

# ST. JOSEPH

CATHOLIC CHURCH, ANDALE, KS

## MISSION STATEMENT

Saint Joseph Catholic Church parish family is dedicated to serving God and community through prayer, service, and hospitality, so that we may live as faith-filled stewards.

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**Office hours** · Monday-Friday 8:00 am-noon,  
Tuesday and Thursday. 2:00-4:00 pm

### **Mass schedule**

**Weekend** · Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 8:00 and 10:00 am

**Weekdays** · Monday-Friday 7:15am  
First Saturday, 8:00am

### **Confession schedule**

Monday through Friday, 7:00-7:10 am  
Sat 3:30-4:30 pm



## Reflections from Father Daryl

*There is a legend, ancient and beautiful, about a Syrian monk living in the desert in the fifth century. The monk's name was Simeon Stylites. He was the son of shepherds. He encountered Christianity at the age of 13, and when he was 18, Simeon left his family to join a company of desert monks.*

*The early monks of the desert, living in Syria, Egypt and Arabia, are known in Christian history as the Desert Fathers. They were converts, often, who encountered Christianity, and fled from society to pray in solitude. They were ascetics and mystics, scholars and poets. They were, many of them, saints.*

*Simeon Stylites lived for a time among them. He lived simply, spending his time reading Scripture, praying and fasting. He became known for wisdom, prudence and extraordinary judgment. People from across the Middle East came to see his wisdom.*

*But Simeon wanted only to pray. So he moved from the monastery to the top of a tall pillar, hewn from a cliff, on which he lived in solitude for 30 years. He saw visitors each day and offered them spiritual counsel.*

*The legend says that one day a fierce dragon approached Simeon, ready to attack. The Simeon noticed that the dragon was blind. That his rage was borne in the confusion of his blindness—the dragon struck at what he neither knew nor understood. Simeon could not defend himself from a rage like that. Defense would only provoke. And so he spoke to the dragon. He spoke truth, boldly and with compassion. He promised that the dragon could find peace.*

*Simeon's words calmed the dragon. And, through his prayer, the dragon was cured of blindness.*

In our world today, we can easily become blind to the goodness and life we have in God. In his love for us, God sent his son into the world to lead and guide us so we might have his life within us and share in his joy. When we lose sight of the good gifts and blessings God has bestowed on us, we too will become like the dragon, and seek only our own selfish wants and desires.

To keep our sight on what God has given to us requires of us prayer and fasting. Through prayer, we enter into a relationship of love with Christ. In this love, we come to know and understand what God is asking of us as his disciples. We will no longer live our life with blindness, but will walk by faith the journey our Lord is leading us on.

Through fasting, we learn to make the sacrifices necessary to live our lives selflessly. Christ has called us to love God and our neighbor, to seek always to place ourselves at the service of one another. Fasting is not something we do only during the season of Lent. It is to be offered to our Lord throughout the year in ways we will find beneficial to our spiritual journey. Through prayer, we can ask our Lord how he is calling us to fast, to make a sacrifice acceptable to him.

Through our prayer and fasting, may the Lord cure us of any blindness we may have.

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

### Monday, March 25

*The Annunciation of the Lord*

7:15am †Lawrence Simon

### Tuesday, March 26

*Lenten Weekday*

7:15am †Eric Smith

### Wednesday, March 27

*Lenten Weekday*

7:15am †Peg Theis

### Thursday, March 28

*Lenten Weekday*

7:15am †Sylvester Martin

### Friday, March 29

*Lenten Weekday*

7:15am †Mark Patry

### Saturday, March 30

*Fourth Sunday of Lent*

5:00pm †Bernice Schwaiger

### Sunday, March 31

*Fourth Sunday of Lent*

8:00am for the parish

10:00am †John and Leona Hilger

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent at 7:00pm, join us for Stations of the Cross.

## YOUTH

**Eighth grade CYM** will meet next on March 27

**High school CYM** will meet next on April 3.

## PARISH NURSE MINISTRY

If you are a nurse and would like to help your parish, join us for an organizational meeting of this ministry on Wednesday, April 10 at 7:00pm in the carpeted room. If you have questions, please contact Terri Ramsey at 316.371.7298.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration will resume Monday, March 25. The door code remains the same.

## LOOKING AHEAD

Holy Thursday, April 18, 7:00pm

Good Friday, April 19, 7:30pm

Holy Saturday, April 20, 8:00pm

Easter Sunday, 8:00am and 10:00am

## PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Aaron Engels, Nathan Engels, Mathew Focke, Gabriel Goff, Hollie Martin, Chase Penney, Cole Penney, Conner Penney, Lauren Penney, Gina Reichenberger, Lucas Reichenberger, Isaac Robben, Nicholas Robben, Brandon Rowland, Matthew Salmans, Nick Scheer, Trystan Tevis, Tony Weninger  
Contact Dee Reichenberger at 644-7246 or [dee.reichenberger@gmail.com](mailto:dee.reichenberger@gmail.com)

## SERVERS

### Monday, March 25

C Fowler/A Tucker

### Tuesday, March 26

G Rowland/C Rowland

### Wednesday, March 27

E Stolz/N Maxwell

### Thursday, March 28

A Rau/P Rau

### Friday, March 29

E Probst/L Deschner

### Stations of the Cross

7:00pm A Tucker/E Suchan/C Fowler

### Saturday, March 30

5:00pm J Peltzer/C Fair/CJ Winter

### Sunday, March 31

8:00 L Mies/B Mies/CM Winter

10:00 K Doonan/K Doonan/K Doonan

## LECTORS

### Saturday, March 30

5:00pm Jo Fair

### Sunday, March 31

8:00am Charles Martin

10:00am Robby Spexarth

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

### Saturday, March 30

5:00pm Tony Hilger/L Reichenberger/B Reichenberger

### Sunday, March 31

8:00am Pete Martin/Pete Molitor/Wesley Mertes

10:00am Pete Hilger/Angela Tucker/Irv Schueller

## USHERS

### Saturday, March 30

5:00pm Nate Dreiling/Trent Edelman/Ron Martin/Doug Maxwell

### Sunday, March 31

8:00am Oran Winter/Jordan Voegeli/Brandon Winter/

Brian Reichenberger

10:00 am Randy McFadden/Dennis May/Pete May/Travis

Gear

## GIFT BEARERS

### Saturday, March 30

5:00pm Volunteer Needed

### Sunday, March 31

8:00am Wesley and Erika Mertes

10:00am Josh and Sena Martin

## PRE MASS ROSARY LEADERS

### Saturday, March 30

5:00pm Bill Randall

### Sunday, March 31

8:00am Virginia Orth

10:00am Dana Horsch

## THE GIFT OF OUR TREASURE

	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Your Gift	\$13,665	\$475,369
Budget	\$13,155	\$483,570
Difference	\$ 510	\$ ( 8,201)

## PARISH CATHOLIC BOOK CLUB

The first book club meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 1 in the parish hall carpeted room at 7:00pm.

The book to be discussed is 'The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity' by Matthew Kelly and will be available to pick up in the parish office for those interested in attending.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Annual **seminarian breakfast** hosted by the Knights of Columbus and Altar Society will be held today from 8-noon at the Church Parish Hall. Menu items include German sausage, egg casserole, pancakes and fruit. Please come and help support local seminarians including our very own Will Stuever and Isaac Hilger! Free will donation.

The Knights of Columbus will be leading a rosary to kickoff a **Novena for Life** Monday, the 25th at 7pm in the church. The International Day of the Unborn Child is observed on March 25. It was established by Pope John Paul II to coincide with the Feast of the Annunciation. John Paul II viewed the day as "a positive option in favour of life and the spread of a culture for life to guarantee respect for human dignity in every situation." Prayer cards will be available and the Novena is open to all parishioners to participate in.

## SAVE THE DATE

Totus Tuus will return to Saint Joseph this summer, the week of July 14-19. The program is for pre-k through high school.

## MUSIC MINISTRY

Teen choir: first Sunday at 10:00am each month. We practice at 9:00am before Mass in CYM room.

Youth choir: Second Saturday of each month

Adult choir: Second and fourth Sunday at 10:00am each month. Practice Wednesday before each Sunday the choir sings.

Questions or suggestions? Contact Stephanie Bergkamp at [stjosephparishmusic@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephparishmusic@gmail.com)

### FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

Emergency: Father Daryl at 316.706.1627

Baptism: Call the office to set up appointment with Fr. Daryl.

Matrimony: Call the office at least 9 months in advance.

Prayer Requests: Bonnie, 444.2520

Altar Society: Chris, 253.9819

Knights of Columbus: Robby, 207.3028

Formed.org, parish password is D2FACY

Bulletin notices no later than noon on Tuesday

Eucharistic Adoration: Ginny, 665.1004

Project Rachel: If you or a friend is hurting from an abortion, call 634.1300

Unplanned pregnancy? Call 1.800.848.LOVE