



St. Joseph Catholic Church

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



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

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

JESUS: UNIFIER OR DIVIDER?

I've often wondered what we would have said if Jesus, Himself, had told us - IN PERSON - of his Divine Plan for eternal life with all of its challenges! There was no RCIA back in the early 60s when Helen and I made the decision to 'take instructions' from the parish priest here at St. Joseph's, Father John Reinkemeyer. Speaking of division of families, we saw it firsthand! Her parents were Protestants, and while not strongly invested, they did have suspicions about the 'Catholic Church'. My dad had similar thoughts, but not limited to Catholics. His parents were fallen-away Catholics who had experienced anti-Catholic sentiment in their native France prior to coming to America in 1913. They had excluded religion from their lives and neither side was very excited about what we were planning! We reached this point because Fr. Joseph Gorentz, a member of my Arma High School Class of 1953 and my close friend, urged us to meet Fr. Reinkemeyer after we confided to Fr. Joe of our religious confusion as Protestants.

We looked to Fr. Reinkemeyer to help us build up a strong faith for ourselves and our future children. Fr. John reminded us that 'faith is a gift from God' and for those who believe, no explanation is necessary; for those who won't, none is possible. Here's how he explained his faith: "When I enter the Church, I don't 'feel' that power or that awareness of God. I don't now, nor do I believe that I ever will. I don't think about it, for why should I have that satisfaction? I have no right to be asking for this confirmation from God! He loves the individual who has the resolve to hang in there when the clouds seem low or when the sun is shining bright. That's the only way to be! I usually don't feel low or high, but in a rough situation, I go into the Church, kneel down, shut the world out and have a little talk with the Lord. MY FAITH TELLS ME HE'S THERE." That was Fr. Reinkemeyer and he gave us the strength and courage that we needed to become steadfast Catholics and we thank him everyday of our lives. --Marcel Normand

Mass Schedule and Intentions for Aug. 17 - 25

Aug. 17	Saturday	4:00pm	Harry VanLeeuwen	Arma
		5:30pm	Marie Pyle	Girard
18	Sunday	8:00am	Betty Rons	Arma
		10:00am	Pro Populo	Girard
19	Monday	NO MASS		
20	Tuesday	5:30pm	Buche family	Arma
21	Wednesday	6:30pm	Wayne Kanute	Girard
22	Thursday	8:00am	Intention of Celebrant	Arma
		8:30am-12:30pm	Adoration	Arma
23	Friday	7:00am	Clair Weston	Girard
		8:00am-6:00pm	Adoration	Girard
24	Saturday	4:00pm	Betty Kapler	Arma
		5:30pm	Roger William Westhoff	Girard
25	Sunday	8:00am	Joe Cizerle	Arma
		10:00am	Pro Populo	Girard

Altar Ministers for Next Weekend

	Sat. (8/24) 4:00pm	Sun. (8/25) 8:00am
Lector:	Bev Presley	Carol Cole
Usher:/ Greeter	Greg Bogina & Emil Pronier	Joe Polhlopek & Dan Cole
EMHC:	Linda Carpino	Terry Cleland
Gift Bearers:	Joe & Linda Broyles	Dave & Cindy Ashmore
Altar Servers:	Anna Meyer	Bryce Reese

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Expenses - July	\$2,153.81	\$2,153.81
Over / (Under)		\$5,362.19

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 -
 Altar Society - Margaret Setina
 Lectors - Linda Broyles
 Music - Jan Harman

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL:
 Members: Joe Polhlopek, Judy Wingeback, Linda Broyles, Dan Cole

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

Inside each bulletin you will find the Annual Financial Report with a description of each line item on the back. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact a member of the Finance Committee and/or Father McKinney.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our part in helping The Lord's Diner is providing volunteers. We had a good showing at the initial meeting and we do have a couple of volunteers, but there is still a need. If you are interested in helping, you may call Lisa Russell 620-704-4601 or be at the Golden Era at 4:45 on a Tuesday evening. If we have more volunteers, that means less work for all.

PSR NEWS

Reminder that PSR Starts next Wednesday the 21st. Elementary school pick-up is 3:30 and 8th-12th Grades go from 6:30-8:30.

There will be a Mandatory Meeting for Grades 7/8/9 on August 28th starting with mass at 6:30pm at Mass. We will be discussing important Confirmation dates and requirements.

ST. PAUL'S GROUP

The St. Paul's Group will meet this Sunday, August 18, at 1:00pm the Knights of Columbus Hall in Pittsburg. Dinner and bingo. All widows, widowers, and single seniors are welcome. Hostesses will be Sharon Starr, Pat Tanner, and Rosemary Patterson.

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. 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.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT NEEDED

The Diocese of Wichita is seeking an outstanding individual to serve as Administrative Assistant to the Vicar General/ Moderator of the Curia and Director of Finance. This

individual will perform administrative, clerical and office duties, including preparation of written communications, scheduling of meetings, taking minutes, and assisting with tracking of real estate and construction contracts. Deadline for accepting resumes is noon, August 22, 2019. For information regarding requirements, please check our job posting at <https://catholicdioceseofwichita.org/careers/>.

CHURCH DIRECTORY INFO


St. Michael and St. Joseph Parishes will be scheduling family photo sessions for parishioners as we prepare to put together new parish directories. St. Joseph photo sessions will be Sept. 23 & 24, and St. Michael's sessions will be Sept. 25 - 28. Monday-Friday sessions will be from 2:00 to 9:00pm, and Saturday sessions will be from 10:00am to 5:00pm. Please read the bulletin insert. **It is VITAL that we have volunteers from both parishes to help see this project through!** If you would be willing to help in some capacity, please contact Carrie Smith at 238-0728.

BULLETIN CONTACT INFO

Please note that my email address has changed. If you have information for the bulletin(s), please email it to: bauerbackes@yahoo.com. Thanks, Nancy Bauer

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

Do you pray for, or think about praying for our parish priest as our Bishop suggested? If you want to begin praying for our priest, Fr. Floyd McKinney, on a regular basis, please sign-up on the sheet in the church entryway! Fr. McKinney said that he would appreciate and love our prayers! We are blessed to have a priest that serves us! "In strengthening the priest you strengthen the whole Church...Strengthen the priest and you strengthen the whole foundation, you strengthen everything in the Church." - Fr. Gerald Fitzgerald, S.P. For more info, go to: sevensistersapostolate.org.



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