



# TREASURE



“The kingdom of heaven  
is like a treasure buried  
in a field.”

MATTHEW 13:44

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*A Roman Catholic Parish in the Archdiocese of St. Louis, Missouri*  
6020 Old Antonia Road, Imperial, MO 63052  
sjiparish.org | 636-464-1013

## St. Joseph Parish

Parish Office Hours: M-F: 7:30 am—3:30 pm | 636-464-1013

### CLERGY

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Parish Cemetery, Bill Regelsperger	314-808-2522
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

### EUCCHARISTIC 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<sup>nd</sup> 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	Aug 5 4:30 pm	Aug 6 7:00 am	Aug 6 8:30 am	Aug 6 10:00 am	Aug 6 11:30 am	Aug 6 4:30 pm
Lectors	Hoffmeister Zublionnes	Schilly Nason	Curry Hummel	Fleiss Jelavich	Hobbs Schurk	Wilson Wilson
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**MASS INTENTIONS**

Monday	July 31, 2023
6:30 am	Conversion of Hearts
8:00 am	Jim Hunziker
Tuesday	August 1, 2023
6:30 am	Elaine Kueber
8:00 am	Mary Elizabeth & Christopher Coleman (spec int)
Wednesday	August 2, 2023
6:30 am	Suzanne Schlinkert (spec int)
8:00 am	Ellie Rieger
Thursday	August 3, 2023
6:30 am	Matt Moffett
8:00 am	Lance Erwin, Jr.
Friday	August 4, 2023
6:30 am	Ken Cox (spec int)
8:00 am	Dust Family & Friends
Saturday	August 5, 2023
8:00 am	Randy Celori
4:30 pm	Marvin Selsor
Sunday	August 6, 2023
7:00 am	Brian Murray
8:30 am	Don Wentz
10:00 am	Padre Pio's Intentions
11:30 am	Frank Halfmann
4:30 pm	Nancy Schuhwerk (spec int)

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.



**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 - 7/10/2023-7/16/2023**


	Current	Fiscal YTD
<b>OFFERTORY</b>		
<i>Total collected</i>	\$34,573.21	\$74,760.93
<i>Amount needed</i>	\$21,568.77	\$64,706.31
<i>Surplus or shortage</i>	\$13,004.44	\$10,054.62
<b>SPECIAL COLLECTIONS</b>		
Tuition assistance	\$121.00	
St. Vincent dePaul	\$774.00	
Sr. Christine's Food Pantry	\$901.00	

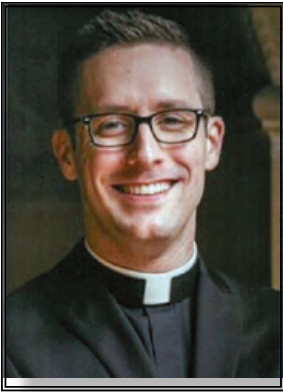


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**BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS**

If you have something for publication in the bulletin, please send it to [bulletin@sjparish.org](mailto:bulletin@sjparish.org). The deadline is each Monday at noon.





## FROM THE DESK *of* FR. JACK RUZICKA, ASSOCIATE PASTOR

To the Parish Family of St. Joseph:

I want to be honest and straightforward about myself and what's happening with the new parish structure.

People call me "Father" – and rightly so – but to be honest, I still feel like a child. In my mind, this can be a good thing. We are all children in God's eyes. In the words of St. Augustine: "With you, I am a Christian. For you, I am a shepherd." I am both a child of God and a Spiritual Father. I can only be a father because I am first a son. I must admit, however, that adjusting to the priesthood has been far from easy for me. I would liken myself to the boy David before going out to meet Goliath. They tried to vest him in the armor of a soldier, but it was too big and awkward for him. Sometimes that's how I feel, vested with the responsibilities of the priesthood. They are heavy at times and I am awkward. I am still learning how to embrace the responsibility of being a father and a leader. I cannot express how grateful I am for the patience and generosity so many of you have extended to me over these past two years. I don't talk enough about how much I love being a priest. Not just a priest in general, but your priest. I absolutely love it.

Continuing in this spirit of honesty and vulnerability, I am intimidated about what the coming months hold for me, Fr. Shaughnessy, and Msgr. Mikesch. I know my workload will increase drastically as I navigate flip-flopping between two parish campuses, a high school, and dealing with my own "stuff." I'm scared at what will be demanded of me. Can I live up to it? Will I break? In the face of this fear, I am tempted to inordinately self-preserve and complain. However, I will not let this fear overshadow the love I have for Jesus Christ and the Catholic community of Imperial.

I am comforted by these words from St. Thérèse of Lisieux. In her autobiography, she writes, "When God stretches out His hand to ask, His hand is never empty; and His intimate friends can draw from Him the courage and strength they need." God's hands are never empty when he calls upon us to make a greater act of self-gift. Our hands, however, must be empty in order to receive what Jesus wants to give us. I cannot receive the grace of God if I cling to earthly comforts

and to what is familiar. Nothing is lacking where everything is given. Both communities have sacrifices to make.

I call upon the people of St. Joseph to develop a deep and sincere empathy for the changes that are taking place at St. John the Beloved. Change is never easy. Personally, it took time for me to learn that "SJBD" isn't just a "parish out there somewhere," but it is a community of people – real people whom I've come to know and love already. We are talking about the salvation of souls – the souls of people who need to be loved.

I likewise call upon the people of St. John the Beloved to understand that St. Joseph is affected by these changes much more than you'd think. St. Joseph is not "off the hook." Our parishioners need to accept that and buckle up for some things to look different. St. John the Beloved is not "an extra burden tacked on." This is not a take-over. This is a joint mission for the one thing necessary: the glory of God and the salvation of souls. These two items are inseparable.

"Despite life's countless changes, the Cross stands firm." Jesus Christ never changes! I can't wait for August 1<sup>st</sup>. I want to get started. I want to serve and I want my heart to grow. I want to share not only the Gospel, but my very self. I guarantee that I will stumble and fall along the way – but I know the mercy of God is inexhaustible. God is not limited by our littleness.

Did I mention that I love being your priest?! I know I speak for both Fr. Shaughnessy and Msgr. Mikesch. Let's do this together. Come, Holy Spirit!

God love you and bless you!

Respectfully yours,

Fr. Jack Ruzicka

## INTERIM SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Effective August 1, 2023, there will be a few changes to the schedules at both St. John the Beloved Disciple and St. Joseph parishes.

*This is a tentative schedule and is subject to change.*

### MASSES

**SJBD:** Saturday: Vigil Mass 4:00 pm (unchanged)

Sunday: 7:30 am (30 minutes earlier)

Sunday: 10 am (30 minutes earlier)

**Monday: no Mass**

Tuesday: 6:30 pm (15 minutes later)

Wednesday: 8:00 am (unchanged)

Thursday: 6:30 pm (15 minutes later)

Friday: 8:00 am (unchanged)

**SJP:** Saturday: Vigil Mass 4:30 pm (unchanged)

Sunday: 7:00 am (unchanged)

Sunday: 8:30 am (unchanged)

Sunday: 10 am (unchanged)

Sunday: 11:30 am (unchanged)

Sunday: 4:30 pm (unchanged)

**Monday: 6:30 am only (no 8 am Mass)**

Tuesday-Friday: 6:30 & 8:00 am (unchanged)

**Wednesday: 6:30 pm (new addition)**

Saturday: 8 am (unchanged)

### CONFESSIONS

**SJBD:** Tuesday: 5:30-6:15 pm

Saturday: 3:00-3:45 pm

**SJP:** Thursday: 5:30-7:00 pm

Saturday: 3:30-4:30 pm

### ADORATION

**SJBD:** Wednesday: after the 8:00 am Mass-6:00 pm

**SJP:** Tuesday-Thursday: 9:00 am-9:00 pm

## Announcement Regarding Mass Intentions

As you will note if you refer to the **Interim Schedule of Services** at the left, although the Mass schedule is only minimally impacted at St. Joseph Parish, there are ramifications for Mass intentions that have already been scheduled. If you have requested a Mass that is impacted by these schedule changes, we will reach out to you to reschedule.

There are two situations that will require changes. The first is that we will no longer offer a Monday morning 8 am Mass. However, we will be adding a Wednesday evening 6:30 pm Mass. Those who hold Mass intentions for Monday at 8 am will be offered the Wednesday 6:30 pm the same week, or can choose from any other available opening.

The second situation is, you may or may not be aware that Canon Law requires a pastor to celebrate a Pro Populo Mass, a Mass “for the people” on each Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation. As of August 1, Fr. Dan Shaughnessy becomes pastor of St. John the Beloved Disciple Parish in addition to pastor of St. Joseph Parish. Canon Law stipulates that a *single* Mass satisfies the pastor’s obligation to celebrate a Mass for all parishioners. As a result, changes will need to be made to some already-scheduled Mass intentions as we create a Pro Populo rotation between the two parishes. What this means is you may have already booked a Mass intention that needs to be moved. If you have a scheduled Mass at a time that is designated to be a Pro Populo Mass, you will be able to accept the exchange with the former Pro Populo Mass time. Parish Administrative Assistant Rachel Schoenberger will help you understand your options.

## WHAT IS AN ACOLYTE?

In the Roman Catholic Church a person is installed in the ministry of Acolyte in order to assist the deacon and the priest in liturgical celebrations, especially the Eucharistic Liturgy. You may have noticed an extra person serving at the altar at some of the Masses the last couple of months. Dan Darian, a St. Joseph parishioner, is one of 15 men entering their 5<sup>th</sup> year of diaconate formation for the Archdiocese of St. Louis. All received the Rite of Acolyte in May of this year and will be ordained to the Permanent Diaconate in June of 2024. Please pray for these men in the diaconate formation and for all vocations.

You are cordially invited to a

# TOWN HALL MEETING

## BRING YOUR QUESTIONS!

Rev. Daniel G. Shaughnessy (*Pastor*), Rev. Jonathan R. Ruzicka (*Associate Pastor*), and Rev. Msgr. Gregory R. Mikesch (*Senior Priest in Residence*) will be on hand to meet you and to respond to questions!

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 8TH @ 7 PM**

Corpus Christi Center at St. Joseph Parish  
6020 Old Antonia Road, Imperial, MO 63052

For parishioners of St. John the Beloved Disciple Parish & St. Joseph Parish



Fr. Shaughnessy



Fr. Ruzicka



Msgr. Mikesch

**RSVP REQUESTED**

Please call one of the parish offices  
or scan the QR code to fill out a simple form



SJBD: 636-296-8061 | SJP: 636-464-1013



# W E L C O M E

Please join us for  
**SAINT JOSEPH SCHOOL'S**

Preschool **POP-UP** Playdate

COME MEET YOUR TEACHERS & NEW FRIENDS!



Calling all those entering Pre-K3 and Junior Kindergarten to join us for a fun morning following 10am Mass for meeting teachers, making new friends, and getting excited for the new school year!



**SUNDAY**

**August 6, 2023**

**10am: Mass**

**11-12:00: Playground**

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**LITTLE FRIENDS of ST. JOSEPH**  
Pre-K3 & Junior Kindergarten

## 2023 Parish Auction

Our stellar auction committee is hard at work and they're looking for donations of new or gently used items. Cleaning out your closets? Want to purchase new items to donate? The Amazon wish list is now up and running; please use the QR code to access it!



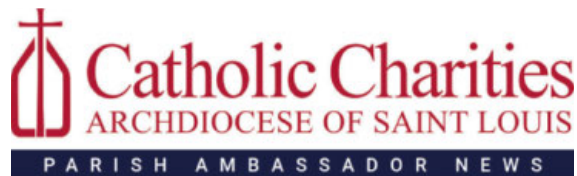
You can drop items off in the parish office or call Angela Mueller (314-795-5528) or Kelly Lehn (314-608-9866) to pick them up. Thank you for helping to make the auction successful!



## Guitarist NEEDED for 11:30 Mass

If you love Contemporary Christian music and love playing guitar, the 11:30 Sunday Mass music group needs your help.

For more information call Frank at 314-712-2446.



Go to Bat for Kids is a Catholic Charities tradition that makes a memorable night at Busch Stadium possible for many children and families who might not otherwise have the opportunity. At each of the four Go to Bat for Kids games, a child will experience the thrill of throwing out a ceremonial pitch. Children served by our family of nine ministries will walk in a pregame parade on the field.

We invite you to step up to the plate and Go to Bat for Kids by sponsoring a child for just \$26.

Your donation provides admission to a game, a hot dog, and a soda. Help create a memory for one or more children!

To donate or for more information, go to at [ccstl.org](http://ccstl.org) or contact your Parish Ambassador Michael Rodriguez at [michaelamrodriguez@gmail.com](mailto:michaelamrodriguez@gmail.com).



**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**



In the Gospel, we find that the demand of daily Christian living is to spend our life primarily searching for the Kingdom of God. This month through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist families in need, providing necessary food, support for utility and rent bills, and more. Thank you for your desire to embrace and grow the Kingdom of God!

For more information,  
email [Dbalsman@ymail.com](mailto:Dbalsman@ymail.com)

Prayer Meeting: August 9<sup>th</sup> 6:30 p.m.  
Business Meeting: August 28<sup>th</sup> 6:30 p.m.

All Meetings in the Corpus Christi Center.



Thank you to everyone who donated to the Annual Catholic Appeal this year.

Not only did we reach our goal, we also exceeded our challenge goal!

2023 Goal	Challenge Goal	Total to Date
\$80,488.00	\$95,641.00	\$96,215.00

**THANK YOU**  
for your generosity

## Rosary Guild

### First Saturday of the Month

Join us from 8:30-9:30 am in the Imperial Conference Room, located in the right side of the Corpus Christi Center.


Our meetings include recitation of the Rosary followed by a time of making rosaries for mission countries. Please bring rosary materials if you are able.



Contact Mary Kline  
for more information at  
(636)448-6186 or [marykline1116@gmail.com](mailto:marykline1116@gmail.com)



### Eucharistic Adorers needed:



**Tuesdays:**  
10 am and 3 pm

**Wednesdays:**  
9 am and 7 pm

**Thursdays:**  
11 am, 2, 3, 8 pm

*Visitors are always welcome.*

Call Mr. Patrick Smith (573) 310-3472  
*The Holy Eucharist reposes each night at 9 pm.*

## Would you like to serve as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion?

**Submit your interest form by August 6th.**



**Hard copies available at church or the parish office.**





# Did you know?

Last year the Knights of Columbus donated more than \$158 Million to charity. Since February 2022, our Ukraine Solidarity Fund has raised more than \$20 Million which has provided food, shelter, medical supplies, and assisted in establishing mercy huts and orphanages.

Join us...[www.kofc.org/join](http://www.kofc.org/join)

Meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of the month in the CCC at 7 p.m.



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2	11	8	13	14	15	16	17	18
10	20	21	22	9	24	K	J	K
28	29	3	A	32	7	8	4	8
37	38	39	40	5	2	J	44	9
46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54

Last card drawn: 8 of Diamonds, slot #34

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Next drawing on July 25 at 7:15 PM CDT

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Queen of Hearts receives 60% of the Jackpot!



Still have that **Baby Bottle** you should have returned to St. Joseph Parish?

Please return it EMPTY if you must; they cost \$1.50 each for Hand-to-Hand to re-purchase.

**Kindly bring the bottles to the back of Church or to the Parish Offices.**

# SAVE

# FESTIVAL OF MINISTRIES

# SEPTEMBER 10TH

# 2023

# THE

# DATE



**St. Joseph Parish**  
9-Noon in the CCC

Have a child preparing for a Sacrament? Worried about the questions they may bring home? Want to journey with them as they prepare? Seeking support from other parents?

Join us for

# UNWRAPPED

**Parent small groups geared towards 2nd and 8th grade parents.**

Monthly meetings: daytime or evening times  
At the Corpus Christi Center or Host Home  
6-8 participants per group

**Sign up today!**



Interested in learning more?  
Call Emily at 636-464-1013 x108

ARE YOU FEELING

# F.A.B.?

WE WANT YOU FOR OUR FAMILY ACTIVITIES BOARD (F.A.B.)

Join us at 6 pm on August 9th at the tables by the playground.

Bring the whole crew if you'd like!

Come with your ideas, hopes, and dreams for what we can do for all families of St. Joseph.

## Raise Right Gift Cards For Sale

Thanks for purchasing RaiseRight gift cards! We appreciate your support of this fundraiser formerly known as Scrip. Over the summer you can purchase gift cards during the School Office summer hours (June and July Tu-Th 9 am-1 pm). Or you can buy eGift cards or reload your gift cards using the RaiseRight app. Need help going digital? Reach out to our RaiseRight coordinator Lynn Quinlan at [lynn.quinlan@ymail.com](mailto:lynn.quinlan@ymail.com).



Buy gift cards for teachers, graduates, gas, groceries, restaurants, supplies, and home improvements. Support our school with no additional out of pocket expense to you. Our school earns a percent rebate for every gift card sold through the RaiseRight program. Thanks for your continued support!



## OUR PARISH PRAYING TOGETHER

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

Matthew Anderson	Floyd McClintock
Bob Baer	Ron Merideth
Gail Baumley	Michael Rankin
Mike Boyd	Rich Roseman
Kay Carter	Tauni Shuck
Don Compton	Dwayne Parker
Thomas Condon	Will Roberts
Rick Davis	Bev Spindler
Ty J. Foster	Ray Spindler
Glenda Gail Husmann	Andrew Staggenborg
Eileen Kaiser	Noella Torgerson
Jim Kaiser	Jane Werner
Roland Kaiser	

*We pray for those in the Military:*

Jack Jeffers	Grant Staggenborg
Isaac Longtin	Jack Vilchis
Jacob Sarfraz	Lucas Weiland
Jared Sheets	

**Zoom into the New Year**



**Movie Night at the CCG**  
**August 18th**  
**5:30 pm Doors Open | 6 pm Showtime**

**Bring family and friends,  
a blanket, and dinner or snacks!**  
**'No outside chairs or alcohol permitted'**

**Choose your film!**  
**Screen 1: CARS**  
**Screen 2: Herbie Fully Loaded**



Passionate about sports? SJAA is looking for a few good people! Free sports for up to 4 kids!

For more information contact Mitch Mueller (314) 220-5305. Thank you for your consideration!

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