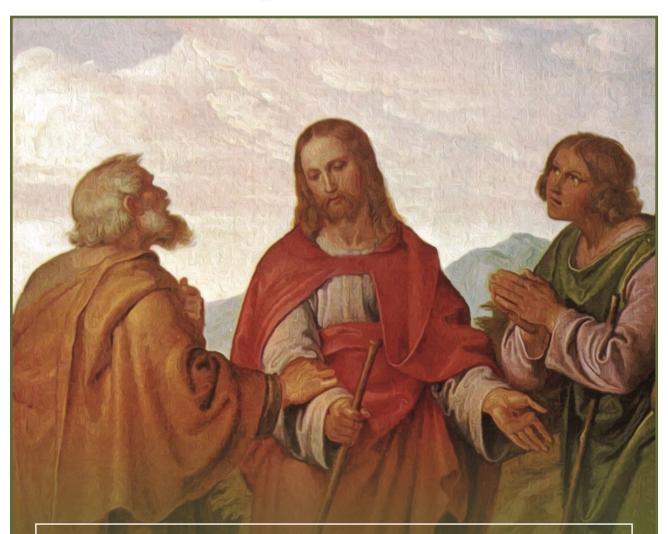
Saint Mary's Catholic Church



March 18, 2018 Fifth Sunday of Lent

All readings & prayers can be found in the red Lumen Christi Missal. All hymns can be found in the black Lumen Christi Hymnal

Readings: pgs. 145-147

Ordinary of the Mass: pg. 887 Kyriale Mass XVII (*use Kyrie II*) (Sat 5pm and 11am); pg. 850 Missa Simplex I (8am)

Prayer of St. Ambrose: pg. 1000

Introit: Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. (pg. 922 #63)

Responsorial Psalm: Create a clean heart in me, O God.

Creed: Credo I (only sung at 11am) pg. 896

Offertory Hymn: Take Up Your Cross #48

Communio: Whoever serves me must follow me and where I am there also will my servant be. (pg.

923 #67); Qui mihi @11am

Communion Hymn: Lord Jesus, Think on Me #42 Communion Motet (11am): Herzliebster Jesu Marian Antiphon: Ave Regina Caelorum #45 Divine Mercy Chaplet: pg. 1032

Saturday March 17th

Saint Patrick, Bishop

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Mass~ (St. Mary & St. Cyril Parishioners)

Sunday March 18th Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:30am - Confessions

8:00am - Mass ~ (Pete Madrid+)

9:00am - PSR (MC)

10:30am - Confessions

11:00am - Mass~ (Clarence W. Thrall+)

4:30 - Confession

5:00pm - Mass ~ (Norman Leete+)

6:00pm - Scout Leader meeting (MC)

Monday March 19th St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

10:30am - Basic Catholic Catechism Course (MC)

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass ~ (Brad Davis)

6:30pm - Church History (MC)

6:30pm - Scout Committee mtg.

Tuesday March 20th

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass ~ (Holy Souls in Purgatory) Adoration After Noon Mass

5:30 pm - Vespers (C)

today until 6:00pm

6:30 pm - Choir practice (C)

6:30pm - Scouts

Wednesday March 21st

10:15am - CGS Atrium (MC Basement)

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm -Mass ~ Extraordinary Form - (Dixie Altman)

1:00pm - A & R Guild mtg. (MC)

5:30pm - Vespers (C)

Adoration to begin after noon Mass today through Thursday evening @ 6:00pm.

Thursday March 22nd

10:00am - Secular Franciscans (MC)

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (Shirley Fraher+)

5:30pm - Vespers (C)

8:00pm - Venture Scouts (FH)

Friday March 23rd Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm -Mass - (Evelyn Altman Lange+)

6:30pm - Stations of the Cross (C)

7:00pm - Simple Soup Supper & Guest Speaker (FH)

Saturday March 24th

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Mass~ (Pete Madrid+)

Sunday March 25th

Palm Sunday

7:30am - Confessions

8:00am - Mass ~ (St. Mary & St. Cyril Parishioners)

9:00am - PSR (MC)

10:30am - Confessions

11:00am - Mass~ (Phillip & Mary Pappas+)

4:30 - Confession

5:00pm - Mass ~ (Lily Jo Leete)

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> www.saintmarysparish.org www.facebook.com/ stmarycatholicchurch

St. Mary's Outreach Agency: Food, Clothing and Prescription Medication Assistance Hours of Operation: Wednesday & Thursday 9:00am - 3:00pm (816)252-8649 (Please call for an appointment) *Donations of food & clothing may be brought to the Ministry Center (Monday - Thursday)

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March 17 & 18, 2018 3rd Week

Altar Servers:

5:00pm - Volunteers

8:00am - T & T Spooner,

A Rincon

11:00am - A Talato,

N Smith, E Diamond

Lectors:

5:00pm - T Douglas

8:00am - M Pontalion

11:00am - E. Holder

March 25, 2018 4th Week

<u>Altar Servers:</u>

5:00pm - Volunteers

8:00am - A Holloway, A

Ríncon

11:00am - A Talato,

N Smith, E Diamond

Lectors:

5:00pm - S. Leete

8:00am - J. Richter

11:00am - D. Gilbert

 Collection: 3/11/2018:
 4,156

 Year to date total:
 45,687

***Easter flower memorials and honorariums must be turned in by *Sunday, March 25th* in order for your loved ones names to be included in the Easter bulletin. Thank you.

Rachel's Vineyard: Healing the Pain of Abortion, One Weekend at a Time

For women and men who have experienced abortion, they often feel as if a part of their very selves has died. But Jesus wants to touch these souls and raise them up to experience peace and joy. If you or someone you know is suffering from an abortion decision, we can help. Healing the pain of abortion one weekend at a time is Rachel's Vineyard's ministry. The next Kansas City retreat will be on April 20-22, 2018. Please call (816) 679-4973 or email rvkcmo@gmail.com confidential information and to start the healing.

PLEASE REMEMBER THESE PARISHIONERS and FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Patty Rittel, Jeffery Klenklen, Joyce Klenklen, Betty Underwood, Annie Moran, Alondra Gonzales, Ruth Stewart, Alice DeMoss, Patrick Holloway, Jeff Gray, David Barrett, Gary & Doris Riebel, Amy Salva, Ngo Ke Hun, Bobby Snook, Annette Lindsay

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY MEN & WOMEN:

SFC.Christopher Kinnaman - Wainwright, Fairbanks AL. (Grandson of Betty Kinnaman)

Fr. CPT. Brian Klingele - Korea, (Nephew of Ken & Karen Klingele)

Cpl Trevor Melton - Camp Pendelton, CA

(Grandson of Marilyn Pontalion)

Rev. Joseph Reardon - Bahrain (Persian Gulf) Command Chaplain

SGT Christopher Wood - Cherry Point, NC

(Grandson of Jean Wilcox)

Readings for the Week of March 18, 2018

Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 [12a]/ Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33 Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7]/ Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45 **Monday**: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [37]/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21 [2]/Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3: 52, 53, 54, 55, 56 [52b]/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7 [cf. 7]/ Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 [cf. 10d]/Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1-15:47 or 15:1-39

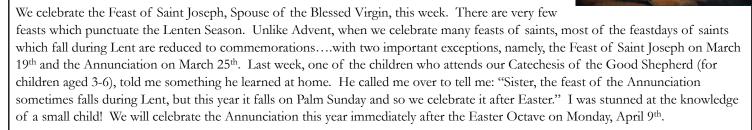
The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you *observe or suspect* sexual abuse:

- 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@dioceseksj.org for more information.

Keeping all these things in our hearts.... Saint Joseph ~ By Sister M. Regina

During his homily for the Mass on Saturday, March 3rd, at which two of our postulants became novices, Father Matthew Bartulica mentioned that both Saint Joseph and Saint John the Evangelist made a home for the Blessed Virgin Mother. There are indeed some beautiful similarities in the lives of these two saints: Both remained virgins and both saints had the privilege of living with Jesus and of living with His Mother. Saint Joseph was entrusted with infant and youthful Jesus at the home of Nazareth, in the company of his virgin Spouse, the Blessed Mother. Saint John knew Jesus as an adult and received the Blessed Mother from Jesus at the crucifixion: "Behold your Mother." As Scripture tells us, "And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home" (Jn 19:27). Tradition tells us that the Blessed Virgin Mary lived with Saint John at Ephesus.

It is a particular source of joy that the first two *Labor Mariae* novices have names of saints who lived in such close union with Jesus and with Mary, because that is precisely what we wish to do: To arrive at being wholly transformed into Jesus through Mary!



We sometimes see images of Saint Joseph which portray him as an old man, while Our Lady is very young. In truth, we do not know how old Saint Joseph was at the time of his espousal to Our Lady, but I think it makes sense to imagine him being young, as well. It would not be much to Saint Joseph's credit to have entered into the entirely chaste marriage with Our Lady if he were already an old man. Also, one would think that God would not choose an old man to protect the Holy Family and to lead them, first from Nazareth to Bethlehem to register for the census, and then in the sorrowful flight to Egypt.

The Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen, in his book *The World's First Love*, posited the following: "Joseph was probably a *young* man, strong, virile, athletic, handsome, chaste, and disciplined, the kind of man one sees sometimes shepherding sheep, or piloting a plane, or working at a carpenter's bench. Instead of being a man incapable of loving, he must have been on fire with love. Just as if we would give little credit to the Blessed Mother if she had taken her vow of virginity after having been an old maid for fifty years, so neither would we give much credit to a Joseph who became her spouse because he was advanced in years. Young girls in those days, like Mary, took vows to love God uniquely, and so did young men, of whom Joseph was one so preeminent as to be called the Just'." (pp. 60-61 in the edition we received at Christmas—please see that entire chapter for more beautiful reflections on Saint Joseph).

Saint Joseph and Saint John, pray for us, that we may enter into intimate union with Jesus through His Mother and our Mother!

Basic Catechism Course study group will meet on the Feast of Saint Joseph (Monday, March 19th) at 10:30 A.M., in the board room.

Outpace Poverty with Catholic Charities!

On April 21, 2018 in Kansas City's Loose Park, Catholic Charities will host a walk/fun run and family festival that highlights our work in addressing poverty - an urgent need in our diocese, as one in five children are living in poverty. Please create a team and come out to be part of the solution! Registration is open now at www.outpacepoverty.org. Questions? Contact Faith Berrier at 816,659,8205.

St. (Dary's ħoly Week Schedule

Parish Penance Service ~ (Darch 23rd @ 6:30pm (during Stations of the Cross)

(Darch 29th, ħoly Thursday, (Dass @ 7:00pm

(Darch 30th, Good Friday, Service @ 3:00pm

(Darch 31st, Noly Saturday Easter Vigil, (Dass @ 8:30pm

April 1st, Easter Sunday, (Dasses @ 8:00am & 11:00am

FEATURED CDs OF THE MONTH

The Resurrection of Jesus: Fact or Ficton: Discover details regarding Christ's Passion and Death as Mt. Saint Mary's Sacred Scripture professor Dr. Steven Smith explores the Resurrection narratives from the perspective of each of the four Gospels, as well as many of the vital medical details of a Roman crucifixion.

The Saving Power of Divine Mercy: St. John Paul II said that Divine Mercy is THE message for the third millennium and God's gift to our time.

Please visit our CD kiosk at the front of the church. We have many great topics on CD about the Catholic faith. We ask for a nominal donation of \$3 for each CD.

~Saint Mary's Salutes~

Join St. Mary's Parish on Saturday, April 7th from 6 8:30pm in Fitz Hall as we honor and recognize the
achievements, efforts and successes of those within our
church. Dinner menu: 1 in. thick Bourbon Brined Sage Pork
Chops ~ Rice ~ Baked Potatoes ~ Desserts ~ Assorted
beverages and freewill cocktail bar ~

Dinner \$7 (Kids Menu ~ Kids 12 and Under Free)

***Side Dish / Dessert Competition ***

~ Have a Favorite Side Dish or Dessert Worthy of Honor and
Recognition - Make It! Bring It! Enter It ~ \$5 Competition For
Side Dishes and Desserts to be Judged at the Event - 50 / 50

Cash Prize for Winner in Each Side Dish and Dessert

Categories ~

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT RELIGIOUS LIFE AT ST MARY'S: FILIAE LABORIS MARIAE & SEMINARIAN KENDALL KETTERLIN.

CONTACT ALTAR AND ROSARY SOCIETY MEMBERS OR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERS FOR MORE INFORMATION.

- The DCCW (Diocesan Council of Catholic Women) is holding their annual Shoe Box collection for Women's shelters. Blue collection bins are in the North/South Vestibule area. Please place items in clear zip locked bags. Items needed are toiletry items, hair brushes, shampoo, deodorant, body wash/soap, socks, puzzle books, pens/pencils, etc. Bags can also be prepared for children. Those items can consist of tooth paste, tooth brushes, children's shampoo, socks, small toys, color books/crayons. Please do not include food items in any of the bags. This collection will run through April 4th. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Philpott 816-810-0516.
- The Altar & Rosary Guild ladies will meet on Wednesday, March 21st, 1 p.m. in the Ministry Center.
- Circle 6 ladies will meet on Wednesday, March 28th, 6:30 p.m. in the Ministry Center
- Mark your calendars for upcoming Bunco nights; April 28th & May 19th (More info coming soon)
 God bless you all!

Correction from last weeks bulletin: Thank you to Sister Joanna Marie for her Lenten reflection on March 9th and to Dino Durando for his reflection this past Friday. Thank you to the St. Mary's Choir for hosting the simple supper. Come and pray the Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings during Lent beginning at 6:30pm. Join us afterward for a simple soup supper and a brief reflection in Fitzgerald Hall.

Cub Pack 221
Pancake Breakfast
Sunday, March 25th,
7:00am - 1:00pm
in Fitzgerald Hall
11 years and up - \$6.00 4 to 10
years - \$3.00,
3 years and under - free

40 Cans for 40 Days

Don't forget to bring in 40 canned goods, a little at a time or all at once, and drop off your donation on the north side of the church. This food drive will benefit the St. Mary's Outreach . Our goal is 2,000 cans by Easter Sunday! If you haven't donated yet there's still time. Thank you for your support!!!



Blood is a precious commodity with a limited shelf life. Please share your gift of life with local hospital patients who need it by donating at the next St. Mary's Community Blood Drive on Tuesday, March 27th from 3:00 - 6:30pm. To make an appointment please visit online: esavealifenow.org and use sponsor code:stmarycatholic for additional details contact Kathryn Falco at 816-797-5348 or kakalinaf@att.net