

St Joseph Parish

NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2004

A MESSAGE FROM MONSIGNOR WALTER....

We thank Father Brian for his 4 years of dedicated service to each of us here at St. Joseph parish. His celebration of Mass with prayerful style both in word and song, his well-planned homilies, his celebration of weddings, funerals and baptisms, his time spent meeting with individuals and couples, and his ability to reach the minds and hearts of all of us, have helped us draw closer to our God and all His people. And now it's time to say good bye and thanks for all he has done.

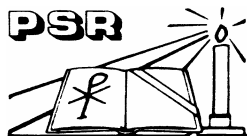
Back in January, Father Brian communicated to us his need to take care of some personal and family business which would take him away from the parish during the week but he would still be here for Sunday and weekday morning Masses. This has become quite a challenge for him to do both.

With much prayer, consultation and thought, he has decided that it would be best for himself and St. Joseph parish as a whole that he ask for a transfer to another parish with far fewer demands which would give him ample time to take care of his personal needs.

Father Brian will be present and speak at all Masses on the weekend of May 29/30. A reception in the cafeteria will be held beginning at 1:30pm. Sunday May 30th in the cafeteria. All are invited. If you would like to express your thanks to Father Brian, you may send your expression of thanks either to Father Brian, c/o St. Joseph Church, or visit with him at the reception on Sunday afternoon at 1:30pm.

Father Brian, we wish you well and will keep you in our prayers

PSR



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BEING A PSR TEACHER?

What does it take to become a PSR teacher?

It takes a willingness to share God's word and a love of children.

Do I need a college degree or religious training?

No! You do not need a college degree or any special religious training. We offer training for individuals interested in teaching PSR. Of course, if you have a college degree or have had Paul VI classes or equivalent, we would welcome your expertise.

How much time does preparation take?

Lesson preparation should take approximately 2 hours per week. You need to prepare a lesson plan, activity planning and familiarizing yourself with the lesson. Our teachers' manual is helpful along with resource materials available to assist you in lesson planning.

Do I have a support staff for problems and questions?

Yes! Every grade has a team leader who will help mentor you in your first year. Also, other teachers at your grade level are a valuable resource and have practical hands-on ideas. As always, the administration staff is available to support you, answer questions, and provide you with additional resources.

How do I find out more information?

Simply call 441-0055 ext. 301. I will be more than happy to answer any questions you may have regarding teaching PSR. We are looking for teachers at most grade levels and various times. We have 4 sessions: Monday or Wednesday evenings 5:00 to 6:15pm or 7:00 to 8:15pm. You can choose to teach 1 or more session(s).

Thank you for your interest and I hope to hear from you soon.

Laura Weinzirl, Coordinator of Religious Education – PSR

ST. JOSEPH PARISH PICNIC

July 9th, 10th, and 11th

WIN a NEW 2004 White Dodge Intrepid



INTREPID PHOTOS

Don't forget to sell or donate the 5 tickets mailed for the CAR RAFFLE. Drop the tickets and money in the collection basket or at the Administration Center. It has been a *Huge* success in past years. Ticket sales will be available after all masses starting June 5th. The car will be available for viewing on selected weekends. **Only \$10.00 per ticket.**

Contact: Sheila McDonough 926-0062
 Kevin Lyons 926-9929
 Provided by: Zeiser Dodge & Stygar Funeral Homes

*It's time to think about the PICNIC
 Mark your Calendars!*

VOLUNTEERS: We need everyone's help to make the Picnic a success. This is a great way, especially for those new to our Parish, to meet your fellow Parishioners while having fun. It's also a great opportunity for your teen to get some service hours. Sign-Up's will be available after all Masses starting in June.

Contact: Nancy Lyons: 926-9929/Michelle Pflieger 447-3460

ARMBANDS will be sold after masses in June & July **\$35.00 all 3 days unlimited riding.**

These are *not* available for purchase on the Picnic Weekend. **You must purchase them in advance.**

Contact: Jan Rocco 928-0743
 Michelle Pflieger 447-3460

HOT OFF THE PRESS! "AUCTION INFORMATION":
 We will have the **SILENT AUCTION** on Sunday **PLUS** Back by popular demand an **ORAL AUCTION** will be held on Saturday night *under the Big Tent*. **Don't Miss this!!!!**
www.stjoecot.org and click on organizations & Picnic.

**3 Days of Carnival Rides
 Games & Booths**

*Silent Auction on Sunday
 Oral Auction on Saturday night*

Car Raffle & Car Show

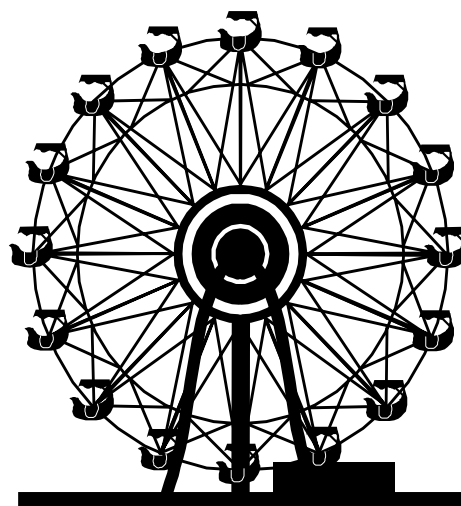
St. Joseph's Bands

Super Smokers BBQ Saturday Night

**D.J. on Friday Night
 Live Music Saturday Night *FANTASY***

Chicken & Beef Dinner Sunday

Quilts & Bingo



PRO-LIFE ESSAYS

We wish to congratulate two young members of our parish on their recent accomplishments in the Archdiocesan Pro-Life writing contest, they are Jonathan Clow, son of Dennis and Ange and Maria McDonough, daughter of Tom and Mimi.

The Contest was focused on the subject of leading a chaste life. Jonathan, an eighth grader at St Joe, was awarded the Mr. and Mrs. George Kletzker Scholarship for his essay. Maria, an eighth grader who is home schooled, was awarded runner-up for her entry. The awards were presented at a ceremony at the Cardinal Rigali Center. Congratulations to each of you on your outstanding achievement!

WASTED LIFE

BY: JON CLOW

Boom. A future mother of five just died. Boom. A big brother for a kid who just needed someone to look up to and talk to just died. Boom. A future doctor who could've found the cure for cancer just died. Boom. The first person to ever land on Mars was just aborted because someone didn't want the responsibility. Boom. The future president that could have ended all war and brought peace to the entire world just died because someone just couldn't wait till they were married. Boom. The one person that could have made a difference in someone's life was just destroyed because he was created out of pleasure and not love. They're all gone and they're never coming back.

Every day, more and more babies are being aborted because some person made a mistake. Whether it was too much to drink, giving in to pressure, or because they wanted to feel mature and important. I bet they don't feel so mature now. They knew what they were doing, they knew the risks, but they didn't care, all for one moment of pleasure. They treated it like a simple card game, but when you have sex outside of marriage, you never win. They played and just threw the cards they didn't want away, but just like in real life, you can't have those cards back. They're gone, and you will never see them again.

Stay chaste and save yourself for your special someone. Every time you have a so-called moment of pleasure, a part of you is taken, and you can never have it back. God made sex for the purpose of making life, not to have it used for pleasure. Save yourself for your spouse, be happy, and create life out of your love for one another. Don't make the mistake so many others have made and then just destroy that life you made without a care. Those aborted babies could have been movie stars or garbage men, pro athletes or couch potatoes, teachers or burger flippers, but we'll just never know. Boom.

By Maria McDonough

For the past three years, I have had the opportunity to travel to Washington D.C. for the Pro-Life march. Riding on the bus, seeing our nation's capital and being with my friends was fun but the trip wouldn't be necessary if everyone practiced chastity. While in Washington D.C. this year, I had the chance to witness a group called "Silent No More". This group consisted of women who had abortions and now see the error of their ways and hope to prevent other women from making the same mistake they did. The best way to eliminate the need for abortions the women say is to promote the virtue of chastity. To understand the virtue of chastity, a person must first understand what a virtue is. A virtue is a good habit, which a person develops after frequent repetition. After practicing a virtue for a long period of time it becomes so that you don't have to think about it, but it feels awkward if you don't do it. Chastity is purity of heart and mind. Chastity is also respecting our bodies because we are made in the image and likeness of God and we are temples of the Holy Spirit. Closely linked to chastity are self-control and self-discipline, both of which are necessary for the practice of chastity. The virtue of chastity is therefore to think and act chastely as a habit.

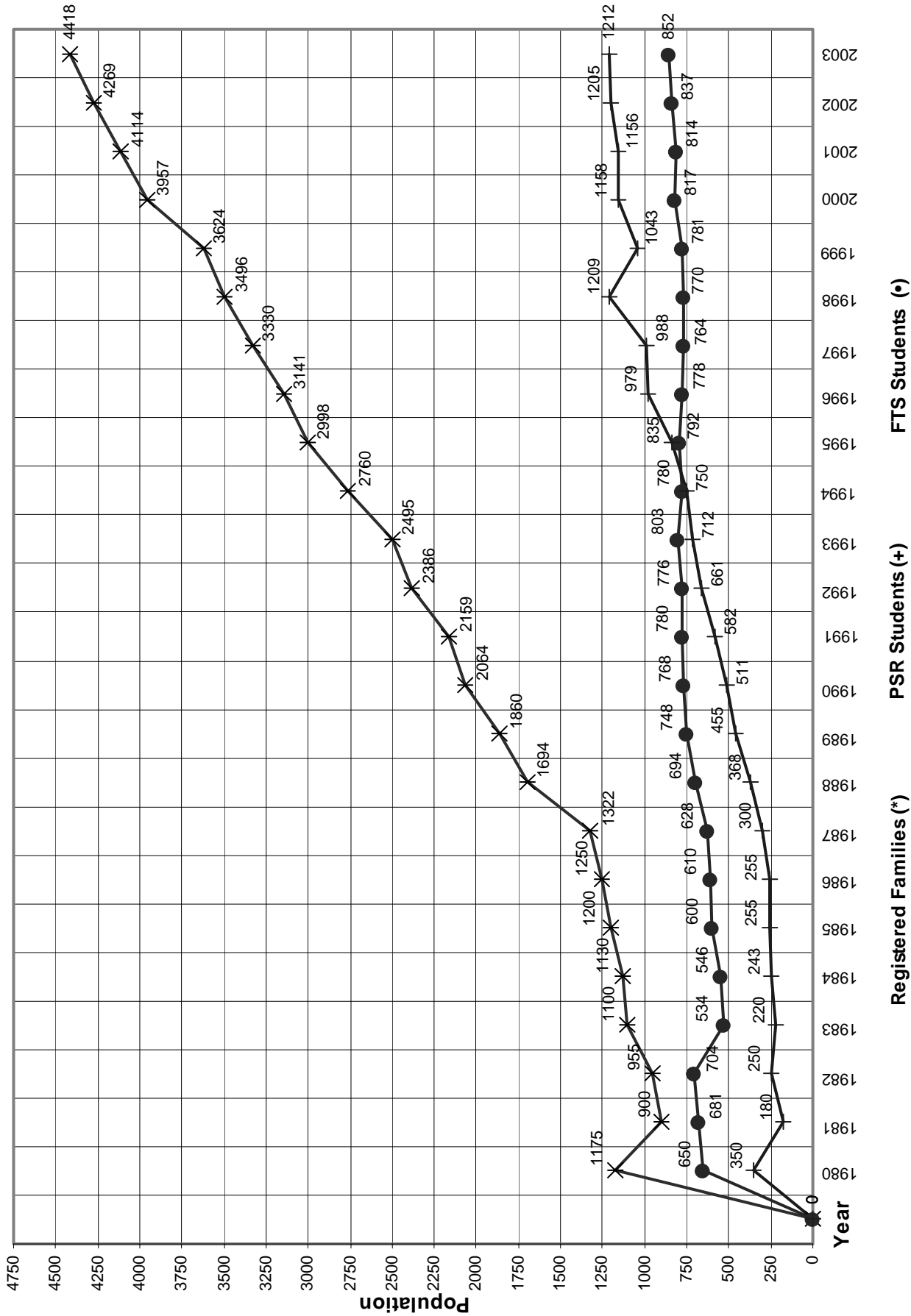
Chastity is self-control and moderation. If you always see the need to feel good, and can't control your impulses and are always giving into them, they begin to take over your life. In practicing chastity you never have to worry about impure actions taking over your life. Knowing you are in control of your life gives you a sense of freedom, so you can live your life to its fullest. You can truly be happy and live a holier life if you don't have to worry about some of the things you would otherwise have to worry about. Also leading chaste lifestyles frees everyone from being plagued by the impending threat of abortion. The world certainly would be a happier, holier place if everyone practiced chastity.

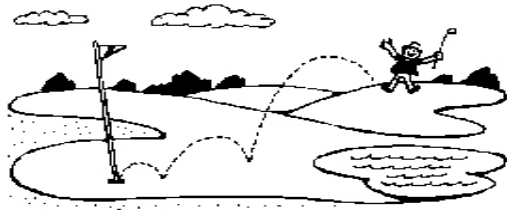


THINGS I'M THANKFUL FOR - PARENTS

In May and June of each year, we celebrate Mother's Day and Father's Day. We take time out of our busy schedules to say "thanks" to our parents for the gift of life they've given us, for the sacrifices they've made for us, and for their unconditional love. Hmmmmm- sounds like another "Father" and "Mother" I know. Let's don't forget to thank God the Father and Mary, the Mother of God, for all the blessings they've bestowed on us, too!

St. Joseph Parish Growth Patterns (1980 - 2003)





Registration Form

(Bring your own foursome or we can pair you up)

Make Check Payable to: St. Joseph Men's Club

Name(s)

Four horizontal lines for entering names.

Mail to: St. Joe Men's Club c/o Marty Hooper
4112 Stafford Place Ct.
St. Charles, MO 63304

St. Joseph Men's Club
2004 Spring Golf Tournament
4 Person Scramble
New Melle Lakes Golf Course

June 19,

1:00 Shotgun

\$55.00/Person Entry Fee Includes: Golf, Cart,
Dinner, Prizes

Long Drive & Closest to the Hole For Men
& Women

Optional Skins Game

Hole Sponsors Welcome

For info, call Marty at (636) 447-3758

COME HOLY SPIRIT, COME

Several members of our parish have recently been Confirmed. They were young men and women of St Joseph school and PSR eighth grades, while many made the journey of faith through the RCIA program. At Confirmation we receive the Holy Spirit, as Jesus promised us. “

“When the Paraclete comes the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father and whom I myself will send from the Father, he will bear witness on my behalf.” John 15: 26

The Gifts of the Holy Spirit complete and perfect the virtues of those who receive them, they are: Wisdom Understanding Counsel Fortitude Knowledge Piety and Fear of the Lord.

The fruits of the Spirit are perfections that the Holy Spirit forms in us as the first fruits of eternal glory. They are: Charity Joy Peace Patience Kindness Goodness Generosity Gentleness Faithfulness Modesty Self-Control and Chastity.

PRAYER OF THE SEVEN GIFTS

Wisdom, come to me. In all my ways guide me that mind and soul may be as one. Come, wise Spirit, come.

Understanding, enlighten me. Let this mind of mine, perceive deeply, comprehend and believe calmly. Come, understanding Spirit, come.

Counsel, whisper to me. Keep humble this creature asking for advice, for guidance in the problems of our lives. Come, counseling Spirit, come.

Knowledge, inform me. May I know the truths revealed, and I know myself through truths of Faith. Come, know-ing Spirit, come.

Fortitude, uphold me. Sustain this life, this breath, this soul, this flesh, and stand with me against the foe. Come, strong Spirit, come.

Piety, raise me. My heart inflame with loving adoration, with praise and gratitude, with hope and joy. Come, devoted Spirit, come.

Fear of the Lord, penetrate me. With loving awe, let me come to You, in reverence for Your holiness, in wonder at Your Grace, on this alone may I depend. Come, awesome Spirit, come. (Rev. Peter Elliott)

MINISTRY COORDINATORS

<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Mass Servers</u>	<u>Scheduling</u>
Pete Mohs 477-8344 petemohs@cjthomas.com	Charlotte Vander Bol 936-8150	Fr. Larry 441-0055 ext.109 parish@stjoecot.org	Dick & Ellen Maes rmaes@mail.win.org

**Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, & Mass Servers Schedule
St. Joseph Parish - Cottleville
June 5, 2004 through July 4, 2004**

<i>06/06/04</i>	TRINITY SUNDAY				
	5:00 PM SAT	7:00 AM SUN	8:45 AM SUN	10:30 AM SUN	12:15 PM SUN
Eucharistic Minister	Jim Rocco Jan Rocco Maggie Raines Dianne Kohlfeld Peter Robben Janice Floyd Sheila McDonough Kevin Loos Susan Loos Allen Orf Mary Pat Weiss Jo Schultz Bryan Roberts Mike Huss Pam Huss Kathy Dillow	Dee Margrabe Tony Ambrose Judy Ambrose Harold Johnson Mike Kreft Don Schmid Margie Krug Pat Robison Mary Jo Verhulst Charles Wikoff Mary Wikoff John Moeller Marjorie Moeller Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed	Ann Rowan-Smith Douglas Patton Harold Barks Mary Beth Bronsman Steve Hercules Audrey Hercules Jeannette Koch Debbie Winkle Melissa Grabenhorst Michael Grabenhorst Pat Farley Kim Brickler Kathleen Albright Ellen Bankaitis Kathy Ryan Donna Koenig	Jan Young Mary Wagner Gerry O'Donnell Robert Kloche Betty Brocksmith John Brase Bob Sponamore Rita Sponamore David Bolte Gregg Sallwasser John Queenan Beebe Queenan Suzanne Osredker Susan Kamp Ron Hobbs Jeanne Johnson	Cindy Johnson John Litzinger Charlotte Litzinger Pat Haeffner Gayle Vehige John Hoelscher Ray Ficker Bonnie Owens James O'Loughlin Dolly Rhodes Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed
Minister of the Word	Kevin Kolasch Bill Burns	Len Jansen Cheri Schneier	Denise Stack Margo Miller	Terry Roberts David Kress	Carol Williams Wayne Rottger
Mass Server	Matt Cooke Jon Cooke Conlan McDonough Kara Dyson	Michael Fowler Andrew Weiss Sean Barber Stephen Riesenberg	Nick Shatro Tyler Masters Abby Menke Ashley Shatro	Rachel Gossard David Rivet Molly Miller Addison Rowlett	Luke Manley Maggie Flynn Richard Helldoerfer Kevin Wunderlich
<i>6/13/04</i>	CORPUS CHRISTI				
	5:00 PM SAT	7:00 AM SUN	8:45 AM SUN	10:30 AM SUN	12:15 PM SUN
Eucharistic Minister	Ange Clow Geoff Waldron Bern Striebel Anne Striebel Walter Leamy Michelle Leamy Gary Bledsoe Lee Feldmann Lisa Ptasienski Kevin Ptasienski Maria Shaughnessy Bill Shaughnessy Mark Lukasavige Michele Lukasavige Terry Vacek Linda Vacek	Sr Mary Pezold Don Buchheit Barb Buchheit Lorriene Wotawa Charlotte Vander Bol Bob Dreisewerd Laura Maze Frank Balfay Len Jansen Mary Fran Rash Charles Wikoff Mary Wikoff Mary Jo Verhulst Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed	Joyce Dohack Joan Bourneuf Shelly Warner Joanne Hoormann Marty Berning Helen Berning Theresa Guthrie Jack Guthrie Sue Vogel Stephen Vogel Barbara Binning Karl Ruhmann Chris Donahoe Barbara Weber Rich Quinlisk Jim Woody	Wendy Alexander Mary Ellen Cyr Jessica Mills Roy Fuchs Theresa Kuenzle Janet Byrne Robert Byrne Bob Driscoll Judy Driscoll Patrick Heraty Christina Muich Lisa Larkin Sandra Youngbauer Dan Barry Robert Behlman Ed Tenholder	Raymond Edler Amy Edler Mary Tackett Cathy Murphy Pat Schultheis Bob Gilmore Luann Sniezak Dona Gialanella Doreen Heintz Bonnie Owens Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed
Minister of the Word	Toni Delano Anthony Pijut	Pat Robison Don Schmid	Randy Swartz Julie Talken	Linda Meyerkord Carolyn Sullivan	Marion Bracey Joy Voss
Mass Server	Jared Stumpe Connor Stumpe Dan Terbrock Jessie Mitchell	Becky Cooper William Byrne Jenna Jones Curt Strubinger	Charlie Gardner Brandon Page Eric Corrao Christopher Corrao	Ross McClellon Rachel Aubuchon Zachary Gear Nick Osredker	Dan Sniezak Chelsea Ullmann Jon Buhman Mary Kathleen Day

6/20/04 12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

	5:00 PM SAT	7:00 AM SUN	8:45 AM SUN	10:30 AM SUN	12:15 PM SUN
Eucharistic Minister	Mary Jane McCarthy Bill Clark Beulah Clark Jo Ellen Zack Barbara Jones James Ferris Mary Ferris Tom May Susan May John Baker Karen Baker Bill Hercules Sue Hercules Ted Hall Kelly Crank Larry Guessfeld	Tony Ambrose Judy Ambrose John Moeller Marjorie Moeller Mike Kreft Harold Johnson Pat Robison Don Schmid Dee Margrabe Margarie Krug Don Buchheit Barb Buchheit Lorriene Wotawa Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed	Suzy Faron Dianne Herbst Patty Beilsmith Laura Dallas Mary O'Daniels Dennis Hornberger Linda Hornberger Linda Gerhardt Ken Gerhardt Tim Cody Peggy Cody June Bourneuf Kathy Schmittgens Don Bailey Judy Bailey Mary Hutchison	Harvey Cavagnaro Frank Giarraffa Cindy Sallwasser Jerry Kluge Joyce Kluge Carrie Sallwasser John Havey Rosemary Havey Mary Kastigar Charlie Smith Betty Smith Julie Randolph Gene Weseman Margie Grayson Joe Salmo Brenda Smith	Gayle Vehige John Litzinger Charlotte Litzinger John Hoelscher Cindy Johnson Dolly Rhodes Ray Ficker James O'Loughlin Pat Haeffner Bonnie Owens Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed
Minister of the Word	Mike Huss Mike Floyd	Sr Mary Pezold Melissa Heintz	Nancy Rynders Chris Brickler	Teresa Kilmer Maria Kilmer	Kay Wortman Carl Jansson
Mass Server	Joe Lifritz Christy Lifritz Chris Clow Jonathan Clow	Michelle Raines Alex McCarthy Evan Bova James Kekeris	Justin Abbott Rachel Merli Aaron Dallas Steven Koch	Joe Recca Paige Tunze Paul Hampel Kate Hampel	Matthew Hume Nicole Hume Alex Heideman Emma Heideman

6/27/04 13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Eucharistic Minister	Mary Ramatowski Janet Muehling Peter Mohs Candy Mohs Beverly Krause Donna Rosa Susek Shirley Peschke Dianne Kohlfeld Maggie Raines Bryan Roberts Kevin Loos Susan Loos Kathy Dillow Janice Floyd Jo Schultz Sheila McDonough	Charlotte Vander Bol Mary Jo Verhulst Bob Dreisewerd Laura Maze Sr Mary Pezold Frank Balfay Len Jansen Charles Wikoff Mary Wikoff Mary Fran Rash Mike Kreft Harold Johnson Pat Robison Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed	Denise Stack Matt Stack, Jr Renee Gorman John Schulz Happi Schulz Richard Hoffmann Genevieve Hoffmann Kathleen Vogt Tom Vogt Don Lauenstein Audery Lauenstein Donald Black Marie Black Bill Saguto Sandy Lapinski Randy Daming	Jim Sallwasser Sandy Garrett Ida Solano Mary Kubik Mark Badger Greg Mudd Betty Brocksmith John Brase David Bolte Susan Kamp John Queenan Beebe Queenan Jeanne Johnson Robert Kloche Ron Hobbs Gregg Sallwasser	Brenda Isert Raymond Edler Amy Edler Mary Tackett Cathy Murphy Pat Schultheis Bob Gilmore Luann Sniezak Dona Gialanella Doreen Heintz Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed
Minister of the Word	Don Graveman Rick Delaney	Lorriene Wotawa Chuck Bourneuf	Linda Gerhardt Barbara Weber	Pam Pearson Denis Wilhelm	Pat Haeffner John Hoelscher
Mass Server	Jacob Brakeman Nick Brakeman Michael Gore Jimmy Hofman	Jeff Holmes Jordon Dollar Jeff Pike Toby Barry	Joe Lasher Christopher Campbell Sarah Rynders Lizzie Stackpole	Emily Giarraffa Samuel Mrazik Brendon Quinlan Hannah Muse	Bryan Powers Kevin Stoverink Ryan Graham Jessie Kiely

VIP CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 18, - 7:30pm White Elephant Bingo
July 16, - 6:30pm Picnic Dinner (Potluck)

7/4/04	4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME				
	5:00 PM SAT	7:00 AM SUN	8:45 AM SUN	10:30 AM SUN	12:15 PM SUN
Eucharistic Minister	Mike Huss Pam Huss Allen Orf Mary Pat Weiss Peter Robben Ange Clow Lee Feldmann Lisa Ptasienski Kevin Ptasienski Maria Shaughnessy Bill Shaughnessy Geoff Waldron Mark Lukasavige Michele Lukasavige Terry Vacek Linda Vacek	Tony Ambrose Judy Ambrose John Moeller Marjorie Moeller Don Schmid Margie Krug Don Buchheit Barb Buchheit Lorriene Wotawa Charlotte Vander Bol Mary Jo Verhulst Bob Dreisewerd Laura Maze Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed	Jan Winzen Chris Niehaus Rosemary Barron Debbie Kopinski Kathy Strautz Harry Tebbe Lynn Tebbe Bryan Winkle Cathie Diekemper Elaine Kistner Linda Kalicak Jane Jackson Steve Jackson Don Wilhelm JoAnn Wilga Harold Barks	Bob Sponamore Rita Sponamore Mary Wagner Jan Young Suzanne Osredker Gerry O'Donnell Janet Byrne Robert Byrne Wendy Alexander Bob Driscoll Judy Driscoll Mary Ellen Cyr Patrick Heraty Christina Muich Jessica Mills Lisa Larkin	Gayle Vehige John Hoelscher Cindy Johnson Dolly Rhodes John Litzinger Charlotte Litzinger Ray Ficker James O'Loughlin Pat Haeffner Bonnie Owens Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed
Minister of the Word	Beverly Krause Elaine Rennier	Mary Fran Rash Eilleen Stoll	Jennifer Becker Tom Devereux	Kirk Buehler Angela Merrell	Jan Dineen Brenda Langdon
Mass Server	Matt Stutz Tyler Fox Kelly Thornton William Weismiller	Tommy Pike Andrew Hoormann Stephen Riesenberg Sean Barber	Diana Kilmer Kate Schmittgens Christian Hull Nathan Hizer	Elizabeth Turney Andrew Seal Danny Miller Greg Cosgrove	Patrick Yates Kaitlin Graham Brandon Graham Luke Manley

TOGETHER REWARDS UPDATE

Summer is quickly approaching! The kids will be home and the fun begins. Take advantage of the certificate program and stock up on the fast food certificates so they are always at the ready.

Remember Home Depot, Lowes, and Sears when you are working out in the yard or upgrading your home.

And of course, don't forget the graduation parties, barbeques and picnics. Grocery certificates are always on hand. All certificates are available after every weekend mass (except Father's Day) or in the Parish Center during regular business hours.



Blood Pressure Checks

June 6, July 4,

Aug. 1, Sept. 5

St. Joseph Room

After the 7am, 8:45am, and 10:30am Masses

SAVE MONEY AND HELP YOUTH MINISTRY

St. Joseph Youth Ministry is taking orders for the Entertainment 2005 books. The books are \$22. With your order and payment you will receive your 2005 book when they arrive in August and as a bonus you will receive free today the current 2004 book. You will receive double the benefits and savings which will more than pay for your book. There is a limited supply of the 2004 books so don't delay. Call Shelley Lang at 441-0055 x151 to place your order today.

GIRL SCOUT BRIDGING CEREMONY

AND ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Mark your calendar! On Sunday, June 6 at 1:30 pm in the cafeteria we will have an "all-troops" Bridging Ceremony and Ice Cream Social. All bridging and non-bridging troops and their families are invited to attend. For more information, contact Dana Muse at 498-5249.

GO TO BAT FOR KIDS

Go to Bat for Kids and give them a chance to attend *Catholic Charities Night at Busch Stadium* on **Friday, June 18, 2004**, to watch the Cardinals take on the Cincinnati Reds.

As a 'sponsor', you can hit a home run for kids with a donation of \$21 per ticket that includes a reserved seat, hot dog and soda. "Sponsored tickets" will be available to Catholic Charities agencies and other organizations serving children in the St. Louis area – children who might not otherwise be able to attend a game. **Go to Bat for Kids** by making your grand slam donation today. Call 314-371-4357, or send a check payable to Catholic Charities to: Go to Bat for Kids, PO Box 952393, St. Louis, MO 63195-2393.

DON'T TAKE A VACATION FROM GOD

With the end of the school year many of us will be going on vacation. Don't use this time to take a vacation from God. For Mass times and locations nationwide call: 1-800-Mass Times (1-800-627-7846) or www.masstimes.org

**May God bless us with every heavenly blessing
And give us a safe journey; wherever life leads us,
may we find Him there to protect us.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED IN YOUTH MINISTRY

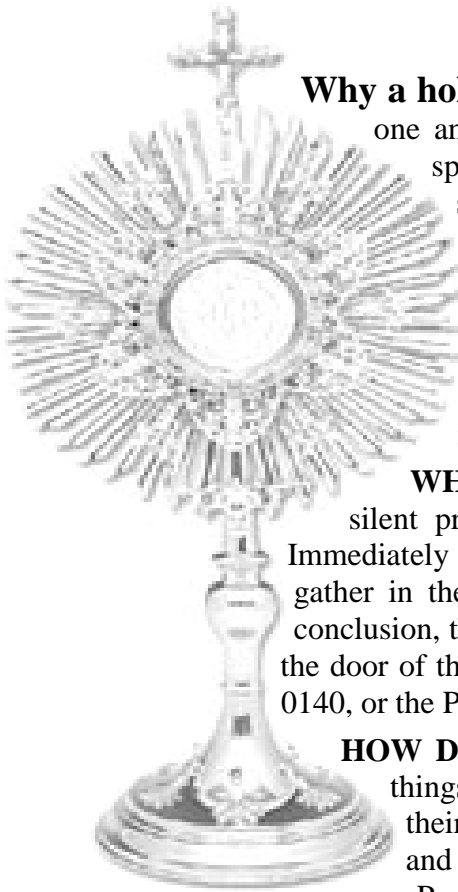
Youth ministry is looking for a few good volunteers to help with our service project at the Village of the Blue Rose. If you are 21 or older, we need people to help drive, chaperone or share their skills. We would really appreciate anyone who could donate his or her time mornings, afternoons, evenings or even overnight. New Archdiocesan policy mandates we must have multiple volunteers/chaperones on all major youth ministry events. Please, please volunteer your time so youth ministry may continue and comply with this new mandate. We will be at the Village the evening of June 20th through the evening of June 24th. The rewards for this job are priceless. You will receive good food, lots of laughs, feeling like a kid and the satisfaction of knowing you made a difference. Please share the talents that God has given you to teach or influence the life of another. To volunteer, contact Shelley Lang at 441-0055 x151. Don't be left out call today.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A WEDDING, BIRTHDAY, OR GRADUATION PRESENT?

Come Browse!!

St. Joseph's Library has some nice bibles, beautiful holy water fonts, statues, books, rosaries, medals, books, etc.. We are located in the Multi-Purpose Building and open after the Sunday morning Masses.

WHY A HOLY HOUR?



Why a holy hour before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament? There is only one answer: Jesus Christ, the God-Man, is present. He is present in that special Eucharistic manner of transubstantiation in which the very substance of the bread and wine are changed into the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. St. Thomas of Aquinas taught the Eucharist is the greatest of the miracles ever worked by Christ; perpetuating His Passion and Sacrifice with us and allowing Him to be especially present to each individual.

Christ is there for each of us, to show His great love for us. Vatican II insists the Christian life is incomplete if it is not Eucharistic.

WHEN CAN I COME? You are welcome anytime in our Chapel for silent prayer. During Mass, we encourage you to pray as a community. Immediately following the daily Masses (including Saturday morning), parishioners gather in the Chapel to pray the Rosary. Within 30 minutes of the daily Mass conclusion, the Chapel should again be open for silent prayer. We do have a lock on the door of the Chapel for evening and night safety. Please call either Steve at 441-0140, or the Parish Office for the combination.

HOW DO I MAKE A HOLY HOUR? You are welcome to do a variety of things for your Holy Hour. Some people will pray a Rosary (silently), or read their Bible or other type of religious reading materials. Some will just sit and talk with Jesus. There are books available for purchase or lending in our Parish Library (open on Sundays) to get you started.

WHO SHOULD COME? Just like the song we sang during the building of our Church, "All are Welcome in This Place". Please bring your children with you for a brief visit. Come by yourself or pair up with a couple of your friends or neighbors and pick a time slot to pray together. Maybe you are going through a rough spot in your life, or have suffered a recent loss; Jesus is always here for you!! Are you a teenager grappling with your faith, and how it integrates into your life? Spend some time alone with Jesus, you and He will work it out.

Many people just "drop in" for their Holy Hour. However, if you find you can commit to a specific hour, so we can ensure Jesus is never left alone, call Steve at 441-0140.

SILENCE

What is true silence? It means more than just the absence of sound. You are silent, Lord. Ever present, but without fanfare, without noise, nothing added to enhance Your presence, Your beauty, Your majesty.

Lord Jesus, how do I find true silence, especially in Your presence? Help me to become an empty vessel, a truly empty shell, void of all distractions, all thoughts, and in total quietness. Then I think I could really hear and feel You speaking to me. Then I could be silent and You could talk.

But I can't seem to reach that point all by myself, Lord. I need Your help. Send the Holy Spirit, as You promised, to create that empty vessel and to then fill me with those gifts. I need to hear Your words, seek Your will, accept Your love and forgiveness. Show me how to find true silence.

Is it in the heart and mind, Lord? Is it a true mental and spiritual stillness, not based on any physical attributes? Lord that I might concentrate only on you; then my heart and mind might find that stillness.



HEARING IS A PRECIOUS GIFT

The ability to hear the birds sing or the words of a three year old's imaginative story is something often taken for granted. We rarely consider that 95% of the information we receive about the world comes to us through two senses - sight and sound. What if we were to lose our sense of hearing? We would not be alone. Hearing loss is the third most prevalent chronic condition in the older population. About 28 million Americans, 10% of the US population, have hearing loss.

Approximately 3 in one thousand births result in significant hearing loss. It is estimated that 1 in 3 Americans over the age of 65 will experience some type of hearing impairment. St. Joseph parish has over 4,500 families. If we assume that 10% of those families have a member with hearing loss, 400 families will be affected. Helen Keller once stated that "when you lose your eyesight you lose contact with things. When you lose your hearing you lose contact with people."

How can we as parishioners maintain contact with those members experiencing hearing loss? First, if we suspect there may be hearing difficulties, seek the advice of a physician. Treatment depends on the cause, type, and degree of hearing loss. Secondly, become knowledgeable about hearing loss and the resources available. The Catholic Deaf Ministry (CDM) offers a variety of services for the hearing impaired, including, but not limited to the CDM is located at 8300 Morganford Road, St. Louis, MO 63123-6815. Thirdly we should recognize that not all parishioners hear the same. A limited number of assisted listening devices are available during liturgical celebrations. A minister of hospitality will help locate these. In addition, the 10:30am Mass on Sundays is interpreted.

We have all experienced the effect our attitude has on a given situation. The fourth way St. Joseph parish is able to support those members living with hearing loss is through a positive, welcoming, prayerful attitude. All parishioners have gifts of time, talent, and treasure to share. How are we able to best utilize these gifts? Is there something specific keeping a person with hearing loss from participating in an activity? Would an interpreter help? Do people need to slow down or speak up? Have we invited a person with a hearing impairment to attend a meeting or function with us? What are we doing well?

There are some easy communication strategies to use when communicating with a hearing impaired person. Make sure you have the attention of that person before you begin speaking. Speak slowly and clearly but do not over-articulate or exaggerate. Do not yell, cover your mouth, turn your back, or talk from another room. Avoid rooms with lots of noisy distraction. Be patient and treat the person with respect.

As a parish family we are one body. Some members of the body hear quite well while other members are unable to hear. No matter what are our abilities or disabilities, God has given us each other in order to provide a little bit of "heaven on earth".

Flowers MS, Laura A. *Hearing Loss: ALDs, Communication Strategies, and Hearing Conversation.*

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL TRUCK PICKUPS

The Society of St. Vincent dePaul will now make truck pickups of "gently used" furniture and household items in parts of St. Charles.

Areas eligible for the pickup service at this time are in the parish boundaries of **St. Joseph in Cottleville**, St. Charles Borromeo (inside 370), St. Peter, St. Cletus, and St. Robert Bellarmine. To schedule a pickup at your home call Joy at 946-6677.



PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL



"Lord hold our troops in Your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen."

A1C Rebecca **Ambrose**, USAF, Germany
 Lt Col Thomas **Bailey**, USAF, OH
 Amn Audrey **Barks**, USAF, TX
 PFC David **Bauer**, USA, Germany
 SSgt Roger **Bell Jr.**, USAF, MO
 SGT Anthony **Bryan**, USA, MO
 PVT Michael **Brodeur**, USMC, AZ
 PV1 Matthew **Brown**, USA, Middle East
 PV2 William J. **Byler**, USA, Middle East
 SSgt Rob **Clancy**, USAF, TX
 LT Tom **Cowell**, USCG, FL
 Capt Chris **Curry**, USA, GA
 SPC John **Deschambault**, USA, TX
 PFC Kyle **Detrick**, USA, Korea
 A1C Megan **Driscoll**, USAF, MO
 SSgt Micheal **Durbin Jr.**, USAF, MO
 Lt. Ben **Ernst**, M.D. USN, MD
 PFC Andrew **Eggebrecht**, USMC, CA
 LCpl Dave **Fulkerson**, USMC, Middle East
 MAJ Dwight **Grose**, USA, MO
 Lt. Joanne **Groth**, USN, MD
 MSgt Robert **Gunlach**, USAF,
 PV1 Sean **Hagan**, USA, GA
 A1C Nathan **Hanks**, USAF, Middle East
 TSgt James **Hansell**, USAF, Japan
 CPT Jered **Helwig**, USA, Germany
 Cpl Marc **Johnson**, USA, NC
 Bradley **Kalk**, USA, Middle East
 Christopher **Kalk**, USA, Middle East
 Daniel **Kalk**, USA, Middle East
 LTC Philip **Kaiser**, USA, SC
 SSG Joseph **Kloeppe**, USA, Afganistan
 Lt Col John **Krause**, USAF, Middle East
 SKC Deborah **Krieger**, USNR - Active
 SK2 John **Krieger**, USNR
 SR Eric **Labath**, USN, Hawaii
 PFC Andrew **Lawson**, USA, Middle East

LCpl Chris **Lehmuth**, USMC, Kuwait
 Lt Col Mark **Lewandowski**, USAF, Middle East
 Lt Col Linda **Meyer**, USAF, Middle East
 Cpl William **Miller**, USMC, Middle East
 PFC Anthony **Mocca**, USA, MO
 SR Michael **Morris**, USN, VA
 SFC Morgan **Morrow**, USA
 SFC Clay **Morrow**, USA
 FC1 William **Mossinghoff**, USN, CA
 SGT Ryan **Newlon**, USA, WA
 LT Matthew **Nischwitz**, USA, Middle East
 A1C Joy **Olwig**, USAF, TX
 A1C Michael **Olwig**, USAF, TX
 SR Damian T **Owens**, USN, CA
 A1C Michael **Pepper**, USAF, Germany
 Lt Theresa **Price**, USAF, England
 SGT Benjamin **Roos**, USA, KY
 PVT Edward **Russo**, USA, KY
 SGT John P **Ruyle**, USA, Middle East
 PO2 Benjamin **Sanders**, USCG, IL
 Lt. Joe **Scott**, USN, MD
 ABH Austin **Sharp**, USN, WA
 SGT Matthew **Sims**, USA, Germany
 Sgt Sean **Sitek**, USMC, Japan
 Lt. Lynne **Strauser**, USN, CA
 PFC Jeremy **Striebel**, USA, Middle East
 PFC Jonathon **Striebel**, USA, FL
 Cpl Jason **Taylor**, USMC,
 SFC Danny **Tenholder**, USA, KY
 Sgt Jeffrey Scott **Verrett**, USMC, Afghanistan
 Jenny **Viers**, USAF, Japan
 AOAN Jessica **Weber**, USN, Diego Garcia
 LCpl Dave **Wilkerson**, USMC, Middle East
 Steven **Winingham II**, USN, VA
 Sgt Tyson **Wilhelm**, USAF, FL
 LTC Joey **Wyte**, USA, VA
 LCpl J. C. **Yingling**, USMC, CA

Welcome To Our Parish

Boulch, Jr , Danny & Erina, Mariah, Bradin, Daniel 27 Jacobs Ct West (63376)	240-9260	Harter , Robert & Joy 4873 Greenburg (The Highlands)	Unlisted
Bridger , Ted & Mary 81 Cambridge Crossing Ct (Cambridge Crossing)	441-2891	Lakey , Dean & Trish, Jordyn, Kennedy 405 Jacobs Place Dr (Avondale Heights)	Unlisted
Castelli , Vito & Christine, Angela, Andrew 74 Harrisburg Ct (Avondale Heights)	474-6444	Lunders , Ed & Michelle, Ashley, Jackson 9 Avondale Spring Ct (Pinebrook)	240-0126
Chadaranek , Andy, Michael, Maddy, Ronnie 121 Park Charles South Apt D (Park Charles South)	None	Mamone , Donna 13 Oakleaf Bluff Ct (Oak Grove)	922-7811
Dearing , Jeff & Cindy, Alexis, Caitlin, Jack 1815 Prairie Point (Pheasant Point)	379-0885	Songco , Francis & Cristina, Caitlyn 1230 Cold Spring Dr (Spring Orchard)	379-6886
Ginnever , Chris, Joe 7 Atwater Dr (63376)	314-640-1391	Tinsley , Joe & Leslie, Ryan 5860 Canterfield Ct (Westchester)	926-9712
		Tomaszewski , Mary, Mark, Samantha, Stephen 171 Mobil Manor, (63304)	300-1989

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*For everything there is a season,
and a time for every matter under heaven:
a time to be born, and a time to die;
...a time to mourn, and a time to dance,
...a time for war, and a time for peace.*

(Eccl 3:1,2,4,5,8)

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BAPTISM

Asleigh Marie **Blevins**, daughter of Russell & Christina
 Katie Anne **Beaudry**, daughter of Kevin & Anne
 Samuel Gary **Beumer**, son of Kevin & Bethany
 Maya Angelina **Culian**, daughter of John & Leigh
 Katilyn Rhea **Dinwiddie**, daughter of Kevin & Tina
 Jacob Christopher **Gulath**, son of Mark & Mary
 Kylee Nicole **Hormuth**, daughter of Kyle & Rebecca
 Daniel Jacob **Hummel**, son of John & Kristina
 Haley Rose **Kelly**, daughter of Christopher & Julia

Audrey Grace **Lemmons**, daughter of Eric & Sharyn
 Dennis Emhardt **Logue III**, son of Dennis & Rebecca
 Broden Michael **Masters**, son of Kurt & Lisa
 Anna Belle Grace **Murdock**, daughter of Kristopher & Amy
 Abby Marie **Pencill**, daughter of Landon & Jaime
 Jonathon Michael **Sisk**, son of Michael & Jennifer
 Madison Nicole **Strickland**, daughter of Matthew & Angela
 Ryan Andrew **Voelker**, son of Matthew & Jennifer

CRHP Picnic

Saturday, June 12

12 noon until dusk

Weldon Springs Park

On Independence Road

\$5.00 per Person / 10.00 per Family

Bring a dish,

your drinks

and your lawn chairs.

Meat, buns, and paper products will be provided.

Directions:

Wolfrum Rd. to right on Independence Rd.

Approx ½ mile to park on right.

(behind the Weldon Springs City Hall.)

There is fishing,

A ball field,

Playground,

walking trail,

etc., etc., etc.

Please wear your CRHP nametags

Please RSVP to your

Team Lay Director by June 5!