



St. Joseph Catholic Church

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Pastor: Fr. Floyd McKinney



From the Pastor

Are you one of those people who has to have an alarm clock? Sometimes I do and sometimes I wake up before the 'noisemaker' goes off. I am not a 'night owl' and for the most part am not bothered by getting up early before the noise of the day starts. Today's readings give us another point of view by saying "stay awake". Jesus warns us not to be like the foolish bridesmaids who were unprepared. The theme is one that we like to avoid, that is, death. In this month of November, we have celebrated the saints and the souls; now we can look at ourselves who one day will follow in their footsteps. The idea is to be prepared. Even though we do not like the sound of the alarm, it is going to sound at the time we have it set. Even though we do not like to think about or talk about death, it will happen to us some day. The foolish bridesmaids remind us that we need to be ready when that alarm goes off, that is, the sound of the Lord calling us to eternal life. The oil of our life that we need to have on hand is our good deeds, our values lived for God, and a participation in the church that shows our desire to God's will. The first reading speaks of wisdom; may we have the wisdom to know the grace of God and how to grow in that grace.

<u>MASS SCHEDULE</u>	<u>GIRARD</u>	<u>ARMA</u>
Saturday	5:30 pm	4:00 pm
Sunday	10:00 am	8:00 am

<u>CONFESSION</u>	<u>GIRARD</u>	<u>ARMA</u>
Saturday	2:00-2:30 pm	3:15-3:45 pm

Before all Masses, anytime by appointment

RECTORY HOURS

Thursdays 9:00 am - Noon

Rectory: (620) 347-4525

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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

Mass Schedule and Intentions for Nov. 11 - 19

Date	Day	Time	Intention of the Celebrant	Parish
Nov. 11	Saturday	4:00pm 5:30pm	Intention of the Celebrant Stan Thomas	Arma Girard
12	Sunday	8:00am 10:00am	Barb Born For the People	Arma Girard
13	Monday	No Mass		
14	Tuesday	5:30pm	Intention of the Celebrant	Arma
15	Wednesday	6:30pm	Verdan Davied	Girard
16	Thursday	8:00am 8:30am-12:30pm	NO MASS NO Eucharistic Adoration	Arma Arma
17	Friday	7:00am 8:00am-6:00pm	NO MASS NO Eucharistic Adoration	Girard Girard
18	Saturday	4:00pm 5:30pm	Jack Jarboe Ed Walsh	Arma Girard
19	Sunday	8:00am 10:00am	Jim Davied For the People	Arma Girard

Altar Ministers for Next Weekend

	Saturday (11/18/17) 4:00pm	Sunday (11/19/17) 8:00am
Altar Servers:	Eve & Jack Bertoncino	Cody Burns
EMHC:	Sharon Giacometti	Cindy Ashmore
Lector:	Anna Meyer	Joe Broyles
Gift Bearers:	Denise & Donna Bertoncino	Joan & Ron Black
Usher/Greeter:	Joe Polhlopek & Pat Westhoff	Dave Ashmore & Wally Rons

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FATHER AWAY

Fr. Floyd will be accompanying our youth to the National Catholic Youth Conference this upcoming week, so there will be NO MASSES OR ADORATION on Thursday, Nov. 16, or Friday, Nov. 17. Fr. Dwight Birket will be here to fill in for the weekend of Nov. 18 & 19. Please make him feel welcome.

KNIGHTS NEWS

The 27th annual Knights of Columbus of southeast Kansas Farm Toy Show will be Sunday, Nov. 12 at St. Michael's Hall from 9:00am to 3:00pm. Lunch will be available.

Knights of Columbus are selling raffle tickets for their Charities Aid Foundation Religious Fund. We receive part of this money back from the KOC State Council to fund our CCD programs. Tickets are \$100 each, or multiple parties can share the cost of a ticket. There will be one \$25,000 winner, one \$6,000 winner, three \$4,000 winners, six \$2,000 winners, and twenty-one \$1,000 winners. Contact Dave Garrett for more information: 724-2743.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will be Tues., Nov. 21, following 5:30 Mass.

RETROUVAILLE SCHEDULED

A Retrouvaille weekend is scheduled in our diocese Dec. 8 - 10. **Retrouvaille** helps married couples who are: struggling to communicate, struggling to stay together, cold & distant from each other, separated or divorced, but want to try again. Although the **Retrouvaille** program is based on Christian values, it is primarily a practical program about marriage. It is open to all married couples, regardless of their religious affiliation. For more information, go to <http://helpourmarriage.org>, or call 1-800-470-2230.

SPECIAL EVENT FOR MS/HS STUDENTS

On Wednesday, Nov 15, guest speaker Brooks Gibbs will be speaking at the Girard High School auditorium to all area youth groups. All middle and high school youth are asked to participate by attending this evening event. Doors open at 6:00pm. There will be NO PSR classes that evening; students are to meet at Shireman Auditorium by 6:15 pm instead.

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:

Members: Joe Polhlopek, Judy Wingeback, Linda Broyles

NO PSR NOV. 22

Please note that there will be no PSR classes on Nov 22; we will be on break for Thanksgiving. Classes resume Nov. 29.

MARCH FOR LIFE

The Office of Respect Life and Social Justice asks you to prayerfully consider participating in the diocesan March for Life Pilgrimage to Washington DC, which will be Jan. 16-21, 2018. If you cannot join them, they would appreciate your prayers for their efforts and the safe travel of other participants.

RETREAT OPPORTUNITY

Fiat Ministries is devoted to encouraging young women to answer "yes" to the vocation to which God is calling them. This retreat is an opportunity for young women to ask questions, pray, listen, and open their hearts to the Lord's will. Throughout this weekend of discernment, participants will receive wisdom through prayer, presentations by religious sisters, recreation, and fellowship. Single women, age 18-26 who are seeking to do God's will are invited. Dec 15-17, at the Spiritual Life Center. Cost, \$25, includes meals, lodging and materials. For more info, contact Emily Savage, esavage@stfranciswichita.com.

ST. PAUL'S GROUP MEETING

Our next meeting is Sunday, Nov. 19 at 1pm at the KOC building in Pittsburg. The St. Paul's Group is for single seniors. Hostesses are Sharon Starr, Angie Patterson, and Delores Vulgamore. New members welcome. Call Maxine Conrad 231-7802 for more information or with questions.

MISSION TRIP TO HAITI

The Senior Adult Ministries Office and Fr. Sherman Orr, in collaboration with Food for the Poor, is planning a mission trip to Haiti during Spring Break 2018, March 19-23. All adults 18+ are invited to join us. For more information or to sign up, contact Sharon Witzell, Program Coordinator at (316) 685-5240 or email witzells@catholicdioceseofwichita.org.



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