



# St. Joseph Catholic Church

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 Pastor: Fr. Floyd McKinney



## *From the Pastor*

Sometimes we want to know the future; we even dream of a time machine to take us forward so we can see what might happen to us. In the final analysis, we know that knowing the future would not be good for us, even if it were possible. We cannot make our present 'better' by knowing about what will happen in some future time. How many times did Jesus talk to the disciples and tell them of his future, where He was going and what would happen to Him. Than we hear that little phrase in the gospel about the eleven disciples...they doubted. Even if we could 'know' the future, I think we too would have doubts as to how to handle that information. Yes, we do look back on what has happened in our lives and we might even make the remark, 'if only I would have known'; yet even knowing what we know today at some previous time may have not changed our options at that time.

As we celebrate the Ascension of the Lord we are, in a sense, celebrating our own future if we are living our faith to the full. Many times, Jesus spoke of where He was going and that He would be with the Father and the Holy Spirit, the Advocate who would be with us. If we are going to think about the future, our goal is to remember what the Lord has prepared for us so we do not lose sight of that goal. In the first reading, the two men dressed in white asked, 'why are you looking at the sky?' or we could say 'why are you trying to see where He has gone?' We live in the present knowing that God is with us. That is why we set our sights, not on the future so much, but in living the commandments here and now. By living our faith now we are working towards that future that God has prepared for us.

### MASS SCHEDULE    GIRARD    ARMA

Saturday    5:30 pm    4:00 pm  
 Sunday    10:00 am    8:00 am

### CONFESSION    GIRARD    ARMA

Saturday    2:00-2:30 pm    3:15-3:45 pm  
 Weekdays before Mass, anytime by appointment

### RECTORY HOURS

Thursdays 9:00 am - Noon  
 Rectory: (620) 347-4525  
 In Case of Emergency: (785) 917-1828

**STAFF**    Pastor: Fr. Floyd McKinney  
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### PARISH WEBSITE:

www.stjosepharma.com

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Thursdays from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

Finance Council	Parish Council
TBA	Tuesday, May 16
6:00pm	6:00pm
St. Ann Altar Society	Knights of Columbus
TBA	First Tuesday of month
Parish Rectory	St. Michael's hall

## Mass Schedule and Intentions for May 27 - June 4

May 27	Saturday	4:00pm	Kathleen Davied Ewan	Arma
		5:30pm	Verl Diskin	Girard
28	Sunday	8:00am	Harold VanLeeuwen	Arma
		10:00am	For the People	Girard
29	Monday	NO MASS		
30	Tuesday	5:30pm	Aaron Kreutzer	Arma
31	Wednesday	6:30pm	Vera Diskin	Girard
June 1	Thursday	8:00am	Gertrude McKinney	Arma
		8:30am-12:30pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Arma
2	Friday	7:00am	Altar Soc., living & deceased	Girard
		8:00am-6:00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Girard
3	Saturday	4:00pm	Frank & Barb Doue	Arma
		5:30pm	Stan Thomas	Girard
4	Sunday	8:00am	For the People	Arma
		10:00am	Ron Breneman	Girard

## Altar Ministers for Next Weekend

	Saturday (6/3/17) 4:00pm	Sunday (6/4/17) 8:00am
Altar Servers:	Pat Westhoff	Tejay Cleland
EMHC:	Linda Carpino	Joan Black
Lector:	Barry Bedene	Joe Broyles
Gift Bearers:	Donna Fleury & Gay Kranker	Scott & Susie Aldrighetti
Usher/Greeter:	Dave Petrey & Joyce Klinkon	Joe Polhlopek & Pat Westhoff

<b>COLLECTIONS</b>		
	Last Week	July 2016 to date
Contributions	\$1,463.00	\$71,747.56
Expenses		\$57,430.38
Over / (Under)		\$14,317.18

**MEMORIAL DAY MASS**

Memorial Day Mass will be at St. Aloysius, in Greenbush, at 10:00am.

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

The next Parish Council meeting will be Tuesday, June 20, following 5:30 Mass.

**FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING**

There will be a Finance meeting on Tuesday, May 30 after Mass.

**VIRTUS TRAINING**

If you would like Virtus Training so that you can work at the Lord's Diner, Pat Westhoff is offering to train anyone. Contact Pat at (620) 249-7386 for more information.

**CELIAC DISEASE**

If you or someone you know is unable to receive communion because of this autoimmune response to gluten, you can talk to Fr. Floyd about another option.

**TOTUS TUUS, JULY 24-28**

Mark your calendars for a fun & energetic week at St. Michael's parish hall. Totus Tuus, a parish based summer catechetical program for youth, is dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting our faith through evangelization, catechesis, Marian devotion & fun! The program is led by college students and seminarians, teaching and inspiring the youth of our diocese. Totus Tuus, a Latin phrase meaning "totally yours," was the motto of St. John Paul II and signifies our desire to give ourselves entirely to Jesus Christ through Mary. This is a FREE program, each family is asked to bring a bag of cookies the first day of the program. Children in grades 1-6 meet Monday-Friday from 9-3 and youth grades 7-12 meet Sunday-Thursday in the evenings. Enrollment forms will be available in the back of the church. All are invited to attend the potluck dinner on Wednesday. Parishioners are needed for dinner hosts and provide lunch for the team each day.

**SAVE THE DATE**

St. Michael's will be hosting a Parish Mission: July 8-10. More info soon!

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**

**OFFICERS:**

Pat Westhoff - Chair, Karen Pryer - Secretary, Debbie Amershek, Dustin Ashmore, Joe Broyles, Debbie Shaub

**WORSHIP COMMITTEE:**

Chair - Karen Pryer  
EMEs - Joan Black  
Ushers/Greeters - Bill Harman  
Altar Society - Judy Smerchek  
Lectors - Linda Broyles  
Music - Jan Harman

**PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL:**

Fred Bogina, Chair  
Members: Joe Polhlopek, Judy Wingeback, Linda Broyles

**PILGRIMAGE OPPORTUNITY**

Interested in going to Fatima, Lourdes and other shrines of Spain? Fr. Michael Schemm of our diocese is going Oct 4-15 of this year. The cost is \$3,695, leaving from Wichita. For more information, call Susan Prendergast at (800) 842-4842.

**LEARN ABOUT OUR CATHOLIC FAITH**

If you want to learn more about the Catholic faith or are looking for ways to strengthen your faith, check out [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org). A login is required. For a free trial through the month of May with no obligations, enter user name: [demo@formed.org](mailto:demo@formed.org) and the password: BlessedMother. You will find many interesting video clips and articles.

**MIDWEST CATHOLIC FAMILY CONFERENCE**

Start a new family tradition by coming to the Midwest Catholic Family Conference August 4-6 in Wichita. Listen to great speakers and take advantage of daily mass, adoration, and a beautiful Eucharistic procession. Save up to \$30 with early bird registration by July 16th. Register online at [catholicfamilyconference.org](http://catholicfamilyconference.org) or call 316-618-9787. Email questions to [midwconf@cox.net](mailto:midwconf@cox.net).

**PSR NEWS**

Our last PSR & CYM gatherings of the year are complete. We thank all our catechists and youth ministry volunteers for their awesome contribution of time and talent! Because of you, we can fulfill the mission of the church to teach the faith to the children and help support the parents as they hand on the faith to their families. Abundant blessings to each of you!

- Kandell Amershek, 1<sup>st</sup> grade
- Paula Severt, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade
- Sam Stoltz, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade
- Jerry Hanson, 4<sup>th</sup> grade
- Kristen Graham, 5<sup>th</sup> grade
- Tim Born, 6<sup>th</sup> grade
- Butch Reif, 7<sup>th</sup> / 8<sup>th</sup> grade
- Patrick Westhoff, 9<sup>th</sup> / 10<sup>th</sup> grade, CYM
- Robbie Grabendike, 11<sup>th</sup> / 12<sup>th</sup> grade, CYM

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