JANUARY 21, 2024

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

BULLETIN

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Pastor:
Fr. Mohan Bathineni
pastor@sjolpe.org

Parish Office:
Hours:
Wed. 5pm-8pm &
Fri. 9:00am-Noon
620-475-3326
st.joseph_olpe@yahoo.com

Administrative Assistant:
Angie Bolz: angie@sjolpe.org

Mass Schedule:
Saturday - 5:00pm
Sunday - 8:30am
Wed., Thurs., & Fri., - 7:15am

Confessions:
Saturday - 4:00-4:45pm
Upon Request

Adoration:
Wednesday: 8:00am-7:00pm
in the Church

Other Sacraments:
Contact Parish Office

Parish Contacts:

Funeral Dinners: Linda Deiker, 475-3567
Cemetery: Terry Taylor, 340-5062
K of C: Doug Schmidt, 343-0319
Family Life: Kay Schmidt, 475-3767
Outreach: Arlene Redeker, 475-3414
Finance Council: Brian Schmidt, 475-3767
Pastoral Council: Diana Kuhlmann, 475-3784
Religious Ed: Rose Redeker, 475-3403

Check us out on Facebook:
St. Joseph Catholic Church

Sacristan 01/16 - 01/22
Arlene Redeker

Lector & Minister:
01/20: Jana Redeker
01/21: Greg Markowitz - Lector
Trish Markowitz - Minister
01/27: LeAnn Eberle
01/28: Rosemary Martin

Weekend Servers:
01/20: Thayne Schmidt, Brailey Schmidt & Kamryn Temeyer
01/21: Clara & Caroline Traffanstedt and Raylon Ratcliff
01/27: Eli Markowitz, Reece & Brylee Johnson
01/28: Daylen and Maylee Ballinger, & Megan Barnhart

Offertory Gift Bearers:
01/20: Doug & Laurie Schmidt
01/21: Michael Ratcliff Family
01/27: Kurt & Bobby Johnson
01/28: Cody & Becky Ballinger

REMINDER: *It is the servers and their parents' responsibility to find a replacement if they cannot be at Mass. Thank You!*

St. Joseph Prayer List

Bruce Bidwell
Sara Bidwell
Leon Brown
Sheila Broyles
Alex Conley
Dana Dengler
Susan Haag
Ginny Kiser
Kenneth Langley
Debbie Markowitz
Brian Martin
James Nunley
Olivia Pimpl
Arlene Redeker
Mrs. Ken Redeker
Jerry Redeker
Mike Redeker
Richard Scheve
Danny Schmidt
Dorothy Schmidt
Greg Schonhardt
Mike Wecker
Scott Wendling
Sonny Wendling
Brian Zweimiller

United States Army:
SGM Matthew S. Richter,
Sgt. Austin Burenheide,
Grant Fath, Pvt. Cory Owen
Major Jacob Haag
Marines:
Lt. Col. James Bechtel

Mass Intentions:

Sat.	01/20:	5:00pm	For the Parish
Sun.	01/21:	8:30am	+John Dieker
Mon.	01/22:		NO MASS
Tue.	01/23:		NO MASS
Wed.	01/24:	7:15am	+August & Helen Redeker
Thu.	01/25:	7:15am	+Ida Joy Brown
Fri.	01/26:	7:15am	+Kenneth Schmidt
Sat.	01/27:	5:00pm	For the Parish
Sun.	01/28:	8:30am	+Hannah Rose Flott

Last Week's Collection:

Envelope (18):	$	748.00
Plate:		513.00
Leaven		50.00
TOTAL:	**$**	**1,311.00**

If you are unable to attend mass, contributions can be mailed to the church at P. O. Box 165, Olpe, KS. 66865 or online at sjolpe.org/give

Knights of Columbus News!

- The Knights of Columbus will have a Breakfast and Gravy Breakfast next Sunday, January 28th from 7:30 to 10 am. Hope you can come join us for some good food and fellowship with all donations benefiting our charitable causes.

- The Knights of Columbus still have a few tickets available for their annual stag on Saturday, February 3, 2024. Tickets are $30, doors open at 4:00 pm, social hour is at 5:00 pm, supper is at 7:00 pm. If you are still needing a ticket, please contact Doug Schmidt at 620-343-0319.

- The Knights of Columbus will again sponsor a local Free Throw contest on
  January 28 at 1:00 PM
  Olpe High School Gym
  Anyone 9-14 years of age (girl or boy) can participate and winners will advance to district and state competitions.

January Knight of Month – Gary Murphy
January Family of Month – Dave and Debbie Cole
January Friend of the Knights – Wade Schmidt

CCD CALENDAR

Jan. 24	Class
Jan. 31	Class
Feb. 7	Class
Feb. 14	ASH WEDNESDAY - **NO CCD**

CALL TO SHARE

"Repent and believe in the Gospel" is one of a few possible phrases the priest says as he places ash on the foreheads of the faithful on Ash Wednesday.

Why does the Church present this message today? Jesus can fill us with grace, the love we need to become saints. But a hundred pounds of earthly attachments make it hard to fly high. We are tied down. To repent is to turn away from sinful attachments. Giving helps us turn away. His "yoke is easy" and his "burden is light" (Matthew 11:30). Our Archbishop's Call to Share appeal presents an opportunity to give, let go, and ascend. Give as you are able, and Jesus will help you find the same lightness of heart that freed the first Apostles to drop their boats, nets, and expectations to follow him. Help us and join us!

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL ENDOWMENT ASSOCIATION

NOTICE

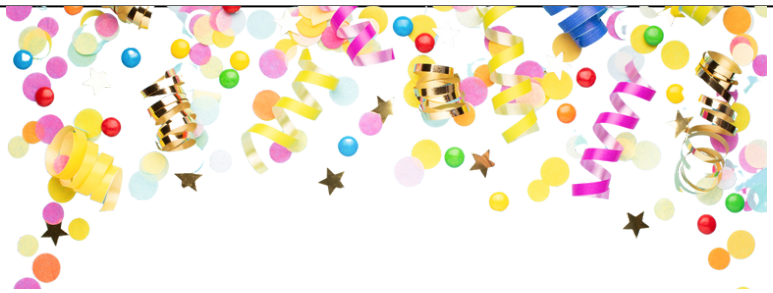
CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS

President, Wade Schmidt
Vice President, Michael Ratcliff
Treasurer, Brian Schmidt
Secretary, Elaine Musick
Director, Steve Kuhlmann
Parish Council Representative, Kim Irwin
Parish Priest Representative , Position Unfilled

EX-OFFICIO MEMBER

The ANNUAL MEETING of the St. Joseph School Endowment Association will be held Wednesday, January 24, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.
at Brian & Kay Schmidt's house
840 Road L

All parishioners who are 18 years or older are members and encouraged to attend.



Save the Date – Sunday, February 25, 2024

Please mark your calendars for Sunday, February 25th. The Pastoral Council and Family Life Ministry will be hosting a parish potluck luncheon and musical entertainment in the Knights Hall. We invite all parishioners, families, and friends to enjoy some good food, fellowship, and great toe-tapping music by the husband-wife duo Arbour Season who have performed across the country including at Walt Disney World and Silver Dollar City. It will be a fun, relaxing afternoon so don't miss it! More details to come!

Update on Parish Life Center Lottery Ticket Fundraiser

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! to all who have sold, purchased, and/or turned in your parish life center lottery tickets. To date we have collected and deposited the funds for 604 paid tickets out of the 999 tickets available. There are tickets that have been sold that haven't been collected yet so that number will continue to increase over the next few weeks.

If you are still interested in purchasing tickets, please notify one of the following people:

Les Barnhart (620) 475-3455
Steve & Diana Kuhlmann (620) 794-1915 or (620) 475-3784
Lindsey Ratcliff (214) 732-3813
Kay Schmidt (620) 340-5638 or (620) 475-3767
Mike Skalsky (620) 437-7294
Derek Temeyer (620) 481-7301

The first month's drawing will be for the month of March, which is right around the corner. So if you still have tickets and money to turn in, please contact the person that gave them to you in order to get all the information in before the first drawing. Please continue to pray for the success of this fundraiser which will be used towards our new parish life center.

The St. Joseph Cemetery Endowment Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 13, 2024 at 7 p.m. in the Knights of Columbus Hall

The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Introduction: The three readings today underline our absolute need of repentance and our immediate need for a prompt response to God's call.

Scripture lessons: The first reading tells us how God had to deal with the disobedient, fleeing prophet Jonah to turn him around (convert him), so that, repenting, he would go to Nineveh to preach repentance there. The wicked people of Nineveh, however, accepted Jonah as God's prophet at once, and promptly responded to God's call for repentance as Jonah preached it. In the second reading, Paul urges the Christian community in Corinth to lose no time in accepting the message of the Gospel and in renewing their lives with repentance because Jesus' second coming may occur at any moment. Today's Gospel describes how Jesus came to Galilee and began preaching, challenging people to "*repent* and *believe* in the *Gospel*." Just as John did, Jesus also called for *repentance*, meaning a change in one's mind or in the direction of one's life and setting new priorities. Repentance also means hating sin itself, not just being sorry for the consequences of one's sins. *Believing* in the Gospel demands from the hearers a resolution to take Jesus' words seriously, to translate them into action, and to put trust in Jesus' authority. Jesus preached the Gospel, or Good News, that God is a loving, forgiving, caring and merciful Father Who wants to liberate us and save us from our sins through His son Jesus. By describing the call of Jesus' first disciples, Andrew, Peter, James, and John, today's Gospel also emphasizes how we, sinners, are to respond to God's call with total commitment by abandoning our accustomed style of sinful life. Jesus started his public ministry immediately after John the Baptist was arrested. According to Mark, Jesus selected four fishermen, Andrew and his brother Peter with James and his brother John, right from their fishing boats. Jesus wanted these ordinary, hard-working people as assistants for his ministry because they would be very responsive and generous instruments in the hands of God.

Life messages: 1) We need to appreciate our call to become Christ's disciples: Every one of us is called by God, both individually, and collectively as a parish community, to continue Jesus' mission of preaching the Good News of God's Kingdom and healing the sick.

2) We are called individually to a way of life or vocation: – a religious commitment (priest, deacon, missionary, religious Sister or Brother, marriage partner, or single person), plus a particular occupation rising from our talents (medicine, law, teaching, healing, writing, art, music, building and carpentry, homemaking, child-rearing ….). Our own unique vocation should enable us to become what God wants us to be. As St. Francis Sales puts it, we are expected to bloom where we are planted.

3) Our call, of course, begins with our Baptism and the other Sacraments of Initiation. It is strengthened through the years with the Eucharist and Reconciliation, healed and consoled by Anointing and, for those so called, made manifest in the sacraments of Matrimony or Holy Orders. The amazing truth is that God is relentless in calling us back to Himself even when we stray away from Him.

4) Let us be thankful to God for His Divine grace of calling us to be members of the true Church. Let us remember that it is our vocation in life as Christians to transmit Christ's Light through our living, radiating Jesus' unconditional love, mercy, forgiveness, and humble service to all in our society.