

Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve:

Mary Queen of Peace 4:00pm
St. Clement 7:00pm
St. Joseph 10:00pm

Christmas Day

Regular Sunday Mass Times

New Years Eve

St Clement Only- 5:30pm

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PSR Christmas Break

Last Class December 18th
Classes will resume
January 15, 2023

Prayer List

Marge Himmelsbach
Dick Grote Brenda Gollaher
Chris Hummel Mary Oberman
Norma Jean Mullen
Marilyn (Luebrecht) Taleferro
Mignon Chismarich
Marsha Collins Katie Korte
Virgil Tepen Martin Anders
Denise Foster Joe Lewis (Son)
Christine (Lewis) Dominick

SCS Christmas Play

“ The Mystery of the Manger”
December 20th
1:30pm & 7:00pm
Parish Center

Our Condolences to

Bishop Shawn McKnight

Please remember Mary Elizabeth (O’Reilly) Schaffer, Bishop W. Shawn McKnight’s late mother, in your prayers. She died unexpectedly yet peacefully in the home on December 8, on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, at the age of 73.

Funeral services will take place at 10 a.m. on December 16th St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Wichita, KS, and will be live streamed on the parish’s YouTube page.

Locally, a Memorial Mass for Mrs. Schaffer will be held at St. Andrew Church in Holt Summit Friday, January 20, 2023 at 10:30 am.

New Year’s Eve Party

K of C Hall
December 31st at 6:00pm
Brink your favorite drink & an appetizer!

TEC Weekend

January 15-17, 2023
Directed by Paul Korte.
Franciscan Retreat Center in Quincy beginning Saturday at 9:30 am and ends Monday at 6:00 pm. Candidates ages 16-21 cost \$50.00 and adult observers cost \$100.00. Register online at www.greatrivertec.org Financial assistance is available.

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JESUS IS MY SAVIOR

“ The Virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel” (Isaiah 7:14).

The above quoted prophecy is filled in today’s gospel reading wherefore the angel spoke to Joseph about Mary who has conceived a son by the power of the Holy Spirit. In the narrative, Mary’s son shall be called Jesus because he was destined to save his people. He is God and the only begotten Son of God. His presence in the world is an indication that God, in the person of Jesus, is living among men and women. Hence, he is nicknamed “Emmanuel “ which means “ God is with us”.

In a week’s time, we shall joyfully celebrate the birthday of Jesus, the Savior of the world. Now we long for that day as we sing: “ O come, O come, Emmanuel; and ransom captive Israel “. We are the Israel in the age of the Lord. We need his saving grace for the remission of our sins; we need his words of comfort; we need his spoken words for a life worthy of salvation; we need peace, joy and true love that only he can give; and we need his light to guide us on our faith journey. We are called by our baptism to belong to Jesus, here and now, till he comes again in glory. He is our Savior, day by day, when with an eye of faith, we look up to him and make every effort to do his will. To do his will, we can’t be anything else, but righteous like Joseph (Matthew 1:18-24) husband of Mary, who is the Innocent Virgin Mother of Jesus, if we intend to be with Jesus Christ at his second coming. Peace!

Fr. Ussher