



# CATHEDRAL OF SAINT JOSEPH

HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

DECEMBER 31, 2017





## 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.



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**HOLY MASS SCHEDULE** **THIS COMING WEEK**

**Sunday, December 31 (Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph)**  
 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  
**Monday, January 1 (Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God)**  
 6:30 a.m. L&D of the Wekenborg Families  
 8:00 a.m. Zachary Edge  
**Tuesday, January 2 (SS. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen)**  
 6:30 a.m. Joseph Burnett  
 8:00 a.m. Mary Ann Sailer  
**Wednesday, January 3 (Most Holy Name of Jesus)**  
 6:30 a.m. Pete & Pat Redel  
 8:00 a.m. L&D of the Lawrence & Elizabeth Kleffner Family  
**Thursday, January 4 (St. Elizabeth Ann Seton)**  
 6:30 a.m. Isabelle Lenhardt  
 8:00 a.m. Cletus Dubbert  
**First Friday, January 5 (St. John Neumann)**  
 6:30 a.m. Steve Bailes  
 8:00 a.m. Seminarian Brad Berhorst  
**Saturday, January 6 (Epiphany of the Lord)**  
 5:30 p.m. Parishioners  
**Sunday, January 7**  
 7:00 a.m. Jude Koenigsfeld  
 9:00 a.m. Joyce Kummer  
 11:00 a.m. Jeremy Jones

**12/31 Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**  
 New Year's Eve  
 K of C Mass: 9:00 a.m., Cathedral  
**1/1 New Year's Day**  
 Masses: 6:30 a.m. and 8:00 a.m., Daily Mass Chapel  
 No School—Christmas Break  
 Parish Office Closed  
**1/2 No School—Christmas Break**  
 Schola: 6:30 p.m., Bishop Marling Room  
 Divorce Support Group: 7:00 p.m., Bride's Room  
 Youth Board: 7:00 p.m., Mary Room  
**1/3 No School—Christmas Break**  
 Priests/Music Director Mtg: 9:00 p.m., Parish Office  
 Missouri House Returns: 12:00 p.m., Capitol  
 Stewardship Meeting: 6:00 p.m., Parish Office  
 Women's Bible Study: 7:00 p.m., Mary Room  
**School Returns**  
 Quilters: 8:45 a.m., Bishop Marling Room  
 Pastor/Principal Meeting: 9:00 a.m., Parish Office  
 Challenge Club: 3:30 p.m., School Commons  
 Ladies' Auxiliary: 6:30 p.m., St. Joseph Room  
 Hand Bell Choir: 7:00 p.m., Bishop Marling Room  
 Rosary: 7:00 p.m., Chapel  
**1/5 First Friday Communion Calls**  
 School Adoration: 9:00 a.m., Adoration Chapel  
 Staff Meeting: 9:30 a.m., Parish Office  
 School Benediction: 2:40 p.m., Cathedral  
**1/6 Men's Prayer Group: 7:00 a.m., Bishop Marling Room**  
 Confessions: 4:00 p.m., Cathedral  
 K of C Roses for Life: All Masses  
**1/7 Epiphany of the Lord**  
 Confirmation Class: 9:00 a.m., School Commons  
 Joyful Noise: 9:15 a.m., Undercroft  
 Luke 18 Meeting: 12:00 p.m., Mary Room  
 March for Life: 11:00 a.m., Cathedral/Undercroft

**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: EPIPHANY SUNDAY**

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6  
 Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6  
 Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

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**

**WELCOME BISHOP GAYDOS!**

Our retired Bishop is now in our midst with his move into the Cathedral Rectory. Please welcome him around the parish! We are glad he is here!

**PLEASE SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS**  
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**& THANK THEM FOR SUPPORTING OUR BULLETIN!**



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## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WELCOME** to all who gather in our Cathedral Church for the **Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**.

**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 **Holy Family, Sweet Springs**.

**COLD AND FLU SEASON:** As the time of the year for colds and flu is here, if you are ill, please be considerate of others at the sign of peace and receiving the Blood of Christ.

**SCRIP** may be purchased at the school during regular hours. Please support our school!

**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 **Fr. Patrick Shortt**. May he have eternal rest in his heavenly home and may the Lord give comfort and peace to his loved ones who mourn their loss.

## CSA 2018 UPDATE



**"One Faith, One Family."**

Our Cathedral goal is **\$215,000!** So far the Cathedral has raised **\$217,114** or **100.98%** of our goal from **337** parishioners.

The Diocesan goal is **\$2,040,000** and **\$1,811,904.75** or **88.82%** 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!!

## 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, 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.

## 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**

## THANK YOU

The Bishop, Priests, Deacons, and Parish Staff of the Cathedral Parish wish to express their deepest gratitude to all who extended Christmas greetings and gifts of food, cards, cookies, candy, gift cards, and money. May God Bless you for your goodness and may your 2018 be filled with happiness.

Our gratitude goes also to all those who volunteered their Time and Talent to serve all the Christmas Masses as servers, ushers, communion ministers, lectors, musicians, greeters, and gift families. Thank you for being good examples.

## VESPERS REPORT

Thank you to all who attended Vespers this Advent time.  
December 3—25 attendees  
December 10—26 attendees  
December 17—26 attendees





**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

**SUPPORT GROUP** for individuals experiencing separation and/or divorce issues meets the first Tuesday of each month in the Cathedral Bride's Room. Please contact the parish office at (573) 635-7991 if you are interested in attending or would like more information.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

The Women's Bible Study will meet January 10, at 7:00 p.m. in the Mary room. The new faith sharing guide is "The Gospel According to St Thérèse" by Br. Joseph Schmidt. The eight-session program will help you understand the Little Way of St. Therese through the scripture passages that illuminated her insights about God and his merciful love. The book will cost \$10.00. To join the group or order a book, call or email charlottewening@hotmail.com or call 573-761-5193.

**SUNDAY SCRIPTURE STUDY**

Read, study, and understand biblical passages to prepare personal in-depth application of the OLD and NEW TESTAMENT READINGS [two readings, psalm, gospel]. Meetings are in the Mary Room at 7:00 p.m. Mondays, January 8 through May 21. All are welcome, please come. Questions: phone Ed Bode in the evening, 635-7874.

**PRAYING THROUGH THE ARTS II**

Fr. Flately will lead in contemplative prayer with featured artwork. Art major and liturgical decorator, Mark Sievers, will share ideas on using art to create a sacred space. Also, explore prayer in song and music on Saturday, January 20 from 10:00 a.m. -12:30 p.m. at St. Patrick Church in Rolla. Light refreshments will be served. Register by January 13 with Monica Galarza at 573-465-3628 or mL20047@hotmail.com.

**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.

**Bishop Gaydos will celebrate a Mass to open March for Life at Noon on January 17.**

**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.

**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. Callistus C. Okoroji, Loose Creek/Bonnots Mill; Sr. Linda Brandt, SSND, Linn; Deacon Alan D. Sims, Wardsville; & Seminarian Mr. Ryan Bax, Conception Seminary College.

**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.

**ROSES FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN**

Next weekend, January 6-7, our Cathedral Knights of Columbus will be collecting signatures on paper roses that will be in each pew, and then mailing them to United States Senator Claire McCaskill, in support of the life of the unborn. Don't forget your mailing label to make the process easier. The Knights will gladly accept any donations for their pro-life efforts.

**RESPECT LIFE MEMORIAL MASS**

January 22 marks the 45th anniversary of the court decision that legalized abortion on demand throughout the entire nine months of pregnancy. On this day at 6:00 p.m., all are invited to join Fr. Schrader when he celebrates the Annual Memorial Mass here at the Cathedral, to pray for the protection of all unborn children who are in danger of abortion: for wisdom, strength, and fortitude for their mothers and fathers; for the conversion of all those who participate in the abortion industry; and for parents, family members, and friends who have suffered as a result of an abortion experience, that they may find hope and healing. All are welcome; please plan to attend!

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O sacred and adorable Trinity, hear our prayers on behalf of our holy Father the Pope, our Bishops, our clergy, and for all that are in authority over us. Bless, we beseech Thee, during the coming year, the whole Catholic Church; convert heretics and unbelievers; soften the hearts of sinners so that they may return to Thy friendship; give prosperity to our country and peace among the nations of the world; pour down Thy blessings upon our friends, relatives, and acquaintances, and upon our enemies, if we have any; assist the poor and the sick; have pity on the souls of those whom this year has taken from us; and do Thou be merciful to those who during the coming year will be summoned before Thy judgment seat. May all our actions be preceded by Thy inspirations and carried on by Thy assistance, so that all our prayers and works, having been begun in Thee, may likewise be ended through Thee. Amen.  
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## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

GIFT FAMILY

**Saturday, January 6**  
5:30 p.m. Roy Douglas  
**Sunday, January 7**  
7:00 a.m. David Poire  
9:00 a.m. Holly Hicks  
11:00 a.m. Greg Augustine

EXTRAORDINARY  
MINISTERS OF HOLY  
COMMUNION

**Saturday, January 6**  
5:30 p.m. Janet Chinn,  
Kenneth Kuebler, Jennifer  
Luebbert, Linda Samson,  
Roger Samson, Patrick Woods,  
Mary Ann Young  
**Sunday, January 7**  
7:00 a.m. Bob Asahl, Lucinda  
Donovan, Peter Donovan,  
Patricia Dowd, Terry Jarrett,  
Richard McCarty, Elizabeth  
Page  
9:00 a.m. Christina Baker, Sr.  
Julie Brandt, Jacob Luecke,  
Andrea Olsen, Tim  
Richabaugh, Jerome Schwartz,  
Leigh Ann Torres  
11:00 a.m. Kimie Bax, Lois  
Bonnot, Jamison Case, Tesa  
Harrison, Michael Newberry,  
Deborah Sackman, Ron  
Schnieders

MUSIC MINISTERS

**Saturday, January 6**  
5:30 p.m. Dewayne Carver,  
Tom Halpin  
**Sunday, January 7**  
7:00 a.m. Dennis Kroll, Janet  
Theby, Tom Halpin  
9:00 a.m. Schola, Rose  
Mengwasser, Tom Halpin  
11:00 a.m. Joyful Noise, Matt  
Tolksdorf

GREETERS

**Saturday, January 6**  
5:30 p.m. Alice Bonnot, David  
Bonnot, Morgan Ditch, Shari  
Lukacs  
**Sunday, January 7**  
7:00 a.m. Virginia Haar, Anne  
Maher  
9:00 a.m. Dawn Cavanaugh,  
Lisa Larkin, Madeline Larkin,  
Michael Larkin  
11:00 a.m. Alice Graham,  
William Graham, Emily  
Jurgovan, Maria Stokes

LECTORS

**Saturday, January 6**  
5:30 p.m. Cecilia Callahan,  
Austin Haslag  
**Sunday, January 7**  
7:00 a.m. Lucas Morris  
9:00 a.m. Charlotte Wening,  
Tony Wening  
11:00 a.m. Sarah Sucier,  
Christopher Schappe

SERVERS

**Saturday, January 6**  
5:30 p.m. Bryce Allen, Paige  
Allen, Payton Kirchhoff, Davis  
Linhardt  
**Sunday, January 7**  
7:00 a.m. James Donovan  
9:00 a.m. Anthony Baker,  
Patrick Baker, David Cepeda,  
Joseph Vignola  
11:00 a.m. Brock Buschjost,  
Jayden Campbell, Luke Labenz,  
Veronica Swan

USHERS

**Saturday, January 6**  
5:30 p.m. Roger Brauner,  
Stuart Howser, Rich Lukacs,  
John Lukacs  
**Sunday, January 7**  
7:00 a.m. Rich Anderson, John  
Dowd, Neal English, James  
Mullen  
9:00 a.m. Sean Lovelace, John  
Reed, Janel Schnieders, Peter  
Schnieders  
11:00 a.m. Curtis Buschjost,  
Sharon Buschjost, Christopher  
Roepe, Scott Thieret

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS &  
LADIES' AUXILIARY NEWS [www.kofc12992.com](http://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.

**Roses for Life Weekend** – The annual Roses for Life weekend is **January 6-7**. Roses will be placed in each pew, and Knights will be collecting roses and monetary donations after each weekend Mass. Roses will be distributed to Senator McCaskill to show our support for pro-life issues. Monetary donations will be sent to the Diocese to help offset the cost of providing buses to the Pro-Life March on Washington in late January.

**Steak Dinner and Awards Banquet** – This annual event will be held on **Friday, January 12, 2018**, in the Undercroft. There will be no monthly business meeting in January. All Knights, widows of deceased Knights, Ladies' Auxiliary members, and spouses/guests are invited to attend. The cost of the dinner is \$12 per person. Please RSVP to Steve Daniels, phone number 893-4753, email address [daniels12992@gmail.com](mailto:daniels12992@gmail.com).

**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.

## A LETTER FROM BISHOP GAYDOS

Dear Friends in Christ:

I pray that this year's celebration of our Savior's birth brings happiness and tranquility to your hearts. As I write this letter, I cannot help but think back to the first Christmas letter I sent as your Bishop. I recall expressing my thanks for the collaboration and support of our devoted priests, religious, and laity who helped me to rest easier every night. It is an appreciation I still hold dear to this day. Thank you so very much for continuing to be a part of the rich mystery of the Incarnation and for carrying forward the ministry of the Word of God who came to make His dwelling among us. May God's will be accomplished powerfully in each one of us in the coming New Year, and may God pour forth abundant blessings upon my chosen successor, Bishop-Elect W. Shawn McKnight. Each of you will remain in my daily prayers and in my heart always.

With best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year, I am, Sincerely yours in Christ,  
Bishop Emeritus John R. Gaydos

YOU CAN FIND THE BULLETIN AND CURRENT  
MONTH'S CALENDAR ONLINE AT: [www.cathedraljc.org](http://www.cathedraljc.org).

Anyone who cannot serve at his/her appointed time will kindly arrange for a replacement! When you are assigned as an offertory family, please let one of the ushers know that you are there for that Mass. THANK YOU!





Jefferson City, Missouri

## FAMILIES-IN-NEED PROGRAM

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

Parishioners, this December the EDGE program cleaned out its pantry of all items collected for our Families-In-Need program. We were able to fill 70 bags for the Jeff City Day Care and to help fill the adopted Samaritan Center family food boxes. Please try to help us refill our pantry by bringing in the January listed items.

## YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

The Luke 18 retreat team meeting is **Sunday, December 31, at 12:00 p.m. in the Mary Room.** If you have a high school student interested in helping with this 7th-grade retreat on the weekend of March 2-4, please have him/her come to the first meeting. All freshman thru seniors are encouraged to be a part of the retreat team. The meetings will be every Sunday leading up to the retreat weekend. Next meeting is January 7 at 12:00 p.m. in the Mary room. Questions: call Julie at 573-644-4965.

**Q** *January 1, New Year's Day, has a number of liturgical names celebrating a variety of events. Could you sort some of this out?*

**A** January 1, New Year's Day, celebrates newness. Exactly eight days after Christmas, traditionally it celebrates Mary as the Mother of God. The Greek word for Mary's motherhood is *Theotokos*, meaning "God-bearer." Becoming official church teaching at the Council of Ephesus in 381, this is one of the most ancient and important titles given to Mary. Chapter VIII of the Vatican II document, *Lumen Gentium*, which addresses Mary's role in Christian life, refers to her by that title no less than twelve times.

Eight days after the birth of a Jewish male, circumcision was demanded by Jewish law. January 1 also commemorates the circumcision of Jesus. The Gospel reading for the day from Luke recounts the shepherds' visit, the completion of the eight days leading to circumcision, and naming the baby Jesus, according to the angel's direction previous to his conception.

Beginning in 1967, Pope Paul VI requested that this day be set aside as a day of prayer for world peace. For over forty years popes have issued a message encouraging prayer as well as action toward the establishment of world peace.

If we used today to be as loving to others as mothers are to their children, this might be the year that peace becomes a reality. That reality may move us all to renew our commitment to God symbolized by Jesus' circumcision. So maybe these various celebrations do link together. Happy New Year!

## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

The primary purpose of The Feast of the Holy Family is to present the Holy Family as a model for Christian families. In Italy there is a saying, "La famiglia é tutto," which means, "the family is everything." Our Holy Father Pope Francis has made families one of the focal points of his papacy. He organized a conference on families in 2015. Speaking to the gathered families, he said, "You cannot have a family without dreams. I am very fond of dreams in families. For nine months, every mother and father dream about their baby. They dream about what kind of child he or she will be... You can't have a family without dreams. Once a family loses the ability to dream, children do not grow, love does not grow, life shrivels up and dies. So I ask you each evening, when you make your examination of conscience, to also ask yourselves this question: Today did I dream about my children's future? Today did I dream about the love of my husband, my wife? Did I dream about my parents and grandparents who have gone before me?" All of today's readings have to do with families and family life. The reading from Sirach, our First Reading, emphasized the Fourth Commandment: "Honor thy father and mother." We are commanded to respect and love our parents. However, it is a two-way street. The Gospel Reading speaks of the development of Jesus, and should inspire parents to understand that our prayers are the same as the prayers of Joseph and Mary — that our children will become strong in spirit and filled with wisdom. [catholicsteward.com](http://catholicsteward.com)

## AUGUSTINE CD KIOSK

If you can stop by the kiosk at the back of the Cathedral, 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. Deacon John Schwartz

## EPIPHANY BENEFIT CONCERT

Looking for the perfect way to end the season? Come to the second annual "Epiphany Concert: Farewell to Christmas" **7:00 p.m., Saturday, January 6** (following 5:30 p.m. Mass), at Our Lady of Lourdes, Columbia. The 30+ singers and instrumentalists of the Our Lady of Lourdes Contemporary Group will perform music ranging from the Renaissance motet "O Magnum Mysterium" to contemporary seasonal pieces. You'll also be invited to join in a sing-along of beloved carols. The concert and reception are free; a free-will offering will be taken to benefit the St. Raymond Society. Call Kate at (573) 449-8342 with questions.

## 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 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!

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