



THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

All things came to be through him,
and without him nothing came to be.
What came to be through him was life,
and this life was the light of the human race.

- Jn 1:3-4

To all our visitors...

Bishop Emeritus John R. Gaydos, the clergy and the faithful of the Diocese of Jefferson City welcome you and hope that your time in our Mother Church may be an opportunity to share our faith and joy in Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Our parish was formed in 1959 and was elevated to the title of Cathedral in 1968 and dedicated in 1974. Please enjoy the beauty of this spacious building dedicated to the Glory of God and the memory of Saint Joseph, the Husband of Mary. It was built for the inspiration of all who enter. Free tour booklets are available.

All visitors who are not of the Roman Catholic faith are most

welcome to join us in prayer and worship, but not to receive Holy Communion. Reception of Holy Communion is a sign of full unity and membership in the Catholic community. Together let us all pray for the unity of all believers.

If you desire to become a member of the Roman Catholic Church or to become a member of the Cathedral Parish, please call the parish office at 573-635-7991.

All contributions to the Cathedral ministries and maintenance are sincerely appreciated. Please remember this Cathedral parish in your Will, gifts and estate plans to support our parish's ongoing mission.

Cathedral Organizations and Ministries

Altar Servers	Deacon Dan Joyce	634-7959	Greeters	Deacon Dan Joyce	634-7959
American Heritage Girls	Mrs. Jennifer Gerber	314-497-0257	Home & School	Mr. Jamie Morris	636-5478
Athletic Committee	Mr. Craig Husting	634-8731	Helias Representative	Heidi Vollet	636-3910
Baptism Preparation	Deacon Christopher Baker	636-8935	Knights of Columbus	Mr. Mark Ruether	659-7869
Bereavement Committee	Mrs. Donna Kuebler	893-6313	Ladies Auxiliary	Mrs. Arlene Taylor	893-6281
Boy Scouts	Mr. Steve Wright	893-9149	Lectors	Deacon Dan Joyce	634-7959
Catholic Cancer Support	Mr. Thom Day	636-8939	Marriage Preparation	Please call the parish office	635-7991
Cemetery Board	Deacon John Schwartze	616-2138	Nursing Home Visitation	Ms. Lois Fairchild	230-3637
	Mrs. Michelle Varcho	821-1191	Parish Association	Vacant	
	Vacant		Parish Pastoral Council	Ms. Edie Vogel	636-4650
Charities	Deacon Christopher Baker	636-8935	Parish School of Religion	Mrs. Cara Sue Cockerham	291-4889
Christ Renews His Parish	M/M Tony & Charlotte Wening	761-5193	Prayer Line	Please call the parish office	635-7991
Collection Counters	Mr. Duane Buersmeyer	636-3097	Pro-life	Mr. Ed Bode	635-7874
Confirmation Preparation	Mr. David Lankford	635-9454	Rite of Christian Initiation	Dan Kempker	496-5499
Cub Scouts	Mr. Larry Schulte	690-9449	Samaritan Center Board	Mr. Bernie Fechtel	893-6400
Cursillo	Mr. Brian Johnson	636-5319		Mr. Roger Dudenhoefter	893-8483
Director of Music	Mr. Thomas Halpin	635-7991		Mr. Don Schnieders	893-5990
Divine Worship & Spiritual				(Member at Large)	
Development Committee	Monsignor Kurwicki	635-7991	School Board President	Mrs. Lori Buchanan	636-9357
Divorce Assistance Group	Parish Office	635-7991	School Principal	Mr. Spencer L. Allen	635-5024
Edge Youth Program	Mrs. Julie Gramlich	644-4965	Secular Franciscan Order	Mr. Patrick Smith, OFS	592-1972
Episcopal Servers	Fr. Joshua Duncan	635-7991	Special Event Dinners	Mrs. Janice Houser	636-9842
Eucharistic Adoration	Mr. John Poepsel	893-8173	St. Brigid Quilters	Mrs. Rosana Weidinger	893-3493
Extraordinary Ministers			Steering Committee	Monsignor Kurwicki	635-7991
of Holy Communion	Fr. Joshua Duncan	635-7991	Stewardship Committee	Mr. Joseph Boland	761-4890
Faith Connection Committee	Mrs. Denise Barnes	636-9754	Ushers	Mr. Bob Asahl	584-8010
Finance Council	Vacant		Vocation Committee	Mrs. Denise Barnes	636-9754
Funeral Luncheon	Mrs. Pat Dowd	635-4507	Welcoming Committee	Mrs. Amanda Geiger	635-7991
Girl Scouts	Maria Stokes	314-724-8531	Youth Ministry	Mrs. Julie Gramlich	644-4965
Gospel of Life Committee	Mrs. Gina Newlon	230-6718			

Cathedral Parish Information

Registering in the Parish

To join our parish, please contact the Parish Office at 635-7991 Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Registering in the Cathedral School

Parents wishing to know more about our grade school, are encouraged to call the Cathedral school principal, Mr. Spencer L. Allen at 635-5024.

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents requesting the Sacrament of Baptism for their children should be registered members of the parish and they should contact the Parish Office.

Vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life

If you are interested in becoming a priest, deacon, sister or brother, please contact Fr. Gregory Oligschlaeger at 635-9127.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Persons interested in becoming Roman Catholic should contact Mr. Dan Kempker, 496-5499

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Parishioners facing surgery or struggling with serious illness may request this Sacrament of healing by calling a priest at the Parish Office.

Vocations to the Christian Married Life

Couples planning to marry at the Cathedral must contact the Parish Office at least six months in advance. Ordinarily, no marriages are celebrated during Lent.



Jefferson City, Missouri

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE **THIS COMING WEEK**

Sunday, December 24 (Fourth Sunday of Advent)

- 7:00 a.m. Margie A. Schneiders
- 9:00 a.m. Margaret Dendiger
- 11:00 a.m. Hollaway & Herzing Families

Christmas Eve

- 5:30 p.m. Mary Ellen & Edmund Kues
- 9:00 p.m. Frank Kempker, Parishioners
- 12:00 a.m. L&D of the Devereaux Family

Monday, December 25 (Christmas Day)

- 8:00 a.m. L&D of the Leary & Vogel Families
- 10:00 a.m. Larry Nobbman

Tuesday, December 26 (St. Stephen)

- 6:30 a.m. Poor Souls
- 8:00 a.m. Eugene & Mary Herbrandt

Wednesday, December 27 (St. John)

- 6:30 a.m. Bill Kremer
- 8:00 a.m. Joan F. Halpin

Thursday, December 28 (The Holy Innocents)

- 6:30 a.m. Zachary Edge
- 8:00 a.m. L&D of the Daughters of Isabella

Friday, December 29 (St. Thomas Becket)

- 6:30 a.m. Audrey Buetterhorn
- 8:00 a.m. Monica Kusick

Saturday, December 30 (Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph)

- 5:30 p.m. L&D of the Leonard Bonnot Family

Sunday, December 31

- 7:00 a.m. Mildred Vogel Ovaitt
- 9:00 a.m. L&D Spalding & Caldron Families
- 11:00 a.m. L&D of the Tellman & Luebbering Families



CHRISTMAS IS THE CELEBRATION OF THE BIRTH OF JESUS, THE SAVIOUR OF MANKIND

- 12/24 Christmas Eve**
 Sunday Masses: 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., & 11:00 a.m.
 Christmas Eve Masses: 5:30pm, 9:00pm, & 12:00am
 Boy Scouts Set Up Chairs: 1:00 p.m., Cathedral
- 12/25 No School—Christmas Break**
 Parish Office Closed
 Christmas Masses: 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m., Cathedral
- 12/26 No School—Christmas Break**
 Parish Office Closed
 Boy Scouts Take Down Chairs: 6:30 p.m., Cathedral
- 12/27 No School—Christmas Break**
 Priests/Music Director Mtg: 9:00 p.m., Parish Office
 Adult Choir: 7:00 p.m., Cathedral/Bishop Marling Rm
 Women's Bible Study: 7:00 p.m., Mary Room
- 12/28 No School—Christmas Break**
 Quilters: 8:45 a.m., Bishop Marling Room
 Priests'/Seminarists' Christmas Party: Chancery
 Hand Bell Choir: 7:00 p.m., Bishop Marling Room
 Rosary: 7:00 p.m., Chapel
- 12/29 No School—Christmas Break**
 Staff Meeting: 9:30 a.m., Parish Office
- 12/30 Men's Prayer Group: 7:00 a.m., Bishop Marling Room**
 Marian Movement Group: 9:45 a.m., Bride's Room
 Confessions: 4:00 p.m., Cathedral
- 12/31 Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**
 New Years Eve
 K of C Mass: 9:00 a.m., Cathedral

STEWARDSHIP NEWS

Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Scriptures reminded us multiple times of our need to share our goods with the poor of this world. The Cathedral of Saint Joseph relies on the support of parishioners who generously give their time, talent, and treasures to make Jesus Christ known. Our Fiscal Year-to-Date Offerings are as follows:

Offertory Budget 07/1/17-6/30/18	\$	2,582,708.00
Budget Goal per Month	\$	215,225.67
Weekly Goal	\$	49,667.46
<u>Collection</u>		
December 3	\$	46,062.12
December 10	\$	53,991.82
December 17	\$	46,728.25
December 24	\$	
December 31	\$	
To date for December	\$	147,082.19
Budget Goal Year-to-Date	\$	1,241,686.60
Sunday Collection Year-to-Date	\$	1,258,756.33
Difference	\$	+17,069.73

YOUR DONATIONS ARE MORE ACCURATELY RECORDED WHEN YOUR ENVELOPE OR CHECK IS CLEARLY MARKED. THANK YOU!

PRAYING TOWARD NEXT WEEK: HOLY FAMILY JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

- First Reading:** Colossians 3:12-21
- Second Reading:** Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19
- Gospel:** Luke 2:22-40

CHRISTMAS MASS AND OFFICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24
 5:30 P.M., 9:00 P.M. AND MIDNIGHT
 (COME AT 8:30 P.M. TO JOIN IN SINGING CHRISTMAS CAROLS)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25
 8:00 A.M. AND 10:00 A.M.

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL CLOSE AT NOON ON
 THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21,
 AND WILL REOPEN ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

The Bishops, Priests and Deacons of the Cathedral Parish wish you all the joy and peace of the Christ Child during this Holy Season. God bless your activities!



December 24, 2017

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME to all who gather in our Cathedral Church for the **Fourth Sunday of Advent & Christmas**.

WEEK OF PRAYER: We ask each member of our Cathedral parish to pray for the members of one of the parishes or missions in our diocese this week. As a Cathedral Church, all our parishes are linked to us, and we wish to deepen the spiritual bond with them. Therefore, we will pray this week for **St. Stephen, Indian Creek**.

IF YOU HAVE MOVED or are planning to move, changed your name, or celebrated the birth of a child into your family, please remember to contact the parish office at, 635-9771 to update your records.

PRAYER LINE - If you are sick, or know of someone who is, and would like to add said person to the parish prayer line, please call the parish office at 635-7991.

FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE: The Cathedral Parish Family extends its sympathy and prayers to the family of **Sally Chezem**, mother of Dawn Whelan. May she have eternal rest in her heavenly home and may the Lord give comfort and peace to her loved ones who mourn their loss.

CONGRATULATIONS: **Shep Schrimpf**, who was baptized in the Cathedral this past week!

CSA 2018 UPDATE



"One Faith, One Family."

Our Cathedral goal is \$215,000! So far the Cathedral has raised \$213,711 or 99.40% of our goal from 328 parishioners.

The Diocesan goal is \$2,040,000 and \$1,760,923.75 or 86.32% has been received. Thank you!

END-OF-YEAR CONTRIBUTIONS

As we move toward the end of the year, your pastor invites you to review your contributions to our parish during the past 11 months. Certainly, many have been most generous, enabling us to do all that we do to serve your spiritual needs, pay all our employees, fund our programs, maintain our facilities, and plan for our future. Others are in a position to do much more than what they are doing. We simply ask for your assessment of your generosity to your parish. What we are able to do for you is dependent upon your support. Those who are looking for tax-deductible items for this tax year might consider a gift to the Church. In view of our needs and our school's building program, your gift may be very timely for both you and the Cathedral. God Bless You!!

JEFFERSON CITY NEW YEAR'S MASSES

AND

CATHEDRAL OFFICE SCHEDULE

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

NOT A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

MONDAY, JANUARY 1, 2018

6:30 A.M. AND 8:00 A.M.

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL CLOSE AT NOON ON

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29, AND REOPEN ON

TUESDAY, JANUARY 2

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Thank you to all who contributed towards the flowers in the Cathedral during this Christmas Season. Contributions were made in memory of, M/M Jule Oidtman, Dr. Larry Klebba, M/M Sam Isenberg, M/M Jack Anderson, Joanie Brondell, Kathy Penfold, Annie Bahneman, Jim and Dolores McNally, Ned and Ruth Penfold, Clem and Frances Dulle, Robert and Irma Schnieders, Joe Burnett, Jude Koenigsfeld, Douglas Churchill, Bernard Wilbers, Fred Schnieders, Marge Schnieders Elmer Chapman, Helen Chapman, Gilbert and Paul Schanzmeyer, Frank and Josephine Thielemier, Luther and Betty Wallis, Wayne Seaton, Devereaux Family, Angeline Behrend, Irene Stork, Jim Weiler, Bill Kremer, Lewis Hancock, Clete Dubbert, Ben and Ledwina Bode, Ken Distler, Joe and Regina Van Loo, Helen Chapman, Rudy J. Edwards, Kenny Jo Wilson, A. J. Neuner, Jim Schneiders, Margie Schnieders, Rapp Family, Perrault Family, DuPree and Young Families, Roger Ling, Daryl Oligschlaeger, Victor and Emma Meisel, George and Irene Redel, Lois Schroeder and Helen Tipton, Wening and Hubler Families, Jendza and Rogus Families, Bobby Burks, Fred Porting, Theo and Cecilia Porting, Larry Bullock, William Yaeger, Frances Hesse, Gebhard and Virginia Martin, William and Helen Ritchie, Clem and Frances Dulle, William and Cathryn Case, Paul and Ruth Upschulte, Susan Ponder, Paul and Georgia Schulte, Carl Littrell, Jack and Mary Ellen Biggerstaff, Jayne Luebbering, Marvin and Evelyn Buschjost, Chris Verslues, Margaret Smith, Jack Glavan, Paul and Pauline Hagenhoff, Robert Stegeman, Sheila Stegeman, Alverna Buechter, Herman Buechter, Jr., Martha Borgmeyer, Bernard Schell, Eleanore Schell, Patricia Schell, Carol Riley, Joseph and Florence Meyer, Father C.P. Wheeler, Rosemary Sloan, Tony Spalding, Louis and Jerry Calderon, Dana Carapella, Lenzini and Mudd Families, William Zumwalt, Larry Nobbman, Andrew F. Barry Family, Edward D. Cunningham Family, Bill and Ruth Asahl, Arthur and Ruth Yontz, Sarah Northway, Price and Teresa Hatcher, Mick and Barb LeBlanc, Albert Scheppers, Alvina Scheppers, Keith Distler, W.D. and Agnes McCarty, Martin and Roseann Mueller

2017 CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

The Christmas Assessment for the Seminarians and Retired Priests for our parish is \$20,907. A collection will be taken at all the Christmas Masses. This collection assists our 7 **Seminarians** and the 17 **Retired Priests** of our diocese, including some who are connected with the Cathedral. The monthly paychecks and insurance premiums for our former rectors, **Fr. Richard Cronin**, **Fr. Patrick Shortt**, **Msgr. Michael Wilbers**, and **Fr. Fred Elskamp**, and for, **Fr. Tom McGrath**, **Fr. Clarence Wiederholt**, **Msgr. Donald Lammers**, and **Fr. Rich Frank** come from your donations. Please be generous.

CATHOLIC RADIO 88.1 FM KHJR

Tune in to Catholic Radio on 88.1 FM KHJR. Programming includes a daily Holy Mass, devotions, Catechetics, live call-in shows, and much more. For a program schedule and a free CD, call (314) 752-7000 or toll-free (877) 305-1234.



Jefferson City, Missouri

SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITIES

CENTERING PRAYER: January 8 at 12:10 p.m. in the Chapel. Please join us. Contemplative Prayer is a powerful way of moving into a deepening experience of divine union. Contact Barbara Poetker at (573) 893-2064.

HOLY ROSARY: Come and join us on Thursday nights, 7:00 p.m. to pray the Most Holy Rosary in the Daily Mass Chapel

BAPTISM PREPARATION: Parents requesting the Sacrament of Baptism for their children should be registered members of the parish and need to contact the Parish Office (573) 635-7991. Parents should try to see that their children are baptized within the first few weeks after birth. A baptism preparation session is required for new parents. Contact **Deacon Baker** at (573) 635-9127 or cathmo@diojeffcity.org to set an appointment.

BISHOP'S LITURGY

REMAIN STANDING: Just a gentle reminder that when a deacon or priest proclaims the Holy Gospel in the presence of a Bishop, **all are to remain standing** until the Gospel book is presented to the Bishop to reverence with a kiss.

BISHOP'S CONCLUDING SPECIAL BLESSING: The Bishop prays: "Blessed be the name of the Lord." We respond, "Now and Forever." The Bishop prays, "Our help is in the name of the Lord." We respond: "Who made heaven and earth."

HOLY COMMUNION FOR HOMEBOUND

The Priests and Deacons of the Cathedral are grateful to the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who help the many elderly, sick or homebound members of our parish by taking Holy Communion to them. At the request of a few of the extraordinary ministers who have asked for a clarification about certain aspects of this ministry, we mention the following:

Please remember that an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion is someone who has been properly trained, is known to the pastor, and has been commissioned by the Bishop within the last three years.

The Blessed Sacrament should be carried only in a pyx on one's person.

When taking Holy Communion to the sick or homebound, please follow the proper ritual for doing so. The Cathedral office can provide copies of this ritual if you do not have one.

For the sake of reverence to the Blessed Sacrament, please go from the Cathedral and then, if any Hosts are left, return them to the tabernacle right away. The Blessed Sacrament should never be kept in one's house. Errands or other activities should not be done when carrying the Blessed Sacrament.

Thank you for your reverence and attention to the Blessed Sacrament.

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& THANK THEM FOR SUPPORTING OUR BULLETIN!

VOCATION NEWS

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS—The Cathedral Vocations' Committee invites you each week to pray for a Priest, Religious, Deacon and Seminarian serving in our Diocese. This week, please keep in your prayers: **Fr. Augustine Azubuike Okoli, Montgomery City/Jonesburg; Sr. Julie Brandt, SSND, Jefferson City; Deacon Stephen Schwartze, Mary's Home/Wardsville; & Seminarian Mr. Grant Monnig, Kenrick-Glennon Seminary.**

COME EARLY TO PRAY THE ROSARY: The Most Holy Rosary will be prayed before each Mass for the intention of Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. Our next Rosary will be on the weekend of **January 6/7**. Join us!



"If Jesus were actually visible in church, everyone would run to welcome him, but he remains hidden in the Sacred Host. He is calling us to faith so we may come to adore Him in humility." - Unknown author. **Contact John Poepsel, (573) 893-8173, to sign up for a hour with our Lord in the Adoration Chapel.**

MARCH FOR LIFE 2018

March for Life takes place **January 17-20, 2018**. The registration forms may be found on the Diocesan website, www.diojeffcity.org under "March for Life." Please fill out and return as directed. Contact José Lopez at 635-9127.

SAVE THE DATE

A special Cathedral Pro-Life Mass will be **January 22, 2018** at 6:00 p.m. in the Cathedral proper. Plan to attend!

CONTEMPLATIVE HERITAGE TOUR

Enjoy a spectacular nine days in England from **April 3-11, 2018**. Visit London/Amesbury/Stratford-upon-Avon/Glastonbury/Bath/Birmingham/Cambridge/Walsingham with Fr. Matthew Flatley. To download a brochure or to register online, visit <https://registernow.ittworld.com>. Enter Tour Code: Flatley18 or call Fr. Matt at 573-202-3590 for more information. Centering Prayer will also be an option.

YOUR PRIEST IS SOMEONE'S SON. YOUR SON COULD BE SOMEONE'S PRIEST!

FOR INFORMATION ON VOCATIONS
CONTACT ANY PRIEST OR:

FR. GREGORY OLIGSCHLAEGER 635-9127
followme@diojeffcity.org

MSGR. ROBERT KURWICKI 635-7991
pastor@cathedraljc.org

FR. JOSHUA DUNCAN 635-7991
associatepastor@cathedraljc.org

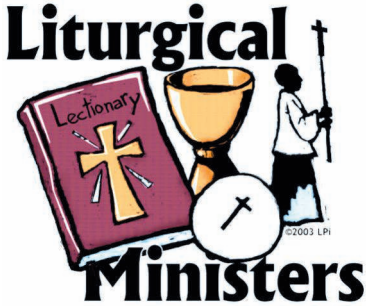
ADAMS PLACE VOLUNTEER NEEDED

5 Volunteers are needed to take Holy Communion to Adams Street. If you are interested, please contact the parish office.



December 24, 2017

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

GIFT FAMILY

Saturday, December 30

5:30 p.m. Jeffrey Kremer

Sunday, December 31

7:00 a.m. Lee McGinty

9:00 a.m. Knights of Columbus

11:00 a.m. Chad Carden

EXTRAORDINARY
MINISTERS OF HOLYCOMMUNION

Saturday, December 30

5:30 p.m. Kenny Haslag,
Richard Hyleck, Melanie
Lanigan, Christopher Pierce,
Kenneth Rowan

Sunday, December 31

7:00 a.m. Judith Lewis, Charles
Prather, Dorlene Prather

9:00 a.m. Knights of Columbus

11:00 a.m. Joan Branson,
Kenneth Gartner, Charles
Kummer, Vicki Kummer, David
Lankford, Jane VerryMUSIC MINISTERS

Saturday, December 30

5:30 p.m. Dewayne Carver,
Tom Halpin

Sunday, December 31

7:00 a.m. Dennis Kröll, Janet
Theby, Tom Halpin9:00 a.m. Knights of
Columbus, Tom Halpin11:00 a.m. Nick Gladbach and
FriendsGREETERS

Saturday, December 30

5:30 p.m. Christina Goedde,
Michael Odneal, Maria
Walden, Steve Walden

Sunday, December 31

7:00 a.m. Gail Steinbruegge,
Margaret Thoenen

9:00 a.m. Knights of Columbus

11:00 a.m. Mary Bias, Jamie
Buffington, Josh Buffington,
Maxine WalkerLECTORS

Saturday, December 30

5:30 p.m. Sue Goedde, Mary
Kliethermes

Sunday, December 31

7:00 a.m. Julie Morris

9:00 a.m. Knights of Columbus

11:00 a.m. Sandra Hentges,
Margaret EggenSERVERS

Saturday, December 30

5:30 p.m. Sarah Case, Sadie
Nivens, Eliza Pierce, Sophie
Van Dyne

Sunday, December 31

7:00 a.m. Elliot Vollet, Miles
Vollet

9:00 a.m. Knights of Columbus

11:00 a.m. Evan Gerber, Enzo
Lenart, Braden Wright, Peyton
WrightUSHERS

Saturday, December 30

5:30 p.m. William Case, Darin
Hackmann, Mark Schulte

Sunday, December 31

7:00 a.m. Raymond Caspari,
Joseph Page, Melvin Schebaum

9:00 a.m. Knights of Columbus

11:00 a.m. Michael Barnes,
Nicholas Komoroski, Geoffrey
Marke, Philip RockersKNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS &
LADIES AUXILIARY NEWS www.kofc12992.com

The Knights of Columbus are Catholic men, 18 years of age and older, who are committed to making their community a better place while supporting their Church and protecting and enhancing their family life.

If you would like to join us, please contact Grand Knight Mark Ruether at 659-7869.

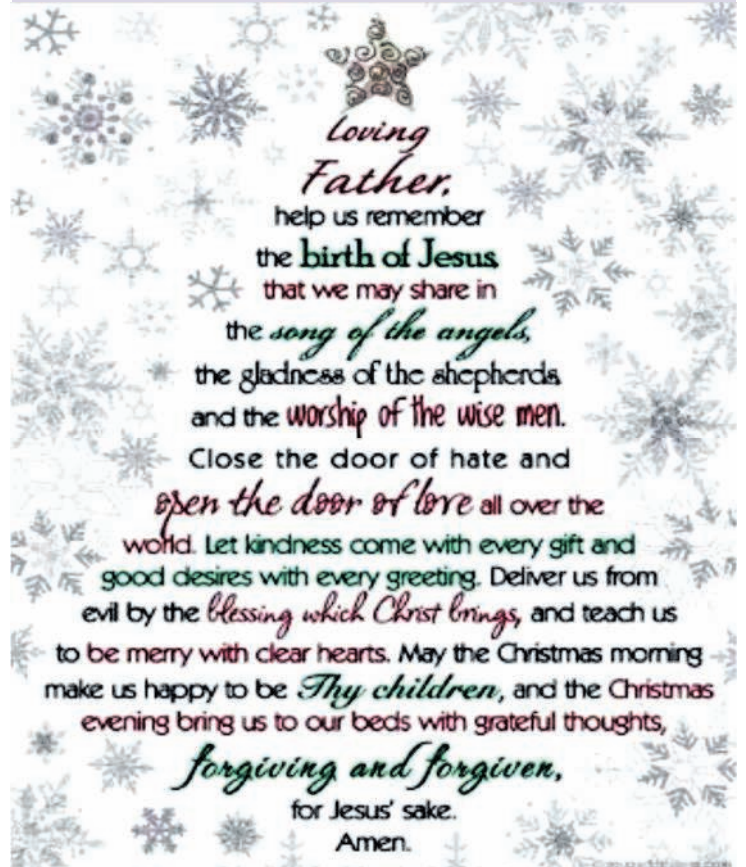
5th Sunday 9:00 a.m. Mass – December 31 is the 5th Sunday of the month and the Knights will fill all of the liturgical ministries at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Please contact Steve Meystrik (761-9241) if you are interested in assisting.

Breakfast Results – Our recent breakfast in honor of Frank and Kevin Kempker generated \$950 which will be donated to Special Olympics. Thanks to Dave Gramlich for coordinating and to all who helped, and special thanks to Deacon Al Brand who won the 50/50 raffle and donated his winnings of \$100 to Special Olympics.

Refrigerator needed – The refrigerator in our storage room is no longer working and we are in need of a replacement. If anyone has a used refrigerator which can be donated or purchased at a discounted price, please contact Mark Ruether at 659-7869.

All of the good works done by the Knights of Columbus are guided by four core principles: Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.

LADIES AUXILIARY Our next meeting will be on **January 4 at 6:30 pm in the St. Joseph Room**. Please join us for our soup/dessert night. Tina Sellner will do a travelogue on Ireland. Guests are welcome! A brief meeting will follow the presentation with refreshments.



AUGUSTINE CD KIOSK

If you can stop by the kiosk at the back of the church, you will notice some new CDs. The following three titles have all been added to help us understand the meaning of Christmas and the Incarnation. *God Made Man*—(Fr. Shannon Collins), *Prepare the Way of the King*—(Dr. Scott Hahn), *The True Meaning of Christmas*—(Archbishop Fulton Sheen). Thank you for your support of this ministry. We just completed our one-year anniversary! Deacon John Schwartz



Jefferson City, Missouri

FAMILIES-IN-NEED PROGRAM

FAMILIES-IN-NEED: Items requested for the **January 9** delivery: **Canned Pasta/Ravioli, Pudding Cups, Jelly, Cookies Toilet Paper.** Please place the items in provided containers at all exits of the Cathedral. Thank you for your continued support!

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Helias students, if you are interested in being on the Luke 18 retreat team this year, we will begin our meetings **Sunday, December 31, at noon** in the Mary Room. Please contact Julie Gramlich at 644-4965.

7th Grade parents please look for a letter with registration for the 7th grade Luke 18 retreat being held here at the Cathedral this March. This is for all 7th-grade students and is presented by the Helias students. Forms will also be on the Cathedral website January 1.

Our Virtue and Character this month are Charity & Compassion/Kindness. We will learn about Fr. Emil Kapaun, who was a Catholic priest and a Korean war hero from Pilsen, Kansas. Fr. Kapaun is on the road to Sainthood. **"Compassion and Forgiveness are signs of strength. Be strong."**

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." With those words, our Blessed Mother Mary placed her total trust in God. We are called to do the same, and this final Sunday of Lent is the time for us to do that if we have not previously done so. Mary's response to God is the same response we need to offer the Lord. It is most appropriate that we hear this message at this time and on this day. This took much more trust in the Lord than we might imagine. Mary agreed to receive a pregnancy that would be seen as suspect in a culture which had a potential death penalty for adultery. Spiritually speaking, there are similarities between the Lord's work in Mary and His work in all of us. Jesus lives within each of us spiritually. He lived in Mary not only spiritually but also physically. Jesus was made visible to the world through Mary physically, but He should be made visible to the world through us as well. Who we are and how we relate to, and treat, others is a sign to the world of who Jesus is and what a Christian is and should be. Are we showing the world what it means to be His disciple? Is there a better time than this to do so? The entertainer and comedian Bob Hope once said, "My idea of Christmas, whether old-fashioned or modern, is very simple: loving others. Come to think of it, why do we have to wait for Christmas to do that?" catholicsteward.com

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Looking for two loving and caring people who would be interested in caring for a Cathedral parishioner for an overnight shift, 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. Please contact Ellen at 573-415-7447.

A Cathedral family is currently looking for an in-home **Child Care Provider** to care for a three-month-old Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. starting in January 2018. Please call Karyn at (618)-946-0401 if you, or someone you know, is interested!

EPIPHANY BENEFIT CONCERT

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Why do we give gifts at Christmas?

Great events in and of themselves are not tangible. They occur in life but leave no mark behind, nothing that someone could come across and know that something significant occurred. So we mark the event with monuments, holidays, gold watches or plaques, making a meaningful event tangible and memorable.

Gifts at Christmas do the same thing. They mark the occasion of the birth of Jesus, communicating a bit of the joy of the day by allowing us to be both giver and receiver. Gift-giving sets aside the day as special and different. The special foods, customs, decorations and gifts all help focus our attention on the importance and meaning of the day and at the same time allow us to share personally in its joy and happiness.

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