

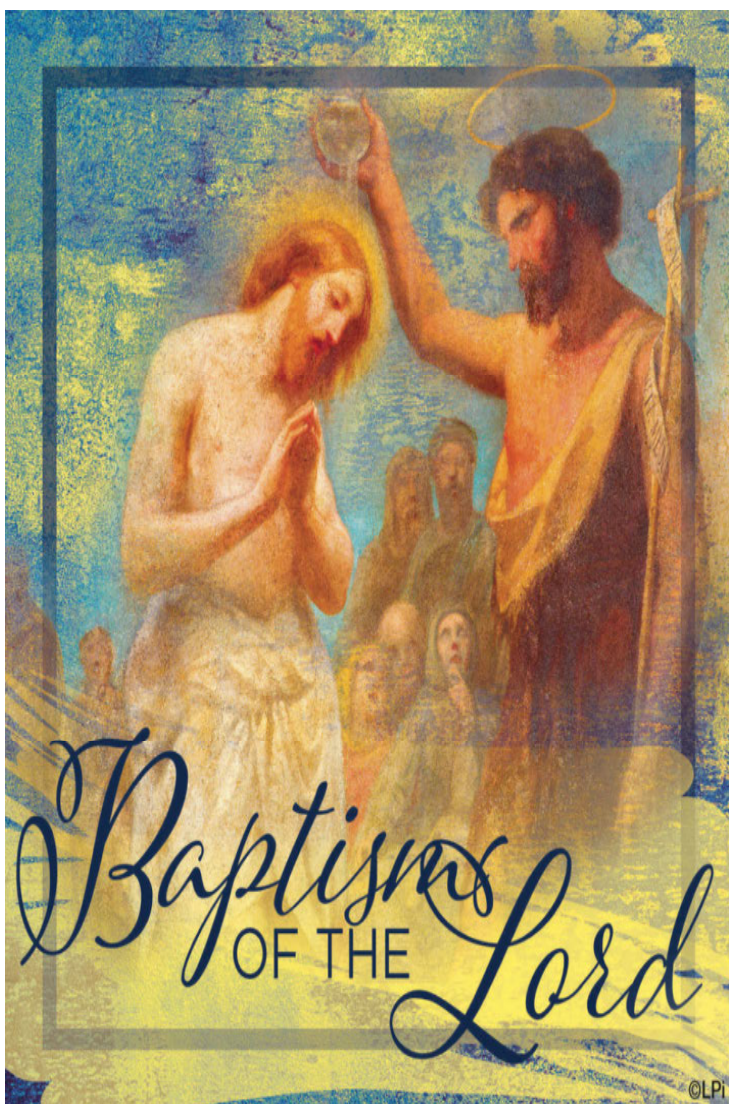
# St. Joseph Catholic Church



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.



*John said: One mightier than I is coming; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.*

*cf. Luke 6:16*

### 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 Baptism of the Lord • January 9, 2022**

# St. Joseph Church • Springfield, MO

## Mass Schedule - The Baptism of the Lord

Sat	01/08	4:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sun	01/09	8:00 am	†Fr. Anthony Shidler, OSB
		10:30 am	†Paul Lee
Mon	01/10	8:30 am	†Troy Chumbly
Tue	01/11	8:30 am	†Dan Dennehy
Wed	01/12	8:30 am	†Fr. Bob Landewe
Thu	01/13	8:30 am	Repose of †James & †Joseph Souls
Fri	01/14	8:30 am	†Scott Hilmes
Sat	01/15	4:00 pm	†Marvin Dummer
Sun	01/16	8:00 am	People of the Parish
		10:30 am	†Joseph & †Irene Ryan

## Calendar of Events

### For the Week of January 9th

Sun	8:00 & 10:30 am	Mass – The Baptism of the Lord <i>(Special Collection for Disaster Relief in the South and Midwest.)</i> PSR
	9:15 am	
Mon-Fri	8:10 am	Liturgy of the Hours
Mon-Fri	8:30 am	Mass in the Church
Mon	9:00 am	TOPS Meeting
	7:00 pm	Finance Committee
Tue	9:30 - 12:30 pm	Food Pantry
	9:30 am	Tuesday Group
	1:00 pm	Quilters
	7:00 pm	RCIA
Fri	All Day	<i>(Parish Office Closed)</i>
Sat	4:00 pm	Mass – 2nd Sunday in OT



## Please Pray For Our Sick . . .

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

*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.*

## Our Gifts to God for the Weeks of December 26th and January 2nd

Envelopes	\$11,768.00	Mass Intentions	\$240.00
Plate	\$1,180.47	Rent	\$420.00
Build & Maint	\$1,775.00	Support a Child	\$5,145.75
Food Pantry	\$230.00	Seminarian & Retired	
The Poor	\$275.00		\$1,215.00
Flowers	\$196.10	Online	\$434.84
Votive	\$189.05		



## Are you a Parish Volunteer?

Well, we cordially invite you to the 2022 Annual Christmas Volunteer Appreciation Party this 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.

**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.



**Best Choice UPC Labels:** Please remember to save your Best Choice UPCs for the Lady's Group. Place them in the UPC box on the table in the gathering space. All BEST CHOICE products are eligible. They add up and help us tremendously!

## Live Naivety Children's Christmas Mass



## Stewardship Reflection

*Jesus, whom God called "my beloved Son," is also the "servant" of whom Isaiah speaks in the first reading. We who are baptized in Christ must follow His example and use our time and resources in the service of God and neighbor.*

# The Baptism of the Lord • January 9, 2022

## Readings for next week January 16th

Isaiah 62:1-5

1 Corinthians 12:4-11

John 2:1-11

Ministers January 15 – January 16, 2022  
(Please get a substitute if you cannot minister.)

Mass	Eucharistic Minister	Lector	Hospitality Minister	Server
4:00	Father	McCann, M.	Hale, L.A.	Gallagher, J.
	Deacon		McClanahan, D.	Young, F.
	Oelschlaeger, C.		Henderson, P.	
			Gallagher, T.	
8:00	Father	Shaughnessy, P.	Blanton, C.	Pille, Ar.
	Deacon	Skalicky, A.	Cherry, G.	Pille, Av.
	Cetola, L.		Cherry, N.	
			Ruddell, J.	
10:30	Father	Youth	Youth	Fronick, A.
	Deacon			Fronick, G.
	Youth			
	Organist	Guitars	Cantor	
4:00		Guitars		
8:00	Gail			
10:30	Theresa			



## The 27th Annual Knights Striking Out "Bowl-a-Thon":

You can help us battle homelessness, hunger, and poverty right here in our community. On February 6, 2022, the registration and check-in begin at noon, and bowling starts at 1 pm. The Bowl-a-Thon will help The Kitchen Inc., Catholic Charities of Southern MO, and Least of These Food pantries of Christian County. Bowling is at Enterprise Park Lanes and Sunshine Lanes in Springfield, and Century Lanes in Nixa. Bowl three games, rental shoes, and ball for \$15 in advance, or \$20 on the day of event. Find us at [knightsstrikingout.org](http://knightsstrikingout.org) for more information.

**TRY ALPHA!** Within the next couple of weeks, St. Joseph Parish will initiate a new Alpha Film Series Group. Do you see religion as going through the motions and following rules? Are you looking for something more real, more personal? Try Alpha! Or do you know someone who might be interested in becoming Catholic? For more information, call Don Emge, our parish Director of Religious Education, at 417-496-5522.

**Food Pantry:** Thanks to all who have given to the Food Pantry. We are serving 70 to 98 families each week. We are in need of canned green beans and canned fruit. Also, if you have a gently used coat that you no longer need, please donate it to the Food Pantry. Again, thank you for your support.



**Sunday Missals:** 2022 Missals are on sale in the back of the church for \$3.00 each. Makes a great gift for family members and friends.

**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.

**Part-time in-Home Aide:** Parishioner Brenda Forte is looking for someone 15-20 hours a week to shop, clean, cook, and do laundry. Please call Brenda at 417-824-8103 for application details.

**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.



**Father Anthony Shidler, OSB,** passed away on December 10, 2021. He was born on August 21, 1921, and ordained a Priest in 1964. Fr. Anthony was a Priest here at St. Joseph Church from 1990 – 1993, providing pastoral assistance to the parish. Thank you, dear Father Anthony Shidler, for your many years of dedicated service. Rest in peace.



**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.

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members of Jesus' Mystical Body) by impurity, injustice, intolerance, jealousy, or hatred; d) to accept both the good and the bad experiences of life as the gifts of a loving Heavenly Father for our growth in holiness, and e) to grow daily in intimacy with God by personal and family prayers, by a meditative reading of the Word of God, by participating in the Holy Mass, and by frequenting the sacrament of reconciliation.

3. It is a day to thank God for the graces we received in baptism, renew our baptismal vows, and preach Christ's "Good News" by our transparent Christian lives of love, mercy, service, and forgiveness.

Baptized in luxury: We were pleased to add a baptismal pool when our church was renovated. So was our daughter. While riding in the car with my daughter and her friend, we went past a pond. My daughter's friend proudly declared, "I was baptized in that pond." My daughter responded with no less pride: "Oh, I was baptized in a Jacuzzi at our church." (Pastor Davis)

We need to be aware of the importance of baptism and our call to grow in our understanding of our identity as a son or daughter of God, brothers and sisters of Jesus, members of his Church, heirs of heaven, and temples of the Holy Spirit.

Love and Peace,

Fr.Karl

## SPECIAL COLLECTION

We will take up a second collection this Sunday, January 9, 2022, for "Disaster Relief in the South and Midwest." Archbishop Gomez, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, issued a statement calling for prayer and assistance for all those who were in the path of the devastating storms. He states, "Catholics and all people of good will may help our brothers and sisters in their recovery by supporting the work of Catholic Charities USA."

### **The Cornerstone Catholic Scripture Study:**

You are invited to take a spiritual journey through scripture where Jesus is "The Cornerstone." The Cornerstone is an in-depth Catholic study of the Scriptures for men and women involving daily study questions, small group sharing, spiritual reflection, and commentary readings. Join us studying the Book of Genesis and journey with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. Learn how God revealed His almighty power and love through His everlasting covenants that enjoined God and man. The daytime group meets on Thursday mornings from 9:30 am to 11:30 am at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. A Visitor's Day is scheduled for January 13, 2022. For more information, phone Nicola at 823-0911. The nighttime group meets on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church. A Visitor's Day is scheduled for January 11, 2022. For more information, phone Paula at 894-4678 or Mary Ellen at 849-1793.

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Dear Parishioners,

The Baptism of the Lord is the great event celebrated by the Eastern churches on the feast of Epiphany because it is the occasion of the first public revelation of all Three Persons in the Holy Trinity and the official revelation of Jesus as the Son of God to the world by God the Father. It marks the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, and hence it is described by all four gospels. Many Fathers of the Church explain that sinless Jesus received the baptism of repentance to identify himself with his people. The Fathers point out that the voice from the heavenly Father is an adaptation of Psalm 2:17, "This is my beloved Son," and of Isaiah 42:1 referring to the "suffering servant . . . with whom I am well pleased." This meant that Jesus' baptism by John was the acceptance and the beginning of his mission as God's Suffering Servant to atone for the sins of mankind. Jesus might have been waiting for this most opportune moment to begin his public ministry.

The baptism by John was a very important event in the life of Jesus. First, it was a moment of decision to begin public ministry. Second, it was a moment of identification with us sinners. Third, it was a moment of approval when his heavenly Father approved Jesus as His "*beloved Son*." Fourth, it was a moment of conviction that his mission was to preach the good news of God's love and salvation and to atone for our sins by becoming the "*suffering servant*." Fifth, it was a moment of equipment when the Holy Spirit equipped Jesus for his ministry by descending on him in the form of a dove giving him the power of preaching and healing.

Why is Baptism important for our life?

1. The baptism of Jesus reminds us of our identity. It reminds us of who we are and Whose we are. By baptism, we become sons and daughters of God, brothers and sisters of Jesus, members of his Church, heirs of heaven, and temples of the Holy Spirit.
2. Jesus' baptism reminds us also of our mission: a) to experience the presence of God within us, to acknowledge our own dignity as God's children, and to appreciate the divine presence in others by honoring them, loving them, and serving them in all humility; b) to live as the children of God in thought, word, and action; c) to lead a holy and transparent Christian life and not to desecrate our bodies (the temples of the Holy Spirit and

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