



St. Michael Catholic Church

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Girard, KS 66743
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Pastor: Fr. Floyd McKinney



<u>MASS SCHEDULE</u>	<u>GIRARD</u>	<u>ARMA</u>
Saturday	5:30 pm	4:00 pm
Sunday	10:00 am	8:00 am

<u>CONFESSION</u>	<u>GIRARD</u>	<u>ARMA</u>
Saturday	2:00-2:30 pm	3:15-3:45 pm
Before all Masses, anytime by appointment		

RECTORY HOURS & INFORMATION

Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 am - Noon
Rectory: (620) 724-8717
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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:
Fridays from 8:00 am to 6:00 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

	<u>Next Saturday</u>	<u>Next Sunday</u>
	8/24/19	8/25/19
	5:30 pm	10:00 am
<u>Altar Servers:</u>	Dawson & Kooper Stegman, Aiden Ashbacher	Evan Sisney & Jaxton Smith
<u>EMHC:</u>	Rhonda Stonerock	Eileen Bland
<u>Lector:</u>	Tony Stonerock	Doug Lopeman
<u>Gift Bearers:</u>	Steve & Susan O'Toole	Mark & Trish Peak

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ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING

The St. Michael's Altar Society meeting is August 26 at 6:00 at St Michael's Hall. We will be planning for the turkey bazaar, which is October 21, and giving donations to different charities. Please bring your favorite finger food and join us.

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.

BIRTHDAY CARD SHOWER

Barbara Unrein was a member of the parish until she moved to be close to her son. She enjoys receiving cards. Her family is requesting a card shower for her birthday, which is Sept. 9. Her address is Barbara Unrein, Pioneer Ridge, 4851 Harvard Rd., Room 216, Lawrence, KS 66049. The family thanks you!

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.

PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Please pray for Audrey Casassa, Nancy Church, Allie Davied, Gerald Davied, Mary Davied, Jason Diskin, Gary Dowling, Lisa & Jocelyn Goff, Ron Lallemand, Donna Little, Herman Masser, John Oplotnik, Jim O'Toole, Rosemary O'Toole, George Stonerock, Edward Luke Walsh, and Tom Weston 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.

YOUNG ADULTS CAMPOUT

Young adults, Nature is calling you this Labor Day weekend! Join us for the 26th annual Nature's Call Campout in Missouri! You and other young adult Catholics from across the Midwest will enjoy a relaxing getaway to Lake Pomme de Terre, where you can pitch a tent or simply hang a hammock on the several acres of land on the lake! You will meet and grow in friendship with 100+ young faithful while enjoying swimming, live music, dancing, hiking, a cooking competition, sports, and more! Holy Mass and Confessions will be available during the weekend. Food and beverages will not be provided.

COLLECTIONS	Last Week	July 2019 to date
	Contributions	\$2,231.19
Children's Offering	\$10.00	\$33.75
Expenses - July	\$9,845.88	\$9,845.88
Over / (Under)		\$4,067.76
Building Fund Contributions	\$140.00	

Stores are nearby for any necessities. The campsite does have restrooms with running water and shower facilities. To learn more and purchase tickets (\$25 online or \$30 at the door), please visit naturescall.camp. We look forward to seeing you!

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.

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 to help see this project through!** If you would be willing to help in some capacity, please contact Carrie Smith at 238-0728.

FOOD PANTRY

There is a basket in the entrance of the Church for any food donations you would like to donate to the Community Food Pantry. This is an ongoing project in conjunction with the Ministerial Alliance. Monetary Donations are accepted as well, by placing an envelope in the collection basket marked "Food Pantry". Thank you for supporting the need.

ST. CHARLOTTE GROUP

St. Charlotte craft group meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month from 8:30 - 1:45. Service projects we work on include hats for newborns, scarves for Special Olympics and teaching aids for children with special needs. Please join us and bring your talent or just come and share in fellowship. For more information call Barb Mikrut (620) 249-9505.

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