

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

**April 15, 2018
3rd Sunday of Easter**

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.

On the **Third Sunday of Easter**, **Luke's Gospel** has the very human story of Jesus' appearing to the disciples after the Resurrection, inviting them to touch his hands and feet to see that he is real. He ate with them and "he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures."

In our first readings from **Acts of the Apostles** this week, we read of one of the earliest martyrs, Stephen and of Philip converting an Ethiopian slave along the road. Also this week is the story of Saul, persecutor of Christians being blinded and then healed by Ananias in the name of Jesus. The week ends with Peter traveling the region and healing.

The gospel for this week is from Chapter 6 of **John's Gospel** on Jesus as the "Bread of Life." Like so many stories in this gospel, Jesus teaches from one layer of understanding to another, taking us deeper into understanding his gift of himself to us in the Eucharist. Jesus says, "Do not work for food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life." "The bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst." "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my Flesh for the life of the world." "Whoever eats my Flesh and drinks my Blood remains in me and I in him." This marvelous dialogue ends with this exchange with his disciples: "Jesus then said to the Twelve, 'Do you also want to leave?' Simon Peter answered him, 'Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God.'"

"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, Apr 14	Lord's Day Vigil	5:30 pm	+ Richard Meyer
Sunday, Apr 15	3rd Sunday of Easter	8:00 am	People of the Parish
		10:30 am	+ Angie Ahne by Larry & Betty Zoglmann
Monday, Apr 16		8:05 am	No Mass
Tuesday, Apr 17		8:05 am	+ John Pollice by Gary & Paula Ast
Wednesday, Apr 18		8:05 am	+ Jerry Davis by family
Thursday, Apr 19		8:05 am	+ Father Thomas Scaletty
Friday, Apr 20		8:05 am	+ Margaret Orth by Jim & Connie Armour
Saturday, Apr 21	Lord's Day Vigil	5:30 pm	+ Francis & Mike Ternes by Kathleen Ternes
Sunday, Apr 22	4th Sunday of Easter	8:00 am	+ Virginia Winter by Jesse & Sarah Mercer
		10:30 am	People of the Parish

UPCOMING EVENTS

MON	April 16	K of C Meeting at 8:00 pm
TUE & WED	April 17 & 18	Rummage Sale
SUN	April 29	Mother/Daughter Breakfast
MON	May 7	Altar Society Meeting

Altar Society:

Circle 2—Next funeral
 Circle 3—Rosary before Mass for March
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 Circle 4—Mother/Daughter Breakfast
 The annual Mother Daughter Breakfast is Sunday, April 29, after 10:30 Mass. All mothers and Communion age daughters are invited.

Please check the table in the entrance of church for dishes that have been left after funerals or soup suppers. There are several pie pans left from the Quilt Bingo. Also placed on the table are lost and found items from church.

If you purchased an Easter flower, please check the north sanctuary where the faded flowers will be placed so you may pick up your flower.

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 costs for the Ronald McDonald house.

Red Cross Blood Drive: St. Joseph will be hosting a blood drive on Monday, May 7. To set up an appointment go to www.redcrossblood.org and find a time that is convenient for you. To shorten your waiting time, go to the Rapid Pass and fill out all information to bring with you when you donate. Appointments are schedule from 12–6 pm. Please find time in your busy schedule to donate blood for someone who is desperately needing it.



We joyfully welcomed
Sarah Elizabeth Downey
 into the parish family of
St. Joseph
Baptized April 8
 daughter of
Andrew & Stephanie Downey

Quilting: Karla Schmitz and Mary Love quilt group will be quilting on Tuesday, April 24 and Wednesday, April 25 at Old Town. Lunch will be served.

Time for Cemetery clean up: Please remove all flowers not in permanent vases at the head of the grave and all other decorations must be removed within the next week. Thank you.

Our Gifts To God

	last week	7/1/17 to date
Received	\$10,637.15	\$487,836.46
Budgeted	\$14,400.00	\$590,400.00
Over/(Under)	(\$3,762.85)	(\$102,563.54)

Liturgy assignments for April 21 & 22

Time	Servers	Reader	Music Ministers	EM of Holy Communion	Offetory
Sat 5:30 pm	Elijah Howard Kevin Ebenkamp Aiden Dalbom	Sarah Mercer	Marc Robinson	H-N Koester C-G Ebenkamp C-M Ebenkamp	Eldon & Sabrina Hemberger
Sun 8:00 am	Kaleb Stuhlsatz Jaden Meyer Isaac Winter	Beth Carl	Phillip Lange	H-J Doffing C-J Pauly jr C-H Ohl	Norbert & Mary Meyer
10:30 a.m.	Cooper Shobe Anthony Reep Zane Zoglmann	Suzanne Koester	Linda Ohl	H-J Klausmeyer C-R Ohl C-T Klausmeyer	Richard & Stephanie Ohl

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.

St. Joseph Parish will begin to collect aluminum cans. Containers have been donated to be used for this project that are in the storage room of the gym. There is a container in the dumpster area for bags of cans. If you would like to donate your empty cans they can be put in the blue garage by the parish office.

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**

The conclusion of today's Gospel comes as a challenge to us: "You are witnesses of these things." By these things, Jesus is referring to the words of the prophets that were fulfilled in His life. We, too, are witnesses of these things. We may not have seen them in person, but we are not ignorant to them: therefore, as followers of Christ, we are called into evangelization in the same way the disciples were. Go forward then and share the story of Jesus Christ with enthusiasm similar to that of the Apostles!

Food Handler Classes:
Tuesday, April 17 at Holy Cross Lutheran Church—600 N Greenwich Rd, Wichita

9th Annual Spring Fling Craft Fair
Sunday, April 15 from 10—4 pm at Clonmel Community Hall. Over 30 booths. Concessions available.

School News

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Monday, April 16-Muffins with Mom 7:40-8:10 a.m. in cafeteria
- Wednesday, April 18-Spring Concert-7:00 p.m. @ CSHS-We would like to invite all parishioners to attend!
- Monday, April 23-Donuts with Dad 7:40-8:10 a.m. in cafeteria
- Thursday, April 26-New Kindergarten Parent Meeting-6:30-7:30 p.m. in cafeteria
- Friday, April 27-Kindergarten Round-Up

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION RECEPTION

The students and staff of St. Joseph would like to invite all our volunteers to celebrate Mass with us on Tuesday, May 15. Following Mass, we will have a short reception in the school cafeteria to honor your stewardship! Whether you have been a room mom, a field trip driver, a classroom helper, a lunch room monitor, a book fair cashier, a concession stand worker, or any other way you have helped strengthen our school-we hope you can join us this morning so we can pray for you and show you our gratitude! We also want to invite all our parishioners who come to Daily Mass with us and have kept us in your prayers all year!



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