

## FATHER TOTTON'S DESK

Now that I have my feet on the ground and I once again have my bearing in the parishes, I thought I would take a moment to reflect briefly on the last two months and the impact they have made on me as both parish priest and Navy Reserve chaplain.

For the sake of context: I was in a class of 21 students. Sixteen were active duty chaplains and are now on their way to their first permanent duty stations. The other five of us are reserve chaplains and have returned to our civilian ministries. Of the twenty-one students, I was the only Catholic. There was one Buddhist chaplain, the rest represented Protestant Christianity. While Protestants (mostly Baptists) make up an overwhelming part of the Chaplain Corps, I would estimate that Catholics represent at least 30% of the fleet forces (Navy and Marine Corps combined). Every chaplain I met (regardless of his/her religious background) emphatically impressed upon me the need for Catholic priests to serve as chaplains!

**THE** greatest take-away from the course was the opportunity to interact and develop relationships with men and women from different faith backgrounds, coming to know them on a basic, human level and coming to a greater appreciation of their backgrounds. This does NOT involve sacrificing one's core theological principles, and such is not necessary to simply listen to another with an appreciation, perhaps while looking for common ground. Such common ground may not always be found, but common human decency is pretty much at the heart of all belief systems. True ecumenism involves identifying a common purpose or goal and seeking to attain that goal with the tools one possesses (not scuttling them in an effort to be like everybody else on the team!). I truly learned something about Faith from each of my shipmates, whether they were very close to my Catholic faith or very different. I truly look forward to serving in the Navy Chaplain Corps with these men and women - and others like them! I heard it said a few times, "You're not like most Catholic priests..." and when pressed, nobody could explain to me what they meant, other than to say, "you're not like the stereotype I had in my mind about what a Catholic priest is supposed to be like." Similarly, I might just as easily have said, "You're not like most Presbyterians (Baptists, Pentecostals, Buddhists etc.)" The lesson being that it is important to be open to people without labeling them based on what we think they should be like. That openness can form the basis of relationship from which *Evangelization* – the sharing the Gospel – can take place. – Fr. Joseph Totton

## SAVE THE DATE

Marian Conference - June 22 - 23

The Marian Conference IIV

Mass, Consecration, Adoration and Confession

"Our Lady of Fatima"

Our Lady appeared to over 70,000 people for us to believe, she accentuated the benefit to our souls for saying the rosary.

We invite you to the 2 day Spiritual Retreat and Inspirational Event

Marian Conference IV of Greater Kansas City

on June 22-23, 2018 to be held at

St. Thomas More in South Kansas City.

Please register at <http://www.stmkc.com/mc> to find more details

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

Hope to see you there.



# ST. ANN'S PARISH

**Sunday, May 13, 2018**

**The Ascension of the Lord**

*This Week's Mass Times:*

*Tuesday 6pm Traditional Latin Mass*

*Wednesday & Thursday & Friday: 8 am*

*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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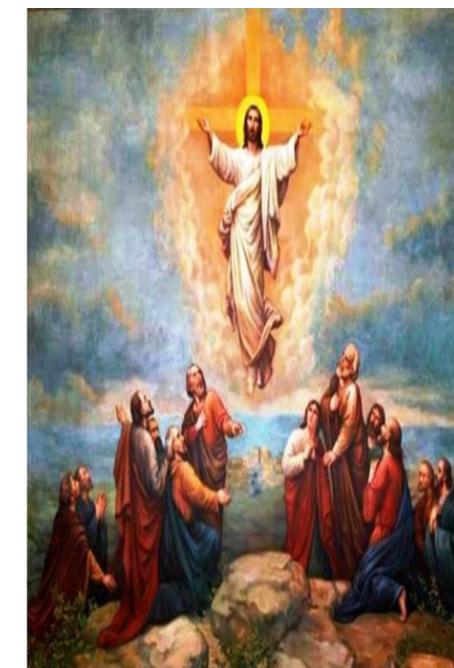
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**Report Abuse**

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**at 816.392.0011 or [chastain@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:chastain@diocesekcsj.org)**



# Ministry Schedule

**Saturday, May 12: 4 pm**

**Ushers:** Open  
**Lectors:** Clare Pelzel & Judy McKowen  
**EMHC:** Elaine Stoll & Charlie Harper

**Sunday, May 13: 10 am**

**Ushers:** Herman Gillotte & JC Roberts  
**Lectors:** Terry Miller & Mary Ann Downey  
**EMHC:** Pat Clingan & Mary Ann Garton

**NURSING HOME MINISTRY**  
Eric Niemann

**MONEY COUNTERS**  
Mary Hale & Cathy Hanson

**Saturday, May 19: 4 pm**

**Ushers:** Open  
**Lectors:** Judy McKowen & Clare Pelzel  
**EMHC:** Elaine Stoll & Della Mallen

**Sunday, May 20: 10 am**

**Ushers:** Eric Niemann & Vince Seiler  
**Lectors:** Dino Durando & Bill Lueckenotte  
**EMHC:** Karen Trotter & Mary Ann Downey

**NURSING HOME MINISTRY**  
Mary Ann Garton

**MONEY COUNTERS**  
Karen Trotter & Chris Koch

**Saturday, May 12: 4 pm** People of the Paris

**Sunday, May 13: 10 am** + Mark Schwery  
By: Al & Shirley Schwery

**Tuesday, May 15: 6 pm** Private Intention

**Wednesday, May 16: 8am** + Bev Jaramillo  
By: Juan Jaramillo

**Thursday, May 17: 8am** + Rev. Robert H. Stewart  
By:

**Friday, May 18: 8am** + Mark Schwery  
By: Gerry Hales

**Saturday, May 19: 4 pm** People of the Parish

**Sunday, May 20: 10 am** + Norman & Blanche Thorson  
By: Carrol & Pat Clingan

**ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL**

We surpassed our 2018 ACA Diocese Goal of \$2,000,000. As of today, we have generously received gifts/pledge commitments totaling \$2,006,037.91.

We have been truly blessed through the generosity of so many people for their blessings in assisting the Church and its mission that impacts the lives of countless individuals and families while meeting their spiritual, social, and educational needs through the parish and diocesan ministries funded by the Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA).

Thank you everyone for what has been accomplished and all you continue to do to help as we have joined together as one people in "making a return to the Lord for all the good He has done for us."

 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](mailto: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](mailto:chastain@diocesekcsj.org) for more info.

**Don't forget to wear RED next weekend. Pentecost Sunday**

**Weekend Collection May 5 & 6, 2018**

Envelopes: \$2,140 Plate: \$171 Candles: \$13  
 Memorial: \$420 Mass Stipends: \$50  
**Total Parish: \$2,794**

**2nd Collection: May 19 & 20 - Peter's Pence**

**Collections:**  
**May to Date: \$ 2,794.00**  
**May Budget: \$11,165.55**  
**Year-To-Date: \$107,709.56**  
**Yearly Budget: \$133,986.55**

**Thank you for supporting St. Ann's Parish**

**MEETINGS**

**Parish Council: Thurs. June, Parish Hall - 6:00pm**  
**Adoration: 1st Friday of month - June 1, 8:30am - 12**  
**Altar Society Meeting - 12 Noon Parish Hall**  
**Knights of Columbus: 3rd Tues. of the month 6:45 pm**  
**Church Cleaning: May - Group 3 - Home School Moms**

**Donut Sunday: May 27th -**  
**LEGION OF MARY will be meeting on Monday evenings at the home of Sherry Kutz. Please see Terry or Carleen Miller for directions.**

**PETER'S PENCE**  
**BE A WITNESS OF CHARITY**

 "A little mercy makes the world less cold and more just."  
 Pope Francis, *Angelus*, March 17, 2013

Next weekend, we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit [www.usccb.org/peters-pence](http://www.usccb.org/peters-pence)

We would like to wish every lady of the parish a most happy Mother's Day.

**Mothers hold their child's hand for a moment and their hearts for a lifetime.**

Ladies enjoy your day!  
 Fr. Joe & Marge

**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**  
**Jean Ellenberger Strain, Donald O'Connor,**  
**Sandy Mathewson and Nancy Totton**

"...a time to die."  
**Jim Maples**

**GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**

 A Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass, honoring all couples in the diocese celebrating 50 years of marriage in the year 2018 will be celebrated at 2 p.m. on Sunday, June 10, 2018 at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.

Bishop James Johnston will preside at the mass honoring the Golden Wedding couples.

A special card and gift will be presented to each couple. The liturgy will be followed with a dessert reception at the Catholic Center in the Cardinal Baum Room.

This celebration will include all couples who have celebrated or will be celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary between January 1, 2018 and December 31, 2018.

If you were married in 1968, please let the office know before May 29th, so that you can be acknowledged.

**(You will be acknowledged even if you cannot attend the event and you will also receive a congratulatory letter, and gift in the mail.)**

**LAWN MOWING SCHEDULE**

 We are not too sure but hopefully Spring is right around the corner and it will be outdoor fun time!

Our lawn mower is coming out of hibernation.

On the table in the narthex is a sign up sheet for lawn mowing. As we did last year it is a volunteer schedule. So let's give our time to help keep our church grounds looking beautiful.

Sign up for a week or two or once a month. Whatever you can fit in your schedule.

Thank you!