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# St. Joseph Church

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Leitchfield, Ky. 42754**

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270-589-1789

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## **Pastoral Council**

Jim Cecil  
Jerry Clemons  
Kirk Collard  
Billy Dallas, V. Chair  
Edna Duggins

Joanne Johnson, Secretary  
Ann Marshall  
Tim Nelson, Chair  
Carolyn Thomason

<b><u>Stewardship of Finance</u></b>	<b>Jan 29</b>	\$3914.00
Children (6)		13.00
Outreach		132.50
Cemetery		32.50

## **Masses: February 7-February 12**

Monday	7:30 am	Communion Service
Tuesday	12:05 pm	Mary Davis
Wednesday	5:00 pm	Mark Cannon
Thursday	12:05 pm	Louie Alvey
Friday	7:30 am	Vocations to Priesthood
Saturday	4:00 pm	Margie Meredith
Sunday	7:00 am	St. Joseph & St. John
Sunday	11:00 am	Ebbon & Mary Ellen Hayes

## **Confession**

Wednesday	4:30PM
Saturday	3:00 PM

## **February 11 4pm**

L	Ellen Thomas
S	Gabriel Nunnally
C	Barbara Allen
C	Randy Bitsky
H	Mary Decker
U	Ernie J./Tony R.
Gr	Kelly & Marcia Gable
Gi	Sharon & Amanda Roberts

## **February 12 7am**

L	Brittany Mattingly
S	John & Jacob Smith
C	Rita Grant
C	Joanne Johnson
H	Sue King
U	David/Jerry
Gr	Kirk & Keycia Collard
Gi	Philip Kemp Family

## **February 12 11am**

L	Curtis Grant
S	Eliana & Morelia Falcon
C	Pauline Baker
C	Linda Borland
H	Linda Clark
U	Sharon M./Eddie C.
Gr	Wade & Robin Lashley
Gi	Delores A./Debbie S.

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## St. John Church

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430 St. John Church Rd.  
Sunfish, KY 42210

**Website:** stjohncn.org

**Saint John Thrift Store:** 270-597-1038

### Pastoral Council

Cathy Young, Chair	Dick Dyche
Nancy Farmer, Secretary	Joe Durbin
Barbara Fitzhugh	Shelia Durbin

### This Week at St. John

Sun	9:00 am	Blessing of Throats
Tue	3:00 pm	Mass
Sun	9:00 am	Anointing of the Sick

### UPCOMING

#### February

26	1:00 pm	Mardi Gras/Parish Social
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**This Week Read:** Mark chapters 3-7 or a chapter-a-day of the New Testament.

**Mass Attendance:** Every year the diocese asks each parish to count the number of people who attend Mass on the four Sundays of September. Below is the average attendance at St. John's Parish for the last four years.

2013	48
2014	57
2015	65
2016	57

The January issue of the diocesan newspaper, the Western Kentucky Catholic, lists the Catholic population for St. John Parish as 132 parishioners. That number is not accurate because it includes non-Catholic spouses and all inactive Catholics that are on our parish mailing list which is why it shows only 43% of the parish attending Mass.

**2016 Mass Count:** Per the latest Mass count there are eight parishes in the diocese that have fewer members attending Mass than St. John.

### Parishes                      Average Mass Attendance

1. Holy Cross, Providence	11
2. Sacred Heart, Hickman	32
3. St. John the Baptist, Fordsville	43
4. St. Jude, Clinton	47
5. St. Augustine, Reed	49
6. St. Augustine, Grayson Springs	51
7. St. Ambrose, Henshaw	53
8. St. Charles Borromeo, Livermore	54
9. <b><u>St. John the Evangelist, Sunfish</u></b>	<b><u>57</u></b>
St. Joseph, Leitchfield	327

### Stewardship of Finance

January 29	\$487.00
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### Masses: February 7-February 12

Tuesday	3:00 pm	Olen Raymer+
Sunday	9:00 am	Maggie Simon+

### February 12 9:00 AM

Lector	John Gay
Server	Brian Davis
Cup	Pam Hughes/Dwayne Fitzhugh
Host	Chris Wolfe
Ushers	Tom Pohlman/Steve Durbin
Gifts	Glen & Lou Logsdon
Music	Jeremiah Bush-Barbara Fitzhugh

**St. John Prayer List:** Audrey Burke, Jack Coop, Laurie Dearing, Susan Drury, Annie Durbin, Carol Durbin, Elizabeth Durbin, John W. Durbin, Catherine Duvall, Dick Dyche, Dorothy Fredrick, Charlie Hayes, Vickie Ranburger, Zackary Scruggs, Linda Simon

**Thought for the Week:** The Church is called to be the house of the Father, with doors always wide open. – Pope Francis

## This Week at St. Joseph

Sat/Sun		Blessing of Throats
Mon	7:30 am	Morning Prayer/Communion
Tue	12:05 pm	Mass
	3:00 pm	Divine Mercy
Wed	4:30 pm	Confessions
	5:00 pm	Mass
	5:30 pm	Religious Ed.
Thu	12:05 pm	Mass
	6:00 pm	RCIA - Journey of Faith
Fri	7:30 am	Mass
	4:30 pm	K of C Fish Fry
Sat	9:30 am	Altar Society
Sat/Sun		Anointing of the Sick

## **UPCOMING**

### February

21 6:30 pm Cemetery Committee

**This Week Read:** Mark chapters 3-7 or a chapter-a-day of the New Testament.

**Mass Attendance:** Every year the diocese asks each parish to count the number of people who attend Mass on the four Sundays of September. Below is the average attendance at St. Joseph's Parish for the last four years.

2013 282  
2014 315  
2015 356  
2016 327

The January issue of the diocesan newspaper, the Western Kentucky Catholic, lists the Catholic population for St. Joseph Parish as 715 parishioners. That number is not accurate because it includes non-Catholic spouses and all inactive Catholics that are on our parish mailing list which is why it shows only 45.7% of the parish attending Mass.

## **BIRTHDAYS**

Susan Clark	2/05
Lynn Evans	2/05
Sue Brown	2/06
Ellen Thomas	2/06
Keycia Collard	2/07
Ain Dennis	2/07
Charlie Higdon	2/09
Ben Nelson	2/09
Steve Vincent	2/09
Sophie Carwile	2/10
Austin Clemons	2/10
Brycen Hodges	2/11
Kitty Walker	2/11

## **ANNIVERSARIES**

Dennis & Brenda Poteet 2/10

## **HOMEBOUND LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

Nursing Home SCHEDULE Homebound

Pauline Baker 2/05-2/11 Mary Pierce  
Roni Mudd

Father Babu 2/12-2/18 Jed Johnston

Jim Marshall 2/19-2/25 Beverly Harrison  
Carolyn Thomason

**St. Joseph Prayer List:** We are beginning a whole new prayer list. Please call in your requests. Erin Anderson, April Barton, Thomas Beckner, Bonnie Blanton, Pat Boone, Mark Cannon, Anna Critchelow, Mary Davis, Estille & Joan Dobson, Paul Ferguson, James Fox, Carol Gatto, Dick Gatto, Samantha Jo Green, Michael Harned, Murl Hill, Jennifer Howard, Don Jagers, Danny Kerr, Jane Johnston, Donna King, James Lyons, Logan Meredith, Margie Meredith, Caleb Milliner, Norman Powell, Jason H. Roberts, Aaron Shull, Sally Sweeney, Vicky Sweet, Valeria Terrance, Dave Thompson, Mildred Willis, Jamie Wortham. All law enforcement and emergency responders. For those serving in the military.

**Message:** You make a difference.

**Homework:** Make a difference in someone's life this week.

**Prayer Ministry:** Betty Miller has been serving as the coordinator of the prayer chain since 2011. We presently have 50 parishioners participating in this ministry and received 217 prayer request in 2016. If you would like to join this ministry contact Betty at 270-259-3303 or bettymil@windstream.net

**Cursillo:** The next Cursillo weekends are: March 9-12 (Men); March 23-26 (Women) at Immaculate Conception, Hawesville. Cost is only \$75. For more information or to register contact Fr. Tony or Men's Weekend- Kelley Wheatley, 270.316.5609, wheatleysdd@att.net; Women's Weekend-Julie Tiell, 270-962-7109, j.a.ritzheimer@gmail.com.

**What is Cursillo?** Cursillo is a Catholic movement that presents a short course on Christianity as a way of strengthening the faith live of Catholic men and women.

**Pastoral Council News:**

1. A question was raised about the lower percentage of parishioners who are attending Mass as the diocesan paper reported. See the explanation in today's bulletin.
2. A suggestion was made to mention at Mass the intention. We plan on including these in the petitions.
3. A suggestion was made about putting the Holyday schedules of all the parishes in the bulletin.
4. We are in the process of having a security system installed to protect anyone working alone in the office and parish hall. The cost of the system is \$2,500.
5. We are purchasing a new ice maker for the parish. We will be getting a used one installed for 1,375.
6. The fire alarm system in the parish hall is presently not working and is obsolete. We will have all the equipment working properly to meet the present code at a cost of \$10,000.

**World Day of the Sick:** Saturday, February 11 is the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and the World Day of the Sick. For this reason, we will be celebrating the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick next weekend.

**Valentine Day Dinner:** On Saturday, February 11, at 5pm St. Joseph Youth Group will serve spaghetti, salad, garlic bread, dessert and drinks after Saturday night Mass. Cost is \$7 adults and \$5 children 10 & under.

**Senior Citizen's Valentine Social:**

St. Elizabeth's, Sunday, February 12 at 1:00pm. Enjoy chili, sandwiches, dessert, games, music and a door prize. All are welcome. No charge.

**St. Paul:** Krispy Kreme Fundraiser-Going on now until Feb. 10.

Dairy Queen-St. Paul Night!! On Tuesday, Feb. 21, from 5pm - 8pm, no flyer is necessary.

**St. Paul Theology of Tap:** Young adults (age 20-40) are welcome to join for prayer, discussion and sharing. Next meeting Friday, February 10, at 6:30 pm at El Patron Restaurant.

**Picnic Help:** We need people to accept the responsibility of operating a booth, help with our concession stand, help to cook the meat, help to prepare and serve the meal, help setting everything up and taking everything down, reserving inflatables and a band or DJ, and help with the auction.

**Picnic Theme Baskets:** This year we are asking parish members to donate a theme basket or items for a basket. These will be raffled off and/or auctioned off.

**Picnic Raffle:** The raffle raises the most money for our picnic. We need people who will accept the responsibility of deciding on the prizes, order the tickets, help in distributing the tickets and operation the booth at the picnic.

**Picnic Help Line:** If you are willing to commit to help in some area of our picnic, we need to know. Please contact our chairperson, Bonnie Nelson 270-589-1933 or bnelson7996@gmail.com, or Missy Hart; or Fr. Tony.

**Inmate Prayer Request:** Pray for my daughter Allison that she would get involved in her church and be free of drugs. - Cliff