

From Father Totton's Desk

Though I am not with you in person this weekend, please know that you are certainly in my prayers. I trust that you will welcome (have welcomed) Fr. Ron Will who has graciously agreed to provide Mass and confession coverage for me while I am on my Navy Reserve drill weekend.

With the Lord there is Mercy and fullness of Redemption.

May these words of the psalmist echo in our hearts this week as we ponder the impact of sin and our true need for God's forgiveness. In 1946, addressing the National Catechetical Congress of the United States, **Pope Pius XII** said that "The sin of the century is the loss of the sense of sin." Of course, he said this just a year after the conclusion of the most brutal and widespread conflict in modern human history. Nevertheless, he foresaw the rapid secularization, and subsequent loss of personal morality, which would overtake Western culture in the second half of the twentieth century. In today's first reading we see that the Original Sin begins with the disobedience of Adam and Eve but is completed by their refusal to take responsibility for their actions:

*The Lord said, "You have eaten, then, from the tree of which I had forbidden you to eat!"
The man replied, "The woman whom you put here with me—she gave me fruit from the tree, and so I ate it."
The LORD God then asked the woman, "Why did you do such a thing?"
The woman answered, "The serpent tricked me into it, so I ate it."*

In the Gospel today, Jesus is accused of driving out demons by the power of Beelzebul, which is another name for Satan, the Evil One. He warns his hearers that they are flirting with blasphemy, since it is by the power of the Holy Spirit that he drives out demons (forgives sins) and they call that "an evil spirit". Jesus assures them that, as God, he is able to forgive sins.

The Lord instituted the Sacrament of Reconciliation and handed it on as a ministry in the Church for the forgiveness of sins. If we were to break down the Sacrament into two parts, there would be our part: confession of sins; and God's part: Forgiveness through the priest. But, you may ask, if God already knows my sins, why must I confess them to a priest in order to be forgiven? It is for the same reason God gave Adam and Eve the opportunity to take responsibility for their sins – an opportunity they refused. The same Lord who gave us this Sacrament is the one who created us, he knows how we work, he knows how we are put together. Therefore, he knows that the action of verbally and vocally claiming our sin as we express our sorrow will help us to be open to His Forgiveness, allowing us to be healed by His Divine Grace. But what are we to make of this "unforgivable" sin Jesus mentions? Well, effectively, this sin has two sides: despair - thinking ourselves beyond the reach of God's forgiveness; and presumption – committing sin and presuming upon God's mercy as if it is owed to us! Basically, if we don't see sin as sin, as something that harms our relationship with God, then we won't seek true reconciliation at all and if we refuse to avail ourselves of God's Mercy, he will not impose it upon us – nobody will be dragged "kicking and screaming" into heaven. On the other hand, we have ample opportunities to avail ourselves of God's Mercy, especially in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

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Fr. Joseph W. Totton



ST. ANN'S PARISH

Sunday, June 10, 2018

10th Sunday in Ordinary Times

This Week's Mass Times:

NO DAILY MASSES

Saturday: 4:00 pm Sunday: 10 am

Confessions: Saturday 3pm

Adoration: 1st Friday of the month: 8:30 am-12 pm

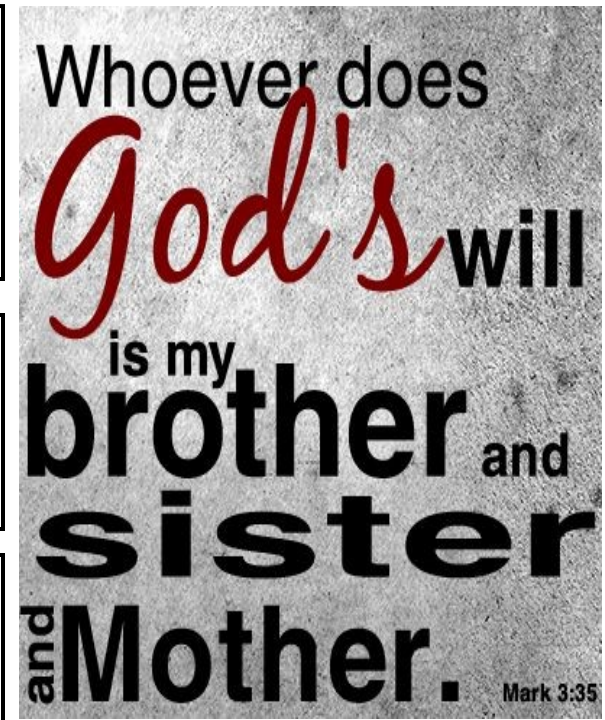
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To Protect our Children:
Report Abuse
Ombudsman: Jenifer Valenti – 816.812.2500
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Ministry Schedule

Saturday, June 9: 4 pm

Ushers: Open
Lectors: Clare Pelzel & Bill Lueckenotte
EMHC: Della Mallen & Judy McKowen

Sunday, June 10: 10 am

Ushers: J C Roberts & Vince Seiler
Lectors: Terry Miller & Mary Ann Downey
EMHC: Pat Clingan & Mary Ann Garton

NURSING HOME MINISTRY

Eric Neimann

MONEY COUNTERS

Mary Hale & Cathy Hanson

Saturday, June 16: 4 pm

Ushers: Open
Lectors: Clare Pelzel & Judy McKowen
EMHC: Della Mallen & Charlie Harper

Sunday, June 17: 10 am

Ushers: Mindy Beall & Eric Whitlow
Lectors: Dino Durando & Bill Lueckenotte
EMHC: Chris & Christine Broderick

NURSING HOME MINISTRY

Mary Ann Garton

MONEY COUNTERS

Karen Trotter & Chris Koch



Saturday, June 9: 4 pm People of the Parish

Sunday, June 10: 10 am + Mark Schwery
By: Al & Shirley Schwery

NO DAILY MASSES

Saturday, June 16: 4 pm + Jean Gassman
By: Charles & Betty Harper

Sunday, June 17: 10 am People of the Parish



PLATTSBURG SENIOR CENTER SUNDAY FUND RAISER DINNER

Sunday, June 10th

Doors Open 11:15 am

\$8.50 adults and those 12 and under \$4.50

Come support your Senior Center

Carry Outs and Delivery are available - Call 539-2211

Served at the Senior Center - 113 N. Main St, Plattsburg



5th Annual Pitching for Priests Softball Game
Priests from Kansas City - St. Joseph
VS.
Priests from the Archdiocese of Kansas City
in Kansas

Friday July 6th at 7:00 PM
(Father Joe will be playing!)

Tailgating will begin at 4:00 pm

Community America Ballpark - T-bones Stadium
1800 Village West Pkwy, Kansas City, KS 6611

Tickets: \$12 adult
\$5 child (12 and under)
Come and watch the priests play!



The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Jenifer Valenti, at 816.812.2500 or JeniferValenti@att.net, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families.

Please contact Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more info.

Weekend Collection June 2 & 3, 2018

Envelopes: \$2,243 Plate: \$205 Candles: \$16.50
Hall Rental: \$100 Nat'l Catholic Reg: \$4
2nd Collection: \$1,067 Mass Stipends: \$195
Memorial Fund: \$ 215

Total Parish: \$4,035.50

2nd Collection: June 16 & 17 - Communications

Collections:

May to Date: \$ 2,974.50

May Budget: \$11,165.55

Year-To-Date: \$118,189.08

Yearly Budget: \$133,986.55

Thank you for supporting St. Ann's Parish

MEETINGS

Parish Council: Wed. August , Parish Hall - 6:00pm

Adoration: 1st Friday of month - July 6, 8:30am - 12

Altar Society Meeting - Next mtg in Sept.

Knights of Columbus: 3rd Tues. of the month 6:45 pm

Church Cleaning: June - Group 1

Donut Sunday: June 24 - Open

LEGION OF MARY will be meeting on Monday evenings at the home of Sherry Kutz. Please see Terry or Carleen Miller for directions.

Marian Conference IV - June 22 - 23

MASS, Consecration, Adoration and Confession

"Sacred Heart of Jesus and the immaculate Heart of Mary"

The church instituted the feast in 1942, to encourage the faithful to trust in the Blessed Mother as a source of grace and mercy.

We invite you to the 2-day Spiritual Retreat and Inspirational Event: Marian Conference IV of Greater Kansas City, on June 22-23 at St. Thomas More in South Kansas City.

Please register at www.stmkc.com/mc to find more details.

Archbishop Naumann will be presiding at Friday evening's Mass.

Hope to see you there.



Donut Sunday Sign-Up Sheet

on table in Narthex.

We need volunteers!



Prayer Corner

"To everything there is a season and time... for every purpose under heaven." Ecc. 3-11

"...a time to heal.."

**JB Lile, Tricia Wolf, Breanna Beall
Donald O'Connor, Sandy Mathewson
and Nancy Totton**



SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, July 29th

After 10 am Mass

Celebrating our Parish Feast Day

Sts. Ann & Joachim

Pot Luck and Cookout

Knights will provide hot dogs, buns and drinks.

All other food will be pot luck.

Mark your calendars, dust off your lawn chairs and come and have some fun with your parish family!

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN

Next week, our 2nd collection is for the Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign connects people with Christ, here and around the world in developing countries, through the internet, television, radio, and print media. And fifty percent of fund collected remain in our diocese to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the gospel message! To learn more visit

www.usccb.org/cc



Save the Date

Parish Annual Garage Sale

The Parish is getting ready for their Annual Garage Sale

Friday, June 22nd 8 am- 5 pm

Saturday, June 23rd. 8 am - 3 pm

Now is the time to downsize and simply your lives.

Go through your attic and closets to find that treasure you have been hanging on to and donate it to the sale.

Plus help will be needed to set up, work, and clean up.

You're welcome to bring donated items on

June 21st after 8 am till 5 pm

Please note: **No Electronics! All items should be clean & saleable and priced before dropping off**

(Books and Clothes do not need to be priced)

For more information please contact