



St. Joseph Catholic Church

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October 11, 2020 ~ Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

PARISH LEADERSHIP

Fr. Shoby Chettiyath Pastor
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Sandra Crockett PSR Coordinator
Teresa Hanafin RCIA Director
Anneliese Reeves Music Minister
Paula Foster Custodian
Tim Potthoff Pastoral Council President
417-988-4500
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417-880-4925

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday ~ Thursday 8:30-4:00

Bulletin deadline: Wednesday, 12:00 pm

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses: Saturday, 4:00 pm;

Sunday, 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Weekday Mass: Tuesday-Friday, 7:30 am

RECONCILIATION

3:00-3:45 Saturdays in the Confessional
or by appointment.

ADORATION

7:00 pm Wednesdays.

ANOIDING, BAPTISM & MARRIAGE

Call the Parish Office to schedule.

Marriages-call 10 months prior to possible date.

ORGANIZATIONS of ST. JOSEPH

ST. JOSEPH MEN'S CLUB

Meets last Sunday of the month at 6:00 pm

Mr. Nathan Waller, President

(785) 294-2755 / npwaller@gmail.com

PCCW

Meets the last Saturday of the month at 9:30 am

Bobbie Emery, President, (417) 209-4387

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Classes held 9:10-10:15 Sunday morning Aug-May

Sandra Crockett, PSR Coordinator

(417) 860-6947 / stjoebpsr@gmail.com

ADULT EDUCATION

Classes held 9:10-10:15 Sunday morning, Sept-May

Paula Foster, Adult Education Coordinator

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YOUTH GROUP

Nichole Plowman, Rosario Hedgpeth

St. Joseph Youth Group-Billings

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Meets the third Sunday of the month at 1:30 pm

Mrs. Pat Hutton, President (417) 732-6180

Pantry Day ~ 2nd Saturday monthly

EVANGELIZATION

Queen of Heaven Solitude

(417) 744-2011

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Meets Wednesday mornings after 8 am Mass

Read this bulletin online at parishsonline.com

**"THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN
MAY BE LIKENED TO A KING
WHO GAVE A WEDDING FEAST
FOR HIS SON."**



Come to the feast! God calls us to participate in the banquet of life, a banquet that can fill and satisfy us like no other. It is a spiritual feast where we can find inner refreshment and satisfy the thirst and hunger of our souls. Do you want to come?

Every human being receives an invitation; no one is excluded. There is no charge and an abundant table is set. Some will blatantly refuse. They see no merit in attending and feel that they can fill their needs in other ways. Others will simply ignore the invitation. Maybe they are too consumed with other matters they feel are more important at the time. Still others may even get angry and feel deep resentment for even being asked, resorting to acts of violence in protest of the very presence of the feast.

In spite of this, many will also come. They will be the good and the bad, the lost and the lonely, and the ones who understand. They know love when they see it. When they go to the feast, they will rejoice and be glad as they will have found the God for whom they looked!

God bless you and remain blessed.

Fr. Shoby



Jim Laban, Georgia Shively, Susan Mitchell, Pam Gideon, Opal Mowry, Dominic Clevenger, Norm Fanning, Kurt & Bettye Boswell, Dorothy Long, Officer Mark Priebe, Tyler Stone, Patty Hicker, Ernie Moentnisch, Alvin Moentnisch, Frank Urban, Ty Laney, Arthur Gregg, Danielle Conklin, Benjamin & Pat Steward, Vicki Lemler, Joe Head, Warren Williams, Jim Verfurth, Layla Stone, Robin Love, Wayne & Harlene Harter, Keith Glouse, Barry Goulet, Ruth Clark, Karen Carr, Wally Wetzal, Patricia Caviness, Raymond Mehl, Trey Hart, Janice Gill, Pat Hutton, Ed & Barbara Zahner, Ron Cafourek, Raymond Garbee, Agnes Hayward, Susanna Pinkley, Heidi & Don Carpenter, Dale Lear, Emily Rose Turner, Juanita Steinbaugh, Halbert Family, Frank & David Luebbert, Coleman Family, Steve Netzer, Ted & Alice Verfurth,

Miles Emerson, Jean Hendricks, Butch Hendricks, Joe Elwood, Patty White, Floyd Burger, end to infanticide, all caregivers, all impacted by COVID 19 pandemic, all intentions—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.

PRAYER LIST UPDATES Please call the Parish Office (744-2490) when you or someone you know would like to be added to the bulletin Prayer List. We are happy to add names as needed, and only ask that you keep us updated when those names should be removed. We try to leave them on for three months only, but will certainly continue to list them as needed. **Prayer Intercessors:** Gail 417/493-5052, Mary 417/619-1611, Juanita 417/744-2045, Judy 417/744-4430, Sharon 417/695-2207



**PRAY FOR OUR COUNTRY,
OUR MILITARY, AND
THEIR FAMILIES**

Deployed: Elaina Wetz **Stateside:** Robert Alsup, Chris Batchman, Jason Boyer, Kirsten Davis, Chelsey Eudy, Tyler Eudy, Alexandria Stimpson, Clayton Taylor, Austin Williams

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

OCTOBER 17 & 18

	4:00 pm	8:00 am	10:30 am
LECTOR	Chuck Hubbert	Julie Wolfe	Megan Garbee
USHERS	Jerry Vermule	Gerald Griffin Tim Potthoff	Mike King Jason Hedgpeth

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK OCTOBER 13-18

Tue — 7:30 am	Parishioners Celebrating October Birthdays & Anniversaries
Wed — 7:30 am	†Lou Cheek
Thu — 7:30 am	†Elizabeth Bramer
Fri — 7:30 am	†Virginia Reichert
Sat — 4:00 pm	†Phyllis Schmidt
Sun — 8:00 am	Parish Family Intentions
Sun — 10:30 am	†Eli Norman



October 4

Weekly Envelopes: \$1,995 Maintenance: \$3,368

Plate Offering: \$84 Mass Offering: \$20

Additional Contributions:

St. Vincent de Paul: \$ 219

Text DONATE to 73256 or go to
<https://abundant.co/stjoseph-billingsmo/give>
or click the "Giving" Button found on our website

Church EVENTS

Oct 11	All Masses 9:10 am 10:30 am	Special Collection: Maintenance RCIA & PSR Class Confirmation with Bishop Rice
Oct 12	Parish Office Closed	Columbus Day
Oct 14	7:00 pm	Adoration
Oct 18	All Masses	Special Collection: World Mission Sunday
Oct 21	7:00 pm	Adoration
Oct 24	9:00-3:30 5:00-7:00	Virtual Catechist Training in Parish Hall Trunk or Treat-Bank of Billings
Oct 25	6:00 pm	Priesthood Sunday Men's Club Meeting



**Weekly Adoration
Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m.**

**An invitation
from Jesus
to spend one hour
with Him.**



In today's second reading, St. Paul thanks the Philippians for being willing to share in his hardships and promises that God, in turn, will fully supply all their needs. Our God truly cannot be outdone in generosity!



*"I received from the Lord what
I also handed on to you." -
1 Corinthians 11: 23*

Congratulations to those students who received the sacraments of Penance, First Communion, and Confirmation over the past 2 weeks.

Special thanks to all those who helped make the celebration of these sacraments special.

10:30 CONFIRMATION MASS THIS SUNDAY LIMITED IN ATTENDANCE

Confirmation is this Sunday, October 11, at the 10:30 Mass. Due to limited space to allow for social distancing, this Mass time is being reserved for only the family and friends of the Confirmandi. **Those who do not have a loved one being confirmed this Sunday are kindly asked to please attend one of the other two Masses this weekend—4:00 p.m. Saturday or 8:00 a.m. Sunday.** *Thank you* for your understanding and helping make safe social distancing possible as we celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation.



*This week's
RCIA topic:*

*Lesson 5:
Creation and the Fall*

Parish Group Name:
St. Joseph's - Billings, MO
Video Access Code: SB01062

Stream the video online!
Visit SaintBenedictPress.com/register

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



Now in God's hands
By God's Grace, heirs of the hope of eternal life.
Titus 3:7

Our Condolences

to Mike and Bonnie King and family
upon the passing of his mother, Clejo King,
who went to be with the Lord on Sunday, October 4,
and also to

Raymond and Caroline Garbee and family
upon the passing of his sister-in-law, Charlotte Garbee, (wife
of Richard [Dick] Garbee) who passed away
Wednesday, September 30.

We pray for comfort for these families.

The Parish Office is closed Monday, October 12.



*Thank
you*

for the prayers, calls, cards, meals and
other kind outreach to support me
through home quarantine after being
exposed to COVID 19. I deeply
appreciate the care and kindness from
my parish family!

Father Shoby



Saturday, October 24, 5:00-7:00 pm
All are Welcome!

St. Joseph's Parish and most other Billings businesses
and churches are participating in this community-wide
event! Parishioners and parish organizations are
encouraged to be a part of the fun!

We will set up in the Bank of Billings parking lot.

What is Trunk or Treat you ask?

It's like trick or treat without the house! Families decorate their vehicle's trunks and children walk around and receive treats from each trunk. It's safe and family friendly!

We Need your Trunk!

Decorate your trunk any way you like! You can go with a Halloween theme, sports, Biblical, animals, etc. You can express your creativity as simply or elaborately as you wish, just nothing too spooky or gruesome, please!

Bring your friends! Dress up in your favorite costume!

Confirm your participation today by calling the parish office at 744-2490.
Parking Lot space at the Bank of Billings is limited, so reserve your spot today!
Your support through candy donations is also appreciated!

Live the Gospel of Life

Twenty-five years ago, Pope St. John Paul II wrote that the Gospel of life is at the *heart* of Jesus' saving message to the world (*Evangelium vitae* 1). In taking on human flesh, dwelling among us, and sacrificing his very life for our redemption, Christ reveals the profound dignity of *every* human person. This God-given dignity does not change with our stage of life, abilities, level of independence, or any other varying circumstance.

Rather, it is rooted in the permanent fact that each of us is made in the image and likeness of God, created to share in the very life of God himself. The human person is a "manifestation of God in the world, a sign of his presence, a trace of his glory" (EV 34). And we must reflect this truth in how we act and how we treat one another.

The truth of the Gospel of life is at the foundation of who we are as followers of Christ. In his earthly life, Jesus provided the perfect model for how we are to love our neighbor and live out the Gospel call: "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me" (Mt. 25:40).

Jesus calls each of us to "care for the other as a person for whom God has made us responsible" (EV 87). The Gospel of life is intrinsic to the whole Christian life and foundational to the decisions we make on a daily basis. For, "the Gospel of God's love for man, the Gospel of the dignity of the person and the Gospel of life are a *single and indivisible* Gospel" (EV 2).

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In his encyclical on the Gospel of life, Pope St. John Paul II recognizes the full range of threats against human life, from poverty and malnutrition to murder and war. He places particular emphasis, however, on threats to life at its beginning and end—precisely when it is most in need of protection. In modern times, children in their mothers' wombs and those approaching the end of their lives are certainly among the "least of these" in our world's estimation. Practices such as abortion and assisted suicide tragically reject the truth that human life is always to be cherished and defended with loving concern.

As the Church celebrates the 25th anniversary of Pope St. John Paul II's prophetic encyclical, let us reflect on how we personally live out the Gospel: *Do I talk about and act towards others as I would talk about and treat Jesus himself? Do I inform myself of the Church's teachings and engage in the civic arena as first a follower of Christ? Do I support and advocate for laws and policies that protect and defend human life? Do I help pregnant and parenting mothers in need? Am I ready to support a loved one nearing death?*

Through the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, may Our Lord grant us the grace to truly and courageously live his Gospel of life.



Weatherization
Works

Ozarks Area Community Action Corporation's (OACAC) Weatherization Assistance Program is seeking applicants in **Barry, Christian, Dade, Greene, Lawrence, Stone, and Taney** counties in Southwest Missouri. Weatherization is a free service for renters and homeowners who income-qualify. Crews insulate attics, walls, and floors, as well as perform infiltration measures to increase the energy efficiency of homes and lower

utility bills. All gas heating systems and water heaters are tested for health and safety and are repaired or replaced if a problem is detected.

Applicants must meet the 2020 income guidelines, based on a household income below 200% of the poverty level:

Size of family unit	Income threshold
1	\$25,520
2	\$34,480
3	\$43,440
4	\$52,400
5	\$61,360
6	\$70,320

Benefits include reduced energy usage, increased energy efficiency of the home and long-term energy savings. According to the U.S. Department of Energy, weatherized households save an average of \$283 annually on utility costs.

Those interested in this service, may call (417) 865-7797 or visit oac.ac for more information and an application.



World Mission Sunday is Next Week!

Next weekend we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's mission in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

