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Altar Society

Altar Society will have the next meeting on September 7th after the 9AM Mass in the Church basement.

"...that there is always a way to continue to love, even when everything seems irredeemably compromised..."

-Pope Leo XIV

THIS WEEK'S 2ND COLLECTION

- CHURCH REPAIR
- UTILITIES

NEXT WEEK'S 2ND COLLECTION

- CHURCH REPAIR
- UTILITIES

Thank you!

Weekly Offerings:

COLLECTION PLATE:	\$7,095.00
MASS INTENTIONS/ MEMORIALS:	\$430.00
BUILDING & REPAIR FUND:	\$875.00
ONLINE GIVING:	\$125.00

Thank You! TOTAL: \$8,525.00
AUGUST TOTAL: \$38,437.32

Bible Course

"ALLOW GOD TO ENLIGHTEN YOUR LIFE"

When: Tuesdays & Fridays

3:00PM at St. Patrick & 6:30PM at St. James

Where: Basement of the Church

Bring: Bible, notebook & an open heart

St. Patrick
1723 S. 12th
St. Joseph, MO 64503

St. James
5814 King Hill Ave.
St. Joseph, MO 64504

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Lectors

4:30PM: Ashley Kountz
9:00AM: JL Robertson

Servers

4:30PM: Evan Charboneau
9:00AM: Bartulica Brothers

Protecting God's Children® for Adults

is training conducted by VIRTUS® and required by our diocese for any employee and volunteer helping at any church or school activities where children will be present. This includes anyone planning to be in or on the school property, chaperoning, coaching, or helping in classrooms. Please visit virtusonline.org to register. If you are already active in VIRTUS, please login to complete any compliance requests. Thank you!



Altar Flowers

If you would like to provide altar flowers one week on behalf of your family or in memory of a loved one or event, please text or call Kelly at: 574-276-9378

The Saint Monica Club is a city-wide apostolate founded in 2021 to pray for priests, vocations, and those away from the Catholic Faith. Join us in praying the rosary and Litany of the Saints on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month from 6:20-6:45PM at St. James Church. For more information or to receive reminders, text THEMONICACLUB to 84576 or visit www.themonicaclub.com

LEGION OF MARY

LAY MEN & WOMEN ASSISTING THE BISHOP AND THE PRIEST SINCE 1921

SAINT JAMES PRAESIDIUM, QUEEN OF THE UNIVERSE

The Legion of Mary is for the honor of the Blessed Mother, assisting the parish priest in his work for the salvation of souls. It is for the welfare of the one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church, doing every form of social service and Catholic action with the guidance of the parish priest.

Join our meetings on Wednesdays at 9AM in the Casper Erk Room!

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Interested in joining the Catholic Church? Perhaps you've been away from the Church for a while and want to come back to full communion? If this describes you, please email or call the parish office to register.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

MEETS THE 1ST MONDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7PM IN THE ERK ROOM. PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND!

Holy Name Society

Meets on the 2nd Sunday of each month @ 8AM in the Church basement. Join us after Mass for coffee, donuts, & fellowship!

St. Vincent de Paul

WILL HAVE THEIR FOOD-COLLECTION BOXES AVAILABLE IN THE VESTIBULE FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE. YOU MAY DROP OFF ITEMS LISTED BELOW WHEN VISITING THE CHURCH.

ITEMS NEEDED:

*PAPER PRODUCTS

*NON-PERISHABLE FOODS

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & HOMEBOUND

Gina Smith Melissa Riches
Joseph Thiltges Patricia Saulan
Dianne Pulley Henry Saulan
Judith Reed Denice Weinmann
Josie Gilbert Harlan Wood
Steve Steiner
Richard Coleman

Mass Intentions for this Week

Saturday, August 23:

*Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin; BVM

4:30PM - † Larry Hunt

Sunday, August 24:

9:00AM - † MaryAnn Ellis
& Mike & Frances Hernandez

12:45PM - For the People

Monday, August 25:

Saint Louis; Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest

8:00AM - Bishop John Folda

Wednesday, August 27:

*Saint Monica

8:00AM - † Nick & Linda Chavez

Thursday, August 28:

*Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:00AM - † Marius & Mary Baumert

Friday, August 29:

*The Passion of Saint John the Baptist

8:00AM - † Mary Sanger

Saturday, August 30:

*Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin; BVM

4:30PM - † Eugene Miller

Sunday, August 31:

9:00AM - † Delores Betts- Karr
12:45PM - † Bechnell Scott

Thoughts by Father Jonathan Davis

I was reading through significant spiritual works, and one of these is a favorite that has helped me personally keep my heart focused on God. Jean Gerson, in the Mountain of Contemplation*, compares us to DOGS, and encourages us to be like hunting dogs, that relentlessly pursue their target - Holiness... and not like the mongrels. Gerson writes: "We see that among a hundred dogs there are four hunting dogs. These four smell a stag, which none of the dogs can see. Immediately these four dogs who have the scent of the stag will follow its track. Nothing at all will be able to keep them back, neither hedges, nor bushes, streams, rocks, nor food that they might see on their path. The other dogs who have not gotten the scent, or are mongrels without instincts, and perhaps busy devouring carrion {carcass}, will not run after the stag. Or they might do so only for a moment, because they see the other four dogs running, but they will quickly give up the chase, as if they wonder why those four are tiring themselves out for nothing. The rest will not even leave their carrion. Compare, with these four dogs, the people who have the good scent of God and of the goodness and the glory of the heavens, while worldly people who sense nothing at all are like the other dogs". It is so easy to get distracted in our lives, by worldly goods and worries! I want to encourage you this week to take this little passage of Gerson to prayer, and refocus your energies and heart on the one thing that matters... heaven in the next life, and holiness in this one!

*Jean Gearson: Early Works Translated and Introduced by Brian Patrick McGuire, Paulist Press, 1998.

"May the Holy Spirit, who inspired the Council of Nicaea, and who continues to guide us all, deepen your fellowship this week, and awaken fresh hope for the unity which the Lord so ardently desires among His followers," Pope Leo XIV

September Prayer Intentions



Bishop Johnston: For the desperate people of Gaza and for an end to the conflict there and the gift of a lasting and just peace.

Holy Father: Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

Prayer to Saint Michael

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.



YOUTH ENCOUNTER

September 20

12-17 years old

- Rally
- Bible Reading
- Talk
- Games
- Pray

Donation: \$ 5

"How can a young person stay on the path of purity? By living according to your word." Psalm 119:9

Where

Mir House of Prayer
6492 MO-6
St. Joseph, MO 64507

10:00 am
4:00 pm

More information
816 500 20 57



Bring a Bible & an open heart