



# St. Joseph Catholic Church

215 West 13th - Hays, Ks. 67601



## Comeau Catholic Campus Center

506 W. 6th - Hays, Ks. 67601

### 5th Sunday of Easter

May 10, 2020

#### St. Joseph Mass Times

Saturday: 8:00am & 5:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am & 10:30am

Monday - Friday: 6:30am

Holy Days Masses:

5:30pm (Vigil) 6:30am, 12:05pm, 5:30pm

Rosary before each Mass.

Confession: Sat. 3:30pm

#### Comeau Campus Center Mass Times

Sunday: 9:00am & 6:00pm

Monday & Tuesday: 5:45pm

Wednesday: 9:15pm

Thursday: 5:45pm

Friday: 12:10pm

Holy Day Masses 4:45pm

Confession - Sun. - Thur.,  
5:00pm - 5:40pm  
(All Year)

Adoration - Begins, Tues, 9:30am  
ends Wed. 5:45pm.  
*(When FHSU is in Session)*



### St. Joseph Parish Service Center

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#### Office Hours

Mon.- Thurs. 8:00am - 5:00pm

Fri. 8:00 a.m. - noon

Office Closed Saturday, Sunday,

Holy Days/Holidays



## 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

"In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?" - Jn 14:2

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**St. Joseph Parish is a Stewardship Parish.** A Catholic Steward actively participates and is involved with parish ministries, each according to their time and talents. Continue to regularly pray the stewardship prayer. Help us to place You, our loving Creator, first in our lives by becoming more prayerful and more focused on loving and caring for our families and our neighbors in need. Help us to hear Your call to be good stewards of all Your gifts by sharing them to accomplish Your will, that is the coming of Your kingdom here on earth.

**PARISH MISSION STATEMENT** - "Under the protection of St. Joseph, and ever grateful to the Capuchin Franciscan Friars, we strive to foster a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through prayer, worship and the celebration of the Sacraments. We are dedicated to love and care for all God's people in their physical, educational and spiritual needs through the stewardship of time, talent and treasure."



*Frs. Brian and Ryan each will be saying Masses daily.  
Below are the Mass intentions for these Masses.*

### Sunday, May 10, 2020 - Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 6:1-7/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

7:30am For the Parish  
9:00amC Poor Souls  
10:30am +Francis Al "Hammie" Rupp (Ann.)  
6:00amC +Florence Kuhn

### Monday, May 11, 2020

Acts 14:5-18/Jn 14:21-26

6:30am L/D Mem Marcellus & Mary A. Schmeidler  
5:45pmC +Stacy Bohm-McCann

### Tuesday, May 12, 2020 - St. Nereus

Acts 14:19-28/Jn 14:27-31a

6:30am L/D Mem Ervin & Helen Koerner Family  
5:45pmC Poor Souls

### Wednesday, May 13, 2020 - Our Lady of Fatima

Acts 15:1-6/Jn 15:1-8

6:30am L/D Mem Al & Joyce Ashmore Family  
5:45pmC L/D Mem Robert A. Ruder Family

### Thursday, May 14, 2020 - St. Matthias, Apostle

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26

6:30am +Kathy Strachan  
5:45pmC +Stacey Bohm-McCann

### Friday, May 15, 2020

Acts 15:22-31/Jn 15:12-17

6:30am L/D Mem Frank J. Dreiling Family

**No 12:10pm Campus Mass during Summer**

### Saturday, May 16, 2020

Acts 16:1-10/Jn 15:18-21

8:00am Vocations  
3:30pm Sacrament of Penance  
5:45pmC +Ann Hoffman

### Sunday, May 17, 2020 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

7:30am For the Parish  
9:00amC Poor Souls  
10:30am L/D Mem Lawrence & Elizabeth Weigel Fam.  
6:00pmC +David Hertel

#### LITURGICAL MINISTERS

For the month of May we need one reader, one server, a cantor, and at least two ushers to help with the Masses this month. If anyone can us help with these ministries, please call the parish office or send a text to Kevin at 785-656-0320 to be put on the schedule.

Hopefully in June we can start doing a regular schedule for the summer.

## Pastor's Notes

Fr. Brian Lager

I would like to take a moment to honor our Mothers on this Mother's day weekend. We often hear that the heart of the home is the Mother. A child when it is in pain, when it is joyful, when it is sad, when they have accomplished something great will typically go to their mother immediately. There is a special emotional and even physical bond that a mother has with her child. This bond is what makes the mother the heart.

A mother tends to be the one from whom children learn empathy. We speak of the heart as the core of our being, who we are. A mother is a key contributor in the proper development of who we are. A mother's love for her child is essential for emotional, psychological, spiritual maturity. It cannot be replaced.

Mother's day may be a difficult day for some as they may be experiencing their first without their mother. It may be a day of joy for some as they get to celebrate with them. We honor each of them for the life that they bore in their womb, the pain they endured on our behalf, the late nights they worried over our return home, the anxiety of knowing that we are safe. A mother's love goes beyond this world and gives a glimpse of the love of God, who says in the prophets *even if a mother were to no longer love their child, I will love you.*

When recalling our mother's love for us let us also not forget the love of our Blessed Mother Mary. Who becomes the model of motherhood, and Christian discipleship. As she gave birth to Jesus and we are united to Jesus by baptism, she in turn becomes our mother also. As Jesus gave the son to his mother at the foot of the cross and the mother to the son, may we be that faithful child devoted to Jesus and to His mother who, like our own mothers, prays for us constantly out of love for her children.

Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church. Bless these women, that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



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## ST. JOSEPH PARISH NEWS

**OFFICE CLOSED** - The office will be closed to walk in traffic through Sunday, May 18th due to the COVID Statewide Stay-At-Home order. Our office will be open to the public starting Monday, May 19th.

The Missals have been removed from the pew pockets as a precaution from spreading any infection of the COVID19. We invite you to bring along your Magnificat or Word Among Us to use at Mass if you wish. Hymns for the next few weeks will all be familiar pieces that our parish should be able to sing without music or at least come in on the refrains, such as the Psalms.

**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS** can be placed in the baskets during the weekend Masses or mailed to the parish office at 215 West 13th. We will not be having an offertory collection until we get back to some sort of normal. Thank you to all who have been able to continue their financial support to the parish.

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Budgeted envelopes/offertory per week	\$21,250.00
Actual envelopes/offertory received 04/27/20-05/03/20	\$11,968.00
For this week, the collection is <b>ahead</b> (behind)	(\$9,282.00)
Budgeted envelopes/offertory thru 04/30/2020	\$920,833.34
Actual envelopes/offertory thru 04/30/2020	\$870,220.72
As of 04/30/2020 we are <b>ahead</b> (behind) budget for the fiscal year.	(\$50,612.62)

As you can imagine, the temporary suspension of Masses has had an immediate impact on collections in the parish. The need to continue to pay the parish bills does not stop with the suspension. If possible, please continue to tithe as best you can, whether by mail, banking bill pay, or with online giving. Online giving is simple and allows you to stay at home and continue to support your parish during these difficult times. You can access online giving via the link on the parish website homepage at [stj-church.com](http://stj-church.com). If you have questions, please call the parish business office at 785-625-7356. Thank you for your continued support of St. Joseph Church.

## ST. JOSEPH FOOD PANTRY

**LOCATION TO PLACE YOUR FOOD ITEMS** - Nonperishable food items as well as medium sized boxes may be brought to the parish school building, formerly Kennedy, doors 25 & 26, near the gym, **from 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.** Monday through Friday.

- ◆ Food Pantry dates are May 2nd & 16th.
- ◆ **Item of the month** - Beans & Fruits, all varieties
- ◆ Monetary donations can be sent through the weekend collection, left at the Parish Service Center or you may donate online by going to <https://stjchurch.weshareonline.org/ws/opportunitiesSt.JosephFoodPantry>
- ◆ To volunteer to help at the St. Joseph Food Pantry contact Renee Michaud at 785-628-8434 or [michauds@ruraltel.net](mailto:michauds@ruraltel.net)

## ST. JOSEPH DIAPER CLOSET

**DONATIONS NEEDED:** Disposable Diaper: Sizes 1-6, esp. the larger sizes., Baby Wipes: fragrance free, Monetary donations.

Donated items can be left in the Food Pantry Donation Barrels located in the Kennedy Building doors 25 & 26. from 8am - 3pm. Monetary gifts may be directed to **St. Joseph - DIAPER CLOSET** and mailed to the parish office or placed in the weekend collection. Your generosity is very much appreciated!

**St. Joseph’s Food Pantry** announces the addition of its  
**DIAPER CLOSET**

Open on the **FIRST SATURDAY** of each month,  
9am-noon, beginning on 5/2/2020.

Now, parents who are in need of diaper support can  
come to the Food Pantry’s **DIAPER CLOSET** to  
register their child and receive a bundle of diapers /wipes each month.



**DONATIONS ARE NEEDED:**



**Disposable Diapers:** Sizes 1-6, esp. the larger sizes.

**Baby Wipes:** Fragrance Free

**Monetary Donations** of any amount.

Donated items may be left in the Food Pantry Donation Barrels located  
inside the Kennedy School Building, doors 25&26 , from 8am-3pm.

Monetary Gifts may be directed to

St. Joseph Food Pantry—DIAPER CLOSET

and left at the Parish Office or placed in the weekend collections.



Help us stock the Diaper Closet  
as we support LIFE in this  
very practical way!



## GOSPEL MEDITATION

### ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

May 10, 2020  
Fifth Sunday of Easter

When earthly lives end, especially when the person is younger, we tend to focus upon and consider what was lost. We think of lost opportunities — things they won't be able to see, babies they won't be able to cradle, and adventures that now must go undiscovered. Our minds create this chasm between earth and heaven that sees the losses of this life as permanent ones, never possible to achieve again. This perception causes many folks to remain stuck in their grief as they ponder all of the missed opportunities and regrets.

This is not resurrection thinking. All of the love that we can give and receive, the joy and elation that can be experienced, the adventures that can be undertaken, and the possibilities to be discovered are all part of a continuous journey. They are not ends in and of themselves but are all part of the unfolding of a relationship we have with God, who not only makes all of these wonderful things possible now but sustains them and fulfills them into eternity. The perception and experience of loss is really an illusion, because in God's eternal kingdom and in God's time, nothing is ever lost. Even the most intimate and tender of moments we can conceive of sharing with another human being are only part of a journey toward perfect intimate and tender moments to be shared with God in our resurrected life. We become like God and see God as He is in eternity. What greater joy, love, and hope can ever be discovered as we walk down our often dimly lit paths in this world.

This is an awesome wonder and magnificent news to behold. Call to mind someone you have lost in death. How do you see them now? How do you see yourself in heaven? Remind yourself, again, that God is the Way, the Truth and the Life. Our happiness is not going to be fully realized in this world, and there is nothing we can find here that cannot be found one hundred fold in eternity. It's all about relationship, and not solely about the relationships we have with each other, ourselves, and the world in which we live. It's about our relationship with God. If we realize how special that one relationship really is, then there is only one particular of heaven and life eternal that really matters: namely, that we fall into love eternal and discover truth. For when we finally close our eyes in death, then all will be well as long as we are with God. There are no losses, only gains.

## CATHOLIC CAMPUS CENTER NEWS

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#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

1st Tuesday of the Month at 7:30 pm in the lounge.  
Bring your current membership card.  
When school is in session.

#### CATHOLIC DISCIPLES

Wednesdays at 8:00 pm in the lounge when school is  
In session.

#### A LOOK AT THE WEEK.....May 11 - 17

- ◆ Sun. - Mass at 9:00am & 6:00om  
Confessions at 5:00pm
- ◆ Mon. - Confessions at 5:00pm., Mass at 5:45pm
- ◆ Tues. - Confessions at 5:00pm., Mass at 5:45pm
- ◆ Wed. - Confessions at 5:00pm., Mass at 5:45pm
- ◆ Thurs. - Confessions at 5:00pm., Mass at 5:45pm
- ◆ Fri. - NO MASSES

## PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

### DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

Are you interested in becoming a D of I member? Please contact Peggy Feltis at 785-628-1336 for more information. Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

St. Joseph Knights of Columbus, Council #1325 meets every **THIRD** Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the St. Joseph Parish school building, room 110 (the old art room). Enter through south door, on the west side, marked #2.

### KNOTS OF LOVE

This ministry meets the last Sunday of the month at 3:00 p.m. at the Via Christi Chapel.

### ORDER OF SECULAR FRANCISCANS

This group follows in the footsteps of St. Francis of Assisi and meets every third Sunday at the Comeau Campus Center at 1:30 p.m. For more information about the meetings or about the Order please contact Brenda Lager at 785-628-3107. Regional Franciscan Website:  
[www.sfojuandepadilla.org](http://www.sfojuandepadilla.org).

### PARISH CHOIR

The St. Joseph Parish Choir practices each Wednesday evening from 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Director, Carol Brull, 785-625-9707.

### WOMEN OF ST JOSEPH SCRIPTURE SHARING GROUP

This group meets after the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Saturday mornings in the large conference room. You may enter after Mass through the east sacristy door or if you are not attending Mass through the east side door to the parish offices. Women are invited to just drop in and join us as we discuss the scriptures for the following Sunday's Mass.

## Sacraments and Parish Information

### **ST. JOSEPH PARISH MEMBERSHIP:**

To become a registered member of St. Joseph Parish, stop by the office to pick up a registration form or go to our website, [www.stj-church.com](http://www.stj-church.com) and click on the **DOWNLOAD** button under the "Parish Registration Forms"

**MARRIAGE**-The first appointment must be made six (6) months before the proposed date of marriage. Couples expecting a traditional Catholic wedding are expected to be living a traditional Catholic lifestyle. Please contact the St. Joseph Parish Office.

**BAPTISM** - Please contact the St. Joseph Parish Office at 785-625-7356 to schedule a baptism. All first time parents need to take a baptism class.

### **FUNERAL**

Please contact the parish office.

**HOSPITAL VISITS** - If you have a loved one in the hospital please be sure to contact the St. Joseph Parish Office.

**HOMEBOUND VISITS** - If you are homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist, or if you are on the weekend schedule and will not need it for some reason, please call the parish office at 785-625-7356.

**STEWARDSHIP RENEWAL FORMS (SRF)** - Stewardship Renewal Forms are sent out at the end of January each year with tithing information. Parishioners are asked to look over these forms for any additions or corrections and send back to the parish office. These forms are used to help keep our records up to date.

### **SACRAMENTAL RECORDS**

If you are needing Sacramental records for St. Joseph Church please contact the parish office.

**PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS** - Please call the parish office at 785-625-7356 or send an email to: [stjoseph@stjochays.com](mailto:stjoseph@stjochays.com).

## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

The readings on this fifth Sunday of Easter present us with themes of dwelling places and home. As Christian stewards, we are well aware that this world is not our permanent home. We are merely pilgrims here, making our way through the stewardship way of life to our true home, heaven.

Yet, as we make our way to heaven, we are called to make our dwelling here — whether we are in a household of one or bursting at the seams — a true “domestic church.” In other words, the stewardship way of life begins long before we set foot on the parish grounds. Stewardship starts at home. It begins with our families, our domestic churches.

The domestic church plays a key role in our sanctification because it is the primary place where we practice intimate and selfless love of other persons.

In our Gospel passage from John, Jesus speaks of heaven as a home filled with dwelling places. “In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?” This is a beautiful image of the glory that awaits us and the personal love our Lord has for us in preparing the perfect “spot” for each one of us who remain faithful to Him.

Let us respond to this great love by becoming good stewards of our earthly dwellings, making of our homes true “domestic churches” where we honor God with our prayer, our thoughtfulness to each other and our generous hospitality to all.

Let us never forget that stewardship starts at home!

— *Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants*

## STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

God our Father, You are the source of life and every blessing. All that we have comes from You. Help us to walk in your ways as faithful disciples of Jesus. As good stewards of your many blessings teach us to receive your gifts gratefully, cultivate them responsibly, share them in justice and love with others, and return them with increase to You, our Father. We ask this through Christ our Lord, who came that we might have life, and have it abundantly. Amen

## PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Heavenly Father, bless our diocese with the grace of many vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Through the intercession of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, grant to those you have called the willingness and generosity of spirit to give themselves in devoting their lives and their talents to the service of our Lord and to his Church. Increase the faith of all within our diocese, and particularly the faith of those you have called and will continue to call to serve your people. Helps each of us be good stewards of the gift of our vocation. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# ST JOSEPH PARISH APP

The App for our parish has had an update. To insure that you are getting notifications from the parish, you will need to reload the app. If you have any questions feel free to call the parish office. This is a good way to receive news about cancellation of any meetings, choir practice or RE classes because of winter weather.


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- 2 Set up your account.
- 3 Choose a payment option and customize your donation.

**VBS Cancelled**  
**May 31<sup>st</sup> – June 4<sup>th</sup>**

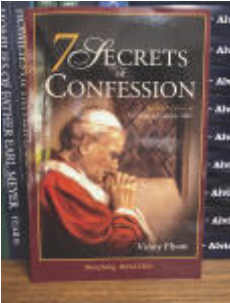
Hoping to hold it later in the summer if possible.

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