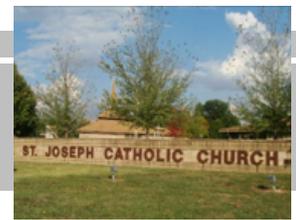




St. Joseph Catholic Church

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Pastor: Fr. Floyd McKinney



From the Pastor

We hear from all sides that we need to get along, we need to see the 'other side' of the story; even though we do not agree, we can still accept the other person as a child of God, a neighbor. When we see on the news or internet that there is a difference of opinion, what feelings come to us? Is our first thought to cheer one side and condemn the other, or do we try to logically think of why we believe in our own position?

In the first reading we hear Moses telling his people that there is ONE God and that they should give God their undivided love. This was a real novelty because all their neighboring peoples had a multiplicity of gods that everybody worshiped at different times depending on seasons and needs.

Here, the people of Israel are asserting their identity as monotheistic, but even more than that, they believe in a god that demands their love, with all their heart, with all their soul, with all their strength; their God asks for all their LOVE. The Jewish God was a personal and relational God, a god who wanted to be in relation with his people.

In the gospel passage for today, Jesus quotes the scripture text in the first reading in responding to a scribe about the greatest commandment and adds that the second greatest commandment is: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." (v. 31) Jesus puts love of God and love of neighbor together. In this teaching moment Jesus shows us what he lives, he teaches us what it means to love God: to love God is to love our neighbor like we love ourselves.

Do we really believe that loving God with our whole humanity and loving our neighbor like we love ourselves is more important than burning offerings and sacrifices? Do we live accordingly? We all live in the same world; maybe this "love one another" has some reason behind it.

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 Nov. 3 - 11

Nov. 3	Saturday	4:00pm	Elizabeth Parolo	Arma
		5:30pm	Howard Peak	Girard
4	Sunday	8:00am	Francis Buche	Arma
		10:00am	Pro Populo	Girard
5	Monday	NO MASS		
6	Tuesday	5:30pm	Bishop Gerber	Arma
7	Wednesday	6:30pm	John Ziegler	Girard
8	Thursday	8:00am	Jack Wilson	Arma
		8:30am-12:30pm	Adoration	Arma
9	Friday	7:00am	Bob & Patty Haderlein	Girard
		8:00am-6:00pm	Adoration	Girard
10	Saturday	4:00pm	Jack Wilson	Arma
		5:30pm	Verdan & Mary Davied	Girard
11	Sunday	8:00am	Francis Buche	Arma
		10:00am	Pro Populo	Girard

Altar Ministers for Next Weekend

	Sat. (11/10/18) 4:00pm	Sun. (11/11/18) 8:00am
Lector:	Anna Meyer	Joe Broyles
Usher/:	Pat Westhoff & Emil Pronier	Joe Polhlopek & Joyce Klinkon
Greeter		
EMHC:	Lindsay Waterman	Terry Cleland
Gift Bearers:	Margaret Setina & Gay Kranker	Greg & Tracey Bogina
Altar Servers:	Owen Waterman	Tejay Cleland

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Contributions	\$1,119.00	\$22,949.26
Expenses	-	\$18,836.15
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FOOD BASKETS

The Arma Cantata Fund (formerly Community Pantry) is preparing food baskets for needy families to be distributed before Christmas. We welcome donations of canned goods, non-perishable foods and toiletries. Donation box will remain at the entry of St. Joseph's Church until December 2nd, the night of the Cantata. Thank you for your generosity.

ALTAR SOCIETY

The next Altar Society meeting will be Wednesday, November 28, at 6:00pm. Final plans for the Cantata that will take place December 2, 6:00pm at St. Joseph Parish.

K OF C NEWS

- Girard/Arma Knights of Columbus wish to thank everyone who brought food for the Girard Ministerial Alliance Food Pantry during the month of October.
- The 28th Annual KOC Farm Toy Show will be Sunday, Nov. 11 from 9:00am to 3:00pm in the St. Michael's hall.
- Girard/Arma Knights of Columbus will hold their next meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 6 at 7:00pm in the St. Joseph rectory.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

Parents of Confirmation students are required to attend the upcoming Parent Information Session on Wed., Nov. 7, following the 6:30pm Mass. If you cannot attend the session, you will need to schedule an individual meeting for you, Fr. Floyd, and your student. As a reminder, attendance for all Confirmation classes is mandatory. Please make sure students are attending each Wednesday.

PARISH COUNCIL

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

TURKEY DINNER & BAKED GOODS SALE

St. Mary's Altar Society and Our Lady of Lourdes parish will be hosting their annual Turkey Dinner and Gingerbread House Baked Goods Sale this Sunday, Nov. 4, from 11am to 2pm in the Activity Center, 9th & Elm in Pittsburg.

ADVENT RETREAT

Our Lady of Lourdes parish in Pittsburg is hosting an Advent Retreat for Persons with Disabilities on Saturday, December 8 from 1:30 to 5:00pm, followed by Mass at 5:30.

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, Dan Cole

LATIN MASS

The Traditional Latin Mass is held the first Sunday of each month at 11:00am, at the Newman Center on the campus of Pittsburg State University. All are welcome.

WESTRIDGE ACTIVITIES

Father will be leading a 'scripture study and sharing' two times a month at the Westridge facility in Girard. It will take place on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 10:30 AM. If you would like to join us, feel free. On the other Wednesdays of the month, some of our parishioners will be present to lead a rosary or other spiritual activity.

KAPAUN'S MEN

Kapaun's Men have resumed their weekly meetings on Friday mornings at 6am in the parish hall. All men of the parish are invited.

BULLETIN ADVERTISEMENT

If you are interested in advertising your business or know someone who might be, please contact Janel Scales at jmscales414@gmail.com. The cost is \$100 for a year and is tax deductible. Thank you!

PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Please pray for parishioner Scott Aldrighetti, Jason Diskin and Lisa Pitts Martin who are 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.

SUPPORT FOR MADISON

St. Michael's parishioner Madison Smith, daughter of Hank and Carrie Smith, would appreciate your prayers and support as she prepares for her upcoming mission. To follow her experiences, you can read Madison's blog at www.madisonelaine.home.blog. You can also help support her financially by sending donations to Family Missions Co., 12624 Everglade Rd., Abbeville, LA 70510. You can also receive weekly updates and contribute online at www.madisonsmith.familymissionscompany.com. Madison is going into the world representing our parish family, let us support her as she dedicates herself to serving God's children.