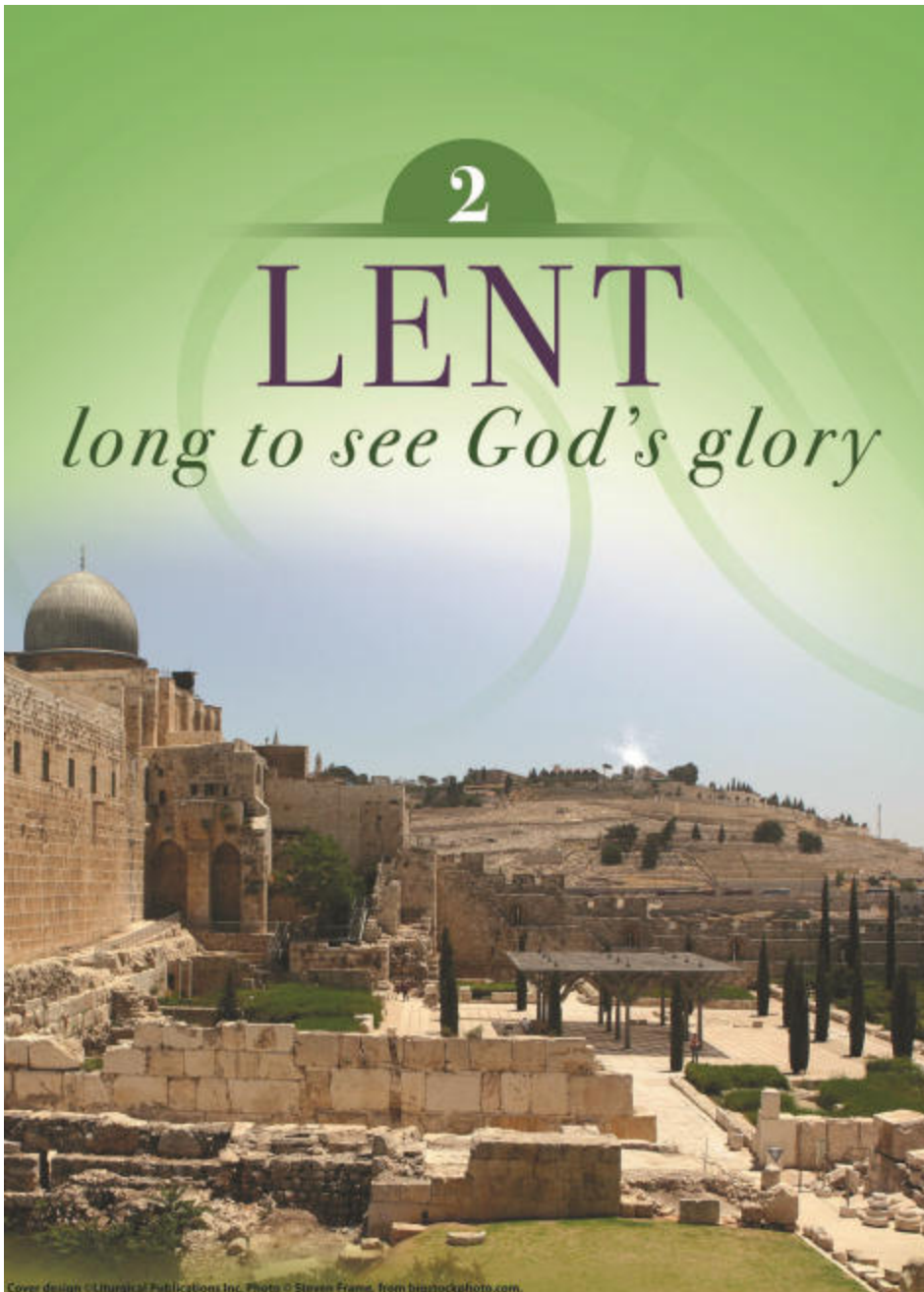


**March 17, 2019**



**Mission Statement**

St. Joseph Catholic Church strives to be a living and growing community of prayer, support and service formed by the Gospel. In our lives we try to live out these Gospel values in our Catholic heritage and pass them onto the upcoming generations. In the spirit of Jesus we try to reach out to those among us who are in need of our support and care within our parish and beyond.

**Parish Information**

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The St. Joseph Parish welcomes new residents, visitors and McKendree students. We are glad to celebrate Eucharist with you. If you are new to the parish, please call the office to register.

When changing address, please notify the parish office.

## Readings

### Readings for the Week of March 17

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [cf. 103:10a]/Lk 6:36-38  
 Tuesday: 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  
 Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 [17b]/Mt 20:17-28  
 Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [40:5a]/Lk 16:19-31  
 Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46  
 Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8a]/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

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## Liturgical Ministers

### Wednesday, March 20, Communion Service at Cedar Ridge

Deb Kuth, Mary Hogg & Paula Dawson

### Sunday, March 24, 10:30am

**Readers** Tim Brennan/Susan Knapp  
**Presenters** Jacob & Natalie Ruth Family  
**Communion** Lampkin Team  
**Servers** Jack Henss & Liberty Mueller

## Last Week's Offering & Mass Attendance:

March 10 - 150

### General Fund:

Envelopes	\$2832.00
Loose	\$222.00
<b>This week's total:</b>	<b>\$3054.00</b>
Ash Wednesday	\$492.00
Catholic Relief Srv.	\$25.00
<b>Building Fund</b>	<b>\$110.00</b>

Parish's weekly income need is \$3,250 and is based on FY 17/18 expenses.

## Liturgy Schedule

### St. Joseph and Corpus Christi Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday	5:00pm	Corpus Christi
Sunday	9:00am	Corpus Christi
Sunday	10:30am	St. Joseph
Sunday	6:00pm	Corpus Christi

(Mass Intention)

**Monday, Mar. 18** 8:30am **Mass**, (Johanna Mueller)  
**Wednesday, Mar. 20** 8:30am **Mass**, (Shirley Mersinger)  
 10am Communion Service, *Cedar Ridge*  
**Friday, Mar. 22** 8:30am Communion Service  
**Sunday, Mar. 24** 10:30am **Mass**, (Vernon Christ)

During Lent, we will have Mass on Monday and Wednesday mornings at 8:30am, with Fr. Margason presiding.

## Upcoming Events

### Sunday, March 17 (TODAY!)

~St. Joseph Feast Day Celebration, 11:30am, Hall

### Wednesday, March 20

~Lenten Journey, begins at 6:30pm with a simple meal, Hall

### Thursday, March 21

~Sandwich Luncheon, 11am-1pm, Hall

## Faith Formation

**LENTEN JOURNEY** Join Fr. Jim for a talk on the topic of Lenten Practices and Holy Week tradition. These talks will take place March 20, 27 & April 3; start at 6:30pm with a simple meal, in the Hall.

**SMALL GROUP GATHERING** Its not too late to join the scripture study, *Understanding the Sacraments: The Fabric of Our Catholic Lives*. The author invites us to become rooted in our belief and understanding of the seven sacraments within the world around us. The group meets Sunday mornings, 9am, in the chapel.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** The Church will be open on Fridays during Lent, from 2-6pm, for anyone wishing to pray the stations. A program will be available for use. An audio is also available through our website. With your smartphone you may listen to the stations and follow along with the program, or choose to pray them quietly to yourself.



Pat Carver	Anthony Fairlie
Christina Fairlie	Rich Garcia
Johnnie Jones	Margaret Rowan
Fr. Steve Humphrey	

*Please keep in prayer all the sick, especially those living with chronic health issues, the homebound and those who cannot be with us today.*

### Please Pray For

Those serving in our military, especially Paige Buechele, Garrett Carson, Christian Collins, Jackson Collins, Matthew D'Amico, Aliyah Hicks and Michelle Prather; and all deployed military personnel and DOD civilians.

Monthly Sandwich Luncheon  
**Thursday, March 21**  
**11am-1pm**  
**Parish Hall**

Come enjoy delicious Pulled Pork or Chicken Salad Sandwiches and home-made desserts. Eat in or carry out.

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**2019 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal**

Thank you to the parish households that have already pledged to support the mission of the Church to teach, preach, minister and serve in the name of Jesus through their financial support of The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. If you have not yet responded, please make every effort to do so.



St. Joseph Men's Club invites you to join them during Lent to work and to enjoy the **Fish Fry, every Friday, 5-7pm, at the Hall.** Please take note of the Friday you have been assigned to work, and arrange for a switch if you should have a conflict. Invite your family and friends to come too! The fish and fixins are delish!

**PRO-LIFE BABY BOTTLE DRIVE** During the month of March, children from the PSR classes will provide baby bottles for donations. This year, the children are collecting for Pregnancy Care Center in Belleville. Please take a bottle to make a donation, or fill with your spare change over the coming weeks. Donations will be gladly accepted through April 7.

**MEN OF THE PARISH** Are invited to share Christian fellowship by attending the Corpus Christi Men's Group Meeting, Monday, March 25, 7-9pm, in the Parish Center, Shiloh. There will be a short presentation (30 min.) on Elder Care/Estate Planning followed by a Q & A session. Pizza and drink will be provided.

Catholic Rice Bowl  
 Encountering Lent

**2<sup>nd</sup> Week of Lent**  
*Encounter Annet*

In Uganda, we encounter Annet and her family, children forced to flee violence, searching for stability. How are we called to welcome the stranger in our midst? How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities?

**Drawdown 2019**

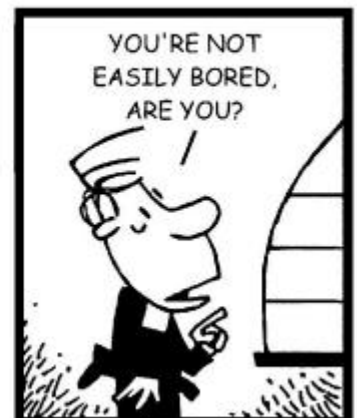
Our 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Drawdown & Silent Auction will be at the Knights of Columbus Hall in O'Fallon on April 27. Contact Barry Copelin, 632-9316, or via email [bcopelin@charter.net](mailto:bcopelin@charter.net) for a ticket (a ticket includes admission and catered dinner for two and a chance to win \$5,000). Tickets are \$100 each and only 150 will be sold. Tickets paid for by March 27 will be eligible for the early bird drawing.

If you have an item you would like to donate for the silent auction and/or prize package or would be able to help at the Drawdown, please contact Rita Christ, 537-2367, or Donna Weil, 973-1942.

Again this year, a beautiful quilt crafted by Terri Christ will be raffled at the Drawdown. Please also invite your friends and neighbors to take a chance on this one of a kind quilt.

Invite a friend or neighbor to come to the Drawdown Party. This is a great opportunity for everyone to support our Parish as well as have a good time . . . so be sure to mark your calendar!

**2ND SUNDAY OF LENT**



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