



St. Joseph Catholic Church

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Pastor: Fr. Floyd McKinney



From the Pastor

Last week was the story of the wedding at Cana. We can make assumptions that the marriage was going to be a good and happy marriage because Jesus was present at the wedding. We have to remember one of the expressions that is used by Marriage Encounter: a wedding is a day, marriage is a lifetime. The gospel writer does not fill us in on what happened to the couple after this long and elaborate wedding day; we can hope that 'they lived happily ever after'. In my almost 39 years of priesthood, I have seen many couples that were very happy with their life together and I have seen others that I can say were less than ideal.

The weekend of Feb. 22-24, there will be an opportunity for you who are married to experience a Marriage Encounter. I encourage you to think about taking time to give the gift that keeps on giving. M.E. is not a weekend to fix a hurting relationship, although it could help. M.E. can also be time to work on romance. Here is how the organization says it: We're here because you have a good marriage and you want a great marriage. M.E. is a weekend experience for any couple—whether you're running the kids to soccer practice or enjoying your empty nest. It's not a retreat or a seminar, and there's no circle time or sharing—just you, your spouse, and a better marriage.

The weekend is at the Spiritual Life Center in Wichita, only a little over 2 hours from here. If you are interested you may ask me more questions or simply register with Jerry and Rebecca Gillespie at 316-244-8566 or Leon and Loretta Brittan at 719-387-9842. You could even say "Fr. Floyd sent us."

Since I work with the Spanish version of Marriage Encounter (and the English Engaged Encounter), I am a little biased I will admit. Don't miss the opportunity to improve on a good thing.

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

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PARISH WEBSITE:
www.stjosepharma.com

EUCARISTIC ADORATION:
Thursdays from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm

Mass Schedule and Intentions for Jan. 26 - Feb. 3

Jan. 26	Saturday	4:00pm	Joe O'Blak	Arma
		5:30pm	Lelia LaForge	Girard
27	Sunday	8:00am	Bill Harmon	Arma
		10:00am	Pro Populo	Girard
28	Monday	NO MASS		
29	Tuesday	5:30pm	Francis Buche	Arma
30	Wednesday	6:30pm	John Ziegler	Girard
31	Thursday	8:00am	Msgr. Robert Hemberger	Arma
		8:30am-12:30pm	Adoration	Arma
Feb. 1	Friday	7:00am	John Ziegler	Girard
		8:00am-6:00pm	Adoration	Girard
2	Saturday	4:00pm	Issie Stephani	Arma
		5:30pm	Bob Niggemann	Girard
3	Sunday	8:00am	Pro Populo	Arma
		10:00am	Ned & Elaine Sauer	Girard

Altar Ministers for Next Weekend

	Sat. (2/2)	Sun. (2/3)
	4:00pm	8:00am
Lector:	Barry Bedene	Linda Broyles
Usher/:	Emil Pronier &	Joe Broyles &
Greeter	Pat Westhoff	Joe Polhlopek
EMHC:	Linda Carpino	Joan Black
Gift Bearers:	Louise Jarboe &	Scott & Susie
	Georganne Galichia	Aldrighetti
Altar Servers:	Owen & Gianna	Cody Burns
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	COLLECTIONS	
	Last Week	July 2018 to date
Contributions	\$1,259.00	\$45,982.22
Expenses		\$29,203.98
Over / (Under)		\$16,778.24

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The 2018 Contribution Statements are in the entrance of the Church. Please stop by and pick yours up. Thank you!

FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING

The finance council will have a meeting on Tuesday Jan 29. If you have items you would like for us to discuss, please let me know. - Fr. Floyd

CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

Reminder: mandatory Confirmation retreat to be held on Saturday, Feb. 9 at the PSU St. Pius X Catholic Campus Center, from 9-5. All Confirmation students need to attend. Confirmandi not baptized at either St. Joseph or St. Michael's will need to have their baptismal records sent to the parish.

SPECIAL FAMILY EVENT

On Thursday, Feb. 21, speaker Jason Everett will be speaking at Our Lady of Lourdes in Pittsburg. This event, called Purified, is for all family members, ages 13+. You are invited to attend and listen to this well-known speaker. Please register your family (no cost) at: <https://www.ollsmc.com/oll-home-blog/2018/11/13/purified-with-jason-evert>. (Link also available on our website.) If any youth (13+) want to participate and their families are unable to attend, we can coordinate transportation and registration. Jason Evert is a *fantastic* speaker, a bestselling author of more than ten books, and has brought the message of chastity to more than one million people on six continents. He and his wife Crystalina run chastityproject.com.

DIOCESAN CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE

All High School youth: registration for the Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference (March 23-24) is due. Please contact Chelsea & Austin for registration forms and additional information.

ST. MICHAEL'S SOUP & CHILI FEED

Girard/Arma Knights of Columbus will hold their annual Soup & Chili Feed on Saturday, Feb. 2 from 5:30 to 7:30pm, and Sunday, Feb. 3 from 10:00am to 1:00pm at the St. Michael's Parish Hall. Desserts are included as well as coffee, tea, or lemonade. Free will donations will be accepted.

TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST (TEC)

The next TEC retreat is the weekend of Feb 16-18 at the Spiritual Life Center in Wichita, KS. TEC is specifically designed for older adolescents and young adults who are at least 16 years of age and have finished their sophomore year of high school. The cost is \$100, which includes meals, two nights

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PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL:

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lodging, and all materials. The parish will pay for half, making the cost \$50. Applications are available at <http://catholicdioceseofwichita.org/faith-tec/tec>. Please turn in to CYM leaders. Parents, please encourage your youth to attend! Contact Paula Severt or Chelsea & Austin Smith for additional information.

KOC FREE THROW CONTEST

The annual Girard/Arma Knights of Columbus #7607 Free Throw Contest will be Saturday, Feb. 9 at 1:00pm at GMS gymnasium. The District Free Throw Contest will be Sunday, Feb. 10 at the same location. The Regional Free Throw Contest is Sunday, Feb. 17 in Chanute. All boys & girls ages 9 to 14 are invited to participate. Call Dave Garrett with questions: 724-2743.

PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Please pray for parishioner Scott Aldrighetti, Jason Diskin, Lisa Pitts Martin, and George Stonerock 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.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next parish council meeting will be Tuesday, Feb. 19.

KAPAUNS MEN

Kapauns Men have resumed meeting on Friday mornings at 6am at the St. Michael's hall.

DISCERNMENT RETREAT

Join us in running the way of love! Waiting for a scheduled date? Wait no longer! Pick your own date! Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration invite single women, ages 18 - 40, who are considering religious life to visit for a weekend, for a weeklong Monastic Experience or for a personal discernment retreat at our monastery in Clyde, Missouri. It's a chance to experience the daily rhythm of our life where you can join us in singing the divine office, attend daily Mass, spend time in personal prayer, and open your heart to God's call by learning about discernment and prayer. There is no cost to attend and more details can be found at www.benedictinesisters.org. To register, contact Sr. Maria Victoria at (660) 944-2221 ext. 127 or e-mail vocation@benedictinesisters.org.