

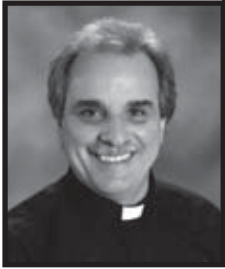
St. Joseph Catholic Church

Farmington, Missouri



Pentecost

**Come Holy Spirit,
fill the hearts of your faithful
and kindle in them the
fire of your LOVE.**



From the Pastor's Pen

Dear Parishioners of St. Joseph

**“Lord, help me to love your people” ...
A true challenge
sometimes...**

In July of 1987, I read a book written by our Holy Father Pope John Paul II, and in it he stated that he often prays a simple prayer, **“Lord, help me to love your people”**. Thus, for the last 23 years through my seminary formation and as an ordained priest, I have concluded my daily morning prayer, with the same prayer, **“Lord, help me to love your people”**. On Thursday evening, April 29th, God really gave me the opportunity to love his people in a very unique and difficult way!

Hopefully you missed me the past two weekends! I was away during the past two weeks attending to a personal family situation that truly struck at the heart of my family. Our family farm was robbed and heavily vandalized.

On the 29th of April I received a phone call from my twin brother, Randy, stating simply, that I needed to get to the farm as quick as possible and that the Sheriff was with him. He didn't say what was wrong, but I discovered that it is possible to get to Perryville in just 30 minutes.

As many of you know, my twin brother Randy and I own the little farm that has been in our family since 1864 when it was purchased by Moritz Bohnert, the son of my great-great-grandfather. My Uncle Henry and my Aunt Mary, who was our Godmother, owned the farm since 1949. We, as a family, all hold some terrific childhood memories at the farm. In 1991, before I was ordained a priest, Randy and I became the owners of the farm! I knew that when I was ordained I would welcome a place to go to for rest and prayer.

Many of you have been to the farm in the past few years. A day of reflection for our teachers, retreat days for our Women of Mary, a retreat day for our St. Vincent de Paul volunteers, our annual Pastoral Council Leadership days, and the annual gathering of the 4th Degree Knights of Columbus. In the past 19 years, I can honestly attest that over 1500 people from the various parishes that I have served have made

retreat days, or days of prayer at the farm. Our goal was to always use the farm as a place where God's people could experience the peace and tranquility that the open farmland so beautifully offered.

Many of those who have attended retreat days at the farm have been impressed with the number of antiques inside and out at the cabin. Being a family farm, many of the priceless family heirlooms never left the farm throughout the years. Very few of the items were purchased personally. We've been very blessed that no vandalism has ever happened at the farm until this time.

The outside of the farm was stripped of all the little things... the milk cans, grandpa's butchering items, the benches, the wagon wheels, the old plow, the welcome sign...

The inside of the house was heavily vandalized. Many of the antiques that were from family members of generations past were stolen or broken. All of the crocks, the old jars, and my favorite collection of cast iron toys from generations past are all gone. The upstairs area was where the heaviest destruction was done.

The greatest tragedy was that the individual who committed this random act of violence became scared, and on the following the day took all of the items to the Cape Girardeau trash transfer station. There all of the items were crushed and packed into large cubes and then transferred to Memphis. All of the items that told the family history are now gone forever.

I had the opportunity to meet the individual who did the damage. A recent change in his medication caused him to react in such a destructive way. I had never previously met the individual, he was a cousin to the neighbors that own the land at the entrance to the farm and knew that our farm was there when he visited his relatives.

After two weeks, we finally have the downstairs cleaned and almost back to normal. We still have to replace some of the lamp fixtures. I couldn't believe how appreciative I was when the doors were replaced this past week!

One of the greatest blessings the past two weeks was the witnessing of the goodness of my friends and neighbors. My thanks to our parish staff who did a remarkable job in keeping up with the parish activities and to Fr. Dyer for taking the leadership of the parish

and for doing all of the masses during the past two weeks. My sincere thanks to many of you who have sent cards and notes of understanding and encouragement during this difficult time.

My deepest gratitude goes to Bob Schumer, the builder of our sacred altar furnishings who came to the farm immediately after a phone call and began to repair some of the furniture. I am amazed at the talents that God has blessed him with.

At this time, life is getting back to normal. Now comes the hard part, to love God's people when they trespass against us. **"Lord, help me to love your people"**.

Prayer for the Help of the Holy Spirit on This Pentecost Sunday

O God, send forth your Holy Spirit into my heart that I may perceive, into my mind that I may remember, and into my soul that I may meditate. Inspire me to speak with piety, holiness, tenderness and mercy. Teach, guide and direct my thoughts and senses from beginning to end. May your grace ever help and correct me, and may I be strengthened now with wisdom from on high, for the sake of your infinite mercy. Amen.

Saint Anthony of Padua

My heartfelt thanks to all who attended the Appreciation Luncheon for our Principal, Jackie Whitworth

It was truly a joy for our parish staff to host a appreciation luncheon this past Friday for our principal, **Mrs. Jackie Whitworth**, who will be leaving us at the end of this school year due to health reasons.

Mrs. Whitworth has been a tremendous asset to our parish school and has been an absolute joy to work with. Our parish, faculty, and staff owe her a great amount of gratitude for the three years of leadership that she has so faithfully given to us. We were blessed to have someone with her caliber, her tremendous faith, and her strong but yet gentle spirit to lead our school.

My thanks to the parish leaders from our parish pastoral council, our school board, our finance committee, our home and school officers, and parish staff who came to the luncheon to honor such a remarkable woman of faith.

Congratulations to Emily Damba Recipient of the 2010 St. Joseph School Annual Christian Service Award

Congratulations to our 8th graders who completed their journey through St. Joseph's grade school this past Thursday evening with a mass of Thanksgiving marking this special milestone in their lives.

This year, the fifth annual **St. Joseph School Annual Christian Service Award** and **\$200 College Scholarship** given by our **Knights of Columbus** was presented to **Emily Damba**.

This award is voted upon by the faculty, 7th and 8th grade students, and pastoral staff for the student they feel best exemplified Christian values, morals, and service to their parish during their time in grade school. The guidelines request that the recipient be a student **"who recognized the value of his/her Catholic education and has used each opportunity through the years to give in charity of his/her time to those in need around him/her. He/she was active in the Sacramental life of the Church"**.

Emily was presented a \$200 U.S. Savings Bond by our Grand Knight, **Mike Ward**. Emily's name will be added to the permanent plaque hanging in the hallway of St. Joseph School. She is the daughter of **Dwayne and Vicki Damba**.

Our Parish Picnic is only 5 weeks away...

Our parish picnic is just **5 weeks away!!!** We need everyone to be involved so that we can make this year's picnic one of the best ever for our parish! Please mark your calendars now for the weekend of **June 26-27** to be present to help with the major fundraising event of our parish. We really need everyone's help!!! On page 8 of this bulletin you will find a form to sign up to work at the picnic. Please sign up to work and give of your time and talents for our parish picnic.

Our annual picnic worker schedule will appear in our bulletin on the weekend of June 12-13. It is my hope that as your pastor, that if you are a registered parishioner of St. Joseph's that your name appears on the worker's schedule.

Our 5th Annual Church Tour will include a visit to the Vatican Splendors Exhibit

One of our most popular trips for our senior members, (better known as our Yesterday's Kids) is our annual Church tour of different churches and historical sites of our Archdiocese. This year will mark our fifth annual such tour of churches of our Archdiocese.

Our tour for this year was planned after it was announced that the Vatican Splendors exhibition was to be hosted at the St. Louis History Museum. What a wonderful opportunity it will be for our Yesterday's Kids to experience this historical moment of our Archdiocese.

Please see the agenda and registration for this special day on page 13. These day trips fill up fast so I would encourage you to register early. The cost for the day will be only **\$60.00** to cover the cost of the museum ticket, the bus and the awesome meal at Hodak's. This trip will be limited to only 55 individuals.

Our Yesterday's Kids trips are such a unique ministry to our parish family. They allow our older members to experience community, prayer, fun and fellowship in a very unique way.

Thank you for the awesome breakfast for St. Joseph's 2010 Graduating Seniors!!!

Our sincere thanks go to our parishioner **Dave Werner** of Werner Custom Catering and his crew for the outstanding brunch that was catered last week for our local graduating high school seniors. The compliments were numerous on the delicious meal. Our sincere thanks also go to the junior high parents who served as gracious hosts to the graduates and their families.

Tonight is "Our Father's Table" All are Invited. . .

Our next "Our Father's Table" is scheduled for tonight, Sunday, May 23rd from 4:00 – 6:00 pm in our gym. All parishioners are invited to come and enjoy a traditional Thanksgiving Day meal. A great time for fellowship for us all. Please see the invitation on page 15 of this bulletin.

Do You Know Someone Who Would Like to Become Catholic? Please Invite Them to Join Our Inquiry Sessions of Our RCIA.

Do you know someone that has asked about our faith? Someone who may be interested in joining our faith community? If so, I would encourage you to please take a moment and invite them to explore our inquiry classes. The **Rite of Christian Initiation** process will be under the leadership of our RCIA Director, **Sr. Barbara Wentworth, DHM** and catechetical team.

The RCIA process has four distinct phases and celebrations. The first phase is known as the **Inquiry** session. It is here where the participants explore and ask any questions about Catholicism. This session ends with the celebration of the **Rite of Acceptance** as a catechumen. If you are interested in being on the RCIA team or being a sponsor, please call or see **Agnes Hinkebein** for more information. **Being on the team or being a sponsor is a great way to strengthen your own spiritual journey.**

And Finally...

Due to Memorial Day, our monthly Parish Pastoral Council meeting will be tomorrow evening at 7:00 pm in the parish center.

"Always remember that as long as we keep the Eucharist the center of our lives, everything else will fall in place...of that I am confident"!!!

Blessings of Peace... *Fr. Rickey*

St. Joseph Catholic Church Parish Mission Statement

*We are called by our Lord Jesus Christ,
to be His church and live His gospel.
We strive to fulfill our baptismal calling
by prayer, worship, teaching and in
sharing our faith and serving others.*

*Guided by the Holy Spirit and
through our patron St. Joseph, we
commit ourselves to the responsible
stewardship of all God's gifts.*

Our Pastoral Team

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James Eaton..... Financial Commission

Ed Brown..... Cemetery Association
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Parish Business Office Hours

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Mass Schedule

Monday thru Friday 7:00 am
Friday (All School Mass August - May) 8:05 am
Sunday Observance
Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 7:30 am, 9:00 am, and 10:30 am
Holy Days of Obligation 7:00 am, 8:00 am, and 7:00 pm

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 pm, Sunday 7:00 am, or by appointment

The Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are held the first Sunday of the month
after the 10:30 am Mass

The Sacrament of Marriage

Celebrated after meeting the bride and groom and
beginning preparation six months before the wedding,
in accordance with Archdiocesan Wedding Policy.

Eucharistic Adoration

Thursdays 7:30 am thru Closing Prayer Service at 5:30 pm
First Fridays of the month from 8:30 am to 2:15 pm

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Open Tuesday and Friday from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

For assistance call 756-0997

This Week in Our Parish

Mon 5/24 **Parish Pastoral Council Mtg**
7:00 pm • Parish Center

Tues 5/25 **Last Day of School**

Wed 5/26 **Parish Rosary**
7:15 pm • Church

Thurs 5/27 **Eucharistic Adoration**
8:00 am - 5:15 pm • Church



Happy Birthday



May 23rd

Mark Bieser
Sue Pruetzel
David Slinkard

May 26th

Rebecca Colligan
Roger Hitson
Joey Koppeis
Hermine Schuessler

May 28th

Tiffany Aubuchon
Pharah Avendanio
Generose Bailey
Karen Perkins

May 24th

Kay Schnurbusch

May 24th

Taylor Trolinger
Tori Trolinger
John Wilson

May 29th

Lauren Boatright
Carrick Boshoff
Nicholas Brewer
Mary Hafner
Jim Moore
David Thome
Annette Willis
Bill Young

May 25th

Chris Koppeis
Amy Martin
Wilma Nations

May 27th

Jackie Adams
Courtney Brooks



Happy Anniversary



May 24th, 1980

Rick & Donna Augustine

May 26th, 1984

Ronald & Margaret Harris

May 24th, 1998

Buddy & Angie King

May 26th, 2001

Drew & Patti Schnable

May 24th, 1997

Ken & Susie Rohrer

May 28th, 1994

Mark & Rosetta Halter

May 24th, 1981

Bill & Isa Sippo

May 28th, 1955

Bill & Joan Kure

May 25th, 2003

Alonso & Heather Lara

May 28th, 1994

Brian & Catherine Stamm

May 25th, 2008

Gustavo & Allyn Rizo
Martinez

May 28th, 1988

Dave & Kate Williams

May 26th, 1978

John & Mary Jo Ellis

May 29th, 1999

Ricky & Stephanie Koppeis



Eucharistic Celebrations and Mass Intentions

Week of May 24th - 30th, 2010

Monday: Weekday

Readings: 1 Pt 1:3-9 Ps 111:1-2,5-6,9,10c
Mk 10:17-27

7:00 am: **Craig Schnurbusch**

Tuesday: Weekday

Readings: 1 Pt 1:10-16 Ps 98:1-4 Mk 10:28-31

7:00 am: **Linda Wnuk**

Wednesday: St. Philip Neri

Readings: 1 Pt 1:18-25 Ps 147:12-15,19-20
Mk 10:32-45

7:00 am: **Velma Lober**

Thursday: Weekday

Readings: 1 Pt 2:2-5,9-12 Ps 100:2-5 Mk 10:46-52

7:00 am: **Angelita Sanchez**

Friday: Weekday

Readings: 1 Pt 4:7-13 Ps 96:10-13 Mk 11:11-26

7:00 pm: **Mary R. Zienta**

Sunday: The Most Holy Trinity

Readings: Prv 8:22-31 Ps 8:4-9 Rom 5:1-5
Jn 16:12-15

5:00 pm **Thomas A. Goldkamp**

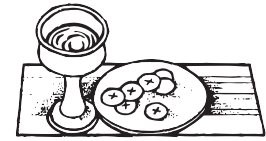
Sunday:

7:30 am: **Paul Raymer**

9:00 am: **Parishioners**

10:30 am: **Bob & Jo Boyd**

Ministers of the Liturgy



Saturday, May 29th

5:00 pm Mass

Priest: Fr. James Dyer

Lector: Ree Rogers

Extraordinary Ministers:

Jerry & Dotty Bach, James Cissell,
Tom Karl, John Crouch

Ushers: John Denkler, John England,

Terry Guiley, Gary Harris

Servers: A. Slinkard, E. Heberlie, N. Juliette

Sunday, May 30th

7:30 am Mass

Priest: Fr. James Dyer

Lector: Vicky Damba

Extraordinary Ministers:

Jack & Kathy Neiner, Dottie Reeves,
Bob Lowery, Chris Westrich

Ushers: Bob Govreau, Charles Govreau,

Dale Jones, Charles Koppeis

Servers: E. Damba, N. Westrich

9:00 am Mass

Priest: Fr. Rickey Valleroy

Deacon: Deacon Al Gegg

Lector: Vanessa Trokey

Extraordinary Ministers:

George & Sandy Kracke,
Charlotte VanderBol, Margaret Greif

Ushers: Walter Klinkhardt, Bill Kure,

Jerry Morris, Dale Springs

Servers: L. Trokey, G. Trokey, S. Trokey

10:30 am Mass

Priest: Fr. Rickey Valleroy

Lector: Gary Berblinger

Extraordinary Ministers:

Jim & Jill Robert, Theresa Aubuchon,
William & Rafaela Sippo

Ushers: Bob Bone, Tom Freeman,

Roy Henson, Chuck Koppeis

Servers: K. Freeman, S. Lyons-Jahn, J. O'Hara

Welcome to St. Joseph Parish

A warm welcome to all of you who have come to worship with us. If you are visiting, we are honored by your presence. If you would like more information on becoming a member, please call the Parish Office at 756-4250. Our Parish serves the needs of the community in many ways. We offer preparation for Sacraments, education for children and adults, social activities, assistance to those in difficulty, comfort to the sick. If we can be of service, please let us know. We hope you will come again.

Monday, May 24th, 2010

Sacristans

Pat Boatright, Theresa Kellogg, Christy Turner

Money Counters

Beulah Carrow, Jackie Maloney,
Nancy Ott, Carolyn Rigdon



Come join us for our weekly Parish Rosary to be offered this Wednesday evening at 7:15 pm in church

Our rosary leaders will be:
Jane Allen, Ginger Baechle,
Pat Boatright, Sue Brown,
and Beverly Bryant

The Mysteries this week are:
Luminous

Our petition for this week will be:

“May the Lord protect the thousands of military that are serving their country. Let us pray for the souls of those that have given their lives to keep us safe.”



Wedding Banns

Congratulations

Katie Rapp & Josh Wahlig

May 22nd, 2010



May They Rest in Peace

Please pray for the soul of

Sam Scism

father of Kent (Angie) Scism

May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

“Good Deeds” from Our Children’s Envelopes

Helped carry furniture to the garage • Joe

Helped my sister clean her new apartment • Jamie

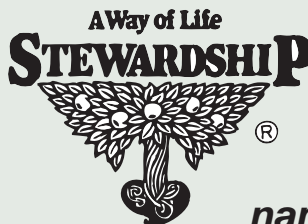
Your Gifts to God and Parish Sunday, May 16th, 2010

Adult Envelopes	\$13,232.00
Loose	\$333.90
Children’s Envelopes	<u>\$4.50</u>
	\$13,570.40

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Sunday Offering	\$13,570.40	\$499,606.79
Budgeted Amount	<u>\$10,795.00</u>	<u>\$496,570.00</u>
Shortage/Overage	\$2,775.40	\$3036.79

Partners in Education	\$325.00
Maintenance & Repair	\$88.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$378.00
Regina Cleri	\$10.00
Perpetual Cemetery	\$613.00
Sr. High Youth Ministry	\$71.00
Jr. High Youth Ministry	<u>\$71.00</u>
Total for Specials	\$1,556.00

Thank You For Your Faithfulness!!!



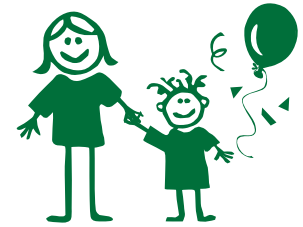
“The Advocate, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you.” - John 14:26

The materialism of our society lures us to concentrate more on what we want than on what God wants for us and from us. It is good to know that when we are confused by our stewardship responsibilities we can call on the Holy Spirit to show us the way.

Together we pray for those who are sick. (Parishioners names are in bold.)

Please pray for: **Mary Ward**, James Pearce, Carrie Chastain-Riedi, Christian Dixon, **Teresa Johnson**, Mary Anderson, Michael Anderson, Debbie Hubbard, **Vince Block**, Doris Neiter, Katie Holley, Kathy Holley, **Charmaine McFarland**, **Theresa Wade**, **Laura Leachman**, Ed Nicholson, Madison Hanley, Klaus Rausch, Bill Laut, Freda Swetnam, Laura Williams, Kevin Berra, Lucille Herzog, Doris Neiter, **Ralph Trepasso**, Kathy Krechnyak, Loretta Forsythe, Rebecca Suttle, Susie Wilson, Paul & Sharon Hahn, Rhonda LaPierre, **Ruth Basler**, **Mary Lou Lodholz**, **Charlotte Morris**, Kersey Lewis, Melvin Arrington, Barbara Hopper, Dean Resinger, **Pete Dastoor**, Tom Kinder, **Marilyn Bering**, Joe Trepasso, Walter Neiter.

If you need to add someone to the prayer list, please contact Pat Boatright at 756-4169.



Be a Part of St. Joseph's 36th Annual Parish Picnic!!

To have a successful picnic we need your help!

*If you would like to work in an air conditioned area, the dining room is for you!
We also need workers for the kitchen, kids games, and many other areas.
Please sign up to work at the Parish Picnic on June 26-27 today!*



If you have never worked at the parish picnic before and/or if you would like to volunteer to work in an additional or different area please fill out the form below and turn into the parish office or drop in the collection basket or email Pat Boatright at kboatright001@charter.net.

name _____	name _____
phone number _____	phone number _____
area requesting to work _____	area requesting to work _____

Donate All Your Unwanted Treasures to the Flea Market at our Parish Picnic



Make more room at home by donating all your unwanted treasures in good condition to the Flea Market booth at the Parish Picnic. We will start accepting items for the Flea Market on June 14th Monday thru Friday from 7:30 – 9:30 am. Please take donated items to the north doors of the school (facing the church). You may also bring in your items on June 19th from 10:00 am - noon and in the evenings from 5:00 - 8:00 pm on June 21st - 25th. PLEASE NO DROP OFFS AFTER THE 25TH! . Please do not bring any heavy, cumbersome or broken items. No clothes will be accepted. The Flea Market will be open from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm on Sunday, June 27th. There will be 3 rooms: a 25 cent room, a 50 cent room and one dollar and up room.



Only 2 weeks left to order your t-shirt

Picnic T-Shirts for NEW Volunteers

NEW volunteers will receive a free t-shirt for the picnic. Please fill out the form below and turn it into the parish office or drop it in the collection basket by **June 9th**. Shirt sizes available are: Adult: small, medium, large, x-large, xx-large, and xxx-large. Child: x-small (size 2-4), small, medium, large, and x-large.



Name	Phone #	Shirt Size	Area working or would like to work
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Note: no youth x-small t-shirts will be given out free (cost is \$6 per shirt, \$7 for XXL, \$8 for XXXL).



Need another Picnic T-Shirt?

If you received a t-shirt last year but need to order another one this year, the sizes and prices are listed below, please note different pricing for larger sizes. Fill out the form below and turn it along with your payment into the parish office or drop it in the collection basket by **June 9th**. Shirt sizes available are:

Adult: small \$6, medium \$6, large \$6, x-large \$6, xx-large \$7, and xxx-large \$8.
Child: x-small (size 2-4) \$6, small \$6, medium \$6, large \$6, and x-large \$6.



Name	Phone #	Shirt Size	Area working
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

All t-shirt orders must be received by June 9th.



Look at what's happening in our Parish. . .



June 4th - 6th
Farmington Country Days
Eat at Saints Pub & Grill

June 10th & 11th
Yesterday's Kids Trip
to Springfield, Illinois



Wednesday, June 23rd
Yesterday's Kids
Annual Church Tour



Saturday, June 26th
GTO Concert at 7:00 pm



Sunday, June 27th
Annual Parish Picnic

July 12th - 16th
Vacation Bible School



*Let us pray for those who share weekly
in our Eucharistic Celebration and who
are carrying the gift of life. . .*

Denise (Kirk) Gallagher

Allyn (Gustavo) Rizo

Mandy (Jake) Whitener

Amy (Stephen) Williams



*If you are carrying the gift of life and would like the prayers of
your parish family please call Sandy at the parish office.*

Children's Liturgy

has concluded for
this school year.
Thank you for a
great year and we
look forward to seeing
you again in August!



Ms. Gruhala and
Ms. Rapp

Teach and Remind

I'm not very good at telling jokes. I like them, but after I hear one and laugh at it, I let it go and forget it. I suspect this doesn't just apply to jokes. The gospel today hints that the disciples may have had the same weakness when Jesus says the Spirit will "teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you." (John 14:26)

Jesus spent three years teaching his disciples about the Kingdom of God. While he may have condensed his message to "Love God...and love your neighbor as yourself", (Mark 12:30-31) he spent most of his time showing them how much God loves them and how to love their neighbors. He used parables as examples and miracles as signs of the Father's love. He answered their questions and explained things privately. Knowing this would still not be enough, he promised to send the Spirit after he had risen. He seems to have known that sometimes you just can't learn by listening. You have to experience some things to understand them. Some times you have to explain it to someone else before you understand it yourself. And that is what the disciples would do.

When they received the Spirit after Jesus' resurrection, they began to talk about Jesus to anyone who would listen. They also began to do the things Jesus talked about. They fed the poor and healed the sick. And so they began to experience Jesus in those around them. They would remember what Jesus had taught them and apply it in their lives. They even accepted suffering for their faith.

We, too, can receive that promise from Jesus to have the Spirit teach and remind us. As we share our faith with others, we begin to experience Jesus in them. Just talking about our faith helps it to grow. As we listen to the Lord in prayer, we are reminded of passages in the Bible that we have read, or heard from the altar on Sunday. We begin to understand how they apply in our lives. We may remember things that seemed to be very bad, but turned out to be God's plan: maybe losing a job, only to find a better one. Or moving away from friends, only to make new friends later. May the Holy Spirit teach and remind us of the signs of God's love.

(from "The Word in our Lives")

Home & School Association

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Upcoming School Events

May 25th Last Day of School
Talent Show at 9:30 am
Dismissal at 11:00 am



The second grade learned about making apple butter with Mrs. Schweiss. The students logged each step as they learned the process. They decorated jars to give their moms for Mother's Day.



A note from our Youth Minister

Last weekend, Sr. high met in the gym for a night on purity. The teens learned how they can live purely in a society where impurity is the norm. It was a night full of good food, fun, and fellowship.

Senior High Youth Group TODAY Sunday, May 23rd in the gym at 6:30 pm

There will be no meeting on Sunday, May 30th, Labor Day weekend.

Junior High Youth Group met last night and into this morning for the lock-in. I will have more in next week's column about the night.

Thank you again to the PSR families who took part in the end-of-the-year picnic, and to all of the PSR families in general! You helped make this year a big success! Just a reminder that you can register for next year by the end of the month without a penalty. After May 31st, \$10 will be added to the registration fee.

Are you smarter than a 5th grader?

A few weeks ago, 4th/5th grade religion learned about Our Lady of Fatima. Mary appeared to some young children in Portugal in the year 1917. How many children were there and what was one of the messages that she revealed to them? Check out next week's bulletin to find out the answer.

Have a good week, everyone, and God bless!

Peace in Christ thru Mary, *Patrick*



Saints Pub and Grill

June 4th and 5th at Farmington Country Days

St. Joseph's Knights of Columbus will again be hosting a beer garden during Country Days. "Saints Pub and Grill" will be located in front of St. Joseph's school grounds on Ste. Genevieve St.

The beer garden will be open from noon until 10:00 pm on Friday, and from noon until midnight on Saturday. Miller products will be sold at \$2.00 per glass. Proceeds will benefit the various Knights of Columbus charitable activities.

Joe Diffie will be performing Saturday night in Long Park directly across from this location.

Come out and have some fun while supporting the Knights!



Open Barn Night at Black Knight Stables

May 28th, 6:00 - 9:00 pm
Horseback riding, games, campfire, weiner roast, smores.
\$15.00 per child, with a family discount of \$10.00 for each additional child from same family.

Mini Horse Camp

Due to our Week long Summer Horse Camp filling up, we are offering a Mini Horse Camp on Wednesday, June 30, Thursday, July 1, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm, and Friday, July 2, 9:00 -12:00 pm with a Horse Show on Friday, at 10:00 am at a cost of \$125.00 per child with family discount of \$100.00 for additional children of the same family.

For more information call Phyllis LaPlant at **573-756-3261. Hurry! Space is limited!**

Experience 2,000 Years of Vatican Art and History

Join the Yesterday's Kids as we tour the Vatican Splendors exhibit at the Missouri History Museum on our 5th annual church tour. This is one of the largest collections of art, documents and historically significant objects from the Vatican ever to tour North America and includes extraordinary works by the masters, objects dating back to the first century, venerated relics, and Michelangelo's art and tools used in work on the Sistine Chapel. Many of these items have never been allowed outside of Rome, and include special objects never before on display, even at the Vatican. This once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to see some of the world's greatest treasures is a must-see for both the devout and aficionados of art and world history.



Yesterday's Kids

5th Annual Church Tour & Vatican Splendors Exhibit

Wednesday, June 23rd

8:30 am

Board Charter Bus

10:00 am

tour Vatican Splendors Exhibit

12:00 noon

Buffet lunch at Hodak's

1:30 am

tour St. John the Baptist Church

2:30 am

tour St. Cecilia Church

3:30 pm

Enjoy Ted Drewes

5:30 pm

Arrive back in Farmington



*St. John the Baptist
Church*



St. Cecilia Church



Yesterday's Kids 5th Annual Church Tour

Wednesday, June 23rd • \$60.00 per person due with registration.

Registration and money must be turned into Sandy at the parish office by **June 1st**.

Name (as it will appear on nametag) _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____



Congratulations St. Joseph Graduating 2010 Seniors!!

Pictured above are the 2010 graduating seniors of St. Joseph Parish that attended the mass and brunch in their honor on Sunday, May 16th. Left to right are: Alexander Greif, Dillion Boyd, Nicholas Blum, Chelsea Pratt, Christopher Lutsch, Julie Scroggins, Trevor Ratliff, Jacob Politte, Alex Rhodes, Carly Reidt, Corey Jones, Sarah Hafner, Matthew Crannell, Kathleen Koppeis, Adam Barnhouse, Samuel Hulsey.



Vacation Bible School 2010

July 12th - 16th • 8:15 - 11:45 am
for children ages 4 through those entering 5th grade

Be sure to mark your calendar now for SonQuest Rainforest VBS, because you won't want to miss all the fun we have planned! Everything our SonQuest Rainforest adventurers encounter is based on five parables told by Jesus. These five days of discovery not only give kids the knowledge of God's Word, but also the opportunity to respond to His truth by living out their Catholic faith. If you are an adult interested in helping, please contact Dawn Fuemmeler at 756-9853 as soon as possible. We are still in need of a couple of teachers and shepherds to lead children from class to class.

You are invited to "Our Father's Table"

Dear St. Joseph's Family,

We would like you to join us today from 4:00 - 6:00 pm for a hearty family supper along with the fellowship of our parish family. We would like your help in extending a warm and friendly heart to the community as we enjoy a traditional Thanksgiving dinner!

This is an opportunity for us to show Farmington and each other all that is **Great** about St. Joe's. . . **You** and your generosity of **Fellowship** and **Spirit!!**

So, if you know of **anyone** who needs a hot meal or a warm heart please bring them along. **All** are welcome.

God Bless, Our Fathers Table Committee