



St. Joseph Catholic Church

100 South 8th Street
Arma, KS 66712
(620) 347-4525
Pastor: Fr. Floyd McKinney



From the Pastor

It has been a while since I have been to a Chinese restaurant. Yes, we do have one here in town but to be honest I do not eat out that much. I do enjoy when I am invited out, but to go to a restaurant by myself is not 'as fun as' just fixing something here in the kitchen. Speaking of Chinese eating, there is a sauce they use called sweet and sour. Even though I enjoy this sauce on a lot of things, I have never understood the idea of mixing almost opposite things together. Why would you want to 'spoil' the good of sweetness with something sour; yet it works.

What we celebrate today has a similar feeling as we combine the joy of the palms strewn on the ground to gloriously welcome the king and the reading of the Passion which helps us remember the sadness of Christ walking to the Cross. Today we do not remember the resurrection; we are only thinking of how the people welcomed Jesus in preparation for His 'walk of shame' to the place where He would give all for us. That is why the more recent naming of this Sunday has been Passion Sunday to combine with Palm Sunday.

In all of our lives we have the combination of emotions that take us forward through time. We know that just as one day we can feel the thrill of victory, another can bring the agony of defeat. It is a phrase that speaks mostly of sports but can apply to our daily life too. There is something more that we have, and that is hope. The people of the day who threw the palms on the road did not know that Jesus would die and rise; we have that history behind us to give us a different perspective. We know that there will come a day when we have the opportunity to rise with Christ. May we not lose our hope in the times when sadness seems to be taking over; we know there is joy that can be ours.

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 Mar. 24 - Apr. 1

Mar. 24	Saturday	4:00pm	Fred Bogina	Arma
		5:30pm	John & Leona Hallacy	Girard
25	Sunday	8:00am	Jim Davied	Arma
		10:00am	For the People	Girard
26	Monday	NO MASS		
27	Tuesday	5:30pm	No Intention	Arma
28	Wednesday	6:30pm	Pete DeLange	Girard
29	Thursday	7:00pm	Mass of the Last Supper	Girard
		8:00pm	Adoration	Girard
30	Friday	12:00noon	Veneration of the Cross	Arma
		6:00pm	Veneration of the Cross	Girard
31	Saturday	8:00pm	Easter Vigil Mass	Girard
Apr. 1	Easter	8:00am	For the People	Arma
	Sunday	10:00am	Steve VanLeeuwen	Girard

Altar Ministers for Holy Week

	Fri. (3/30/18) 12:00noon	Sun. (4/1/18) 8:00am
Lector:	Marcel Normand & Anna Meyer	Linda Broyles
Usher/ Greeter:	Emil Pronier & Volunteer	Joe Broyles & Dave Ashmore
EMHC:	Joan Black	Terry Cleland
Gift Bearers:	Agnes Goodman & Georganne Galichia	Greg & Tracey Bogina
Altar Servers:	Volunteer	Tejay Cleland

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	Last Week	July 2017 to date
Contributions	\$1,230.00	\$61,566.49
Expenses		\$58,726.38
Over / (Under)		\$2,840.11

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

March 24/25, Palm Sunday - Regular weekend schedule
 March 26, Monday - No Mass.
 March 27 - 11:00am Chrism Mass at the Cathedral in Wichita.
 5:30pm Mass and stations at St Joseph, Arma.
 March 28 - PSR Way of the Cross 2:15pm. Mass at 6:30pm.
 March 29, Holy Thursday - No Mass or adoration at Arma.
 Mass of the Last Supper at 7:00pm at St Michael, Girard, followed by adoration.
 March 30, Good Friday - Veneration of the Cross at 12:00 Noon at St Joseph, Arma. Veneration of the Cross at 6:00pm at St Michael, Girard.
 March 31, Holy Saturday - ***There is NO 4:00pm Mass at Arma.*** Easter Vigil at 8:00pm at St Michael, Girard.
 April 1, Easter Sunday - Mass at 8:00am in Arma & 10:00am in Girard.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to have their feet washed at the Holy Thursday Mass, Mar. 29. Please contact the St. Michael's parish office if you are willing, 724-8717.

1st COMMUNION DATE CHANGE

The date for 1st Communion is April 8, 2018.

TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST (TEC)

If you are a high school junior or older, come on a journey with your peers through the Paschal Mystery of Christ through stories, discussions, Mass, prayer, music, game activities and fun. TEC is a high energy, Spirit-directed Faith experience. There are 2 TEC retreats this summer, June 2-4 in Hutchinson & July 14-16 in St. Paul! For more information, visit <http://catholicdioceseofwichita.org/faith-tec/tec> or call Paula Severt at 620.724.7585. Parents, please encourage your youth to attend!

TOTUS TUUS 2018

Totus Tuus week is scheduled for June 24-29, 2018 at St. Michael, Girard. Mark your calendars now! This fun-filled faith experience is open to all incoming 1st graders thru high school graduates. Grades 1-6 attend during the day and MS/HS students meet in the evening.

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

PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Please pray for Scott Aldrighetti, who is ill or in need of prayers.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please note that individuals on our prayer list are left on until a request is made to remove them. Requests to be added or removed can be sent to: bauerbackes@yahoo.com. Thank you.

"THE" CONFERENCE

When asked, WHO ARE YOU following? We respond "Jesus!" This April 21 conference will inspire us and give practical helps in deepening our faith and how to encounter and follow Jesus and how to share this encounter with your family, parish and community. Our conference begins with Bishop Carl A. Kemme celebrating Mass at 9:00 AM. We welcome Curtis Martin, founder and CEO of Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS) and Father Jarrod Lies, pastor of St. Francis of Assisi parish who will inspire us and give us practical helps in changing our faith from 'maintenance' to be 'missionaries'. Bring your questions for our esteemed panel: Curtis Martin, Fr. Jarrod Lies, Fr. John Jirak, pastor of Church of the Magdalen; Renee Riter, Stewardship Coordinator at Church of the Blessed Sacrament; Kim Scripsick, Stewardship Coordinator at Our Lady of Lourdes Pittsburg. Joe Dellasega, The Dellasega Group will facilitate the discussion. Wichita Adore Ministries will close our conference with adoration. We will experience the Eucharistic heart of Jesus in a new way. Christ is seeking to take another step into our lives, and this time of prayer is the perfect way to allow Him the opportunity. The registration fee is only \$20.00 per person includes a delicious hot lunch, snacks, beverages, handouts and other materials. No parish or parishioner will be turned away due to finances. Free for priests and religious. Register online by Friday, April 13: <http://catholicdioceseofwichita.org/conferences/2018-conference>. This conference is expected to fill quickly, so don't wait to register!



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