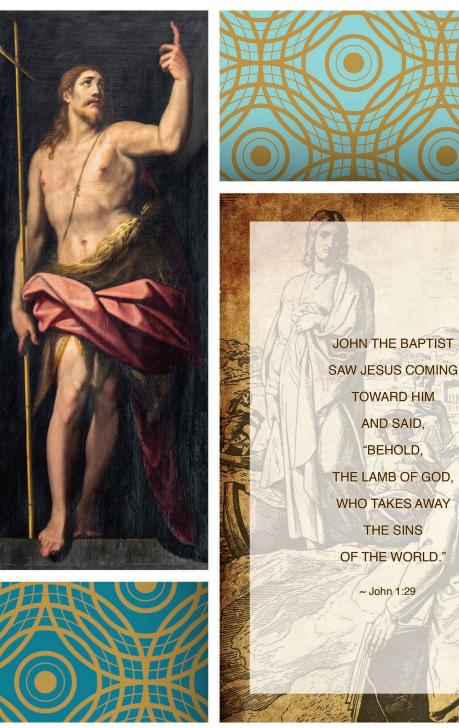


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Sr. Christine's Food Pantry	636-464-7580				
St. Vincent de Paul Society Helpline	636-274-6520				

Mass Times

Sat.: 8:00 am & 4:30 pm Sun.: 7, 8:30, 10, 11:30 am; 4:30 pm Mon. - Fri. 6:30 & 8:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday-Friday: 7:00 am Thursday: 5:30 pm—7:00 pm Saturday: 3:30 pm—4:30 pm

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION T/W/Th 9:00 am—9:00 pm

SACRAMENT of BAPTISM

Attendance at a Baptismal preparation class is required. Classes are held the 2^{nd} Thursday of the month; call to schedule.

Sacraments *of* Eucharist and Confirmation

For those who have been baptized Catholic or wish to enter the Catholic Church, RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) classes are required. For more information contact Sr. Rosemary.

Sacrament *of* Anointing of the Sick

Anyone who is seriously sick and would like a visit from one of the priests may call the parish office to request one. Hospitals no longer call parishes with this information.

SACRAMENT of MARRIAGE

Contact one of the priests to begin your preparation at least nine months before the anticipated wedding date.

Sacrament of Holy Orders and Vowed Religious Life

If you are interested in learning about a religious vocation, please contact one of the priests or the Archdiocesan Vocations Office at stlvocations.org or 314-792-6460.

Holy Communion for the Homebound

Parishioners who are homebound and wish to receive Holy Communion may call Mary Dixon at 636-467-2104 to make arrangements.

Ministry Schedule	January 21 4:30 pm	January 22 7:00 am	January 22 8:30 am	January 22 10:00 am	January 22 11:30 am	January 22 4:30 pm
Lectors	Simms Dalton	Schilly Nason	Darian Hummell	Halfmann Halfmann	Schurk Hobbs	Volunteer
Servers	A. Fanetti Volunteers	Volunteers	L. Preston H. Preston C. Johnston	D. Murphy W. Nesselhauf F. Null	Ja. Vonder Haar Jo. Vonder Haar P. Vonder Haar	G. Oppelz S. Rakers A. Rakers

Mass Intentions				
Monday	January 16, 2023			
6:30 am	Jeanne Klosterman			
8:00 am	Kelly Southern			
Tuesday	January 17, 2023			
6:30 am	Betty and Dan Fitzgerald			
8:00 am	Zachary Strong			
Wednesday	January 18, 2023			
6:30 am	Jeanne Klosterman			
8:00 am	Mendel Family			
Thursday	January 19, 2023			
6:30 am	Jim Hunziker			
8:00 am	Dust Family and Friends			
Friday	January 20, 2023			
6:30 am	Bill & John Dust			
8:00 am	Cindy Posluszny (special intention)			
Saturday	January 21, 2023			
8:00 am	Robert M. Potts Jr.			
4:30 pm	Frank Halfmann			
Sunday	January 22, 2023			
7:00 am	Sonny Schilly			
8:30 am	Charles Mueller			
10:00 am	Parishioners of St. Joseph			
11:30 am	Angeline, Robert Sr. & Jr., Alan, and Mandi Mesey			
4:30 pm	Dale Self			

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

If you have something for publication in the bulletin, please send it to **bulletin@sjiparish.org**. The deadline is each Monday at noon.



Confession Times in the Jefferson Co. Deanery			
Monday			
5-6:30 pm	St. David, Arnold		
Tuesday			
5-6 pm	St. John the Beloved, Imperial		
Wednesday			
5-6 pm	St. John the Beloved, Imperial		
Thursday			
5:30-7 pm	St. Joseph, Imperial		
Saturday			
After 8 am Mass	St. Rose of Lima, DeSoto		

Parish Stewardship - 12/26/2022-1/1/2023

	Current	Fiscal YTD	
Offertory			
Total collected	\$25,072.50	\$606,822.06	
Amount needed	\$22,170.00	\$598,590.00*	
Surplus or <mark>shortage</mark>	\$2,902.50	\$8,232.06	
Special collections		*Adjusted	
Tuition assistance	\$866.00	for Season of Giving and restricted funds	
St. Vincent dePaul	\$850.25		
Sr. Christine's Food Pantry	\$390.00		



Please stop by, call, or email the parish office to schedule Mass Intentions. Mass cards for *special intentions* or *in memory* are available; they may be picked up in the parish office. The stipend per Mass is \$10.





From the Desk *of* Fr. Dan Shaughnessy, Pastor

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In meditating on the beginning of the liturgical year and the Baptism of the Lord, we might fairly ask, "Why was Jesus baptized?" To answer that question, I came across a beautiful reflection by a brother priest:

For more than two weeks we have celebrated Jesus as an infant. Now once again we begin celebrating Jesus as an adult and appropriately we begin with Jesus' first public appearance as an adult, his baptism by John the Baptist in the river Jordan. Perhaps we wonder why Jesus requested John to baptize him. Jesus did not have any sins to repent of and the baptism offered by John the Baptist was for repentance of sins (Luke 3:3). When sinners went to John at the river Jordan, they did so because they acknowledged their sinfulness and their baptism symbolized turning over a new leaf in their lives and leaving sin behind. Jesus, although like us in every way, was without sin, as the Letter to the Hebrews assures us (Heb 4:15). That explains why John the Baptist objected to Jesus' request for baptism in the Gospel of Matthew: "I need to be baptized by you, and yet you are coming to me?" (Matt 3:14). The answer Jesus gave John helps us to understand why Jesus wanted to be baptized: "Allow it now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." (Matt 3:15) "To fulfill all righteousness" is why Jesus wanted to be baptized. We might say it is difficult to understand this answer because Jesus was not lacking in righteousness and was already righteous. So how could his baptism fulfill all righteousness? (I will draw on Pope Benedict's book Jesus of Nazareth: From the Baptism in the Jordan to the Transfiguration pp 17-23 to help us to answer this question.) Sinless Jesus did not have any sins of his own to take down into the river Jordan, therefore it could only have been our sins that he took down into the river Jordan. Naturally no one would understand this at that time, but they would realize this later when they understood that Jesus died on the cross for our sins. So, Jesus' baptism in the Jordan and his dying on the cross go together; he did both for our sins. He took our sins on his shoulders as he went down into the Jordan and as he died on the cross.

(https://www.frtommylane.com/homilies/years_abc/baptism_of_our_lord)

The Baptism of our Lord goes hand in hand with the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus. We can see the tapestry of God's love as we look back on all of His incredible acts of magnanimous generosity.

Happy New Year!

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Dan Sumamores

Sr. Christine's Food Pantry Thanks You!

While most take a STEP BACK in dismay at the human conditions that cause a lack of food, YOU have STEPPED UP to not just provide food but point the way forward. THANK YOU! Despite feeling a need to reduce expenditures during these times, YOU have found ways to maintain or even increase your financial help. THANK YOU! Your gifts allow dozens of volunteers to touch individual lives as our parish food pantry provides a balanced food supply to well over 100 souls each week. These recipients are hardworking individuals and elderly neighbors who have encountered a documented financial strain that could lead to hunger. You may never meet these souls in this lifetime, but please know that they thank YOU each and every week. And your parish clergy, staff, and volunteers THANK YOU! The St. Joseph Parish community sure knows what it means to live Christ's Kingdom here and now!





If you have been on an ACTS Retreat and would like to be involved with future retreats at St Joseph the CORE TEAM is just what you are looking for!

Please join us for an informational meeting:

When: Thursday, January 26, 2023 at 7:00pm

Where: CCC - Meeting Room D

If you are unable to attend but would like more information, let us know...

Email us at: stjosephimperialacts@gmail.com



Booking the Corpus Christi Center

Whether you need to use space for a ministry meeting or a larger-scale personal event, the first step is to fill out the inquiry form located on the parish website at <u>https://sjiparish.org/</u> inquiry. By doing so, we will be able to capture all the important details and it will facilitate communication through our booking software.

Safe Environment Program: Registration Required *Protecting God's Children* | **For All Employees and Volunteers**

St. Joseph Parish follows the Safe Environment Program of the Archdiocese of St. Louis. In 2020, the Archdiocese of St. Louis developed a system for safe environment compliance called Prevent and Protect STL. Everyone (clergy, employees, and volunteers ministering to minors and vulnerable adults in the Archdiocese is required to register in this system. For those who have already attended a Protecting God's Children workshop, your previous training date will transfer to this system. In addition to attending a live Protecting God's Children workshop, all clergy, volunteers, and employees will register for an updated background screening, view the two new online training modules on abuse reporting, and agree to the updated Code of Ethical Conduct. Please go to https://sjiparish.org/safe-environment for instructions on how to register. If you have any questions, contact Mary Truetken by email at mtruetken@sjiparish.org or by phone at 636-464-1013 Ext. 109.

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This winter, the Knights of Columbus are collecting food items to be assembled into breakfast bags for St. Patrick Center and would like to welcome the parish in helping us collect the food items to place in the bags. Inspiring messages of hope will be provided with each bag as well. Suggested items include granola bars, breakfast bars, fruit cups, prepackaged muffins, toaster pastries, cereal variety packs, juice boxes and water. Boxes for collecting items will be placed in the vestibule. Please bring in items no later than Sunday February 19th.



Faith in Action

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On January 3, Missouri performed its first execution of 2023 when the state took the life of Amber (formerly Scott) McLaughlin. The execution was carried out despite petitions containing thousands of signatures from multiple countries imploring the Missouri governor to grant McLaughlin clemency.

McLaughlin's case is only the start of the executions scheduled to be carried out in the state this year. Missouri's next scheduled execution is set for February 7 when, barring a grant of clemency by the governor, the state will execute Leonard Taylor. Though Taylor is currently the only Missouri death row inmate with an execution date scheduled, there is a substantial likelihood that more execution dates will be scheduled this year.

The Catholic Church opposes the death penalty because it disregards the inherent sanctity and dignity of human life and denies the individual the chance for repentance and conversion of heart. You can call Governor Mike Parson's office at (573) 751-3222 or you can email him at https://governor.mo.gov/contact-us/mo-governor to request clemency for Missouri's death row inmates.

Saint Joseph School

Enrollment Updates/Information

Please take note of this timeline for enrollmentrelated processes:

- Enrollment for current students opened on January 3, 2023
- Enrollment for current families does not have a *closing* date, but enrollment for new families will open on Monday, January 23, 2023.

Our enrollment is strong; please enroll in a timely manner.

All admission information is available on the school website at https://stjosephimperial.org/admission



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Scholarships Available

Applications Open January 17, 2023

Looking for a scholarship for the 2023-2024 school year?

- All elementary schools in the Archdiocese of St. Louis
- Any private elementary school in the City of St. Louis
- All Catholic high schools

Application Deadline February 28, 2023

Apply Online at TTEF-STL.ORG





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2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Over 125,000 households in our state suffer from very low food security, cutting or skipping meals in an attempt to pay other bills. In the Gospel



after Jesus was baptized, John testified saying, "I saw the Spirit come down like a dove...and remain upon him."

When the Holy Spirit is nudging us to be Christlike in our care for others, do we embrace that Spirit so It remains upon us?

For more information about joining our SVdP team, email Dbalsman@ymail.com

Business Meeting: January 23rd 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting: February 8th 6:30 pm

All Meetings in the Corpus Christi Center



Are you a parent or grandparent looking to become involved? The St. Joseph Athletic Association is seeking to fill the following positions:

- 1. Baseball/Softball Head Ref (includes scheduling duties)
- 2. Soccer Head Ref (includes scheduling duties)

Each position will give you access to free CYC sports for your children or grandchildren (up to four). For more information contact Mitch Mueller (314) 220-5305. Thank you for your consideration!

Prime Timers Meeting

Wednesday, January 18th from 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm is the next luncheon in the CCC! Please call Lorraine Simms with any questions. (636) 333-2855

Our Parish Praying Together

May those who are ill be blessed by Jesus' healing presence.

Matthew Anderson Elizabeth Bell Mike Boyd Don Compton Ben Cotter Donna Fischer Ty J. Foster Murphy Garner Michelle Gillman Dave Greco Scott Haase Melissa Hartmann Adelaide Herrell Tom Herrell Ken Hopkins Eileen Kaiser Jim Kaiser Roland Kaiser

Scott Layton Charles Lesch Floyd McClintock Janet McClintock Georgia McDermott Ron Merideth Barb Miller James Moss Dwayne Parker Jill Pesek Will Roberts Andrew Staggenborg Gregory Steffan Carleen Thomas Noella Torgerson Doreen Watts Jane Werner

We pray for those in the Military:

Meaghan Angus John Costigan Jack Jeffers Isaac Longtin Maxwell Rayman Jacob Sarfraz

Jared Sheets Grant Staggenborg Conner Stark Jack Vilchis Lucas Weiland



Eucharistic Adorers are needed

Tuesdays - 5 pm Wednesdays 11 am Visitors are always welcome! To register or learn more, please call Mr. Patrick Smith (573) 310-3472



Catholic Charities is grateful for the support from St. Joseph Parish this past year helping us to deliver Healing, Hope & Help to those in need in our community.

Your generosity has helped us impact many lives through the work of our family of ministries which are: Cardinal Ritter Senior Services, Good Shepherd Children & Family Services, LAMP, Marygrove, Queen of Peace Center, Saint Louis Counseling, Saint Martha's, St. Francis Community Services, and St. Patrick Center.

To get involved or for more information, please contact your Parish Ambassador Michaela Rodriguez at michaelarodriguez@gmail.com.



World Marriage Day

On Sunday, February 12, 2023, at 2:30 pm., Auxiliary Bishop Mark S. Rivituso will celebrate a Mass for World Marriage Day at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis. 4431 Lindell Blvd. St. Louis. MO. A reception will follow in Boland Hall. All married couples are invited to attend and celebrate the gift of marriage. World Marriage Day honors husband and wife as the foundation of the family - the basic unit of society. It emphasizes the faithfulness, sacrifice and joy of daily married life. World Marriage Day started in Baton Rouge, LA in 1981 and was later adopted by Worldwide Marriage Encounter who now is sponsoring this event on February 12th.





Saturday, April 1, 2023 1030 St. Pius Drive Festus, MO 63028 () Juerel Newst of Jame. billed with Indivite Love



The St. Louis Review is your faith resource access to local, national, and international news. If you want to receive the St. Louis Review, please use the envelope from your January mailing or go to https://www.osvhub.com/sjiparish/giving/funds/st-louis-review-subscriptions. You will have both print and online access.

Please let us know if you do not wish to receive the St. Louis Review by returning the parish envelope marked "declined" or email cdubuque@sjiparish.org

Did You Know?

Prior bulletins are available on the parish website, with easy access at the top of the home page at: www.sjiparish.org



Mary & Elizabeth Mothers' Ministry

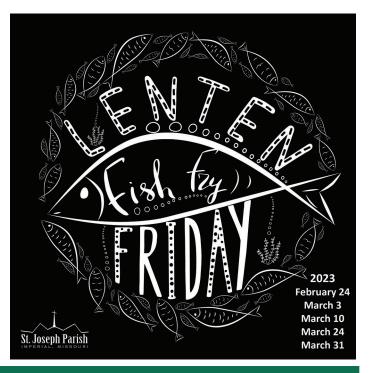
We would like to offer a meal or a loaf of homemade bread to any family experiencing the arrival of a child, a death in the family, a hospitalization, or other life experience when you could use a little "pick-meup" from some women in Christ who care. If you, or someone you know, could benefit from this service, please contact:

Amber Haegele 314-685-5572 or amber.haegele@yahoo.com Kelly Lehn 314-608-9866 or kalehn@yahoo.com.

Special Thanks to Our Electronic Givers

We would like to thank the families who are currently giving electronically. You may not see these fellow parishioners place an envelope in the basket every week, but their consistent giving does not go unnoticed in our parish office. Each month our parish receives a steady and predictable stream of income from those donors who have made the commitment to give to God first by having a designated contribution automatically transferred to our parish through our Online Giving Program. If you would like to sign up for this easy, safe, and secure way of giving, please visit our online giving site at:

https://osvhub.com/sjiparish/funds



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