

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

November 18, 2018
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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
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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.

As we near the end of the Liturgical Year, we have more "end time" readings. On the **Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**, we hear about being ready for the end of time. "In the same way, when you see these things happening, know that he is near, at the gates." It is the good news that we can stay alert and will be ready when it is our time to recognize the Lord's coming in our own life's challenges today.

Wednesday is the **Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**. Thursday in the U.S. is Thanksgiving Day with its own readings. For the rest of the world, we remember **Saint Cecilia, virgin and martyr**. Saturday is the Memorial of the Vietnamese **Saint Andrew Dũng-Lac, priest and martyr, and his companions, martyrs**.

Luke's Gospel continues with the story of the blind man who hails him, "Jesus, Son of David, have pity on me!" An unpopular tax collector, Zacchaeus, climbs a tree to get a glimpse of Jesus and is given personal recognition as Jesus says, "Zacchaeus, today I must stay at your house." Luke's version of the parable of the talents offers praise for the servant who has invested the ten coins and earned another ten. "Well done, good servant! You have been faithful in this very small matter; take charge of ten cities." In Jerusalem, Jesus weeps over the city, foreseeing the destruction that is coming, "because you did not recognize the time of your visitation." Jesus drives out the sellers from the temple while the chief priests plot against him. Religious leaders try to trap him with a trick question about a woman who marries seven brothers but Jesus refutes 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, Nov 17	Lord's Day Vigil	5:30 pm	+ Teddy Stuhlsatz by Ted Stuhlsatz
Sunday, Nov 18	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:00 am	People of the Parish
		10:30 am	+ Velma Koester by Ed & Teresa Pauly
Monday, Nov 19		8:05 am	No Mass
Tuesday, Nov 20		8:05 am	+ Margaret Orth by Larry & Lisa Hasting
Wednesday, Nov 21	Presentation of the BVM	8:05 am	+ Eileen Andra by Doris Matzek
Thursday, Nov 22	St. Cecilia	8:05 am	+ Rocky Weber by Greg & Gina Koester
Friday, Nov 23	St. Clement I	8:05 am	+ Jim May by Connie Hartman
Saturday, Nov 24	Lord's Day Vigil	5:30 pm	+ Joshua Conrady by Teresa Gerber
Sunday, Nov 25	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	8:00 am	Knights of Columbus
		10:30 am	People of the Parish

UPCOMING EVENTS

SAT	Nov 17	Feather Party
MON	Nov 19	K of C Meeting at 7:30
MON	Dec 3	Altar Society Meeting at 6:30
MON	Dec 17	K of C Meeting at 7:30

Altar Society:

Circle 6—Next funeral
 Circle 5 —Rosary before Mass for November
 Circle 6—Rest Home Birthdays for November
 There will a gift exchange (around \$10) at the Altar Society Christmas Potluck, December 3rd. Hope to see everyone there.

March 4 Life

March for life will be selling Krispy Kreme donuts after Sunday masses, Nov. 18th at Hired Mans grocery. While supplies last. Please stop by and support the pilgrims! Thank you!

Please check the dishes that have been left in the cafeteria from funerals, etc to see if some may be yours. There is a big selection. Thank you.

Fiat Ministries Inc. will host the eighth Fiat Discernment Retreat on December 14–16, at the Spiritual Life Center. Young women 18 to 27 years of age are invited to attend. Fiat Ministries was created in response to the growing need to provide young ladies with an opportunity to learn about discernment and authentic Religious Life. Throughout this weekend retreat, ladies will have the opportunity to receive wisdom through various talks, prayer, recreation, and fellowship-essentially experiencing a slight glimpse into the beauty of religious life.

Upon each blessing with holy water say; “By this holy water and by your Precious Blood, wash away all my sins, O Lord, bless my family, have mercy on the dying and relieve the souls in purgatory.”

Holiday Concert at St. Peter Catholic Church - Schulte

St. Peter Parish will host the Senseney Community Band comprised of local musicians. Bring your family and friends and experience their spectacular Holiday Concert on Tuesday, December 4, 2018 at 7 p.m. to benefit the Lord's Diner. We ask that you bring a can of food (per person) and place in the boxes provided in the church.

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.

Our Gifts To God

	last week	7/1/18 to date
Received	\$12,025.22	\$266,222.12
Budgeted	\$14,300.00	\$286,000.00
Over/(Under)	(\$2,274.78)	(\$19,777.88)

Liturgy assignments for November 24 & 25

Time	Servers	Reader	Music Ministers	EM of Holy Communion	Offetory
Sat 5:30 pm	Sylvester Hemberger Nathan Berntsen Jonathan Berntsen	Richard New	Caitlyn May	H-M Ebenkamp C-T Ternes C-N Koester	Trent & Annie Jones
Sun 8:00 am	Reece Johnson Cohen Newell Isaac Winter	Marcia Stuhlsatz	Catherine Koester	H-J Doffing C-J Pauly jr C-D Seiwert	Ted & Lillian Palsmeier
10:30 a.m.	Bella Lange Kirsten Whitney Isabella Linn	Beth Crick	Karen Struble	H-D Fitts C-J Klausmeyer C-T Klausmeyer	Paul & Peggy Winter

CYM NEWS

All high school students in the parish are invited to join us for CYM on Wednesday nights 7-9pm.

Upcoming calendar

Nov 21 No CYM/PSR

Nov 28 CYM Event 7:00-9:00

Guest speaker, Adoration Event, Food & Line-Dancing

Nov 26th - childcare workers for 1st communion meeting

Neal, Addie, Apryl

Dec 5th - Bible Study 7:00-7:30, PSR, CYM meeting 8:30-9:00

Dec 12th - No PSR

Dec 19th - Open gym 7:00-7:30, PSR

If you are a young adult and wondering how to serve your parish, CYM needs you! The youth of today are most impacted by young adult leaders. Consider helping for 30 minutes/month or once a year. No theology required, just a willingness to share your love of Christ with our young parishioners. Fill out your Time, Talent & Treasure form and check that box!

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 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..

Fully Alive as Missionary Disciples

We have a saying that “all good things must come to an end.” As we prepare for Advent, we must note that our church year has come to an end. The apocalyptic nature of today’s readings should cause us to reflect on this ending. Mark’s Gospel tells us we will “see ‘the Son of Man coming in the clouds’ with great power and glory, and then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the end of the sky.” I think most of us agree that we want to be part of this “elect” that Mark mentions. How do we ensure that we are marked for that day? We begin with baptism, which is a public declaration of our acceptance of Jesus Christ as the Son of God and as our redeemer. But we have to remember the words of the apostle Paul: Faith without works is dead. In baptism we are called into a life of discipleship. We are called to live out our faith in every word and deed of every day. Next week we celebrate commitment Sunday, when you will have an opportunity to recommit yourself as a disciple of Jesus Christ. Take a quiet moment this week to reflect on the end of this liturgical year and the beginning of a new one. How will you allow yourself to become fully alive in discipleship in the coming year?

UPCOMING EVENTS

DEC. 12-Christmas Program - 7:00 @ CSHS - All parishioners are invited!

PARENT UNIVERSITY

Monday, Nov. 26, our school will be offering two presentations to empower families in passing on the faith to their children. In the second grade classroom, Mrs. Jackie Arnold will be presenting to our PSR and school parents about helping prepare their 2nd graders to receive First Reconciliation and First Communion this year!. In the cafeteria, Mr. Arnold will offer ideas on how to celebrate the liturgical year with traditions in your home. All parishioners are welcome to attend at 7:30 after the PTO Meeting.

ALUMNI DATABASE

We are preparing to send out our next alumni newsletter! If you are a St. Joseph graduate and did not receive this newsletter this summer, or if you have family members or friends that have moved away and would love to hear what is currently happening at their alma mater, please fill out a form that is in the back of church and we will add you to our list! Forms can

