



Mass will be held Monday, Dec. 9 at 8:15 a.m. for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. It is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year. See page 3.

# Ss. Peter & Paul Catholic Parish

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**WELCOME** to all who have come to worship and pray with us. We're glad you're here! Please fill out a visitor card. They are found at each of the church entrances.

## WEEKEND MASSES

6PM Saturday

10:30AM Sunday

## WEEKDAY MASSES

8:15AM Wednesday & Friday

## LIVESTREAMED MASSES

Some of our Masses are live-streamed on the church's Facebook page, SS Peter & Paul Church — Boonville, Mo.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is generally offered 30 minutes prior to Mass unless otherwise announced and by appointment.

**THE ROSARY** is prayed before most Masses. Please join us.

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**FLOCKNOTE** Text SSPPBV to 84576

to receive occasional text communications from the parish.

## ST. JOSEPH, PILOT GROVE

Father Mark is also the pastor at St.

Joseph, Pilot Grove. Mass times are

Tuesdays & Thursdays at 8:05 a.m.,

Saturdays at 4 p.m. and Sundays at

8:30 a.m. Contact the St. Joseph

office at 660-834-5600.



**Jesus tells us to “be vigilant at all times.” Advent is a time of watchfulness. Things are moving and shifting and changing — in our souls, in heaven, on earth. It’s a time of great consequence. Great trial. Great hope. So, look to Jesus. He is coming.**

**First Reading:** “In those days, in that time, will raise up for David a just shoot ; he shall do what is right and just in the land.” (Jer 33:15)

**Psalm:** To you, O Lord, I lift my soul. (Ps 25)

**Second Reading:** May the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we have for you, so as to

strengthen your hearts, to be blameless in holiness before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his holy ones. (I Thes 3:12-13)

**Gospel:** “But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand.” (Lk 21:28)

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

When I was a young priest, about one year after ordination, I was called to the hospital to anoint a dying mother of three young children. She had a painful, terminal cancer. After celebrating Last Rites with her, I said, “Don’t be afraid.” She looked me square in the eye from her hospital bed and said, “Oh Father, I am in a lot of pain, but I am not afraid. Something wonderful is about to happen.” A few days later she died.

Christians face the ending of our personal various “worlds” in a totally unique way. This first Sunday of Advent, Jesus says that when people see their world falling apart, they find themselves “**fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world**” (Luke 21:26). In our fear, our natural response is to check out, to hide our heads in drunkenness, distraction, and false securities. But Jesus commands us to “**look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.**” He then compares what’s coming to a lovely summer in full bloom. That’s what the cross and resurrection empower us to do, as strange as it may seem.

**ADVENT CHALLENGE:** What world in your life is collapsing? A relationship, a dream, a work opportunity? Maybe you’re troubled by a crumbling world in the political or economic sphere. Or maybe someone you love is seriously ill or dying. Name that world or worlds. Then pray: “Lord, help me to not faint with fear. Help me to raise my head and see your redemption coming.”

— Father John Muir

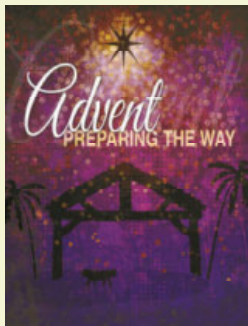
## FATHER'S MASS INTENTIONS

**SATURDAY, November 30** 10AM: Hartmann Village,  
*Confessions will be after Mass.* David Lauer  
 6PM: Fred & Irene Vollrath  
**SUNDAY, December 1**  
*Confessions will be after Mass.* **FIRST FRIDAY, December 6**  
 10:30AM: Greg Larm 8:15AM: Tom Adair  
**WEDNESDAY, December 4** **SATURDAY, December 7**  
 8:15AM: Luann Conway 6PM: Lavina Hodges  
**SUNDAY, December 8**  
 10:30AM: Youth of the Parish

<b>PARISH COLLECTION &amp; TITHING</b>	<b>Weekly Collection &amp; Tithing:</b>
	<i>Not available due to early print deadlines.</i>
	<b>Weekly Budgeted Collection &amp; Tithing:</b> \$17,846.15
	<b>YTD Collection &amp; Tithing Received:</b> \$358,539.28
	<b>YTD Budgeted Collection &amp; Tithing:</b> \$356,923.08
	<i>We are grateful to those who sacrificially tithe to financially support our parish. Thank you.</i>

## SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

**Sunday:** 1st Sunday of Advent  
**Tuesday:** St. Francis Xavier, Priest  
**Wednesday:** St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church  
**Friday:** St. Nicholas, Bishop  
**Saturday:** St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
**Next Sunday:** 2nd Sunday of Advent



**Prayer for the first week of Advent**  
**Prayer of Expectation**  
 Dear God,  
 As we prepare for Your arrival,  
 align our hearts and homes to Your will. Pour into us Your grace,  
 as we wait in joyful expectation.  
 Amen.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday:** Jer 33:14-16/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 (1b)/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36  
**Monday:** Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11  
**Tuesday:** Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Lk 10:21-24  
**Wednesday:** Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 15:29-37  
**Thursday:** Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a/Mt 7:21, 24-27  
**Friday:** Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Mt 9:27-31  
**Saturday:** Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8  
**Next Sunday:** Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6



**Bishop McKnight's December Prayer Intention for our Local Church:** For hope to find a home in our hearts as we embrace the joy of Christ's birth. Amid the jubilation, may we also find time in prayer to experience the calm and peace of God's presence in our lives.



**The Pope's December Prayer Intention for Pilgrims of Hope:** We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthens our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

## SPIRITUAL HOMEWORK: QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

**First Reading:** The prophet Jeremiah speaks of God's promise to save Jerusalem so all can "dwell safely" in the land. Where in your life do you feel the safest?

**Second Reading:** In preparation for the return of Jesus, Paul prayed that the believers in Thessalonica would love one another and conduct themselves in a way pleasing to God. As we enter the season of Advent, what could you do to actively prepare for the return of Jesus?

**Gospel:** Jesus forewarns his disciples not to let the daily anxieties of life distract them from the coming day of his return. Who helps you when you are overcome with anxiety?



## Mass Ministry Volunteers

## December Altar Linens: Marilyn Vanderfeltz

**Altar Angels Church Cleaning Team Families:** Sabe & Whitney Caton, Andrea Chen, Jason & Logan Comegys, Andrew & Lauren Cowherd  
 Parish families with school-aged children are assigned each week to clean the church. The first family listed is the Team Coordinator.  
 You will receive a text prior to your assignment with instructions. Thank you for your stewardship to our parish family!

	Sacristan	Coordinator	Lectors	Offertory	Greeters/Ushers	Servers	Musicians	Money Counters
<b>Saturday, Dec. 7 6 p.m.</b>	Kylie Imhoff	Jennifer Spears	Jennifer Spears	Sarah Ronnfeldt Family	Chris and Caden Schuster Volunteer	Charlie Litwiller Teel & Olivia Kenney	Guitar Group	<b>Team 6</b> Matt Kueny Bobby Richerson Richard Woodson
<b>Sunday, Dec. 8 10:30 a.m.</b>	Charlotte Rohrbach	Brea James	Richard Woodson Ruth Wells	Patrick Twenter Family	Jared Babbitt Brooks Rapp Family (2 doors)	Nix Bellott Bennett Atkinson Kellen Drummond	Jesse Rohrbach Nancy Windsor	

Please find someone to substitute for you if you are unable to fulfill your ministry.  
 Sub lists can be found online at: [tinyurl.com/5n78w677](http://tinyurl.com/5n78w677). Thank you for all you do to keep our liturgies reverent!

## PARISH CALENDAR

- **Saturday, Nov. 30, 7 a.m.:** Men's Group, parish office basement
- **Saturday, Nov. 30, 10 a.m.—6 p.m.:** Salvation Army bell ringing at Walmart. See bulletin announcement.
- **Saturday & Sunday, Nov. 30 and Dec. 1:** Father Mark will hear confessions after Mass.
- **Sunday, Dec. 1, 9 a.m.:** OCIA, church hall
- **Sunday, Dec. 1:** Items due for the Dec. 8 bulletin. Email to [bulletin@ssppparish.net](mailto:bulletin@ssppparish.net).
- **Monday, Dec. 2, 9 a.m.:** Legion of Mary, parish office basement
- **Monday, Dec. 2, 6:30 p.m.:** Rosary followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet, church
- **Tuesday, Dec. 3, 8-10:30 a.m.:** Food distribution, Neighbors Helping Neighbors Food Pantry, 509 E. Water St.
- **Tuesday, Dec. 3, 10 a.m.:** Bible study, church hall
- **Tuesday, Dec. 3, 5:30 p.m.:** Worship & Spiritual Development Commission meeting, cry room
- **Tuesday, Dec. 3, 6:30 p.m.:** Medjugorje Prayer Group, cry room
- **Wednesday, Dec. 4, 5 p.m.:** Cursillo, cry room
- **Wednesday, Dec. 4, 6 p.m.:** Ruth & Russell's small group, church hall
- **Thursday, Dec. 5:** Items due for Dec. 15 bulletin. Email to [bulletin@ssppparish.net](mailto:bulletin@ssppparish.net).
- **First Friday, Dec. 6, 9 a.m.-9 p.m.:** Adoration at church
- **Friday, Dec. 6, 9 a.m.:** Cursillo, cry room
- **Saturday, Dec. 7:** Deacon Clever ordination at the Cathedral. See bulletin announcement.
- **Saturday & Sunday, Dec. 7 & 8:** Daughters of Isabella Lucky Draw tickets sold before/after Mass.
- **Sunday, Dec. 8:** Giving Tree gifts are due at church.
- **Sunday, Dec. 8, 9 a.m.:** OCIA, church hall
- **Monday, Dec. 9, 9 a.m.:** Legion of Mary, parish office basement
- **Monday, Dec. 9, 6:30 p.m.:** Rosary followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet, church
- **Tuesday, Dec. 10, 10 a.m.:** Bible study, church hall
- **Tuesday, Dec. 10, 5-6:30 p.m.:** Food distribution, Neighbors Helping Neighbors Food Pantry, 509 E. Water St.
- **Wednesday, Dec. 11, 5 p.m.:** Cursillo, cry room
- **Wednesday, Dec. 11, 6 p.m.:** Ruth & Russell's small group, church hall

## Advent Penance Services

**SUNDAY, DEC. 15, SEDALIA, 4 P.M.**  
**WEDNESDAY, DEC. 18, PILOT GROVE, 6:30 P.M.**  
**WEDNESDAY, DEC. 18, FAYETTE, 6:30 P.M.**  
**THURSDAY, DEC. 19, GLASGOW, 6:30 P.M.**  
**SUNDAY, DEC. 22, BOONVILLE, 2 P.M.**

Note: In Boonville, Father Mark is available for Sacrament of Reconciliation 30 minutes prior to all Masses with the occasional exception of the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays. Confessions may also be scheduled by appointment. 660-882-6468.



"There are people who are afraid to go to confession, forgetting that they will not encounter a severe judge there, but the immensely merciful Father." - Pope Francis

**"Be vigilant at all times and pray that you have the strength to escape the tribulations that are imminent and to stand before the Son of Man." (Luke 21:36)**

Encourage your children to be watchful and alert to God's voice. Is He calling them to the priesthood or consecrated life? Foster a spirit of openness and vigilance in prayer and discuss their feelings. If you would like more information and resources to share with your child, reach out to your priest, religious coordinator, or to the diocesan Vocation Office at (573) 635-9127 x210 or via email: [vocations@diojeffcity.org](mailto:vocations@diojeffcity.org).

## 2024-25 Stewardship Information

Please pray and discern how you can share your time, talent, and treasure in the coming year. Paper Stewardship packets are available at each of the church entrances. The forms may also be completed online by using this QR code.



THIS YEAR, THE FAITHFUL ARE DISPENSED FROM OBLIGATORY ATTENDANCE.

**The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**Patroness of the United States of America**

**MASS TIME:  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 9  
8:15AM, SS. PETER & PAUL, BOONVILLE**

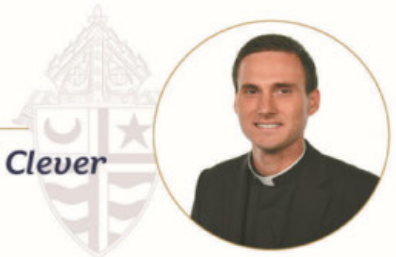
CHOSEN BY GOD, MARY REVERSES THE SIN OF EVE. BECAUSE OF HER OBEDIENCE, GOD'S SALVATION IS MADE KNOWN TO ALL THE NATIONS.

**Bishop McKnight has dispensed the faithful from the obligation to attend Mass on December 9, 2024 due to errors on widely published liturgical calendars, stating that it was not a Holy Day of Obligation.** Nonetheless, the Bishop encourages all parish priests of the Diocese of Jefferson City to celebrate publicly at least one Mass on 9 December 2024 in honor of our national patroness under the title of the Immaculate Conception, even if Mass is not normally scheduled on Monday.

**SSPP will have Mass at 8:15 a.m. that day.**

Please join us for the ordination of

**Rev. Mr. Gregory Clever** to the Priesthood



**December 7, 2024, 10:00 a.m.**  
**Cathedral of St. Joseph**

Please RSVP at:  
[diojeffcity.org/Ordination-2024](http://diojeffcity.org/Ordination-2024)





### Social Concerns is organizing our bell ringing for the Salvation Army.

We will be ringing bells at one entrance of Walmart on Saturday, November 30. Shifts are an hour long, beginning at 10 a.m. and concluding with the 5-6 p.m. hour. The sign-up sheet is in the dressing sacristy. Your help is appreciated! For more information, contact Kathy Lang, 660-537-0404.

All Cursillistas in the diocese are invited to attend the December Ultreya to be held in Flanagan Hall at Our Lady of Lourdes church in Columbia, on Thursday, Dec. 5. The evening

will start with a potluck dinner at 6:15 p.m. with the Ultreya to follow at 7 p.m.

Sponsors and their new Cursillistas from this past year to attend are especially encouraged to attend, as well as those planning to attend in 2025.

For more information contact Marcia Doll at 573-999-5066 or Beth Ann Keener at (573) 268-5400.

### The Ladies Auxiliary is again organizing the Giving Tree.



We are asking for parish support in purchasing Christmas gifts for every resident of each of the area care facilities. Gift tags will be

available at each of the church entrances the weekends of Nov. 16 & 17 and 23 & 24.

Please take only what you are able to purchase and return. We ask that you wrap the gift, taping the tag to the outside so it can be easily read. All gifts must be returned no later than Dec. 8 so we can deliver them to the facilities for their Christ-

mas parties.

If you would like to participate, but would like for us to do the shopping for you, please feel free to make a donation.

Checks can be written to Ladies Auxiliary.

If you have any questions, feel free to call Dawn Kuster at 660-441-1891. Thank you!

### PRAYERS FOR OUR TROOPS

Please pray for: **Technical Sgt. Matthew A. Babbitt**, USAF Charleston, SC, son of Tony & Jeanette Babbitt; **Lt. Col. Gregory Baker**, USAF physician, Kuwait, grandson of Pat & the late John Davis; **Spc. Justin Coleman**, US Army, Fort Huachuca, AZ, son of Jim & Laura Coleman; **2nd Lt. Aaron Goedrich**, USMC, Guantanamo Bay, grandson of Pat & the late John Davis; **Cadet Peyton Hahn**, USAF Academy, Colorado Springs, CO, son of Justin & Kristina Hahn; **Lt. Austin L. Hein**, US Navy, San Diego, son of Linda Hein and grandson of Gene & Emilie Herigon; **Staff Sgt. Dutch Muder**, US Army, Ft. Liberty, NC, grandson of Tom & Joyce Adair; **Senior Airman Logan Q. Pfeiffer**, Air Force, Alaska, grandson of Logan & Betty Pfeiffer; **Col. Matthew Pfeiffer**, USAF, Albuquerque, NM, son of Logan & Betty Pfeiffer; **Timothy Shelby**, USN pilot, seaside, grandson of Pat & the late John Davis; **Lt. Chad Twenter**, USMC, Camp Lejeune, NC, son of John & Lori Twenter; and all Veterans.

To have your military family member included in the bulletin, please email the information to [bulletin@ssppparish.net](mailto:bulletin@ssppparish.net).

## CARE Baskets 2024

THIS HOLIDAY SEASON, PROVIDE THE GIFT OF HOUSEHOLD SUPPLIES THAT CANNOT BE PURCHASED WITH SNAP BENEFITS.

### WHAT WE NEED?

- LAUNDRY DETERGENT PODS/SHEETS
- TOILET PAPER
- PAPER TOWELS & NAPKINS
- DEODERANT
- DISH SOAP
- TOOTHBRUSH & TOOTHPASTE
- SHAMPOO & CONDITIONER
- BAR SOAP

DONATIONS CAN BE DROPPED OFF: NOW THRU NOVEMBER 22, 2024:

- BOONVILLE - BTEC ADMIN OR CMCA 660-882-5601
- PILOT GROVE - SCHOOL SUPT'S OFFICE 660-834-4415
- FAYETTE - HOMETOWN HOMECARE 660-248-2100
- NOVEMBER 25, 2024 9AM-1PM
- COOPER COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS 660-537-0520

MONETARY DONATIONS MADE TO:

PILOT GROVE C-4  
107 SCHOOL ST.  
PILOT GROVE MO  
65276



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\*PLEASE WRITE "CARE BASKETS" IN THE MEMO LINE.



## FORMED

Week of December 01, 2024

30 Minutes B.C.  
A Nativity Play



30 Minutes BC

30 Minutes BC creatively explores the profound emotions and intimate struggles of Mary and Joseph during the final 30 minutes before the birth of Jesus. As the clock ticks down, the couple navigates a whirlwind of hope, joy, and uncertainty, turning to God amidst it all.



Christmas (Part 1) | What Catholics Believe

Dr. Michael Barber answers some of the internet's most asked questions about Christmas. Is Christmas a pagan holiday? Why is Christmas celebrated on December 25? What happened at the "first Christmas"? Find out the answers to these and more!



Nicholas: The Boy Who Became Santa

Here is the fascinating story of the boy whose love for others make him one of the most popular figures of all times. Today, more than sixteen centuries later, the entire world celebrates the kindness and generosity of the man we call Santa Claus.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit [signup.formed.org](http://signup.formed.org) and select our parish name.

# SAVE THE DATES

## DECEMBER 4 ASSEMBLY



## REFERRALS & DONATIONS

DUE BY NOVEMBER 22, 2024

## CARE BASKETS 2024

## DISTRIBUTION

December 4, 2024

Social Army Satur a.m. a The si ated!

**Q: "What is heaven like?"**

— Robert V., 15

A: Reading about heaven is fascinating. Unfortunately, very few books are out today that address the topic. Perhaps this is why so few seem to be concerned with heaven. Nevertheless, it is worthy of much discussion.

Heaven will be the most profound experience we will ever know. The Bible uses human terms to describe heaven, but these fall far short of the reality. Heaven has been referred to as "eternal life," "holy city," city of solemnity," "promised land," "everlasting joy," and "perpetual rest."

St. Paul tells us that "eye has not seen, and ear has not heard, and it has not entered the human heart, what God has prepared for those who love Him" (1 Cor. 2-9). Our souls were made for union

with God (1 Pet. 4:19, Ps 31:5). The Beatific Vision (the vision of God) will be our completion. Our souls crave heaven, even though many of us do not know it. Hell is perpetual incompleteness. Hell is the pain of the loss of God. In contrast, heaven is the complete joy found in the possession of God.

Imagine a 10-year-old girl who has been locked in a dark and cold cell all of her life and then is finally set free. She is set free into an endless field of flowers. It's a sea of beauty with no boundaries. She is basking in the warm sun. The little child is allowed to gaze upon and pick the flowers. Each flower is more beautiful than the next. She is truly happy for the first time in her life. She knows she will always remain happy. This example is but a small taste of the endless beauty and joy of

heaven.

Did you ever see something so beautiful that you actually lost your breath for a second? In time, however, you were not as moved as when you first saw it. Well, the Beatific Vision will be like that first awe-filled breath. But this breath will never end.

When people see something that is delightful, they occasionally burst into tears with joy. The joy is so intense that tears are the only appropriate response. This too is what the Beatific Vision will be like. Our hearts will be so filled with joy and God's love that they will want to burst.

In heaven, not only will every wish be satisfied, every wish will be *anticipated* by God. We won't even have to wish for anything. It will already be there. In fact, we will be *incapable* of wishing for more than we already have — *because we will have God.*

I can guarantee if you read good Catholic books on heaven and think about it often, you will grow in love and desire for it. When you desire something, you work towards it. There is no goal better to work towards than heaven. And there is no goal more worth reaching.

*Reprinted from "Did Adam & Eve Have Belly Buttons?" by Matthew J. Pinto*

**Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained: ADVENT WREATH**

**Question:** What's the story behind the Advent Wreath?

**Answer:** Each season in the liturgical calendar comes with its own local and regional rituals. During the Advent season, wreaths adorn church sanctuaries and family dining room tables. You may have said Advent wreath prayers in childhood or taken a turn lighting the candles. The Advent wreath is full of symbolism about Christ and his coming at Christmas. The wreath is made of evergreen boughs, reminding us that the life of grace doesn't falter with the changing seasons. It always remains fresh and new. Similarly, a circular wreath reminds us of the eternal, never-ending nature of God's love.

Candles remind us that Christ is the light of the world, the

One who "shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." We use four candles to represent each week of Advent. Traditionally they come in the liturgical colors of the season. Purple has historically represented penance and sacrifice. We see the same color for the season of Lent. On the third Sunday of Advent, however, we light a rose color. The priest will wear rose vestments at Mass. This is Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete means "rejoice" in Latin. On the third Sunday of Advent, we're roughly halfway through the season. The Church chooses the midpoint to remind us to celebrate in the midst of our anticipation! Whatever the color and whatever the day, the Advent wreath is a beautiful practice to focus our attention on Christ's coming at Christmas.

**The Annual Knights of Columbus Christmas Party will be held Sunday, December 8 at the KC Hall. All parish families are invited to attend.**



Social begins at 12 noon with dinner to follow at 2 p.m. There will be a brief awards ceremony after dinner, followed by entertainment, and a visit from Santa.

The meal is potluck/carry-in. Please bring a dish to share of your choice. Possible suggestions are based on first letter of your last name. Last names beginning with: A-H: appetizers/snacks; I-Q: side dish/vegetable dish/salads; R-Z: desserts.

The council will provide the meat, place settings, and drinks. Please contact Gregory Hampton at [greg@hamptonshop.com](mailto:greg@hamptonshop.com) for more information.

**MARRIAGE RETREAT**  
Living in the Trinity with Mary

**MARCH 14-15, 2025**  
CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOSEPH  
JEFFERSON CITY, MO

Inspiring talks,  
prayer experiences,  
and quality reflection time for  
married couples

Register online at  
[diojeffcity.org/marriage-retreat](http://diojeffcity.org/marriage-retreat)

Register by March 1  
to receive  
free childcare  
during the event!

DIocese of Jefferson City | CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOSEPH | MARIANIST Retreat & Conference Center



Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Nancy Lee Wolf Eichholtz** who died August 11, 2024. A graveside service will be held Wednesday, November 27, 2024 Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Boonville at 12 noon with Deacon Dave Miller presiding.

*“May the souls of your faithful departed, through Your mercy Oh God, rest in peace, and may their families and friends receive comfort from the Lord.”*

### PROLIFE UPDATES

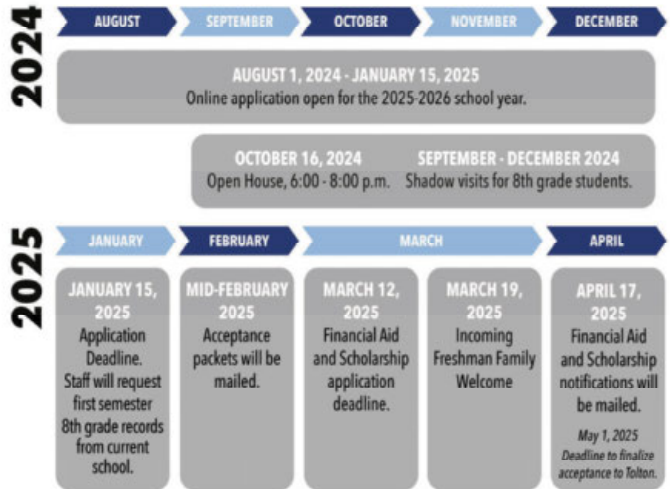
In December, the Spiritual Adoption Program continues into the fifth month of pregnancy. Our prayer cards are at each church entrance. We encourage you to pray daily.

**Fifth month unborn baby development:** In the fifth month, the baby responds to music, noises and voices in the mother’s womb. The mother feels the baby’s movements. The baby is fully formed and 7 ½ inches long weighing about one pound. The baby can hiccup! The baby can even cry but cannot be heard because there is no air inside the womb! There are a billion nerve cells in the baby’s brain! In June we will celebrate all the babies we have been praying for.



**Tolton Catholic H.S. Application Deadline for the 2025-26 School Year is January 15, 2025.** Please select the "2025-26 9th-12th Grade" application. Only students currently in the 8th grade or above are eligible to fill out the application. The deadline to apply is January 15, 2025, but the earlier, the better! Please use this link to get started: [toltoncatholic.org/apply](http://toltoncatholic.org/apply). If you have any questions, please contact Ashley Moore at [amoore@toltoncatholic.org](mailto:amoore@toltoncatholic.org).

## ADMISSIONS TIMELINE



We have cards available for your Christmas shopping! Contact Darlene Smith at 660-537-8638 for pickup at her house. You can also email us at [stspsscrip@gmail.com](mailto:stspsscrip@gmail.com).

As always, you can download the RaiseRight app to purchase e-cards for immediate use or to place an order. Be sure to contact Darlene by noon on Sunday, December 15, to ensure arrival of any gift cards you need for Christmas.

For a complete list of cards available on the app or to order, visit the app or [raiserright.com](http://raiserright.com).

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## Sacramental and Spiritual Life of the Parish

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**BAPTISM** Preparation is required for both parents, preferably during the early months of pregnancy. Contact Theresa Krebs, 882-6468 or [dre@ssppparish.net](mailto:dre@ssppparish.net).

**BIBLE STUDY:** Check the parish calendar for meeting dates. Call the parish office for details, 660-882-6468.

**CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS** Adults interested in inquiring about becoming Catholic are invited to participate in this process. Contact Pete Seleke, 816-863-7103, for more information on the process.

The **CURSILLO** movement is active in our parish. The Wednesday night group meets on the first and third Wednesdays of the month in the cry room at church at 5:30 p.m. Contact Ruth Wells, 660-888-5395. The Friday group meets in the cry room at 9 a.m. Contact Dave or Sue Miller at 660-888-6827 or 660-537-0437.

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** is held on First and Third Fridays after the 8:15AM Mass until 9PM. Please come and pray with the Lord.

**FORMED.ORG** Join Formed for information on faith formation, sacramental preparation, Bible studies and youth resources. To register, go to [signup.formed.org](http://signup.formed.org) and select our parish. No code needed!

**LEGION OF MARY** meets Monday mornings at 9AM in the Parish Office basement. Their main ministry is to reach out to people to witness the Good News of Jesus. For more information, contact Nancy Poulsen Fangman, 660-466-0145 or email [nancy56@iland.net](mailto:nancy56@iland.net).

**MARRIAGE** Contact the parish office at least six months prior to your proposed wedding date to begin marriage preparation.

**MEN'S GROUP** Contact Deron Widmer,

573-289-0360.

**MINISTRY TO THE HOSPITALIZED AND HOMEBOUND** Please contact the office when a parishioner is hospitalized or sick. Father will schedule a visit and communion call, as appropriate. (Due to patient confidentiality, the parish is not automatically notified of hospital admissions.) Homebound parishioners can be added to our list as needed.

Any parishioner in need of transportation to/from Mass may contact the office and we will attempt to schedule a ride for you.

**NEW PARISHIONERS** Welcome! Please take advantage of belonging to our parish by getting involved in a ministry! To register, pick-up a form in the back of church, download the form from our website or visit the parish office.

**PRAYER LINE** To place someone on the Prayer Line, please call Phyllis Lauer at 882-6367. You need not give your name, just let us know who we can pray for. Prayer requests may also be sent to [ssppboonvillemo@gmail.com](mailto:ssppboonvillemo@gmail.com). If you want to be a part of our e-mail prayer chain, contact Russell Gerling at [rgerling@iland.net](mailto:rgerling@iland.net). Prayer request cards can be found at each of the church entrances. You may put them in the collection basket.

**PROLIFE GROUP** Contact Connie Gerling, 660-621-2787, to get involved.

**REDUCED GLUTEN HOSTS** are available at each Mass. Please check-in at the sacristy so the priest will know to have it available. You will need to go to the center aisle to receive communion from Father.

**RELIGIOUS ARTICLES CASE** is generally open every third weekend of the month. Items are also available by contacting the parish office, 882-6468.

**VOLUNTEERS** Anyone who is volunteering with the youth in the parish (at church or the school) is required to be Virtus certified. Contact the parish office, 882-6468 or [dre@ssppparish.net](mailto:dre@ssppparish.net) for more details, or visit [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org).

**WOMEN'S GROUP** meets monthly, on the third Wednesday in the parish office basement, unless otherwise announced, at 7 p.m. For more information, contact Jill Birch, [jb081973@gmail.com](mailto:jb081973@gmail.com).

**OFFICE HOURS:** The parish office is open 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m., Monday—Friday. The office number is 660-882-6468.

**THE BULLETIN DEADLINE IS MONDAYS AT 4 P.M.** Email bulletin items to: [bulletin@ssppparish.net](mailto:bulletin@ssppparish.net).

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