



St. Joseph Catholic Church

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Arma, KS 66712
(620) 347-4525
Pastor: Fr. Floyd McKinney



From the Pastor

What is it called? The grateful response of a Christian disciple who recognizes and receives God's gifts and shares these gifts in joy of God and neighbor. The answer is "Stewardship". Everything that we have and all that we are...are gifts from a loving God, whose love for us is abundant! We begin to increase our Faith by becoming Fully Alive ourselves! Let's focus this week on the "intimate knowledge of the many blessings received."

The nation is going to hell in a handbasket. "I see how stiff-necked this people is," continued the LORD to Moses. Sometimes I wonder if we are living again like the people in the time of Moses. When we look at the news, or the internet, and see all that is happening in our time, it is easy to worry. I suppose the good news is that Moses spoke on behalf of the people and the Lord responded: "So the LORD relented in the punishment he had threatened to inflict on his people." Much like the Gospel of the prodigal son; dad welcomes him home without question. Our God is a forgiving God who wants to show love even when we turn away from the concern and connection that is available to us. On the individual level; God reaches out to us, calling us to come and receive the mercy of the sacrament of reconciliation. When we are talking about our nation, that may be a different story. As individuals we cannot change the atmosphere of division in our "stiff-necked" world. We can be like the prodigal son, who acknowledged his mistake, or we can be like the other son who did not want to admit how much he had received from dad. So what good does it do to say our nation is not grateful for the blessings we have received? Each of us who recognize that God is with us can proclaim the wonders around us. Each of us who are living our faith can be the drop in the bucket that changes the atmosphere of our nation.

<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

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
 Bookkeeper: Janel Scales
 Bulletin Editor: Nancy Bauer
 bauerbackes@yahoo.com

PARISH WEBSITE:

www.stjosepharma.com

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Thursdays from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm

Mass Schedule and Intentions for Sept. 14 - 22

Sept. 14	Saturday	4:00pm	Harry VanLeeuwen	Arma
		5:30pm	Clair Weston	Girard
15	Sunday	8:00am	Harry VanLeeuwen	Arma
		10:00am	Pro Populo	Girard
16	Monday	NO MASS		
17	Tuesday	5:30pm	No Intention	Arma
18	Wednesday	6:30pm	Special Intention	Girard
19	Thursday	8:00am	No Intention	Arma
		8:30am-12:30pm	Adoration	Arma
20	Friday	7:00am	Daughters of Isabella	Girard
		8:00am-6:00pm	Adoration	Girard
21	Saturday	4:00pm	Joe Cizerle	Arma
		5:30pm	Betty Madl	Girard
22	Sunday	8:00am	Pro Populo	Arma
		10:00am	Jack Battitoro	Girard

Altar Ministers for Next Weekend

	Sat. (9/21) 4:00pm	Sun. (9/22) 8:00am
Lector:	Pat Westhoff	Pat Westhoff
Usher:/ Greeter	Emil Pronier & Dave Petrey	Joe Polhlopek & Greg Bogina
EMHC:	Lindsay Waterman	Terry Cleland
Gift Bearers:	Louise Jarboe & Agnes Goodman	Mike & Janet Ashbacher
Altar Servers:	Gianna & Owen Waterman	Bryce Reese

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COLLECTIONS		
	Last Week	July 2019 to date
Contributions	\$829.00	\$11,897.00
Expenses - August	\$8,547.10	\$10,700.91
Over / (Under)		\$1,196.09

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.

CHURCH DIRECTORY SIGN-UPS

Volunteers from St. Michael and St. Joseph Parishes will be available before and after this weekend's masses scheduling parishioners for upcoming photo sessions for our new Church Directories. You can also call Carrie Smith to schedule your photo session: 238-0728. 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.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The new altar arrangements of fall silk flowers have been provided by Larry Black and the Forever Flowers Shop in downtown Arma. Thank you for helping transition from summer to the new fall colors of flowers!

26th ANNUAL GREENBUSH DAY

The 26th Annual Greenbush Day will be Sunday, September 15. Festivities include a free will donation hog roast, a silent auction, activities from the SEK Education Service Center and much more. Fun for the whole family. We hope to see you there!

ST. PAUL'S GROUP

The St. Paul's Group will meet for dinner and bingo this Sunday, September 15, at 1:00pm the Knights of Columbus Hall in Pittsburg. All widows, widowers, and single seniors are welcome. Hostesses will be Margaret Bishop, Frances Merrell, and Edie Hobson.

DIOCESAN PRESENTATION

There will be an Informational Night for Parents with a Child with a Disability on Monday, October 7, from 6:30 -

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

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL:

Members: Joe Polhlopek, Judy Wingeback, Linda Broyles, Dan Cole

8:45pm at the St. Joseph Pastoral Center, 437 N. Topeka Street in Wichita. Topics will include Guardianship, Financial Planning, Independent Living, and Mental Health. Please see information on bulletin board in front of church.

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.

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! We are blessed to have a priest that serves us! For more info, go to: sevensistersapostolate.org.

ST. CHARLOTTE GROUP

St. Charlotte craft group meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month from 8:30 - 1:45 in the St. Michael's Hall. 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.

TRAVELING CATHOLICS

If you or your loved ones will be traveling this summer, you can always find a Catholic Church near you at masstimes.org. You are advised to call the parish in advance and confirm listed mass times are correct.



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