

St. Joseph the Worker

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December 17, 2017—Third Sunday of Advent

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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 6:00 PM

Sunday 9:30 AM

Weekday Schedule

9:00 AM Mass

Wednesday and Friday

Confession

5:40 to 5:55 PM Saturday

9:10 to 9:25 AM Sunday

or by appointment

**The Spirit
of the
Lord is
upon me,
because
he has
anointed
me to
bring glad
tidings to
the poor!**



If you wish to meet with Fr. Carlyle, you may call the parish office Monday - Friday at 796-6877 or e-mail him at

jcarlyle@sjtw.us

Worship Times & Intentions

Saturday, December 16

6:00 PM ~ People of the Parish

Sunday, December 17

9:30 AM ~ + Rosemary Hillen

Monday, December 18

NO MASS

Tuesday, December 19

NO MASS

Wednesday, December 20

9:00 AM ~

Thursday, December 21

NO MASS

Friday, December 22

9:00 AM ~

Saturday, December 23

6:00 PM ~ People of the Parish

Sunday, December 24

9:30 AM ~ + Celine Ferguson

6:00 PM ~ + Joann Smith

Monday, December 25

9:00 AM ~ People of the Parish

*Rejoice
always!
Pray
without
ceasing!*



Welcome! Are you new to our Parish? Please introduce yourself to Fr. Carlyle before or after Mass and arrange to register with us.

Ask Fr. Carlyle

What are the O Antiphons?

The O Antiphons are a series of 7 antiphons that can be used as brief prayers daily, beginning on December 17, to count down to Christmas.

These prayers were originally set to Gregorian chant and sung by priests and religious before and after the Song of Mary, Magnificat, at the daily liturgy of Evening Prayer, Vespers. This practice goes back over a thousand years, and they're still sung or said today by priests, religious, and others who pray the Liturgy of the Hours. They are called O Antiphons because each begins with the exclamation "O".

Each antiphon uses a particular title for Christ drawn from prophetic texts in the Old Testament, and each expresses a longing for the coming of Christ.

Why not add these prayers to your daily prayers? For example, you could say one each day as a part of your Morning Offering, or before Grace at the evening meal or at the beginning of bedtime prayers.

By the way, these may remind you of a hymn you know. In 1851 an Anglican priest named John Mason Neale translated a metrical version of some of these antiphons into English. The opening words of the hymn: "O come, O come, Emmanuel."

December 17

O Wisdom of our God Most High, guiding creation with power and love:
come to teach us the path of knowledge!

December 18

O Leader of the House of Israel, giver of the Law to Moses on Sinai:
come to rescue us with your mighty power!

December 19

O Root of Jesse's stem, sign of God's love for all his people:
come to save us without delay!

December 20

O Key of David, opening the gates of God's eternal Kingdom:
come and free the prisoners of darkness!

December 21

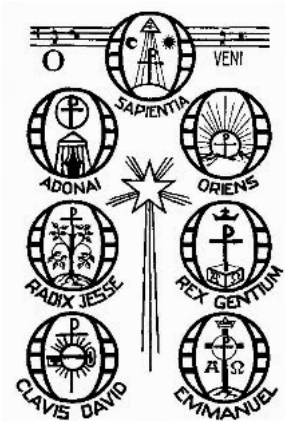
O Radiant Dawn, splendor of eternal light, sun of justice:
come and shine on those who dwell in darkness and in the shadow of death.

December 22

O King of all nations and keystone of the Church:
come and save man, whom you formed from the dust!

December 23

O Emmanuel, our King and Giver of Law: come to save us, Lord our God!



This translation of the O Antiphons is from *Catholic Household Blessings & Prayers*

WORLD APOSTOLATE OF FATIMA FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

January 6th - First Saturday - Visitation Church - 5141 Main St., Kansas City, MO

Confessions 7:30 a.m.; Holy Sacrifice of the Mass 8:15 a.m.; Rosary and Fifteen Minutes Meditation 9:00 a.m.

Our Lady of Fatima requests us to make reparation to her Immaculate Heart for offenses given by sins of people in the world. *Our Lady promised to assist at the hour of their death with the graces necessary for salvation those who made these devotions on five consecutive First Saturdays. They may also be made in any church.*

ENVELOPES AND PLATE

December 3	\$1,900.00
December 10	2,300.00
December 17	
December 24	
December 31	
TOTAL	\$4,200.00

Special Collections

Immaculate Conception—\$329
 Religious Retirement Fund—\$458

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

**SAT., DECEMBER 23
 6:00 PM MASS**

Bread

David Howard

Wine

Alice Crews
 Joan Howard

Lector

Donna Price

Greeters

Betty McClatchey
 Julia Tapko

Server(s)

Vince Price

Counter(s)

David Howard
 Mary Henson

**SUN., DECEMBER 24
 9:30 AM MASS**

Bread

Georgene Sisk

Wine

Kim Hayes
 Janice McQuillan

Lector

Kathy Hillen

Greeters

Barb Carlson
 Joe Cascone

Server(s)

Karl Manzoza
 Keith Manzoza

Counter(s)

Kathy Hillen
 Mary Mackland



**VOCATION CRUCIFIX
 SCHEDULE**

December 2017

16/17 Jim & Sharon Engelman
 23/24 Tom & Becky Clark
 30/31 Mary Smith

When you see your name listed on the Vocation Crucifix schedule and you need to change the DAY or DATE, please call Clara Fae Kennedy at 585-5807. Thank You.



Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray. And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

**POPE FRANCIS'S PRAYER
 INTENTIONS FOR DECEMBER**

The Elderly—That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.

Urgent Intention—That we may follow God's call to holiness and look upon our neighbor with compassion.

*In Our Thoughts
 & Prayers*

The following parishioners are ill and would like to be remembered in your prayers....

Eleanor Wenger	Liz Christman	Suzie Desilet	Brenda Handy
Erna Koski	John Jamison	Lora Tapko	Anita Cascone
Grace Asbury	Sharon White	Nancy Aufner	George Everley
Tom Kuzila	Esther Spencer	Helen Brown	Frances Emberton
Jim Carlson	Loreto Manzoza	Kathleen Beltz	Joe Cascone
Angela Pierce	Karol Van Horn	Genevieve Zavicar	

If you have family or friends who need prayers, please put their names in the Prayer List Book in the Gathering Area. Your loved ones, living or deceased, will be prayed for every day there is a Mass.

THIS WEEKEND WE ARE COLLECTING FUNDS FOR FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR FOR CHRISTMAS. ENVELOPES ARE ON THE TABLE IN THE GATHERING AREA. PLACE IN COLLECTION BASKET TODAY!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

Knights of Columbus' January meeting is January 2nd at Church of the Santa Fe. Rosary 7:15 pm, with meeting starting at 7:30 pm.

The Knights will be doing their annual Roses for Life the weekend of January 6th and 7th since the first Sunday in January is Respect Life Sunday. In addition, the Knights will be conducting a **BABY BOTTLE DRIVE** beginning the weekend of January 6th & 7th through the weekend of January 20th and 21st for the benefit of Mother's Refuge.

REMINDERS!!!!

Family Catechesis Activities,
 Sunday, December 17,
 After Mass

**ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE
 NATIVITY DECEMBER 17 2 PM**

FINANCE COUNCIL

Penny Lajaunie, Paul Romero, Jeff Martin, Larry Turner, and Betsy Waldman

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SITW SOCIETY

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PRO-LIFE

Stan & Betty McClatchey

BAPTISMS: Arrangements must be made with the Pastor before the Baptism of children. Parents must make an appointment to attend Baptism Preparation Class. Attendance during pregnancy is encouraged. Please call the parish office (796-6877) for reservations.

MARRIAGES: Those couples wishing to be married in our parish should contact the Pastor when engaged (even a year before) to arrange for Engaged Couple Conferences. At least SIX MONTHS is needed for marriage preparation.

COMMUNION AT HOME: If you are homebound or recuperating from surgery and you would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please call Fr. Carlyle at 796-6877.



**TRAVELING
 ST. JOSEPH STATUE**

Families can share a statue of St. Joseph for 2 weeks at a time by signing up to take the statue into their home and do the novena. If you would like to sign up, please call Joan Ishmael at 796-9148.

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OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO PROTECT GOD'S CHILDREN

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:



- 1, Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Jenifer Valenti, at 816.812.2500 or

JeniferValenti@att.net, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.