



SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Pastor:**

Fr. Anthony Mersmann
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Parish Office:

Hours:
Wed. 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm &
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Mass Schedule:

Saturday - 5:00 pm
Sunday - 8:30 am
Wed., Thurs., & Fri., - 7:25 am
The rosary is recited before weekend Masses @
4:35 pm on Saturday evenings and 8:05 am on
Sunday mornings

Confessions:

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

Adoration:

Wednesdays: 8:00 am-7:00 pm in the Church

Other Sacraments:

Contact Parish Office

Parish Contacts:

Funeral Dinners: Linda Dieker, (620) 475-3567
Cemetery: Steve Redeker, (620) 475-3255
K of C: Danny Schneider, (620) 794-5889
Family Life: Kay Schmidt, (620) 475-3767
Outreach: Arlene Redeker, (620) 475-3414
Finance Council: Kevin Flott, (620) 412-3275
Pastoral Council: Kim Irwin, (620) 475-3295
Religious Ed: Lindsey Ratcliff, (214) 732-3813
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Sacristan 07/28/25 - 08/03/25

Karen Hayes

Weekend Servers

07/26: Volunteers Needed
07/27: Kamryn Temeyer & Brailey
Schmidt

Weekend Offertory Gift Bearers

07/26: Volunteers Needed
07/27: Temeyer Family

Weekend Lectors/Ministers

07/26: Jana Redeker
07/27: Rosemary Martin
Aaron Cole - Minister
08/02: Donna Bolen
08/03: Shirley Langley
Barb Kuhlmann - Minister

**St. Joseph Prayer List**

Collins Baldwin
Linda Barnard
Maya Bishop
Jeanette Reed Copeland
Vicki Dickson
Kauffman Dieker
Susan Haag
Sylvia Haag
Darren Heins
Kenneth Langley
Debbie Markowitz
Brian Martin
Sylvia Miller
Shea Muetting
James Nunley
Todd Orear
Twyla Owen
Olivia Pimpl
Mrs. Ken Redeker
Yvonne Rossillon
Richard Scheve
Danny Schmidt
Jackie Schmidt
Greg Schonhardt
Mike Wecker
Clara Young

United States Army:

SGM Matthew S. Richter,
Sgt. Austin Burenheide,
Grant Fath,
Major Jacob Haag

Marines:

Lt. Col. James Bechtel

Navy:

Grace Coughlin

Air Force:

Megan DePauw

Army National Guard:

Sgt. Mason Harmon

Mass Intentions:

Sat. 07/26: 5:00 pm +Cody Cole
Sun. 07/27: 8:30 am +Chad Blow
For the Parish
Wed. 07/30: 7:25 am +Herbert & Lorene Haag and
+Alfred Redeker
Thurs. 07/31: 7:25 am Living & Deceased Members
of the Flying Needles
Fri. 08/01: 7:25 am +Cody Cole
Sat. 08/02: 5:00 pm +Charles & Evelyn Musick
+Chad Blow
Sun. 08/03: 8:30 am For the Parish



Knights' News



The Knights of Columbus has five (5) Religious Education raffle tickets available. They are \$100 each. St. Joseph at Olpe and St. Mary's at Hartford will receive \$425 each from this fundraiser to use towards religious education supplies. Prizes are as follows:

- \$30,000 - 1 prize
- \$10,000 - 1 prize
- \$5,000 - 6 prizes
- \$2,000 - 9 prizes
- \$1,000 - 8 prizes

The drawing will be held December 6, 2025 at the Knights of Columbus mid-year meeting.

Grand Knight Danny Schneider also has ten (10) NFL Kraze tickets available for sale. These are \$20 each and your ticket is good for the entire football season. Weekly prize amounts are:

- \$300 - 1st place
- \$125 - 2nd place
- \$50 - 3rd place
- \$25 - 4th place

Winnings are split in the case of a tie.

See Danny Schneider for tickets and/or more information.

The next Knights of Columbus meeting is Wednesday, August 20th at 7:00 p.m.

Last Week's Collection:

Envelopes (29)	\$ 1,462.00
Plate	304.00
Capital Improvements	90.00
TOTAL	\$ 1,856.00



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Protecting God's Children

We are in need of more Virtus-trained adults in our Parish. At this time we need Virtus-trained adults to help chaperone retreats like Prayer and Action, Confirmation, Totus Tuus, to teach or be a substitute teacher for CCD, or even drive students to events.

Please prayerfully consider stepping up to help make our Parish **Virtus Strong**.

Sign up to go to training at the Sacred Heart Parish Hall in Emporia on August 26th from 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

More information is available in the insert to this weekend's bulletin. A link to register for this training is included in this information.

Next weekend we will publish information for those who are already Virtus-trained but need to update their background check.

Contact Kay Schmidt if you have questions. (620) 340-5638.



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REMHINDER

As mentioned in the 7/13/2025 bulletin, by the end of July (this Thursday) any flowers on graves at the cemetery that have not been relocated will be removed. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter so that we can continue to mow and take good care of our cemetery.

St. Joseph's Catholic Cemetery
RULES & REGULATIONS

In order to maintain the beauty and safety of the cemetery for everyone, we ask that you follow these guidelines.

Flowers & Decorations

Flowers and decorations not in an approved permanent vase on the concrete surface around the headstone are allowed 7 days before and 7 days after the following holidays.
Valentine's Day • Easter • Memorial Day • Mother's Day • Father's Day

Momentos, Trinkets, & Items

Momentos, trinkets, & Items may only be placed in approved permanent vases on the concrete surface around the headstone.

Solar Lights

Solar lights will be allowed if they are placed in an approved permanent vase on the concrete surface around the headstone.

Safety & Consideration

For the safety of our families & staff the following items will not be allowed.

- Glass Containers • Shepherd Hooks • Lawn Ornaments
- Planting of shrubs or flowers is not allowed at any time.
This includes any flowers around monuments.
- Any item not displayed in accordance with these regulations will be removed by the cemetery management and disposed of.
- Temporary markers will be allowed for 90 days following their interment.

Thank you for your cooperation

VISIT

If you are currently home bound or need a visit from the priest, please reach out any time. My email or the rectory phone number are the quickest ways to reach me.

Fr. Anthony Mersmann

Family Day at Prairie Star Ranch

Prairie Star Ranch invites you and your family to join us for Family Day on September 21st, 2025 from 9 AM to 5 PM! Come and step away from the hustle for a Spirit-filled day of fun, adventure, and prayer with one another. Enjoy those closest to you as you make memories on kayaks, the climbing wall, and our many other activities. All ages are welcome to this come-and-go-as-you-please event! We hope to see you there. Visit our website today to learn more and register.

<https://archkck.org/psr>
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ST. JOSEPH BBQ Reminders.....

THE DEADLINE FOR DONORS is soon approaching! HAVE YOU decided what level you would like to donate in? Many thanks to all those who have donated thus far---we appreciate your generosity. AUGUST 5 is the deadline so please let us know by then!

HAVE YOU purchased a ticket? For ONLY \$50, you get a DELICIOUS BBQ BEEF meal, all the beer you can drink, and dancing to the Live Band BRICKHORSE!

Contact one of the following committee members ASAP to donate and/or purchase tickets or go to the St. Joseph Church website to purchase:

Dave or Debbie Cole
Colby Nuessen
Derek Nuessen

Alex Kuhlmann
Kay Schmidt
Wade Schmidt

Doug or Laurie Schmidt
Les or Donna Farr

WOULD YOU like to help out with supplies for our food? We could sure use the following: Butter, margarine, sugar, vinegar, oil. We ALSO need all the tomatoes and cucumbers we can get! If you have any of these to donate, or want to donate monetarily, please contact a committee member.

THE WORKLIST will be compiled in a few weeks; so if you are not able to work OR would like to volunteer TO work, please let Beth Skalsky or Laurie Schmidt know.



Father's Corner



"The Lord Jesus on the night he was betrayed" (1 Cor 11:23) instituted the Eucharistic Sacrifice of his body and his blood. The words of the Apostle Paul bring us back to the dramatic setting in which the Eucharist was born. The Eucharist is indelibly marked by the event of the Lord's passion and death, of which it is not only a reminder but the sacramental re-presentation. It is the sacrifice of the Cross perpetuated down the ages. This truth is well expressed by the words with which the assembly in the Latin rite responds to the priest's proclamation of the "Mystery of Faith": "*We announce your death, O Lord*".

The Church has received the Eucharist from Christ her Lord not as one gift – however precious – among so many others, but as *the gift par excellence*, for it is the gift of himself, of his person in his sacred humanity, as well as the gift of his saving work. Nor does it remain confined to the past, since "all that Christ is – all that he did and suffered for all men – participates in the divine eternity, and so transcends all times".

When the Church celebrates the Eucharist, the memorial of her Lord's death and resurrection, this central event of salvation becomes really present and "the work of our redemption is carried out". This sacrifice is so decisive for the salvation of the human race that Jesus Christ offered it and returned to the Father only *after he had left us a means of sharing in it* as if we had been present there. Each member of the faithful can thus take part in it and inexhaustibly gain its fruits. This is the faith from which generations of Christians down the ages have lived. The Church's Magisterium has constantly reaffirmed this faith with joyful gratitude for its inestimable gift. I wish once more to recall this truth and to join you, my dear brothers and sisters, in adoration before this mystery: a great mystery, a mystery of mercy. What more could Jesus have done for us? Truly, in the Eucharist, he shows us a love which goes "to the end" (cf. *Jn 13:1*), a love which knows no measure. -*Ecclesia et Eucharistia §11*

