



# St. Joseph Catholic Church

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Pastor: Fr. Floyd McKinney



## *From the Pastor*

Several years ago there was a song called "Don't worry, be happy". It was a catchy little tune that spoke of the reasons that we should not let the worries of life get the better of us.

Most, if not all of us, can say that there has been some time in our life that we have had something that made us a little uneasy about life. There are many things that cause worry in life, job, children, family, spiders & snakes, well I might exaggerate a little.

St. Paul, in the second reading says, "I should like you to be free of anxieties". What he says after that implies that we can turn to our faith to help us. He speaks of pleasing the Lord; what better way to be free than to know that we are doing something to make the Lord happy. By simply living our faith, and living with faith, we are fulfilling our own need to find happiness. No, I can not say I am worry free, and I do what I can to live my faith. However, my worries and concerns in life are 'easy' because my faith gives me a different perspective, a different point of view that helps me see the grace that God pours into my life. Faith does not 'cure' or get rid of worries in life, but it does help us to know that God is with us in all of our worries as well as joys in life.

**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  
Before all Masses, 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  
Secretary: Georganne Galichia & Gay Kranker  
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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 Jan. 27 - Feb. 4

Date	Day	Time	Intention	Location
Jan. 27	Saturday	4:00pm	Fred Bogina	Arma
		5:30pm	Verdan Davied	Girard
28	Sunday	8:00am	Vernon Hershberger	Arma
		10:00am	For the People	Girard
29	Monday	NO MASS		
30	Tuesday	5:30pm	NO MASS	Arma
31	Wednesday	6:30pm	NO MASS	Girard
Feb. 1	Thursday	8:00am	NO MASS	Arma
		8:30am-12:30pm	NO Adoration	Arma
2	Friday	7:00am	NO MASS	Girard
		8:00am-6:00pm	NO Adoration	Girard
3	Saturday	4:00pm	Matt & Troy Schmidt	Arma
		5:30pm	Robert Haderlein	Girard
4	Sunday	8:00am	Fred Bogina	Arma
		10:00am	For the People	Girard

### Altar Ministers for Next Weekend

	Next Saturday (2/3/18)	Next Sunday (2/4/18)
	4:00 pm	8:00 am
Lector:	Anna Meyer	Joe Broyles
Usher/ Greeter:	Pat Westhoff & Dave Petrey	Mike Ashbacher & Joe Polhlopek
EMHC:	Linda Carpino	Joan Black
Gift Bearers:	Louise Jarboe & Georganne Galichia	Scott & Susie Aldrighetti
Altar Servers:	Owen Waterman	Tejay Cleland

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	<b>COLLECTIONS</b>	
	Last Week	July 2017 to date
Contributions	\$1,190.58	\$50,510.82
Expenses - December	\$8,071.31	\$41,732.29
Over / (Under)		\$8,778.53

### **FATHER AWAY**

Father will be on vacation from Jan. 29 to Feb. 9, so there will be no daily Masses during that 2-week period and no adoration on Feb 1-2 or 8-9. Fr. Bob McElwee will be here the weekend of Feb. 3-4 to offer the masses. Please make him feel welcome.

### **2017 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS**

Your 2017 Contribution Statements are in the entrance of the Church. Please make sure to pick yours up. Thank you!

### **ATTENTION: ALTAR SOCIETY MEMBERS**

The first meeting for the new year will be Wednesday, February 21, at 6:00 p.m. in the rectory. Anyone interested in joining Altar Society, please come to the meeting. Dues of \$5 a year will be collected at this time.

### **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

The next parish council meeting will be Tuesday, February, 20, following 5:30 Mass.

### **FIRST RECONCILIATION**

Congratulations to the children of St. Michael & St. Joseph parishes who celebrated the Sacrament of First Penance / Reconciliation at St. Michael parish on Wednesday, January 24:

Natalie Benso	Brayden Reese
Easton Clark	Jaxton Smith
Regan Oplotnik	Gianna Waterman

### **DIOCESAN CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE**

All High School youth: registration for the Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference (March 10-11) is due now. Please contact Pat Westhoff or Michelle Puckett for registration forms and additional information.

### **DONATIONS FOR BIRTHRIGHT**

The Knights of Columbus #7607 Girard/Arma Council will be collecting baby items for Birthright through the months of January and February. There are tubs in the back of both St. Michael's and St. Joseph's churches that you can place items in. Birthright is a free crisis pregnancy center that promotes the right to life of the unborn, and helps expectant mothers with emotional support and practical assistance.

### **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 - Margaret Setina  
Lectors - Linda Broyles  
Music - Jan Harman

### **PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL:**

Members: Joe Polhlopek, Judy Wingeback, Linda Broyles

### **SPAGHETTI FEED ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Spaghetti Feed is scheduled for Saturday, March 3, 2018, at the hall from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Last year's dinner was a great success because of the tremendous support of the parish community and local businesses. Again, we will need your help to make this year's dinner a success.

1. Tickets – we will be passing out tickets for the Spaghetti Feed and prize drawing before and after Mass on February 3-4, 2018. Please return the tickets and/or money by February 24-25. Place an envelope in the collection basket marked “Spaghetti Feed” or return to Karen Pryer.
2. Desserts – parishioners, please bring a dessert to the hall on Saturday, March 3, before 5:00 p.m. The hall will be open by 10:00 a.m.
3. Donations – if you have supplies for the dinner that you would like to donate or if you have something to donate for prize drawings, please contact Denise Bertoncino as soon as possible. The more donations we have, the less we need to purchase.
4. If you have not volunteered and would like to, please email or call Denise Bertoncino at [dbertoncino@pittstate.edu](mailto:dbertoncino@pittstate.edu) or 417-825-8758. Previous volunteers will be contacted to see if they wish to participate again this year.

### **FREE THROW CONTEST**

Knights of Columbus #7607 Girard/Arma Council will be holding their annual free-throw contest on Sunday, Feb. 4 at 1:00 pm in the Girard Middle School gym. The contest is open to all boys & girls ages 9 to 14 as of Jan 1, 2018. The winners of Sunday's contests will advance to the district free-throw contest, which will be Sunday, Feb. 11, same place and time.

### **SOUP & CHILI FEED**

St. Michael's Soup & Chili Feed will be Feb. 24 from 5 to 7pm & Feb. 25 from 10am to 1pm. Come join us for fellowship, as well as delicious soup, chili & pie. Free will donations will be accepted.



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