

# ST. JOSEPH CARPENTER

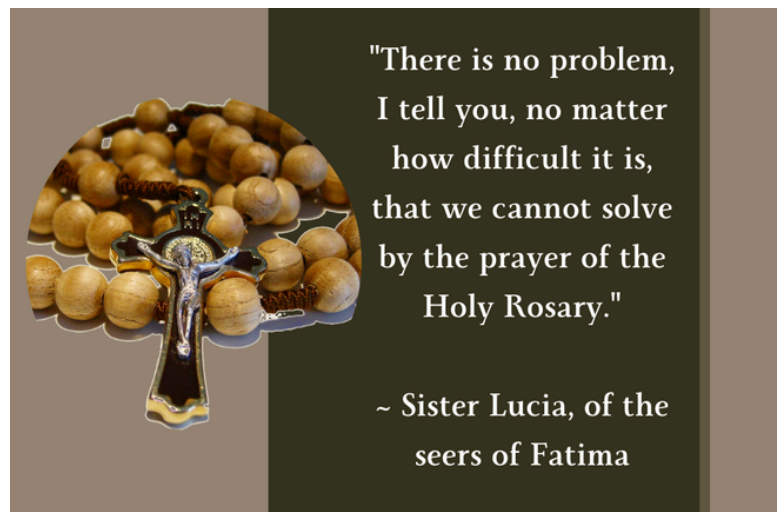
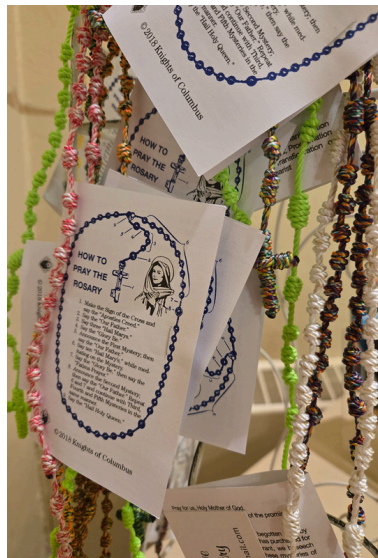


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## Celebrate the Rosary!

October is celebrated as the Month of the Rosary. If you're new to this devotion or desire to renew your practice of praying it, we can help! At St. Joseph Parish, the Rosary is said 30 minutes before every Mass - weekday, vigil, and Sunday Masses. Thanks to the Knots of Love rosary ministry, corded rosaries are available on the rosary tree at the east entrance to the church. These are free, but if you wish to support the group's work, you can place a donation marked "Knots of Love" in the weekly collection. Rosaries and related books and prayer aids are also available in the Sacred Heart Room at the parish office.



## Pet Blessing Reminder



This weekend, St. Joseph Parish will celebrate the annual Pet Blessing in honor of St. Francis of Assisi's feast day. You are invited to bring your pets to the grotto on the east side of the church at Noon on Sunday, October 6, for the blessing. This tradition has been a fixture at the parish for well over 20 years and we are excited to see it continue!

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## Food Pantry Needs for October

The St. Joseph Food Pantry is in need of donations of fruits (any and all types!), canned chicken, and cereals. All donations can be dropped off Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. at the Kennedy building in the bins inside doors 25 and 26. Thank you for your generosity!

## Card Shower Planned

St. Joseph Parishioner Yeyette Houfek will be celebrating her 80th birthday on November 7! If you would like to send birthday wishes to her, mail them to:

**1338 Grand St.  
Hays, KS 67601**

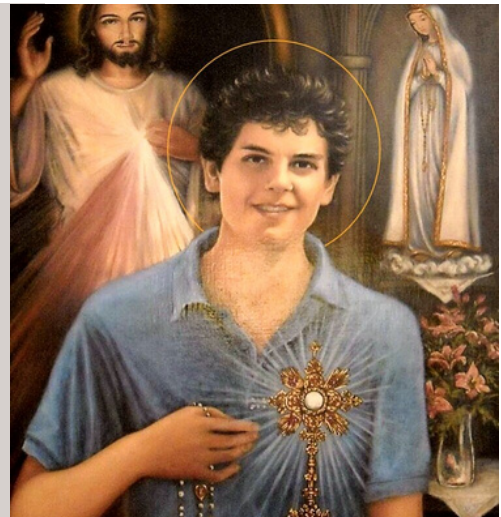
Are you a St. Joseph parishioner celebrating a milestone birthday or anniversary? Let us know! Call us at 625-7356.

## It's Not Too Late to Participate

Would you like to dive into Sacred Scripture but aren't sure where to start? We offer two opportunities for adults to grow in their knowledge of the Bible and deepen their understanding of its application to daily life. Each Wednesday, our adult faith formation class meets in the Parish Conference Room from 6:30-7:45 p.m. to discuss the weekly Mass readings. On Thursdays, Fr. Fred hosts a Bible Basics class in the Kennedy cafeteria at Noon where they are discussing the Gospel of Luke. Call the parish office for more information!

## October Novena

You're invited to join us in praying a novena to Blessed Carlo Acutis beginning Thursday, October 3. Our intentions for the monthly novenas are an increase in devotion to Jesus in the Eucharist and for the needs of St. Joseph Parish. Bl. Carlo's canonization is expected to take place in 2025. He was devoted to the Blessed Sacrament so it is particularly fitting we ask for his intercession in deepening our love for Jesus. The prayers for our novena will be posted daily on the parish's Facebook page.



## Mark Your Calendar for These Upcoming Events

- Life Chain - 10/6 from 1:00-2:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Cemetery
- Book of Remembrance will be available mid-October
- Cemetery Blessing on 11/3 - See bulletin for details.
- Parish Thanksgiving Dinner ticket sales begin November 2/3 (dinner on 11/24)