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St. Joseph's Catholic Church



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ST. JOSEPH HOLY MASS SCHEDULE:

Sunday, April 20th at 8:00 AM *Pam Flaspohler*
Tuesday, April 22nd at 6:00 PM *Tom Thomas*
Sunday, April 27th at 8:00 AM *People of St. Joseph & St. Mary*

Confessions:

St. Joseph – Tuesday: 5:15 to 5:45 PM
Sunday: 7:30 AM
St. Mary – Saturdays: 4:00 to 5:15 PM

St. Mary, Glasgow, Holy Mass Schedule:

Saturday (vigil): 5:30 PM
Sunday: 10:00 AM
Wednesday: 8:00 AM
Thursday: 8:00 AM
Friday: 8:00 AM

PARISH COUNCILS:

PASTORAL COUNCIL
Beth Lammers, Chair
FINANCE COUNCIL
Father Duncan, Chair
STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL
Roger Dorson, Chair

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

St. Joseph – Wednesdays 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
St. Mary – Tuesday-Friday 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Adoration:

St. Joseph – First Tuesday-2:00 PM to 5:45 PM
St. Mary – First Friday after AM Mass to 11 PM

Holy Rosary:

St. Joseph – Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri. 7:00 AM
St. Joseph – Sunday morning at 7:40 AM, before Mass
St. Mary – Saturdays 5:05 PM

Mission Statement – St. Joseph Catholic Church seeks to be an actively visible faith community that works to make disciples of Jesus Christ through our hospitality, education, sacraments, & service.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick: If you know of anyone needing the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick or Last Rites, please let Father know. If it is an emergency, please call the office phone or send Father an email. If a family member is in a neighboring hospital (Columbia, etc.) and it is an emergency, please let your doctor or nurse know to contact a Priest – they have priests on-call every day of the week at the larger hospitals. If it is not an emergency but you'd like Father to visit in the hospital, please talk to him to arrange a time for a visit.

Sacraments of Baptism or Marriage: a preparation process is required before either of these Sacraments is celebrated. Please contact Father or Parish Secretary at least 6 months before a wedding is planned or as soon as the pregnancy is known so that proper arrangements may be made for the spiritual preparations.

Bishop McKnight's **April prayer intention** for our Local Church: For all who have suffered abuse, that they may experience healing and restoration. That we may be ever-vigilant in protecting the vulnerable and ensuring our parishes remain places of safety, love, and respect. We pray to the Lord.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Marjorie Koenig*	Mike Vroman
Linda Wallace*	Eula Kempf*
Amy Shook (cancer)	Terrie Young
Tom Boss	Lance Quinlan
Adrienne Thies (healing)*	Steve Kempf (cancer)*
Steven John (cancer)	Wilma Liley
Carolyn Polson*	Lou Thompson (healing)*
Becky Streff (cancer)	Jane Weiland (healing)*
Blake Wies (healing)	Jim Ray Kluck (healing)
Jennifer Jex	John Heitz (healing)
Johnny Sulltrop	
Joe Bonnema (B. Sullivan's uncle)	

* = Parishioner of St. Joseph

Keep St. Joseph kids that are preparing for First Communion and/or Confirmation in your prayers: Finley Asher, Cayle Ballew, Abigail Crowley, Cayden De La Torre, Karolyn De La Torre, Elliot Parker, Raylee Stockhorst, and Talon Stockhorst.

Pray for our Seminarians –2024-2025 school year

We currently have nine seminarians studying in our Diocese. Please pray for an increase in Holy Vocations to the Priesthood so that the Sacraments & Holy Mass may continue in our parishes:

Jacob Hartman	Gage Neisen
Shane Kliethermes	Gabriel Eckstein
Bryce Smith	David Cahill
John Paul McGuire	Samuel Cramer
Luke Dalton	

Birthdays

Heidi Haas	April 21
Abigail Flaspohler	April 25
Eleanor Flaspohler	April 25
Charlie Niemeier	April 25
Brittany Sullivan	April 27
Mae Gerlt	April 28
Becky Nolke	April 28
Marjorie Koenig	May 01
Adrienne Thies	May 02
Austin Stockhorst	May 09

Anniversaries

Larry & Wanda Fuemmeler	April 22 (48 years)
Larry & Colleen Wies	April 24 (49 years)
Jason & Sarah Hutchinson	April 24 (21 years)
Dean & Brenda Fuemmeler	April 29 (19 years)
David & Elaine Smith	May 02 (44 years)
David & Sheila Wallace	May 06 (36 years)
James & Becky Kurtz	May 09 (44 years)

St. Joseph Parish Tithing Stewardship

April 6, 2025	\$ 2,940.00
April 13, 2025	\$ 2,336.00
April 20, 2025	\$
April 27, 2025	\$

(below – accrued totals for the month)

<u>ACH Deposits / Blackbaud</u>	\$ 2,564.30
Total for month	\$ 7,840.30

Weekly Goal / April 2025	\$3,100.00
(’24-25 Budget Goal) / April	\$15,500.00

<i>Offertory Goal YTD</i>	<i>\$126,200.00</i>
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<u>Offertory YTD Actuals</u>	<u>\$113,489.08</u>
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<u>Surplus/(Shortage) YTD</u>	<u>\$ (12,710.92)</u>
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Calendar of events

Today	No PSR
Sun., April 27 th	Fellowship after Mass
Sun., April 27 th	PSR Service Project

6th GRADE VOCATION DAY – Wed., May 7th at Our Lady of Lourdes (OLLIS) in Columbia, Missouri. Please contact the parish office or Megan Brondel, (573) 635-9127, with any questions.

DISCOVERING GOD’S HOPE DURING A YEAR OF JUBILEE - As we embark on this year of Jubilee, there are numerous opportunities to experience grace, including by participating in special Jubilee Masses or joining a pilgrimage. Five locations in our diocese have been designated as Jubilee pilgrimage sites:

- North Deanery - Shrine of St. Patrick (St. Patrick)
- Central Deanery - St. Peter (Brush Creek)
- See City Deanery - Cathedral of St. Joseph (Jefferson City)
- Southwest Deanery - The National Shrine of Mary, Mother of the Church (Laurie)
- Southeast Deanery - Shrine of Our Lady of Sorrows (Starkenburg)

All the faithful are encouraged to make a pious pilgrimage during the year of jubilee, including to any of these sites within our diocese. To support the faithful in planning individual or group pilgrimages, the Diocese has shared a Jubilee passport that includes instructions on obtaining a plenary indulgence, the Jubilee prayer, and information about each pilgrimage site, with a QR code to visit the diocesan Jubilee passport website. This website has up-to-date information about how to plan a pilgrimage to each individual site (i.e. contacting the pilgrimage site in advance). Each pilgrimage site will have a unique sticker that pilgrims can place on their passport as a memento. A Jubilee passport can be found at each church entrance.

Items for the April 27th bulletin need to be turned in by Tuesday, April 22nd. If you have items for the bulletin, send to secretary email: secretary-sjff@outlook.com.

Parish Stewardship – Liturgical Ministries

April Eucharistic Ministers: Roger Dorson, Benji Dorson, Susan Thomas

Sunday, April 20 –

Lectors: Zim Schwartze, Roger Dorson;
Gift Bearers: Larry & Colleen Wies;
Servers: Xavier Barton, Frank Flaspohler;
Music: Carrie Araiza, Laura Flaspohler;
Sacristan: Frank Flaspohler;
Greeters: George Shook, Mary Hrdina;
Ushers: Ron A., Zach N., Tim C., Steve W., Benji D.,
 Ryder D.

Sunday, April 27 –

Lectors: Jennifer & Brian Spielbauer;
Gift Bearers: Roger & Kathy Dorson;
Servers: Charlie Niemeier, Finley Stallo;
Music: Kellie Asher, Glenn Ludtke;
Sacristan: Mary Hrdina;
Greeters: Jerry & Karen Ebbesmeyer;
Ushers: Roger D., Quincy D., Dick W., Brian S., Cris
 R., John G.

Ministers taking Communion to shut ins: Week of April 20 (Susan T.) Week of April 27 (Beth L.)

Church cleaning: April 20 to 26 (Nan G.) April 27 to May 3 (Kathy & Roger D.)

EASTER STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

Oh Blessed Lord! Oh Risen Lord! We look through the crosses we have carried and give you thanks for the awe-inspiring hope that Easter brings. We give you thanks for calling us your friends and allowing us to share in the sacrifice of your of your body and blood, which is poured out for many. Oh merciful Lord, redeemer and teacher, by the power of the Holy Spirit give us the patience and insight to listen to you during this time of uncertainty. Give us the wisdom to find creative ways to put the Eucharist into action; and give us the courage to bring your Easter message of hope to a world that desperately needs your love. To you be glory and honor forever and ever. AMEN.

FAITH FORWARD – Nearly 80% of young Catholics stop practicing their faith after high school—not because they lose faith, but because they were never connected to a Catholic parish as they move to a new community. The Faith Forward movement is our opportunity to change that! Visit newmanconnection.org/faith-forward today to sign up a graduating senior from our parish or find more information in the bulletin. Let’s help ensure they stay connected to our Catholic faith as they begin this exciting new chapter in their lives.

GRADUATING SENIORS
CONNECT HERE



signupnc.newmanministry.com

STAMP OUT HUNGER FOOD DRIVE – Get ready to roll up your sleeves and make a difference! We’re gearing up for the Annual Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive—happening Saturday, May 10th—and we need YOUR help to make it a record-breaking success! There are multiple shifts available – sign up for one or as many as you like! This event is perfect for families, friend groups, and solo volunteers. This community-powered event is a collaboration between Catholic Charities, the Samaritan Center, and the local post office. Best part? All donated food stays local to help our neighbors in need. Let’s come together, have some fun, and Stamp Out Hunger. We’d love to see you there! Ready to join? Sign up now and be part of something amazing.



Help Fight Hunger
 –Join Us!
 Flexible volunteer
 shifts available!

Scan the QR code to sign up
 or call 573-635-7719.

Joyful
 community & faith

Camp Lolek
 FOR JUNIOR HIGH
 Boys: June 8-12
 Girls: June 15-19

Adventure
 Sisterhood | Brotherhood
 Leadership

Camp Maccabee **Camp Siena**
 FOR YOUNG MEN FOR YOUNG WOMEN

Session 1: July 13-18
 Session 2: July 20-25

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SUMMER YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES - The Diocese is pleased to offer our parish families the following summer opportunities:

- **TOTUS TUUS:** Held *at St. Mary Parish*. -- **June 8 to June 14, 2024**. Open to kids in grades 1 to 12. The morning session will be for *grades 1-6* and the evening session will be for *grades 7-12*. **The cost is free!** Save the date and plan to attend this great summer opportunity held **locally!**
- **CAMP LOLEK:** for Jr. High students (incoming 6th to 8th).
- **CAMP MACCABEE:** 5-day adventure camp for (High School) incoming Freshman to incoming Senior guys.
- **CAMP SIENA:** 5-day adventure camp for (High School) incoming Freshman to incoming Senior women.

ST. MARY SCHOOL NEWS

- + **SCHOOL START TIME** *Reminder* - The school day begins at 7:50am. The students are to be in their classrooms by this time. On Mass days, we are to be at church before Mass begins at 8:00. In order for students to use the restroom and get their bookbags unpacked, they need to be here before 7:50am. This allows them time to go over to church with their class. Thank you!
- + **RE-ENROLLMENT PACKETS** Packets for the 25/26 school year have been sent home. The return date is May 9.
- + **EASTER BREAK** We will return to school on Monday, April 28. We hope everyone has a relaxing break!
- + **MAY CROWNING** We are planning for our annual May Crowning and Art Show for Friday, May 2nd beginning at 6:30pm. This involves the whole school and is one of our closing events of the school year. After the event, we have a reception and art show in the cafeteria. Please keep this date open on your calendar. If your student is unable to attend, please send a note to school as soon as possible as we will begin assigning parts for May Crowning.

OPEN TEACHING POSITIONS

- * St. Mary has a **3rd grade** teaching position open. Thank you to Allie Schulte for teaching this semester. She will be missed!
- * St. Mary also has a **preschool aide** position open. Thank you to Morgan Kaylor for her service with our preschoolers!

A Message from Fr. Stephen W. Jones, Moderator of Stewardship on Catholic Schools

As we implement the fullness of the stewardship way of life in our diocese, I am often asked why parishioners who don't want to come to Mass or enrich the parish with their talents can't just pay tuition to send their children to the parish school. It's a good question and one that strikes at the heart of reason why many of our parishes have schools in the first place. You see - unlike a private school - which is established for the sole purpose of education, a Catholic school is a ministry of the parish itself.

Private schools charge tuition in return for the services it provides, namely an education. A Catholic school, however, has a much broader mission and vision. Its goals are the parish's goals, namely, to strengthen the parish community, form faithful Christians, proclaim the presence of the Kingdom of God in our midst, and provide a solid education. All of this is summed up in the definition of Christian stewardship we are adopting in our diocese. Stewardship is "The grateful response of a Christian disciple who recognizes and receives God's gifts and shares those gifts out of love of God and neighbor."

The job of a Catholic school is to help parents, who are the primary educators of their children, accomplish the task of raising faithful disciples and stewards. This is why the parish funds the ministry of the school and sponsors the children of families who are striving to live as active stewards for enrollment in it. To charge tuition to Catholic families would undermine the link which exists between the parish and the school, in effect turning the school into something it is not - a private school.

It is the vision of the Diocese of Jefferson City that Catholic school education be accessible to all Catholic families. However, all our Catholic families do have a choice before them: will they strive to live as active stewards in their parish? Will they commit to attending Mass on weekends and Holy Days? Will they pledge and stay current on a commitment of time and treasure to support the work of the parish?

Every single Catholic person in our diocese is being called to live as an active steward. We are asking nothing more of families who want to enroll their child in the parish school than of anyone else. We are asking all parishioners to live as active stewards.

In this Easter Season, we want to send a grateful Thank You to all for your generous support of St. Mary's Catholic School!

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<h2 style="margin: 0;">GEHA REALTY</h2> <p style="margin: 0;">John Geha and Joe Geha 573.424.3300 573.289.8902 john@johngeha.com www.geharealty.com</p>				
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Encountering THE SEASON

Easter for the Family

Easter Sunday (C)

Acts 10:34a, 37–43
Colossians 3:1–4 or
1 Corinthians 5:6b–8
John 20:1–9 or Luke 24:1–12

Dear Family:

Read the reflection about the Resurrection, and discuss the “Ponder and Pray” questions and prompts, thinking about how Our Lord is calling you to act. Then, consider the challenges of the “Live It” section, and have fun with the family activities.

“ Then the other disciple also went in,
the one who had arrived at the tomb first,
and he saw and believed. ”

—John 20:8

The Power of “Nothing”

On this Easter, we are reminded that the Resurrection of Jesus Christ changes everything. In the Gospel, John runs to the empty tomb, looks in, and sees ... nothing. Yet this “nothing” proclaims the greatest truth: Jesus has conquered sin and death. The empty tomb is not a sign of absence but a declaration of victory. It speaks to the transformative power of faith—a risky hope rooted not in blind belief but in the concrete reality of Jesus’ life, death, and Resurrection.

Like John, we are invited to look at the empty places in our lives and believe that God is at work. The same power that raised Jesus from the dead is present, offering us new life, forgiveness, and freedom. In our darkest moments, when it seems like nothing is there, we can remember that God’s silence is often the prelude to his most profound works. Easter reminds us that even “nothing” can reveal everything.



Race to the Tomb by Mike Moyers

Encountering the Word

with Jeff Cavins

Easter (C)

Acts 10:34a, 37–43 • Colossians 3:1–4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b–8
John 20:1–9 or Luke 24:1–12



Easter! Our Game-Changer



The Resurrection of Jesus is the focal point of our entire faith journey. It converges on the Old and New Testaments and is the heart of our liturgical year. This momentous event represents our victory over death—humanity’s greatest fear—and offers us a new sense of certitude in our heavenly Father’s plan. Today is the greatest day of our Faith.

As believers united with Christ, we’re invited to experience everything he did. Just as we symbolically died with him on Good Friday, we now rise with him on Easter Sunday. This reality changes everything—our daily lives, our eternity, our very essence.

The Resurrection power isn’t just a historical event; it is available to us in our daily living. It realigns what is important, shifting our focus from earthly concerns to heavenly aspirations. As Paul wrote in Colossians 3:1, “If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above.”

This Easter truth provides unshakable hope, an anchor for our souls amid the storms life pours on us. No matter how dark or difficult our circumstances, the Resurrection assures us of ultimate victory. It is the basic proclamation of the Gospel—the *kerygma*—that has the power to transform lives. That is why it is important for us to look at how we live our lives.

As we celebrate Christ’s triumph over death, let us live as people of victory and hope. Let’s allow the Resurrection to be our game-changer, informing every aspect of our lives. May we, with both our words and actions, proclaim this life-giving truth to a world in desperate need of hope.

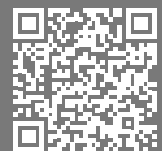
Rejoice, friends! The victory is ours, thanks to Jesus Christ. Hallelujah!

Live the Gospel

Jeff Cavins says, “Christ’s Resurrection means we are about the business of reshaping our priorities. Everything we do needs to be pointed toward the eternal reward, what we call the beatific vision. Jesus wants us to share this joy, this vision. So this week, our fruitful labor is to talk to someone who’s struggling about the hope of Easter. Offer a word of encouragement, a helping hand, or simply your presence as a tangible expression of resurrection hope.”

Dive Deeper

Scan this code to watch:



Or go to:

<https://media.ascensionpress.com/video/easter-sunday-c/>

Ponder and Pray

» How will I live today in the power of Christ's Resurrection?

» Where in my life do I need to shift my focus from earthly to heavenly priorities?

» How will I share the hope of the Resurrection with others this week?

“**This is the day the LORD has made;
let us rejoice in it and be glad.**”
-Psalm 118:24

Make It Your Own

You and others in your household may use this space to write anything about today's Mass. Your view of Jeff Cavins's reflection, your priest's homily, your answers to the questions on this page—anything to help you and your household get the most out of today's Mass.

Sunday Q&A

Your Faith in Focus



EASTER'S CALL: EVANGELIZE

As a regular Catholic, shouldn't I leave spreading the word about Jesus to the experts?

The Easter encounter that St. Mary Magdalene experiences is *our* call to give witness. A witness is not an expert making an argument, but someone who shares an experience. We are all called to give testimony to the resurrected Lord in our lives. What is your witness? Here is the witness of Mary of Magdala.

Despite Flaws, We Share

Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio reminds us that Jesus chose witnesses who were uneducated and highly imperfect. It is unlikely that either the apostles or Mary Magdalene had theology degrees from a rabbinical academy. And when it comes to sanctity, all but the Mother of Jesus fall a bit short. Mary Magdalene, a year or two prior to the Resurrection, had been possessed by seven demons. Peter had denied Jesus three times, just a few days before Easter morning. And all of the Twelve, save the Beloved Disciple, had abandoned Jesus as he was dragged from the garden and nailed to the Cross.

Our Lord nonetheless commissioned these highly flawed people to take the Good News to all nations.

We Are Called to Witness

To explain why they were—and we are—capable of doing this, let's analyze the role of a witness in a court of law. A witness is not called to make a coherent, comprehensive case for or against someone who is on trial. The witness is called upon to answer questions about what he or she saw or heard. When prompted, a witness simply shares her or his experience.

Mary Magdalene and the apostles were eyewitnesses of the Risen Christ. More than five hundred disciples shared in this experience, according to Paul (see 1 Corinthians 15). They could bear witness to seeing him bodily. We, obviously, cannot.

But the Gospel, the Good News, is this. Through the death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ, all sin is forgiven. He, who will be the judge, died to acquit us all. People have only to accept this forgiveness to experience freedom and profound peace. Peter, Thomas, Mary Magdalene, and all the disciples knew the sweetness of his forgiveness in the face of the bitterness of their sin. And so do we.

Though the fullness of the risen life is yet to come for us, we have experienced being reborn through the Resurrection of Jesus and his gift of the Holy Spirit, the down payment of the treasure reserved for us in heaven.

Ponder and Pray

- What do Jesus and his Resurrection mean to you this Easter?
- How has the witness of others formed your own faith?
- How has God been working in your life?

Make It Your Own

What is your witness? Write out some notes about your story as you would share it with friends and family.



Saint Mary Magdalene Preaching

Dive Deeper

Scan this code to listen more:



Or go to: <https://media.ascensionpress.com/2018/04/04/the-story-of-easter-calls-us-to-evangelize/>

Tip of the Wee

Being witnesses to the Good News of Easter means being able and willing to share a bit of our story. People can argue with opinions and reasoning, but they really can't argue with someone's experience.