

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me." - Mt 25:38-40

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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.: 6:30 am Tues. - Fri. 6:30 & 8:00 am

SACRAMENT of

RECONCILIATION Tuesday & 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 the office to make arrangements.

Ministry Schedule	Dec. 2 4:30 pm	Dec. 3 7:00 am	Dec. 3 8:30 am	Dec. 3 10:00 am	Dec. 3 11:30 am	Dec. 3 4:30 pm
Lectors	Hoffmeister Schiavi	Chapman Chapman	Curry Hummel	Halfman Halfman	Hobbs Schurk	Volunteer
Servers	A. Fanetti A. Rakers Volunteer	Volunteers	C. Coleman L. Coleman J. Lehn	S. Blomstrom I. Rohe L. Selsor	J. Bates L. Byasse C. Padgitt	A. Julius K. Julius N. Julius

Mass Intentions				
Monday	November 27, 2023			
6:30 am	Alexander Naes			
Tuesday	November 28, 2023			
6:30 am	Jeanne Klosterman			
8:00 am	Dust Family & Friends			
Wednesday	November 29, 2023			
6:30 am	Richard Lampen			
8:00 am	Gerald Buechting			
Thursday	November 30, 2023			
6:30 am	The Most Forgotten Soul in Purgatory			
8:00 am	Zane Reeves & Cherokee			
Friday	December 1, 2023			
6:30 am	Jeanne Klosterman			
8:00 am	Parker Schaefer			
Saturday	December 2, 2023			
8:00 am	Shannon Sanchez Special Intention			
4:30 pm	Lance Erwin, Jr.			
Sunday	December 3, 2023			
7:00 am	Patricia Sokolic			
8:30 am	Roman & Eleanor Wingbermuehle			
10:00 am	John Wittmann			
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11:30 am	Robert & Rosalie Grose			

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.



EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINES

Please take note: from Nov. 5 into the first week of January, every weekend but one has an early bulletin deadline.

Bulletin Date	Due to bulletin@sjiparish.org	
Date	by noon on:	
11/12/2023	Monday, November 6	
11/19/2023	Thursday, November 9	
11/26/2023	Wednesday, November 15	
12/3/2023	Monday, November 27	
12/10/2023	Friday, December 1	
12/17/2023	Friday, December 8	
12/24/2023	Tuesday, December 12	
12/31/2023	Thursday, December 21	
1/7/2024	Friday, December 22	

Parish Stewardship 11/6/2023 - 11/12/2023

	Current	Fiscal YTD
Offertory		
Total collected	\$21,667.28	\$432,863.65
Amount needed	\$21,568.77	\$431,375.40
Surplus or <mark>shortage</mark>	\$98.51	\$1,488.25
Special collections		
Tuition assistance	\$246.00	
St. Vincent de Paul	\$662.01	
Sr. Christine's Food Pantry	\$1,132.00	





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

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ at St. John the Beloved and St. Joseph,

It is hard to believe but we have passed Thanksgiving, and we are on our way to the beginning of Advent! Where has 2023 gone?

With that said, we have received outreach from the Respect Life Apostolate, about 5 things you can do right now to save the preborn & protect Missouri women. With the June 24, 2022, Dobbs v. Jackson decision, Missouri became the first state in the nation to restore legal protections that save the preborn and protect women. Missouri Catholics and other pro-life advocates are committed to keeping these safeguards in place by telling the public the truth about the harm the passage of a pro-abortion ballot initiative petition would do in Missouri.

In the meantime, here are 5 things you can do right now to help:

1. Pray: Be bold and confident in asking our Good Lord's help in stopping any pro-abortion initiative petitions. Pray and invite others to pray to help save babies and protect moms. Pray a regular Rosary for Life and Holy Hour.

2. Walk with Moms: Support moms in our parish and community, especially those who might be facing an unexpected pregnancy. Partner with your local pregnancy help center to walk with them. Go to <u>walkingwithmomsstl.com</u>.

3. Decline to Sign: If the ballot initiative language is "certified" so that pro-abortion supporters can start collecting signatures, DO NOT SIGN any petition to allow abortion to be enshrined in the state constitution on the November 2024 ballot.

4. Promote Voter Registration: Encourage young people and other new voters to register. Help at a registration drive in your community or ask your pastor if you can organize one at your parish.

5. Help Those Wounded by Abortion: Encourage those affected by abortion to reach out for compassionate help and healing at <u>archstl.org/hope-healing</u>.

As Catholic Christians, we pray for the sanctity of all human life, from conception to a natural death. Hence, we also pray for an end to euthanasia and capital punishment.

May God bless you all abundantly!

Peace of Christ,

Fr. Dan Shonghwarson



We are saddened by the passing of: Judith "Jay" Jones. A visitation will be held on December 9th, 2023, at 9 am, followed by Mass at 10 am at St. Joseph's Church.

ADVENT

RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Prepare your heart for Christ this Advent season!

Wednesday, December 13th 6-7:30 pm

Outside confessors will be available.

There will be no Confession on Thursday, December 14th.



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We would like to thank the Annual Catholic Appeal for their generous grant of \$2,500 to St. Joseph's Food Pantry that was received in November, 2023. This grant will help with the mission of the food pantry. Thank you also to everyone who has supported the Annual Catholic Appeal.



WE LOVE SAINT JOSEPH SCHOOL!

Enrollment is open with availability in all grades.

Visit our website at stjosephimperial.org or call 636-464-9027

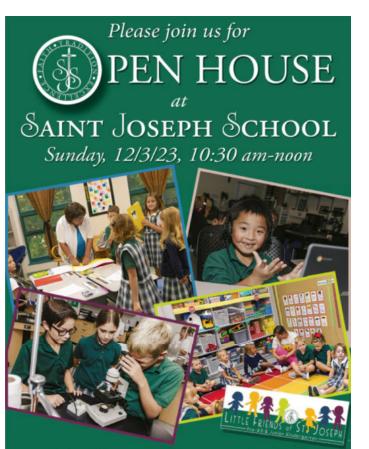


Parishioners are invited to contribute, in memory of a loved one, toward our Christmas poinsettias and decorations. The cost is \$10 per poinsetia.

Please put your payment, along with the name of your loved one, in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office. We will have a special acknowledgement for each memorial in the bulletin the second weekend in January.

All submissions are due by December 19th. Thank you!





Enjoy this opportunity to tour the school and meet teachers, students, and parents! Serving students in grades Pre-K3 to grade 8 6024 Old Antonia Road | Imperial, MO 63052



Do you receive email from the parish?

We use "Constant Contact" to email parishioners. If you do NOT get the emails and wish to receive them, please notify Rachel Schoenberger in the parish office at rschoenberger@sjiparish.org or 636-464-1013.



November 26th, 2023 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



Today as we celebrate Christ the King, we hear

Jesus say: "...whatever you did for one of the least brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." Knowing that we find the face of Christ in the poor, this month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to serve local families in need, providing support with food, utility and rent bills, etc.. Do you desire to do things for Christ our King here at St. Joseph Parish?

For more information, email Dbalsman@ymail.com Business Meeting: November 27th 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting: December 13th 6:30 p.m.

All Meetings in the Corpus Christi Center.



Registering in St. Joseph Parish If you are new to the parish, welcome! If you would like to register, there are several ways to do so: You may fill out the form located at https://www.sjiparish.org/register; you may download a paper form, also located at https:// www.sjiparish.org/register, or you may visit the parish office to pick up a form.



Our next Donut Sunday ís December 3, 2023!

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Sing to the Lord a New Song, for He has Done Marvelous Things!

Praise the Lord in song! Join the Adult Choir Ministry as we prepare for Christmas. Practice is one hour each Monday evening in the Church at 7:00 pm. We sing at the 8:30 am Sunday mass and special masses. Come make beautiful music with us; everyone is invited. We are especially in need of alto and male voices. For more information call Sheryl Zysk at 314-308-2399.

Catholic Charities is grateful for the support from St. Joseph Parish this past year. You have

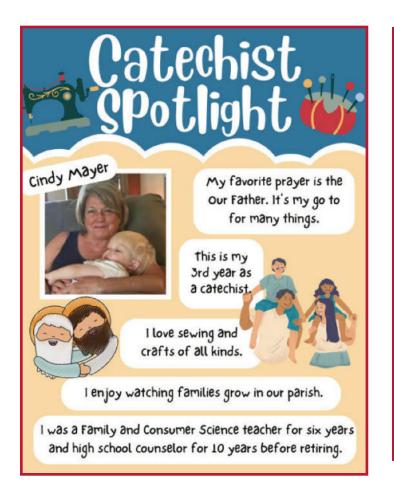
helped to bring the healing, help, and hope of Jesus Christ to those in need in our community.



Your generosity has helped 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.

> If you are interested, please contact Parish Ambassador Rachel Schoenberger at rschoenberger@sjiparish.org









Worldwide Marriage Encounter presents weekend experiences for married couples to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful communication, and deepen and renew commitment. Below are listed the next three experiences. Sign-up now as space is limited! For more information or to apply, go to <u>wwme</u>. org, or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.

12/1/2023 - 12/3/2023, St. Peters, MO 2/2/2024 - 2/4/2024, St. Peters, MO 4/5/2024 - 4/7/2024, St. Peters, MO

Raise Right Gift Cards For Sale

Buy RaiseRight gift cards in the back of church after the 7 am, 8:30 am, and 10 am Sunday Masses. RaiseRight gift cards are still available for purchase in the School Office during the school day (8 am-3 pm). Also, 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.

Buy gift cards for Christmas gifts, teachers, 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!



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Eucharistic Adorers needed:

Tuesdays: 10 am, 3, 4 and 6 pm **Wednesdays:** 9 am, 12 noon, and 7 pm Thursdays: 11 am, 12 noon, 2, 3, 4, and 7 pm

Call Mr. Patrick Smith (573) 310-3472

The Holy Eucharist reposes each night at 9 pm.



Saturday, January 20, 2024, 9:00 am – 7:00 pm Marianist Retreat and Conference Center

Losing a loved one to suicide or any tragic death is a pain that no one can prepare for. The roller coaster of emotions is enough to make one doubt God's presence in the situation. This day of reflection is designed to help in the journey through these emotions and come out renewed with confidence in God's love and care for each one of us. Members of our ministry team for this day will include Father Tom Miller (pastor of Our Lady Queen of Peace and St. Anthony Parishes), Deacon Rob Lawson (Incarnate Word Parish), Adam Bitter (Incarnate Word Parish), and the Jonah Prayer Teams from Incarnate Word, St. Alban Roe, and St. Anthony of Padua Parishes. There will be time for healing prayer, discussions, sharing, techniques for healthy outlet of emotions, and testimony from those who have healed from the same pain you may be feeling.

Attendance will be limited to 100 participants total for Saturday, 9 am - 7 pm and include two meals for \$65. We are also offering the option for up to 45 participants to spend the night through 10 am on Sunday which includes a private room and breakfast for \$155. For more information, Barb @ 314.910.3942,

Mary @ 314.210.5098 or Shelby @ 636.288.9841

Scan to register:



Our Parish Praying Together

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

Melanie Ahrens Matthew Anderson Kathy Bonito Mike Boyd Thomas Condon Ty. J. Foster Kathy Gryzbowski Scott Hasse David Herrell Kate Hershberger Eileen Kaiser Jim Kaiser Roland Kaiser

Jim Lehn Ronald Meredith Jessica Ohlsen Christine Perry Charlie Robinson Erin Silva Jerry Spink Andrew Staggenborg Noella Torgerson Doreen Watts Jane Werner Francesca de Zenteno

We pray for those in the Military:

Meaghan Angus Collin Fitzsimmons Jack Jeffers Isaac Longtin Jacob Sarfraz Jared Sheets Austin McHaffie-Sharp Grant Staggenborg Lucas Weiland Jack Vilchis



NATIONAL SHRINE of OUR LADY of the SNOWS

Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate

From November 17 through December 31, 2023, 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Indoor activities closed on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve & Christmas Day.

The Way of Lights Display depicts the journey of Mary and Joseph as they travel to Bethlehem using over 1.5 million beautiful lights. This year, we have added colored lights to celebrate the birth of Jesus and continue to offer activities for young and old alike!

Cost: No charge for display, donations accepted and additional charges for some activities.

For more information, call 618-397-6700 or visit our website at <u>https://snows.org/wayoflights</u>





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