

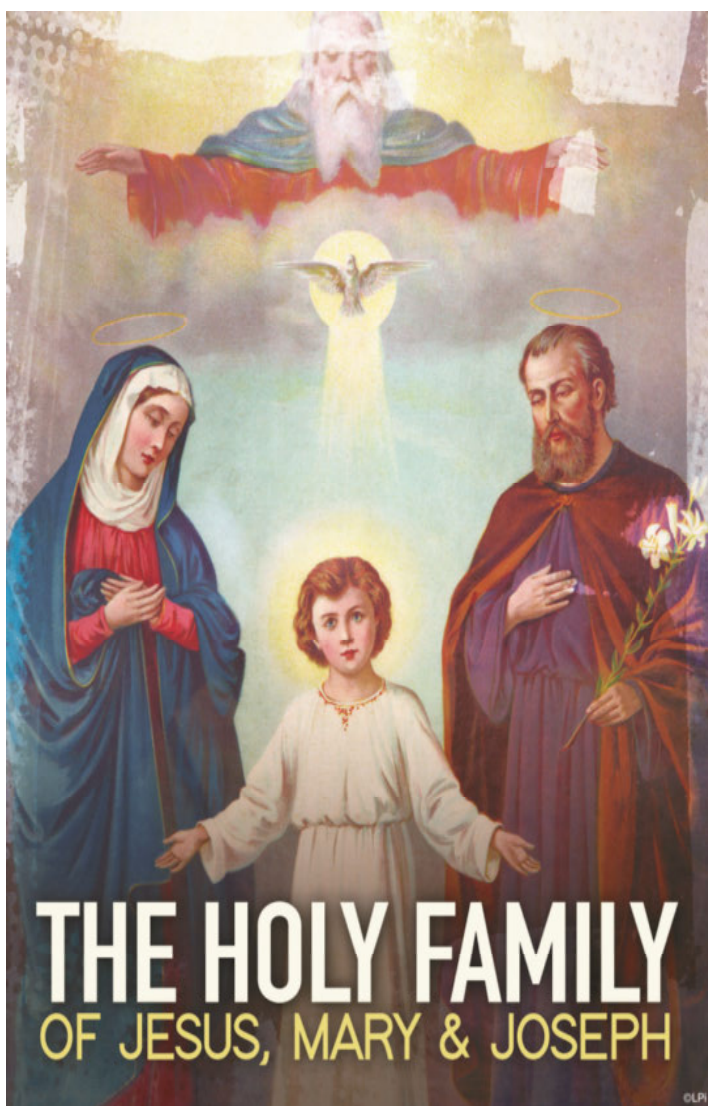
# St. Joseph Catholic Church



1115 N. Campbell Avenue • Springfield, Missouri 65802

## 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.



*Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words of your Son.*

*cf. Acts of the Apostles 16:14b*

### Parish Staff

Rev. Karl W. Barmann, OSB, *Pastor*  
Deacon Matt Fletcher  
Don Emge, *Director of Religious Education*  
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### Mass Schedule

Saturday at 4:00 pm  
Sunday at 8:00 am and 10:30 am  
Weekdays Monday - Friday at 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: Monday-Friday

Open 24 hours daily throughout the week.

### Catholic Cemeteries of Springfield

Please call Russ Koeneman, Director, at 417-866-6720 for information.

## The Holy Family • December 26, 2021

# St. Joseph Church • Springfield, MO

## Mass Schedule - The Holy Family

Sat	12/25	Midnight	†Ralph Henderson
		10:00 am	†Marvin Dummer
		4:00 pm	†Stan McCann
Sun	12/26	8:00 am	People of the Parish
		10:30 am	†Beloved Dead
Mon	12/27	8:30 am	†Joseph & †Irene Ryan
Tue	12/28	8:30 am	†Dennis Kirby
Wed	12/29	8:30 am	†Troy Chumbly
Thu	12/30	8:30 am	†Souls lost to abortion
Fri	12/31	4:00 pm	†Scott Hilmes - Birthday
Sat	01/01	10:00 am	†Gerald Strader
		4:00 pm	†Joseph & †Irene Ryan
Sun	01/02	8:00 am	†Larry Bradley
		10:30 am	People of the Parish

## Readings for next week January 2nd

*Isaiah 60:1-6*

*Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6*

*Matthew 2:1-12*

## Calendar of Events

### For the Week of December 26th

Sun	8:00 & 10:30 am	Mass – The Holy Family Mass
	9:15 am	PSR
Mon-Thu	8:10 am	Liturgy of the Hours
Mon-Thu	8:30 am	Mass in the Church
Mon	9:00 am	TOPS Meeting
	7:00 pm	Springfield Weekend Choir
Tue	9:30 - 12:30 pm	Food Pantry
	9:30 am	Tuesday WAU Group
	1:00 pm	Quilters
Fri	All Day	(Parish Office Closed)
	4:00 pm	Mary, Mother of God Vigil Mass
Sat	All Day	World Day of Peace
	10:00 am	Mary, Mother of God Mass
	11:00 am	Ham and black-eyed peas with cornbread in the Parish Hall
	4:00 pm	Mass – The Epiphany Mass



*Please Pray For Our Sick . . .*

Penny Harrison	David Zeszutek	Susan Demster
Miguel Nelson	Shirley Bailey	Janet Smith
Carla Duff	Margaret Demster	Glenda Saviar
Brenda Forte	Shirley Baum	Britney Sapp
Tammy Reed	Mike Banasik	Carrie Strohm

*We also remember in prayer those of our parish family who are battling chronic illnesses and those who are homebound and are no longer able to attend Mass due to present health concerns.*

## Parish Council of Catholic Women



**(PCCW):** The January monthly potluck meeting will be held on **Monday, January 3rd, at 1:00 pm** in the Parish Hall Library. Dr. Norman Knowlton will be giving a talk on American history at 1:30 pm. Dr. Knowlton, State Surgeon for the Sons of the American Revolution, is also their past historian. It will be fun and you'll learn something! Guests are welcome! If you would like more information about the PCCW, please call Jeanne Tiedt at 417-742-0212 or Pat Henderson at 417-742-4193 with inquiries.



**Sunday Missals:** 2022 Missals are on sale in the back of the church for \$3.00 each.



**Help! Carpool Buddies:** A parishioner living near Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library in Springfield is looking for a carpooling buddy for Sunday Masses. Please contact Jenny Thornton at 417-379-3377 if you can help.

Another parishioner, who does not drive, would like to attend Mass on Sundays. She lives about a mile west of Kansas Avenue and within a block of Nichols. If someone would be able to provide transportation for her, it would be greatly appreciated. Please call Don Emge at 417-496-5522.

## Our Gifts to God

### for the Week of December 12th

<b>Envelopes</b>	<b>\$8,206.15</b>	<b>Votive</b>	<b>\$385.00</b>
<b>Plate</b>	<b>\$635.00</b>	<b>SJCA</b>	<b>\$400.00</b>
<b>Build &amp; Maint</b>	<b>\$225.00</b>	<b>Support a Child</b>	<b>\$1,047.00</b>
<b>Food Pantry</b>	<b>\$110.00</b>	<b>Seminarian &amp; Retired</b>	
<b>The Poor</b>	<b>\$225.00</b>		<b>\$60.00</b>
<b>Flowers</b>	<b>\$255.00</b>	<b>Online</b>	<b>\$232.72</b>
<b>Mass Intentions</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>		

**Father Karl will be out:** Fr. Karl will be out after the 8:30 am Mass on Dec. 28th and return on Dec. 30th. Fr. David Miller will celebrate the morning Masses on Dec. 29th and 30th. *The office will be closed for the Christmas Holiday Dec. 29th and 30th.* If you need a priest, call Fr. David Miller at 417-664-5329.

## Stewardship Reflection

*The first reading today provides a challenging blueprint for the good stewardship of our family relationships. How do I measure up?*



# The Holy Family • December 26, 2021

Ministers January 1 – January 2, 2022  
(Please get a substitute if you cannot minister.)

Mass	Eucharistic Minister	Lector	Hospitality Minister	Server
4:00	Father	Gaynor, P.	Gallagher, T.	Gallagher, J.
	Deacon		Gaynor, G.	Young, F.
	Holman, T.		Oelschlaeger, C.	
8:00	Father	Shaughnessy, P.	Blanton, C.	Francka, T.
	Deacon	Skalicky, F.	Cherry, G.	Fronick, A.
	Harrison, P.		Cherry, N.	Fronick, G.
			Ruddell, J.	
10:30	Father	Berry, T.	Duff, R.	Spencer, D.
	Deacon	Berry, C.	Kroutil, M.F.	Spencer, N.
	Orgeron, R.		Long, D.	
			Stokes, B.	
	<i>Organist</i>	<i>Guitars</i>	<i>Cantor</i>	
4:00		<i>Guitars</i>		
8:00	Gail		Bonnie	
10:30	Theresa		Kim	



## Oblates of St. Benedict

Welcome to our new Novice, Suzanne Bustos, and new Oblate, Eric Fuller. The Oblates of St. Benedict meet the fourth Sunday of each month at 11:45 am in the Parish Hall. Zoom is available. If you would like more information about the Oblates of St. Benedict or a Zoom invite, please call Penny Muckle at 417-342-0571 or Fr. Barmann at 417-865-1112 with inquiries.



**FLOWERS TO COMMEMORATE:** Available dates for donating flowers continue for 2022. *The Liturgy Committee will take care of getting the arrangement.* If you are interested, please sign up on the Flower Calendar in the gathering space, put your check/cash (\$35) in the special envelope provided, and place it in the offering plate. Your commemoration is announced in the bulletin for your chosen Sunday. Thank you so much for your attention and participation.



## St. Joseph Church 23rd Annual Chili

**Cook-Off:** The cookoff will be held on Sunday, February 27th, after the 10:30 am Mass. We need committee members to make this the BEST and most memorable Chili Cook-Off ever! Please call Deacon Matt Fletcher 417-880-2921 or the Parish Office if you would like to be on this committee.

## Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri

**(CCSOMO):** We have Missouri State Tax Credit opportunities for individuals and businesses. These gifts support CCSOMO in providing critical services to the most vulnerable across our Diocese. To learn more about how tax credits can help you on your Missouri State taxes or to see if you qualify, please contact Mandy Long at 417-720-4213 or by email at [mlong@ccsomo.org](mailto:mlong@ccsomo.org).



## Upcoming Holy Day of Obligation

January 1st, New Year's Day, is a Holy Day of Obligation - "Mary the Mother of God." We will have a 5:00 pm Vigil Mass on New Year's Eve and a 10:00 am Mass on New Year's Day. **After Mass on New Year's Day at 11:30 am, ham and black-eyed peas with cornbread will be served in the Parish Hall.** All are welcomed.



**White Elephants Needed:** Got any "white elephants" around, or know you might be receiving one or two? Well . . . we can't wait to get them! Please donate them to the parish for our Christmas Volunteer Appreciation Party. Just leave them on the back porch of the rectory with a note that they are "white elephants." These gifts make the party even more fun and we *thank you in advance for your contributions.*

**Are you a Parish Volunteer?** Well, we cordially invite you to the 2021 Annual Christmas Volunteer Appreciation Party on Sunday, January 9th, after the 10:30 am Mass in the Parish Hall. We want to thank you for all the hard work you do. There will be games, white elephant gifts, and door prizes; we will also have hors-d'oeuvres and libations. Please come and join the celebration of YOU. Adults only, please. If you need babysitting, call Becky at 865-1112.

**Money Counters** are looking for volunteers to help every other Monday in this Ministry. If you are interested, please contact Jenny Thornton at 417-865-1112.



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Court recently congratulated the bride and groom during a wedding reception with a pertinent piece of advice: "See that you never convert your family into a courtroom; instead, let it be a confessional. If the husband and wife start arguing like attorneys, in an attempt to justify their behavior, their family becomes a court of law, and nobody wins. On the other hand, if the husband and the wife - as in a confessional - are ready to admit their faults and try to correct them, the family becomes a heavenly one." They teach their children by example: "Do as we do, not as we say."

**Long Training:** A mother goes to her pastor and explains that her son seems very interested in becoming a priest. She would like to know what this would require. So, the priest begins to explain: "If he wants to become a diocesan priest, he'll have to study for eight years. If he wants to become a Benedictine, he'll have to study for ten years. If he wants to become a Jesuit, he'll have to study for fourteen years." (*This joke originated back when young men entered seminaries right after high school.*) The mother listens carefully, and as the priest concludes, her eyes brighten. "Sign him up for that last one, Father - he's a little slow!"

Let us encourage our children to respond to God's call to serve others, especially in the ministry of Priesthood or religious life. Vocations to Priesthood and religious life begin in the home by the example and encouragement of parents and grandparents. Let us pray for priestly and religious vocations in our parish and families.

Happy New Year, and may it be filled with many graces and blessings for all our families as we become Holy Families.

Love and Peace,

Fr. Karl



**Got Questions?** The parish will be starting an Alpha group shortly after the first of the year. The group will meet on Sunday mornings between the Masses. Alpha is the beginning reflection for those interested in joining the Catholic Church. This program will also prepare baptized adult Catholics who have not been confirmed. Alpha focuses on the participants' questions about life and leads to a deeper relationship with Christ. If interested, please contact our Director of Religious Education, Don Emge, at 417-496-5522.

On Sunday, December 12th, Alyssa Wisdom marked her next step in the process of joining the Catholic Church. In the photo, Alyssa is joined by sponsors Tina Cherry and Dakota Bland.





Dear Parishioners,

On the last Sunday of the year, we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. We are offering our own families and all their members on the altar for God's blessing on this feast day. **The first reading** from the book of Samuel describes how Elkanah and Hannah presented their child Samuel in the temple, consecrated him to the service of the Lord as a perpetual Nazarite, and left him in the Temple under the care of Eli, the priest. In **the second reading**, John reminds us that, as children of God the Father, we are members of God's own family, and as such, we are expected to obey the greatest commandment of God: "Love one another" so that we may remain united to God in the Holy Spirit. In **today's Gospel**, Luke concludes his detailed story of Christ's infancy, with the details of Jesus' first visit to the Temple of Jerusalem to become "a son of the Law" and to take up the obligations of the Law when he was twelve years old. Jesus lingered behind in the Temple, attending the Sanhedrin classes on religious and theological questions, as an eager student of Mosaic Law. Finally, when Mary and Joseph found him in the Temple after three days of anxiously searching, Jesus explained to them that he was in his Father's house as if he had had a blaze of realization about his Divine Sonship. The gospel summarizes the next 18 years of Jesus' life, stating that he grew up at Nazareth like any other child, obeying his parents, faithfully discharging all his duties to God, to his parents, and the community, and "*advancing in wisdom and age and favor before God and man.*"

#### **What does the Holy Family teach us?**

1. We need to learn lessons from the Holy Family. The Church encourages all Christian families to look to the Holy Family for inspiration, example, and encouragement. It was a model family in which both parents worked hard, helped each other, understood and accepted each other as God's gifts, and raised their child in human and divine wisdom. *The Catechism of the Catholic Church* reminds parents that **they have a grave responsibility to give a good example to their children as the Holy family did, by creating a home where tenderness, forgiveness, respect, fidelity, and disinterested service are the rule (2223).** Let us pray for the grace of caring for one another in our own families, for each parish family member, and all families of the universal Church.
2. We need to make our family a confessional rather than a courtroom. A senior Judge of the Supreme

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