

ST. ANN'S PARISH



Sunday, December 31, 2017

**The Holy Family of Jesus,
Mary and Joseph**

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 and Tuesday 5:30pm

...or by appointment: please call 816-294-9841

Adoration: Weekly after Tuesday evening Mass

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

From Fr. Totton's Desk

Merry Christmas! The Sunday within the Octave of Christmas is accorded to the Holy Family of Nazareth. Of course, it's a natural celebration as we see the tenderness of the Holy Family displayed in our church during this Christmas Season. As we ponder this Mystery, there is a slight tension between the reality of family life and the ideal presented by the Holy Family. The Holy Family, for example, is composed of the Incarnate God and His Immaculate Mother, with St. Joseph, a holy and upright man, though, like the rest of us, subject to sin. One may joke, therefore, that if anything goes wrong in that home, the blame lies entirely with Joseph. Our own families, however, are composed entirely of human beings subject to sin (original sin with its attendant *concupiscence* and actual sin)! Nevertheless, we should not underestimate the healing power of God's Grace given us in the Sacraments. Therefore, when we, as a family, fall short of the ideal of the Holy Family, we should not despair. Instead, let us return to the source of Grace – the Infant Child in the manger who seeks to share His Divine Life with us through the Sacraments of the Church. I encourage you, especially this weekend, to reflect upon your own experience of family life – your “family of origin” (parents, siblings...) or your “family of vocation” (spouse, children...) and how it, in some way reflects the Holy Family of Nazareth. In His recent letter on the Family, Pope Francis encourages the Church to accompany families, especially the marginalized those who are experiencing difficulties in family life. Please consider browsing the following helpful resources for marriage and family life. National Resources: <http://www.foryourmarriage.org> Local Resources: <http://kcsjfamily.org>

In an effort to provide more support to divorced Catholics, the diocesan Family Life office is introducing a new program, “Journey to Hope: An Evening for Divorced Catholics”. The local introductory evening will be held on Monday, January 22 at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish in St. Joseph beginning at 6:30pm. For more information call 816-714-237 or go online to <http://kcsjfamily.org/calendar/2018-01-22/introduction-journey-hope>.

Later this week, I depart for Newport, Rhode Island to attend the *Direct Commissioned Officers Indoctrination Course* at the Naval Officer Training Command. This two week course is intended as an “on-ramp” for staff officers (Medical, Nursing, Legal, Chaplains, etc.) in the Navy Reserve. Given the large volume of material to cover in the short space of two weeks, it is sure to be a very busy time. Please keep me and my shipmates in your prayers during this time. While I am away, Fr. Ron Will, CPpS will be covering weekend Masses here. I know you will extend a heartfelt welcome to him during this time. Thank you.
– Fr. Totton

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CAROLING AT EPHEBUS

*In a Rare and Exclusive Fundraising Event,
The Benedictines of Mary, Queen of Apostles
are opening their home and gift of song to the public!*

December 30th and 31st 2-5 pm

8005 NW 316th Street, Gower

Come and share Christmas at the Priory!

The fire will be stoked, the beautiful decorations up, and there will be plenty of homemade cookies

And hot cocoa (made with fresh milk from our own Jersey cows!)

See the Priory, including the new church under construction, and please be generous in helping us complete this beautiful edifice for the Glory of God, and the much-needed space for the growing community and many guests!

Email: stann001@centurytel.net
Website: www.stannplattsburg.org
Business Manager: Marge Kinney
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(816) 724-9478
Hall Rental: Leave a message on the office phone

**To Protect our Children:
Report Abuse
Ombudsman: Jenifer Valenti – 816.812.2500
Diocesan Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain,
at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org**



Ministry Schedule

Saturday, Dec 30: 4 pm

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

Sunday, Dec 31: 10 am

Ushers: Eric Niemann & Herman Gillotte
Lectors: Terry Miller & Mary Ann Downey
EMHC: Vince & Joan Seiler

NURSING HOME MINISTRY
 Open

MONEY COUNTERS
 Eric Niemann & Cathy Hanson

Saturday, Jan 6: 4 pm


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

Sunday, Jan 7: 10 am

Ushers: Eric Whitlow & Mindy Beall
Lectors: Dino Durando & Terry Miller
EMHC: Pat Clingan & Mary Ann Downey

NURSING HOME MINISTRY
 Anne Martin

MONEY COUNTERS
 Volunteers

 *Mass Intentions*

Sunday, Dec 31: 10 am + **Mark Schwery**
 By: Al & Shirley Schwery

Monday, Jan 1: 10 am **People of the Parish**
 By:

Tuesday, Jan 2: 6 pm **Private Intention**
 By:


Wednesday, Jan 3: 8 am + **Rev. Charles F. Jones**
 By:

Thursday, Jan 4: 8 am + **Patricia Nelson**
 By:

Friday, Jan 5: 8 am + **Rev. Peter F. Brudzynski**
 By:


Saturday, Jan 6: 4 pm **People of the Parish**
 By:

Sunday, Jan 7: 10 am + **Mark Schwery**
 By: Al & Shirley Schwery

 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.

 Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
 Monday, January 1st
 Fr. Totton will be celebrating Mass at 10 am in St. Ann's - Plattsburg
 What a wonderful way to start the New Year honoring Mary, the Holy Mother of God.

 **HAPPY AND BLESSED NEW YEAR**
FR. JOSEPH TOTTON & MARGE

Weekend Collection Dec 23, 24 & 25, 2017

Envelopes: \$1,705 Plate: \$192 Candles: \$25
 Nat'l Catholic Register: \$5 Christmas: \$2,715

Total Parish: \$4,642


Next 2nd Collection: Dec 30 & 31 - Subscription Sunday for the Catholic Key


Collections:
Dec to Date: \$ 15,642.50
Dec Budget: \$ 11,165.55
Year-To-Date: \$ 62,908.99
Yearly Budget: \$133,986.00

Thank you for your continued support of St. Ann's Parish

SUBSCRIPTION SUNDAY FOR THE CATHOLIC KEY


If you would like a subscription to the Catholic Key they are having the weekend, of Dec 30 and 31 a subscription drive. The amount is \$25 for the year. Please put your check or cash in a plain envelope with your name and address And "SUBSCRIPTION: \$25" on the front of the envelope and we will forward the checks to the diocese. Please put your envelopes in the second collection. Thank you for your cooperation.


 **2018 Annual Catholic Appeal**
"How can I make a return to the Lord for all the good He has done for me"
 Thanks to the 32 our of 150 families who have contributed to the Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA)
 So far we have received \$ 7,750 in pledges and contributions.
 We are trying to achieve 100% participation; thus far we have reached 65% of our goal of \$11,850 for the Annual Catholic Appeal.

Prayer Corner
 *"To everything there is a season and time... for every purpose under heaven." Ecc. 3-11*
"...a time to heal.."
JB Lile, Samantha Stringfellow,
Tricia Wolf, Ashley Parton, Breanna Beall
Jean Ellenberger Strain
...a time to die.."
Lane Welchel

MEETINGS

Parish Council: Thurs. Feb 22, Parish Hall - 6:00pm
Adoration: 1st Friday of month - Dec 1 8:30am - Noon
Altar Society Meeting - Parish Hall
Knights of Columbus: 3rd Tues. of the month 6:45 pm
Church Cleaning: Dec - Group 3 - Home School Moms
Donut Sunday: Dec 17th - Knights of Columbus
LEGION OF MARY will be meeting on Monday evenings at the home of Sherry Kutz. Please see Terry or Carleen Miller for directions.

 **News from St Francis Church, St. Joseph**
JOIN THE ADVENTURE BIBLE TIMELINE GROUP BEGINNING JANUARY 8th and 9th
 Mondays at 9:00am and/or Tuesdays at 7:00pm in the Parish Center, 2618 Seneca St. St. Joseph
 You will learn WHY the New Testament lies hidden in the Old Testament, and understand how the Old Testament is unveiled in the New Testament! It's a terrific program to learn about Jesus, "our history and relatives!"
 Purchasing a book will make it possible to have the sessions available to you personally through your e-mail account as many times as you'd like during the full year-- and you can still enjoy the discussion and relationship with your weekly group in the Parish Center!
 You could also have your family and friends enjoy the sessions at your own home with the program as well!
 Call Jim Lindsay for information: 816-232-8614.

 **Donut Sunday Sign-Up Sheet on table in Narthex.**
Please consider volunteering!
We need Hosts!!