



Father's Corner



1st Communicants



Advent-ures



Totus Tuus 2025



Craft Bingo



CCD



Fish Fry



CCD



Prayer & Action 2025

2024 BBQ DONATIONS SUPPORTED...

BY THE NUMBERS

- 69 kids received materials for 1st - 12th CCD
- 23 Confirmation students went on retreat to Prairie Star Ranch
- 27 elementary + 18 high school kids attended Totus Tuus
- 14 elementary kids participated in Advent-ures
- 7 high school students attended Prayer & Action
- 7 First Communicants made candles and had a reception with their senior partners
- 5 high school seniors received bibles
- 10 CCD teachers had access to resources
- 25 parishioners attended the movie "Best Little Christmas Pageant Ever"
- 14 women received books for the Advent and Lent book clubs
- 100 dozen donuts were purchased for Hole-y Donut Sundays
- 2 social events - Fish Fry & Craft Bingo

2025 BBQ is next weekend!

It's not too late to purchase tickets or make a donation.



Prayer & Action 2025



Totus Tuus 2025



Graduating Seniors 2025



Hole-y Donuts

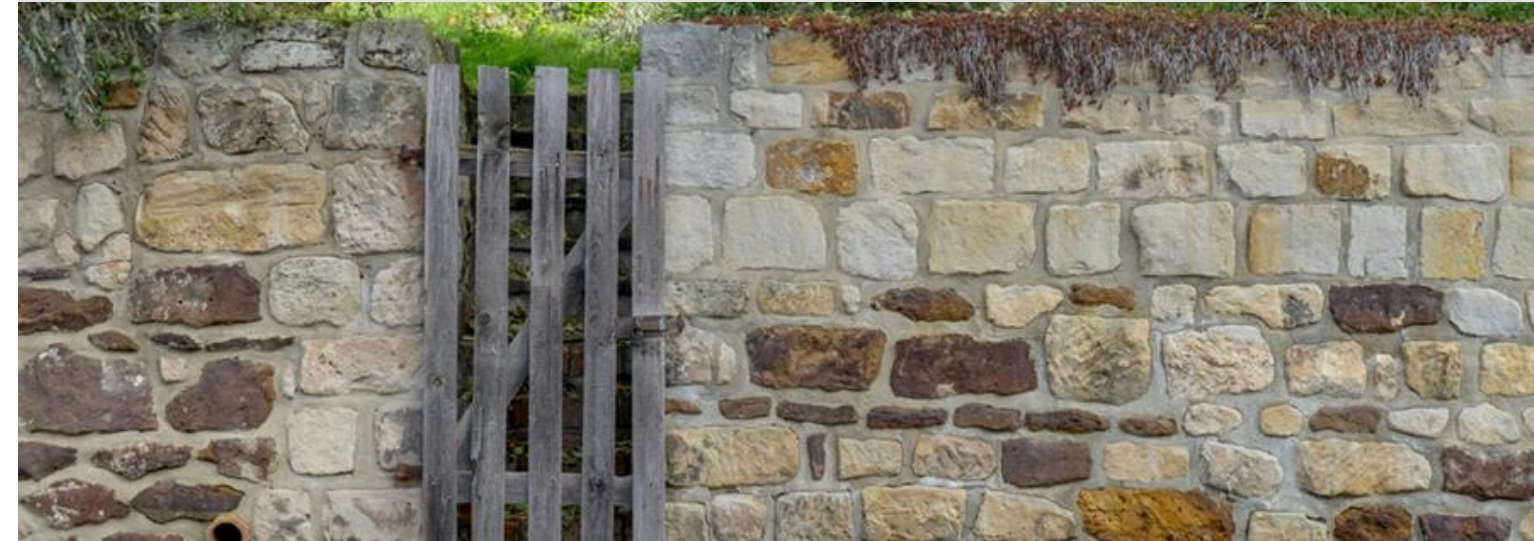


ST. JOSEPH
CATHOLIC CHURCH

AUGUST 24, 2025

BULLETIN

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Pastor:

Fr. Anthony Mersmann
pastor@sjolpe.org
Rectory: 620-475-3420

Parish Office:

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

Administrative Assistant:

Diana Kuhlmann
diana@sjolpe.org
620-475-3784 or 620-794-1914

Mass Schedule:

Saturday - 5:00 pm
Sunday - 8:30 am
Wed., Thurs., & Fri. - 7:15 am
The rosary is recited before weekend Masses @
4:35 pm on Saturday evenings and 8:05 am on
Sunday mornings

Confessions:

Wed., Thurs., & Fri. - 6:30 am - 7:00 am
Saturday - 3:30 pm - 4:30 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
St. Joseph School Endowment: Michael
Ratcliff, (620) 490-0388

Sacristan 08/25/25 - 08/31/25

Alan Nuessen

Weekend Servers

08/23: Volunteers Needed
08/24: Volunteers Needed
08/30: Volunteers Needed
08/31: Volunteers Needed

Weekend Offertory Gift Bearers

08/23: Volunteers Needed
08/24: Volunteers Needed
08/30: Volunteers Needed
08/31: Volunteers Needed

Weekend Lectors/Ministers

08/23: LeAnn Eberle
08/24: Rosemary Martin
Aaron Cole - Minister
08/30: Jana Redeker
08/31: Michael Ratcliff

The priests of the Archdiocese will be on their annual convocation Sept. 22-25 just outside of St. Louis.

There will be no Mass, confession, or adoration in the church Sept. 22-25. Fr. Mersmann will return in time for 6:30 am confessions and 7:15 am Mass on Friday, September 26th.

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 Mueting
James Nunley
Todd Orear
Twyla Owen
Olivia Pimpl
Mrs. Ken Redeker
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. 08/23: 5:00 pm +Fred & Helen Windle
+Montana Cole
Sun. 08/24: 8:30 am For the Parish

Wed. 08/27: 7:15 am +Mukteswara Rao
Thurs.08/28: 7:15 am +Ida Joy Brown and
+Ricky Hammond, Jr.
Fri. 08/29: 7:15 am +Ginny Kiser
Sat. 08/30: 5:00 pm For the Parish
Sun. 08/31: 8:30 am +Glen & Georgia Haag

CCD News

Please register your kids for this year’s CCD classes. We have some awesome things planned! Use this QR code or grab a form from the back of church. Opening night and parent meeting is September 3rd at 7 pm.



BACK TO SCHOOL PRAYER



Almighty God We give you our community's schools. We give you all the teachers and staff who work there, We give you all the children who study there. We pray our schools would be places of great discovery, adventure and creativity. May they be places where we love to learn and where we learn to love. Places where every one is respected and all are deeply valued. We ask all this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Last Week's Collection:

Envelopes (25)	\$ 2,015.00
Plate	182.00
Capital Improvements	105.00
TOTAL	\$ 2,302.00

Mark your Calendar
Sunday, September 7, 2025
@ 1:00 p.m.
Training for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors

This training is required for current EMHCs and lectors. New volunteers are always welcome! More dates will be available soon if you are unable to attend this one. Thank you!

Pastoral Council is gathering updated parishioner information. Please use this link to access the form. There will be printed forms available within the next week or so. Please participate so that we can make sure our records are accurate. Many thanks!!



Virtus training takes place at the Sacred Heart Parish Hall in Emporia this Tuesday evening, August 26th, from 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Please consider this training so that you can assist with youth activities, including being a chauffeur for various events or substitute CCD teacher. Contact Kay Schmidt if you have questions. (620) 340-5638.



Knights' News



Our biscuit and gravy breakfasts will start again on Sunday, September 14th. Please join us!

A **BIG Thank You** to all who purchased Religious Education Fund and NFL Kraze raffle tickets! All tickets have been sold! If you are still interested in either of these tickets, please contact Danny Schneider at 620-794-5889.



MAKE TIME FOR NURTURING YOUR FRIENDSHIP WITH JESUS - We are really in need of volunteers to help fill our Wednesday adoration schedule. Of most importance is the vacant 1:00 p.m. hour. We also need a 2nd person for our 9 am, 10 am, 11 am, and 2 pm hours. This is an incredible opportunity to give the many troubles and anxieties we have at a given moment to the hands of Our Lord and receive peace in their place. Please prayerfully consider signing up for an adoration spot on Wednesdays. Contact Rosemary Martin to sign-up (620-437-7031).

Our 55th annual BBQ Fundraiser is next Sunday, Aug. 31 and WOW, do we have a fun evening planned!!!!

Do you have your tickets? If not, please call any committee member: Dave & Debbie Cole, Les & Donna Farr, Wade Schmidt, Doug & Laurie Schmidt, Kay Schmidt, Alex Kuhlmann, Colby & Morgan Nuessen, Derek Nuessen BY WEDNESDAY, AUG. 27!!! We CANNOT sell any more after this date!!

CHECK THE WORKLIST FOR your assignment. (Extra copies are in the back of church.) If you can NOT work as assigned, please find a replacement AND notify Beth or Laurie (phone #'s are on the worklist).

WE REALLY need TOMATOES and CUCUMBERS!!! If you have any of these to donate, or want to donate monetarily, please contact Beth, Donna, or Laurie.

We will be holding our LIVE AUCTION again this year during the BBQ and here are the items that will be available for bidding:

- ½ beef processed—THANK YOU Ryan & Amanda Arndt*
- 2 Loads of Washed Rock—THANK YOU Eagle Creek Quarry*
- Cookies by Father Mersmann*
- Steak supper for 8 by BBQ Committee*
- Golf Package – THANK YOU Emporia Municipal Golf Course*

If you see something you would like BUT cannot attend the BBQ, you can get a representative to bid/buy for you!

THANKS So Much to all who have contributed in any way, thus far! Again, this is OUR LARGEST FUNDRAISER for our FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY & RELIGIOUS EDUCATION programs, and we certainly appreciate any and all efforts!

Pray for GREAT weather, Good times, and Success!