

St. Michael 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
Weekdays before Mass, anytime by appointment

RECTORY HOURS
Tuesday-Friday 9:00am-Noon
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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:
Fridays from 8:00am to 6:00pm

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

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

THE WAY GOD RESPONDS

I don't think Jesus has a right to expect perfection of any of us folks, but I do think he has the right to expect maturity. I think he does have a right to expect us to act like adults. Jesus said, I want you have this unlimited love, not that you might convert your enemies or work up a bargain with them, not because it's practical, but because this is the mature response of your Father. This is the way He responds and, therefore, I want you to respond in that same way.

This has been a very difficult thing for Christians to understand. We always try to explain it away and say, "Yeah, but there are some people you can't love. If you love them, they'll just come over and take you over and kill you and destroy. There are some people you just can't love."

I don't think you're going to get to first base with Jesus on that kind of stuff. He knew there were people who couldn't be loved too, but he loved them right on. He knew there were people who would respond with sneers, who would respond with spit; they would respond with nails through his hands and spears through his side. He knew about these unlovable characters

Don't tell me Jesus didn't know about enemies that were bad and unlovable. He knew them quite well. He knew what they'd do to you. He knew they'd come out and hang you on a cross if you loved'em. But he still says you're going to have to love them.

Clarence Jordan, *The Substance of Faith and Other Cotton Patch Sermons*
Clarence Jordan (1912-1969), a farmer and New Testament Greek scholar, was the founder of Koinonia Farm, a small but influential religious community in southwest Georgia. He was also instrumental in founding Habitat for Humanity.

COLLECTIONS

	Last Week	July 2021 to Date
Contributions	\$ 4,046.25	\$ 102,995.73
Expenses	\$ -	\$ 98,970.61
Over/(Under)		\$ 4,025.12
Building Fund Contributions	\$ -	

ST. PAUL'S PRAYER

I kneel before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that he may grant you in accord with the riches of his glory to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in the inner self, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the holy ones what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. -Ephesians 3:14-19

Consecration to St. Joseph (adapted from the Consecration to St. Joseph by Donald H. Calloway, MIC)

O Glorious Patriarch and Patron of the Church! O Virgin Spouse of the Virgin Mother of God! O Guardian and Virginal Father of the Word Incarnate! In the presence of Jesus and Mary, we choose you this day to be our father, guardian, and protector. O great St. Joseph, whom God has made the Head of the Holy Family, accept us, we beseech you, though utterly unworthy, to be a member of your "Holy House." Present us to your Immaculate Spouse; ask her also to adopt us as her children. With her, pray that we may constantly think of Jesus, and serve Him faithfully to the end of our lives. O Terror of Demons, increase in us virtue, protect us from the evil one, and help us not to offend God in any way. O Spiritual Father, we hereby consecrate ourselves to you. In faithful imitation of Jesus and Mary, we place ourselves and all our concerns under your care and protection. To you, after Jesus and Mary, we consecrate our bodies and souls, with all their faculties, our spiritual growth, our homes, and all our affairs and undertakings. Forsake us not, but adopt us as servants and children of the Holy Family. Watch over us at all times, but especially at the hour of death. Console and strengthen us with the presence of Jesus and Mary, so that with you, we may praise and adore the Holy Trinity for all eternity. Amen.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Totus Tuus is scheduled for the week of July 17-22, 2022. More information to come!

PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Please pray for Audrey Casassa, Jerry Davenport, Mary Davied, Gary Dowling, Rosemary Gardner, Fred & Marjorie Giefer, Jessica Goff, Lisa Goff, Waylon Humble, Tom Kovach, Marita Lopeman, Mary Kay Mason, Richard Mason, Herman Masser, Ronnie Michael, Bob Moore, Joseph Muia, John Oplotnik, Josie Oplotnik, David Peak, Betty Purdon, Frank Purdon, Tina Ruma, Anna Snow, Dan Wendt, and David Westhoff 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!

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

Love Your Enemies

1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 / 1 Cor 15:45-49 / Lk 6:27-38

Jesus' message in today's Gospel is a countercultural one. "Love your enemies," He says. "Lend expecting nothing back." Jesus' message — and His example — is a selfless one. If we expect to grow in virtue, then we have to practice humility, generosity, and charity. The world still preaches the message of an eye for an eye, but we are better than that, aren't we? Regardless of how a person has treated us, we are still called to will the greatest good for him or her. Isn't that exactly what Jesus did for us?? Aren't we called to love in extraordinary ways?? Jesus says, "For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you." The more we give, the more we are *Given*.

CURSILLO MOVEMENT

Mark your Calendars! Calling all Cursillistas and those interested in taking their faith to a deeper level! We are hosting a SEK gathering in Chanute, Sunday, February 20th, at 3:30 PM in the Knights Hall (325 W. 21st St). Our new Cursillo Chaplain, Fr. Jacob Carlin, will be joining us and it will serve as a time for old friends to reacquire as well as an opportunity for those who would like to learn more about the Cursillo movement to gain information. We hope you will plan to join us and bring a snack to share, because when we meet, we eat! For more information about the Cursillo Experience in advance, handouts have been placed at the entrances of the church, or you can go to: <https://slcwichita.org/ministries/cursillo/>.

ST. PAUL'S GROUP

Weather permitting the St. Paul's Group (widows, widowers, and single seniors) will meet on Sunday, February 20, at 1:00pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall. (11th and Joplin, Pittsburg). Dinner, Bingo, and prayer. Food, fun, and companionship. Hostesses will be Midge Barley, Madeline Smith, and Sherry White. Questions call 620-231-4594.

ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

8:00am - St. Michael
3:15pm - St. Michael (Liturgy of the Word with Ashes)
5:30pm - St. Joseph
7:00pm - St. Michael

Mass Schedule and Intentions for February 19-27

Date	Time	Intention	Minister
Feb 19 Sat	4:00pm	John Schaub	Arma
	5:30pm	Donna Little	Girard
20 Sun	8:00am	Danny Black	Arma
	10:00am	Pro Populo	Girard
21 Mon		NO MASS	Girard
22 Tues	8:00am	Ted Yoakam	Arma
23 Wed	8:00am	Donna Little	Girard
24 Thurs	8:00am	Violet Pazzie	Arma
	8:30am-12:30pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Arma
25 Fri	7:00am	Regina Butler	Girard
	8:00am-6:00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Girard
26 Sat	4:00pm	Ted Yoakam	Arma
	5:30pm	Verl Diskin	Girard
27 Sun	8:00am	Jean Wilson	Arma
	10:00am	Pro Populo	Girard

Altar Ministers for Next Weekend

Saturday (02/26/22)	Sunday (02/27/22)
5:30pm	10:00am
Altar Servers: Seth Wilson & Jaxton Smith	Evan & Quin Sisney
E.M.E.: Makayla Ausemus	Eileen Bland
Lector: Nancy Bauer	Volunteer
Gifts: Donald & Clarice Davied	Brian & Jill Davied Family

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