

St. Joseph Catholic Church

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MASS SCHEDULE	GIRARD	ARMA
Saturday	5:30pm	4:00pm
Sunday	10:00am	8:00am

CONFESSION	GIRARD	ARMA
Saturday	2:00-2:30pm	3:15-3:45pm

Before all Masses, anytime by appointment

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PARISH WEBSITE:
www.stjosepharma.com

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

**Bulletins are being posted on the website once again.

**Quarterly Mass Duty schedule is also posted on the website.

EMIL PRONIER

St. Joseph's parish lost another valued parishioner in May, but due to personal obligations, I had to postpone writing about Emil Pronier and his strong adherence to Catholicism. Like my family, Emil's relatives hurriedly left France in the early 1900s when WWI rumors raged throughout Europe. Both families' breadwinners were coal miners and they sought refuge in the U.S. for work and for freedom. These two families arrived separately around 1913 and were drawn to SE Ks. and the Arma-Mulberry area where mining was the main source of income.

Emil's core beliefs were formed in the home. Many of his fellow parishioners took notice of his willingness to serve the Church in many ways including the pastoral council, church usher, and church greeter for those arriving. Emil was a kind, friendly guy by nature. As the greeter, Helen could expect a smile and a peck on the cheek upon arriving! That was Emil.

As to work, he held a job all of his life and he was taught to value the dignity of work. He had no college degree, but found satisfaction working in the printing business for years. He ended his employment as an elementary school custodian where he knew the little ones by name and his superior knew him by his work. He once told me that he enjoyed wherever he worked and formed many lasting friendships.

Emil was in my first catechism class at St. Joseph's in 1965, a class that also included Ron Albertini and Jackie Paul Cukjati. The solid Catholic faith that he formed was his anchor of life. I'll never forget during one of our classes, he told the group, "It's a privilege for all of us to be able to attend catechism and learn more of our faith." (that made him really popular as you might guess!) He learned the lessons of the faith well and he lived them. He dealt with difficulties in life and made the most of each day allotted to him. He was loved by his family and friends. He is already missed in this Church. --Marcel Normand

COLLECTIONS

	Last Week	July 2021 to Date
Contributions	\$ 682.00	\$ 19,886.00
Expenses	\$ -	\$ 15,231.01
Over/(Under)		\$ 4,654.99

PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Please pray for parishioner Scott Aldrighetti, Jan Harman, Aaron Kranker, Lisa Pitts Martin, Margaret Setina, and Randy VanLeeuwen 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 jmscales414@gmail.com. Thank you!

ST. FRANCIS CHURCH FALL BAZAAR

St. Francis Parish in St. Paul will host their Annual Fall Bazaar will be held on Sunday, November 7th from 11:00am to 12:30pm, carry-out meals only. Adults—\$10 and Children—\$5. The Fancy Stand will be outside the Parish Hall and the Harvest Sale will be held at Noon.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

The Gift of the Priesthood – The BIG Reveal

Dt 6:2-6/ Heb 7:23-28 / Mk 12:28b-34

Today's reading from the Letter to the Hebrews invites us to ponder the gift of the priesthood. In this passage, we read of the beauty of Jesus' perfect priesthood, and all that was given to us in that sacrifice. It also calls to mind the beautiful sacrifices made by our earthly priests. But does it call to mind the beauty of YOUR own priesthood — the one to which you were anointed in Baptism? A key function of the priesthood is to open a way of access to God. Obviously, Jesus did this for us, and so do our parish priests today. How do your own sacrifices do this for you and those around you? How does your prayer life and your handling of suffering reflect the priesthood? If these are difficult questions for you, perhaps it is time for you to make a real connection with the priests around you. Invite one or two to walk with you as you grow in your faith. Learn and be inspired by them. And by all means, pray for them.

FARM TOY SHOW

The 31st Annual Southeast Kansas Farm Toy Show will be held on Sunday, November 14th from 9am to 3pm in the St. Michael's Parish Hall. Raffle for door prizes every hour...\$2.00 Admission/10 & Under—Free! **Lunch Available** For more information, contact Dave Garrett by phone at 620-724-4888, 620-724-6166, or 620-724-2743 or by email at napa_dave55@hotmail.com.

PSR EDUCATION CLASSES

Our PSR classes have started! Classes are held on all Wednesdays USD 248 is in session. Grades 1-5 walk over after class and parents pick them up at 3:30pm. Grades 6-12 meet from 7-8pm. If you know someone that would still like to join us please contact Kristen Graham at 620-875-6133. You can also contact her if you would like to teach 1st Grade, substitute teach, plan holiday activities or parties, or donate snacks.

Student Sacramental Classes Have Began

The Diocese of Wichita has now required that the grade for Confirmation be 6th Grade. This is an earlier age than we are used to, but the students in 6th grade the last few years have shown that they are ready! Please keep these students, and our 2nd graders soon to receive First Reconciliation and Holy Communion, in your prayers as they prepare for these important sacraments.

1st Grade PSR teacher Needed

Our 1st and 2nd Grade Religion classes are currently joined in the same class, but we, excitedly, have doubled our class numbers in these grades and now NEED to separate the two grades into different classes. If you are able to teach 1st Grade on Wednesdays from 2:15-3:30pm (6 students) please contact Kristen Graham at 620-875-6133.

ALL THE TIME AND EVERYWHERE

How little merely human insight avails!

This good lawyer speaks well of holy things and yet the comment of Jesus is that he is *not far* from the kingdom. He speaks high wisdom yet he is not *inside*, merely near. This should warn us not to overrate what we think we know of Jesus. All that matters ultimately is that we live it.

When we hear those great, solemn, beautiful words intoned—"Listen O Israel . . . You must love the Lord you God will all your heart and all your soul, with all your mind and all your strength" - we can feel deeply moved. They resound in our soul as the very meaning of life.

But what are we actually doing to live out this totality of love which constitutes the very existence of Jesus himself?

The love of God is almost impossible to evaluate. Love of neighbor is the only guide to its existence, let alone its depths.

It is only in loving our neighbor that we can be set on loving God all the time and everywhere. There is no meaning to our human existence but this.

The more earnestly we want to surrender to God, the more determinedly we must work to love our neighbor.

Sr. Ruth Burrows, *Living Love*

Ruth Burrows, a Carmelite nun at Quindenham Monastery in Norfolk, England, is the author of several best-selling books on spirituality and prayer.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Due to elections on Tuesday, the K of C will have their meeting on Wednesday, November 3rd at 7pm in the parish hall.

Mass Schedule and Intentions for October 30-November 7

Oct	30 Sat	4:00pm	Ted Yoakam	Arma
		5:30pm	Regina Butler	Girard
	31 Sun	8:00am	Mary Dean Sandler	Arma
		10:00am	Pro Populo	Girard
Nov	01 Mon	8:00am	All Saints	Girard
	02 Tues	8:00am	Ted Yoakam	Arma
	03 Wed	8:00am	Charles Snow	Girard
	04 Thurs	8:00am	John Schaub	Arma
		8:30am-12:30pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Arma
	05 Fri	7:00am	Karen Davied	Girard
		8:00am-6:00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Girard
	06 Sat	4:00pm	Violet Pazzie	Arma
		5:30pm	Jim O'Toole	Girard
	07 Sun	8:00am	Fr. Emil Kapaun	Arma
		10:00am	Pro Populo	Girard

Altar Ministers for Next Weekend

Saturday (11/06/21)	Sunday (11/07/21)
4:00pm	8:00am
Altar Servers: Volunteers	Cody & Tyler Burns
EME: Linda Carpino	Joan Black
Lector: Anna Meyer	Joe Broyles
Gifts: Margaret Setina & Gay Kranker	Mary Sayre & Joyce Klinkon
Ushers: Pat Westhoff & Volunteer	Ron Black & Joyce Klinkon

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