

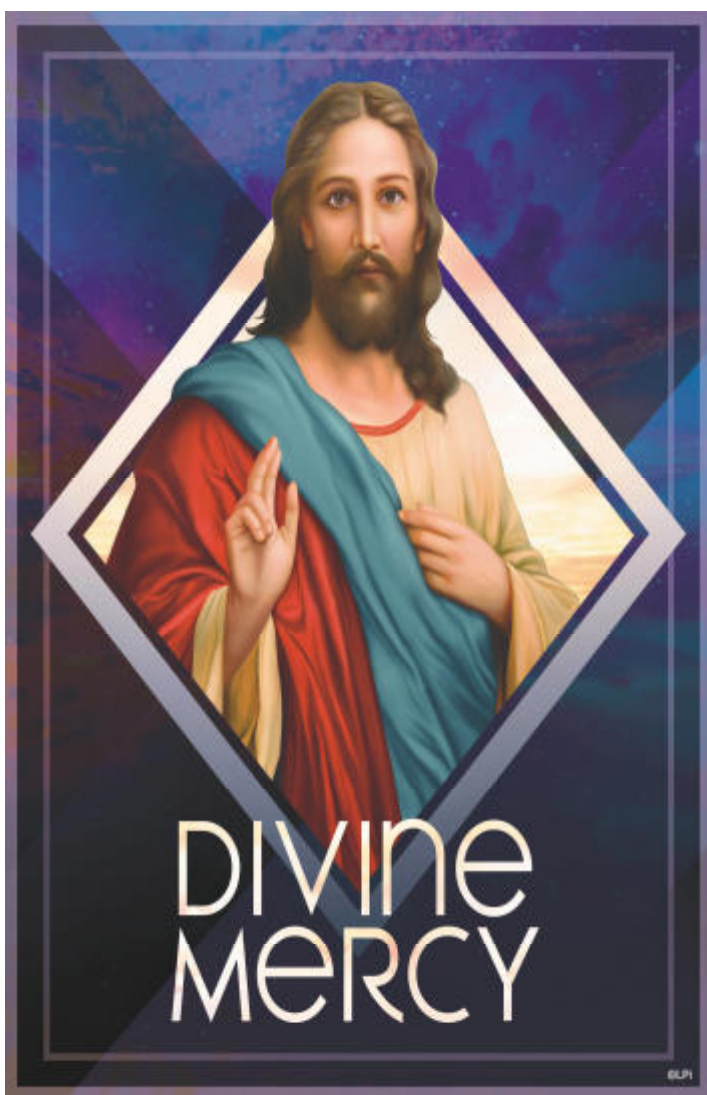
St. Joseph Catholic Church



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Parish Mission Statement

By the grace of God, St. Joseph Parish seeks to empower its parishioners to grow in holiness as we worship God more worthily and become an evermore closely bound community of Catholics. Through the community, we strive to know, love, serve God and one another, and to spread God's Kingdom through prayer, evangelization, and service to the Catholic Church, the civil community, and all of God's children.



You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord; blessed are those who have not seen me, but still, believe!

John 20:29

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Mass Schedule

Saturday at 4:00 pm
Sunday at 8:00 & 10:30 am
Weekdays: M-F: 8:30 am

Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00 - 3:45 pm
Sunday: 7:00 - 7:45, 9:45 - 10:15 am
By appointment. Please call the parish office.

Infant Baptism

Please call for an appointment.

Marriage Preparation

Call for an appointment. Please allow at least six months before the planned date.

Catholic Inquiry/RCIA

Questions? Call and come in for a visit!

Adoration Hours: Weekly

Tuesday - Thursday 7:00 am until Midnight
Friday 5:00 am until Noon

Second Sunday of Easter/Divine Mercy • April 11, 2021

St. Joseph Church • Springfield, MO

Mass Schedule - 2nd Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy

Sat	04/10	4:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sun	04/11	8:00 am	†Paul Anthony Terrell
		10:30 am	†Joe Majors
Mon	04/12	8:30 am	†Repose of Souls
Tue	04/13	8:30 am	†John Scott
Wed	04/14	8:30 am	†Joseph & †Irene Ryan
Thu	04/15	8:30 am	†Gerald & †Grace Boedeker
Fri	04/16	8:30 am	Mike & Becky Sleeth Wedding Anniversary
Sat	04/17	4:00 pm	†Frank J. Zondca, Jr.
Sun	04/18	8:00 am	†Frank J. Zondca, Jr.
		10:30 am	People of the Parish

Readings for next week April 18th

Acts of the Apostles 3:13-15, 17-19
1 John 2:1-5a
Luke 24:35-48

Calendar of Events For the Week of April 11th

Sun	8:00 & 10:30 am	Mass (Facebook live-stream)
	9:15 am	Mystagogia
Mon-Fri	8:30 am	Mass (Facebook live-stream)
Tue	1:00 pm	Liturgy Meeting
Thu	7:00 pm	Build & Maintenance Mtg.
Fri	5:00 pm	DCCW Mass w/ Bishop Rice
Sat	8-Noon	Parish Work Day

Our Gifts to God

for the Weeks of March 28th and April 4th

Envelopes	\$11,907.00	Ash Wed.	\$50.00
Plate	\$1,525.21	Holy Thursday	\$50.00
Building	\$1,840.00	Missals	\$20.00
Votive	\$144.00	The Poor	\$591.72
Food Pantry	\$40.00	The Mirror	\$14.00
Academy	\$100.00	Holy Land	\$620.75
Mass Intentions	\$20.00	CRS	\$50.00
Easter Flowers	\$245.00	CHM	\$40.00
Rice Bowls	\$125.00	Online	\$1,715.34

Please Pray For Our Sick...

Penny Harrison	Brenda Forte	Ed Bailey
Miguel Nelson	Laurie Richardson	Cheryl Grooms
Sharon Grant	Ann Fender	Mike Banasik
John Wagner	David Zeszutek	Jeanne Walsh
Carla Duff	Linda Hasler	

OCTAVE OF EASTER



Divine Mercy and Healing: This week-end we celebrate the Sunday of Divine Mercy. God never ceases offering us His mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. If you or someone you know is suffering after abortion, confidential, compassionate help is available. Visit HopeAfterAbortion.org. Every April, Catholic parishes and schools across the United States participate in National Child Abuse Prevention Month. Join us throughout the month as we continue to pray for the healing of victims of abuse.

SCHS Spring Musical: Tickets will go on sale for the SCHS Spring Musical production of **Little Women** this coming weekend! Dates for the musical are Friday, April 30th, 7 pm; Saturday, May 1st, 7 pm; and Sunday Matinee May 2nd at 2 pm. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. Come support the kids!



Gerald Eugene Strader, 81, of Springfield, MO, passed away on Sunday, March 28th, 2021. Please keep Gerald, Polly Ann, and all their friends and family in your prayers.

Polly Ann Strader would like to thank all the people who have called her, sent condolences, food, and prayers during her time of need with her husband Gerald's sudden death. Thank you again.

CCSOMO/LIFEHOUSE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN: Jesus asks us to demonstrate our love for Him through our generosity to others. Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri seeks to do just that with its capital campaign to bring LifeHouse Crisis Maternity home to Cape Girardeau. To learn how LifeHouse creates opportunities for real, sustainable change for homeless pregnant women and their children and to learn how you can help, visit ccsomo.org/lifehouse-cape-campaign.html.

Stewardship Reflection

How many times in our stewardship journey do we find ourselves to be a "doubting Thomas" before we proclaim "my Lord and my God"?

Second Sunday of Easter/Divine Mercy • April 11, 2021

Ministers for April 17 – April 18, 2021 (Please get a substitute if you cannot minister.)				
Mass	Eucharistic Minister	Lector	Hospitality Minister	Server
4:00	Father	Brown, G.	Gallagher, T.	Gallagher, J.
	Deacon	Lintt, B.	Gaynor, G.	Young, F.
		Ryan, J.	Gaynor, P.	
			Holman, T.	
8:00	Father	Mulholland, M.	Cetola, C.	Lugger, D.
	Deacon	Shaughnessy, P.	Cherry, G.	Travis, L.
			Cherry, N.	
			Ruddell, J.	
10:30	Father	M-Roberts, A.	Duff, R.	Stokes, S.
	Deacon	Wissmueller, P.	Hammer, Mo.	Thornton, A.
		Orgeron, R.	Hammer, M.	
			Stokes, B.	
	<i>Organist</i>	<i>Guitar</i>	<i>Cantor</i>	
4:00		Joe		
8:00	Gail		Gail	
10:30	Theresa		Jenny	

The Marriage Ceremony: Part of the initiation process is to have their marriages blessed as an individual joins the Catholic Church. (Technically, this is known as convalidation). Fr. Karl and Deacon Matt Fletcher presided over the ceremony on Holy Saturday morning. In the picture, you see Thomas and Angela Stevens, Joseph and Teresa Candelaria, Erica and Timothy Ewing, and Nikki and Bryan Turvin with Fr. Karl and Deacon Matt.



The Easter Vigil: Saturday evening, five individuals made their profession of faith as Catholics and were confirmed and received their First Communion. Two other adults had been baptized as infants and now completed the Sacraments of Initiation. We also celebrated the baptism of three children. The picture includes those celebrating the sacraments, their sponsors, and the RCIA Team. Left to right, Front Row: Lindsay Vinson and children Akilah, Andru, Amaria, Fr. Karl Barmann, and Deacon Matt Fletcher. Middle Row: Tina Cherry, Nikki Turvin, Delaney Stevens, Thomas Stevens, Angela Stevens, Kay Isbell, Joseph Candelaria, Erica Ewing, Mary Ling, and Don Emge. Back Row: Sarah Stokes, Bill Stokes, Francis Skalicky, Stephen Maloney, Philip Simmons, Steve Cherry, and RaCena Wilson.



Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl

Bowl: THANK YOU! Our community changed lives this Lent, and CRS Rice Bowl wants to say THANK YOU! Do not forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl leaving it in the baskets provided at each entrance or donate online at crsricebowl.org/give.

Alpha for Youth: We have two remaining sessions for our Alpha for Youth/Confirmation Preparation Series meetings on April 11th and 18th. We will not be meeting on April 25th since several in the group have a younger sibling making their First Holy Communion that day. Zoomed gatherings are on Sunday evenings at 7:00 pm.



CAMP RE-NEW-ALL

REGISTRATION: Camp Re-NEW-All registration is now open. Please be sure to register early! At

the current time, camp facilities are limited to 50% of the normal capacity. We will be watching the changing situation with the pandemic and working with the camp facility owners to make decisions about accommodations and other safety measures as we get closer to the time of camp. For more information and to register online, go to <https://dioscrg.org/camp-re-new-all/>

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mercy that we practice mercy in our daily lives and become eligible for God's merciful judgment.

2. Faith, culminating in self-surrender to God, leads us to the service of our fellow human beings. Living faith enables us to see the risen Lord in everyone and gives us the willingness to render to each one our loving service. *"Faith without good works is dead"* (James 2:17). It was this faith in the Lord and obedience to his missionary command that prompted St. Thomas to travel to India to preach the gospel among the Hindus, establish seven Christian communities (known later as "St. Thomas Christians"), and eventually face martyrdom. The Fathers of the Church prescribe the following traditional means to grow in the living and dynamic faith of St. Thomas the Apostle: a) We must come to know Jesus personally and intimately by the daily and meditative reading of the Bible; b) We must strengthen our faith by the power of the Holy Spirit through personal and community prayer; and c) We must share in the divine life of Jesus by frequenting the sacraments of Reconciliation and the Holy Eucharist. Mother Teresa presents it this way: "If we pray, we will believe; if we believe, we will love; if we love, we will serve. Only then we put our love of God into action."

Traffic cop's mercy: A priest was forced, by traffic police, to pull over for speeding. As the cop was about to write the ticket, the priest said to him, *"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy."* The cop handed the priest the ticket and said, *"Go, and sin no more."*

Love and Peace,

Fr. Karl



Prayer Hotline: If you have a special intention requiring prayer or would like to join our growing Prayer Hotline list, please contact Becky Sleeth at 865-1112. Voice or email options are available.

Welcome
TO ST. JOSEPH PARISH

We extend our hands and our hearts in Christian fellowship to you here, whether longtime residents or newly arrived in the Parish. If you are not registered, please fill out the form below and place it in the collection basket or mail it to the Parish Office.

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*P*astor's
*R*eflection



Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday's readings are about God's mercy, necessity of trusting faith, and the need for forgiveness of sins. The opening prayer addresses the Father as "God of Mercy." In **the responsorial psalm**, we repeat several times, "*Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endures forever!*" (Psalms 118). Besides mentioning the word, our readings illustrate mercy in action. How did God reveal His mercy? He did so, first and foremost, by sending His only begotten Son to become our Savior and Lord by His suffering, death, and resurrection. Divine mercy is given to us also in each celebration of the sacraments.

The first reading from the Acts of the Apostles gives a summary portrait of the life of the early Christian community. It was a community that practiced sharing love, compassion, and God's mercy as taught by Jesus. It was also a witnessing community deriving its strength from community prayer, "the breaking of the bread," and the apostles' teachings which were read at the worship service. While the first reading from Acts calls our attention to the corporal works of mercy, **the second reading** from St. John's letter focuses on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy by obeying God's commandments and especially the commandment of love as clarified by Jesus. Loving others as Jesus loved demands treating others with mercy and compassion. **In today's Gospel**, we recall Jesus' appearance to the disciples on that first Easter evening. It vividly reminds us how Jesus instituted the Sacrament of Reconciliation which is a sacrament of divine mercy. The Risen Lord gave his apostles the power to forgive sins by the words, "*Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained*" (John 20: 19-23). Presenting the doubting Thomas' famous profession of faith, "*My Lord and my God,*" the Gospel also emphasizes the importance of faith in the all-pervading presence of the Risen Lord, the source of divine mercy, in the Christian community. We believe without having seen. We are invited to accept liberation from doubts and hesitation by surrendering our lives to the risen Lord of mercy.

1. An invitation to celebrate and practice mercy: One way the Church celebrates God's mercy throughout the year is through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Finding time for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is another good way to observe Divine Mercy. The gospel command, "*Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful,*" demands that we show mercy to our fellow human beings always and everywhere. We radiate God's mercy to others by our actions, our words, and our prayers. It is mainly through the corporal and spiritual works of

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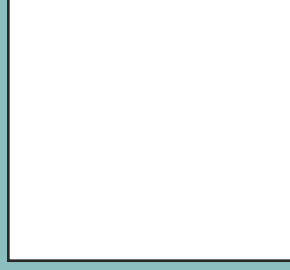
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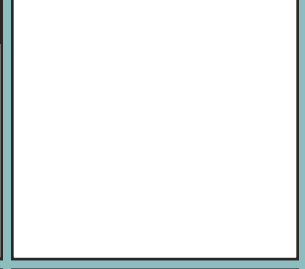
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