father Smeltzer.

Quilting: Becky Matzen’s quilt group will be quilting at Old Town on Tuesday, February 13 and Wednesday, February 14. Lunch will be served.

The 5th and 6th grade students at St. Joseph School will perform “The Living Passion” on the following dates:
 Feb. 23—St. Joseph Church—8:10 am and 6 pm
 March 2—Danville—7:30 pm
 March 9—St. Joseph Church—6 pm
 March 27—Conway Springs Baptist Church—11 am
 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 Knights of Columbus are holding a breakfast this Sunday from 8 am—12 pm. All proceeds will be allocated to the school’s Chromebook program and other needs. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

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.

Our Gifts To God

	last week	<u>7/1/17 to date</u>
Received	\$13,317.41	\$392,841.44
Budgeted	\$14,400.00	\$460,800.00
Over/(Under)	(\$1,082.59)	(\$67,958.56)

Liturgy assignments for February 17 & 18

Time	Servers	Commentator/ Reader	Music Ministers	EM of Holy Com- munion	Offetory
5:30 p.m.	J Berntsen N Berntsen Haylee Osner	R-Elaine Clark	Marc Robinson	H-T Zoglmann C-G Ebenkamp C-V Struble	Nicholas & Susan May
8:00 a.m.	Robin Heimerman Rosalyn Zoglmann Emma Zoglmann	R-Ted Palsmeier	Catherine Koester	H-D Seiwert C-B Mercer C-S Mercer	Aaron & Liz Hemberger
10:30 a.m.	Brook Beck Adaline Pauly Isabella Andra	R-Lori Gerber	Jessie Gerlach	H-D Fitts C-L Ohl C-R Ohl	Gerald & Sue Hartman

Food Handlers Classes: Saturday, February 10 at Pleasant View Baptist Church in Derby, 1335 N Buckner St. at 9:30 am
February 22 at 6:30 pm at Saint Catherine of Siena.

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.

Knights of Columbus and Birthline of Wellington will be sponsoring a heart fundraiser. The heart is in the back of church with items for Birthline posted on hearts. Purchase the item and put the heart in the bag and drop in the play n pac. There are envelopes if you prefer a monetary donation. We appreciate your support in this fundraiser.

Midwest Catholic Family Conference Fundraiser: Contemporary Christian singer, Matt Maher, will be at the Cotillion Ballroom on Thursday, March 1. This is a concert for all ages and will help raise money to cover expenses. Ticket cost is \$25 in advance or \$30 at the door. You can order tickets online at catholicfamilyconference.org.

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

In his letter to the Corinthians, Paul urges the new Christians to “do everything for the glory of God.” This is truly a message of stewardship! Think of all the tasks you accomplish in a day: sleeping, eating, working, playing, laughing, talking, worrying. All of these things might seem mundane in the context of the day-to-day life, but when we offer them up for the glory of God, they become our gifts, our blessings. As stewards we must remember to look at our lives in this way, with a spirit of gratitude and glorification.

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..

The 4th grade class would like to invite you to their Famous Kansans Living Museum, which will be held in our gym this Friday, Feb. 2:30-3:15.

The 5th and 6th grade have been busy practicing for the Living Stations of the Cross, which they will perform at our parish on Feb. 6:00 and once again on March 9 at 8:05 and 6:00.Â

SCHOOL WISH TREE

Many of our parishioners have asked how they can help our school. We decided to start a School Wish Tree at the back of the church! The tree is filled with some of the needs and wants of our school. If you would like to take an ornament and grant one of our wishes, please return the gift with the ornament to the school office. Thank you!



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