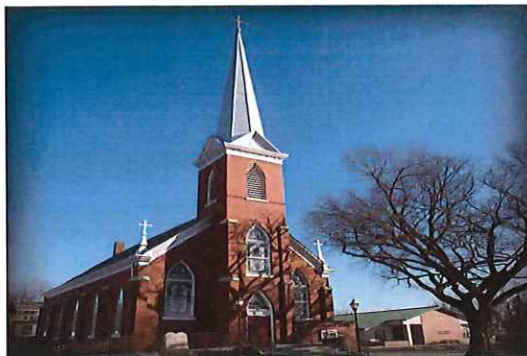
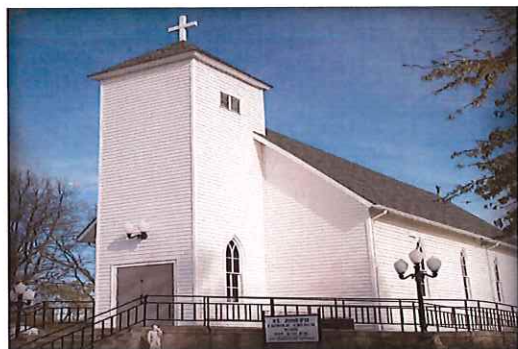




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Sacramental Preparation

Baptisms: Contact the office at least 1 month prior.

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OCIA / Joining the Church: Contact Father or the office. Classes are held from September until Easter each year.

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Knights:	Richard Mahoney	
Religious Ed:	Gennifer Birk	Lindsay Bartlett
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Other: Legion of Mary: All 4 Parishes - Irene Tastove, Pres.

Contact the Office for more information:

Bible Study Series & OCIA / Continuing Education
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5th Sunday of Easter

May 2 & 3, 2026



***I am the way,
the truth and
the life, says
the Lord;
no one comes
to the Father,
except through
me.***

- John 14:6

Mass Intentions: + Memorial SI – Special Intention

Sat May 2

4:00pm SP + Louis & Monica Collins by Tom & Ann Collins

6:00pm ST For the people of all 4 parishes

Sun May 3

8:00am SJ For all college students

10:00am SFX For all graduates

Mon May 4 No Masses today

Tues May 5

12:05pm SFX + Paul Austin by Steve & Debbie Mullins

Wed May 6

6:00pm SJ For the Pope

Thurs May 7

8:30pm ST For Archbishop McKnight

Fri May 8

12:05pm SFX + Duane Young

Sat May 9

4:00pm SP For the people of all 4 parishes

6:00pm ST For all living and deceased members of the Knights of Columbus

Sun May 10

8:00am SJ + Janet Lichtenauer by John Lichtenauer

10:00am SFX + Jim Austin by Tim & Katherine Austin

Welcome to all Visitors! We are glad you have joined us today and pray for your safe travels. If you are visiting and need help during your stay, please notify the office or Fr. Rhodes directly. If you are new to the area and would like to join one of our four parishes, please stop by or call the office to register you and your family. God bless you!



On Freemasonry and Catholicism

Occasionally priests receive a question or complaint regarding the Catholic Church's stance on Freemasonry (sometimes also called "Masonry"). Usually it is some variation of, "What's so wrong about being a Freemason?" or "I don't see any problem with supporting the Shriners or even being a Shriner, they do good in the community," (Shriners are all Freemasons, so they fall into this topic). This brief article is not intended to be an exhaustive treatment of the history and conflicts between Catholicism and Freemasonry. This is only a concise articulation of the Church's unambiguous stance.

Even though Freemasonry claims to not contradict Christianity, and even may claim to be an important aspect of Christian religion, the tenets of Freemasonry are incompatible with the Catholic faith. Therefore, the Catholic Church has articulated clearly and reaffirmed (as recently as 2023) that any Catholic who joins the Freemasons can be excommunicated for this. Simply put, Freemasonry is irreconcilable and even inimical to the Catholic faith, regardless of what others may claim. Membership is considered a sin that must be confessed and renounced. There are many good reasons for this position, especially regarding oaths and curses that members swear on themselves and their descendants. But there is not space to enumerate all these reasons here, other than to say that Freemasonry amounts to a natural religion (not just a social club), and one cannot hold both the Catholic faith and another faith.

For more information, see Catholic Answers articles *Can Catholics Be Freemasons?* and their encyclopedia entry *Masonry* at catholic.com.



You are "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of his own, so that you may announce the praises" of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

— Psalm 23

Archdiocesan & Parish Announcements

NEEDED: Totus Tuus Summer 2026 Missionaries.

for a 2 month commitment running from May 26-Aug 1. There will be 1 week of training and 1 week of break for July 4th. Applicants must be 18 or older (by May), have an authentic, dynamic Catholic faith and be actively living the teachings of the Catholic Church. Information and applications can be found at <https://archkck.org/family-kids/kids-teens/youth-formation/totus-tuus/> under "For Missionaries." Please continue to pray for the Success of the Totus Tuus program and missionaries.

Annual Trivia Night sponsored by the Vocations Office

will be held on Wed, May 20 from 6:30-9pm, to honor and celebrate Deacons John Donart, Bob Rooney and Will Sutherland, being ordained on May 23

Where: St. James Academy, 24505 Prairie Star Parkway, Lenexa

Cost: \$300 per table of 8

Seminarians will rotate as players on each team. Everyone is welcome, but as a great vocation opportunity, parishes are encouraged to sponsor a table for high school and/or college age men. Doors open at 6pm. First and second place teams will win gift cards. Best decorated table will be judged. Finger foods and soft drinks will be provided. Bring snacks, drinks, desserts and cash for the 50/50 raffle, to play the fast and fun \$1 games in between rounds, or to buy *Mulligans* to help boost your scoresheet. All proceeds benefit seminarians and the ongoing mission of the vocation office. For more information or to register a team go to: archkck.org/vocations-trivia-night



God's Storehouse is still collecting items for distribution and all donations and are greatly appreciated! Canned items, hygiene products and bagged or boxed non-perishables can be dropped in the

back of each Church or taken directly to God's Storehouse during hours of operation. Summer clothes and swim suits in good condition are welcome. For more information or to volunteer, contact Janet Wahlmeier.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

SJ 9:00am - 6:00pm Wed
ST 9:00am - 7:00pm Thur
SFX 12:30pm - 3:30pm Thur



Catholic Charities Returns May 27

Pope Leo's Prayer Requests for May

- ♦ **For humanity and the mission of the Church.** Let us pray for the global mission to increase as we transform our prayers into "concrete actions".
- ♦ **That everyone might have food.** Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.



Please continue to pray for all the men of our Church that will be ordained into the priesthood, especially those from our Archdiocese.



Deacon John Donart



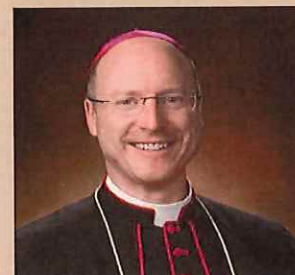
Deacon Robert Rooney



Deacon Will Sutherland

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Please also continue to pray for Archbishop Shawn McKnight, that the Lord will anoint his Apostolic Ministry, using his gifts and talents to strengthen and renew the Catholic community in Northeast Kansas.



Archbishop's Call to Share Campaign is coming to a close - if you have not already returned your pledge card, please prayerfully consider what help you can give towards this annual fundraising campaign. If you cannot donate, please mark your pledge card that you will continue to pray for the success of our Church as this counts towards our family participation percentage. Thank you and God bless!

Parish	Goal	Donated	% or Parish Participating
St. Patrick	\$ 3,000	\$ 1,995	32 %
St. Joseph	\$ 7,000	\$ 6,875	19 %
St. Teresa	\$ 12,000	\$ 6,940	20 %
St. Francis	\$ 20,000	\$17,110	36 %

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. Joseph Wed - 5:15 to 5:45pm
Sun - 7:30 to 7:50am
St. Patrick Sat - 3:30 to 3:50pm
St. Teresa Sat - 5:30 to 5:50pm
St. Francis Sun - 9:30 to 9:50am



Contact Father or the office directly if you would like to reserve a time that better fits your schedule.

+ Create a clean heart in me, O God. + Psalm 51

A Pro-Life Prayer

Mary, help us to cherish
ALL life God has bestowed -
that we may stand up to protect and give a
voice to the most vulnerable souls in need.
Mother of the Unborn, hear our prayer!
Amen





We are updating our prayer lists (**see new prayer heading requests**) below. If you would like to add a name(s) or if you know anyone that can be removed, please contact the office. Thank you!

Preparing for a New Baby: Shelby Hoffman, Paige Meats, Alexis Spears, Shelby Spencer, Micah Tate

Military Service: Master Sgt. John Edwards (Army), Lt. Erich Eifert (Air Force), Pvt. Jayden Fabray (Army), Staff Sgt. Noah Foster (Air Force), Pvt. Owen Sazalsky (Army), Sgt. Tierney Woitas (Air Force)

Overseas: Michael Adams (Egypt), Sarah Fesperman (Italy), Dakota Ranallo (Osaka), Dustin & Christina Chapman & family (Germany)

Special prayers: For those with no one to pray for them, the Holy Souls in purgatory and those that will die this day

Sick & Shut In: Brooklyn Allen, Donna Allen, Mick Allen, Katherine Austin, Sandra Austin, Jennifer Baldwin, Mike Baldwin, Dan Barlow, Carol Barnes, Rachel Barraza, Kevin Bazil, Alden Beyer, Darlene Black, Debbie Black, Dominic Bowen, Toni Bowling, Jeri Boyer, Derrick & Marie Braden, Stewart Braden, Robert Brown, Paula Butler, Sean Callewaeert, Ric Carson, John Caudle, Marcia Caudle, Patricia Cesario, Mark Chester, Lois Christiansen, Ryne Cormode, Peggy Hegg Counts, Courtney Cowan, Robin Crane, Greg Crawford, Jerilyn Curtiss, Mark Davidson, Rhonda Davis, Brent Dean, Ken Decker, John Diaz, Dennis Doebele, Dorothy Duncan, Kim Dunaway, Norman Eccles, Susan Faler, Frank Farrow, Lori Flood, Ronald Foster, Miranda Fowler, Kelli Fraas, Liz Fraas, Mary Fraas, Aubrea Freekrusen, Jett Gast, Crystal Geary, Loren Gilmore, Chris Grow, Dan Gruber, Bob & Cindy Haight, Terri Halfmann, Rita Harper, Kristen Hayes, Darren Heinse, Stella Hernandez, Sallee Hess, Kyle Hinterweger, Gabby Hudson, Karen Hudson, Jimmy Hugunin, Oliver Johnson, Steve Johnson, Kendall Jones, Carter Keehn, Kennedy Keehn, Molly Keehn, Paul Kirk, Marilyn Kirk, Phil Kirk, Lou Ann Korbe, Jean Krause, Craig Latham, Chris Leary, Shawn Lucca, Joyce Lutz, Kelsey Lyon, Luca McIntosh, Jody Mahoney, John Massoth, Jim Mast, Luella Masters, Breanna McBride, Willow McGlothlin, Tim McMillan, Mike Meats, Lily Miller, Tessa Miller, David Morgan, Linda Munoz, Heddy Neimeyer, Susan Newbolt, Shirley Nolan, Gina Nowak, Ellen Ohl, Louise Ohl, Kasten Payer, Kathy Payne, Renee Pemberton, Harlee Perry, Diane Plumberg, Dean Pitt, Bob Powell, Cindy Powell, Michele Ramirez, Matt Rhea, Luca Riggs, Charlotte Roecker-Parson, Addysen Roney, Greg Ruff, David Russell, Michael Russell, Jourdin Rust, Linda Salava, Cooper Sazalsky, Don Setter, Sam Sharon, Patty Shelly, Sarah Shove, Kelsie Son, Carolyn Smith, Judy Smith, Renee Smith, Becky Stapp, Leo Stice, River Rose Stuart, Harold Swearingner, Keith Van Horn, Junelle Varvel, Haydn Ward, John Waner, Barbara Warner, Caitlyn Wright, Jeremy Young, Tom Young, Rodney Zike, Teressa Zink



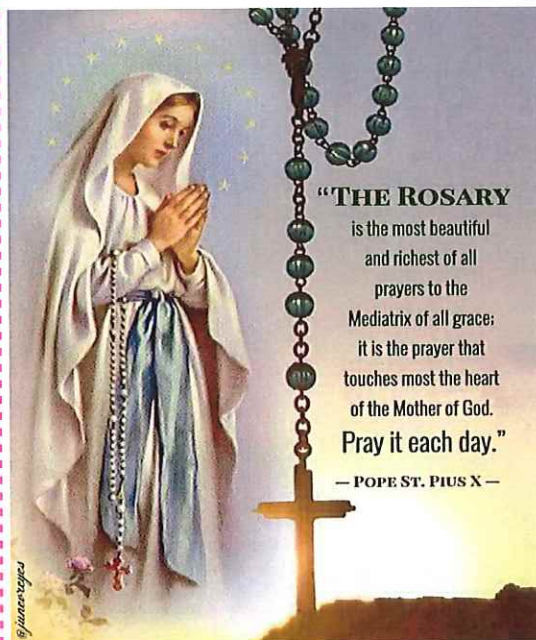
*I am the vine and you are the branches, says the Lord.
Whoever remains in me, and I in him,
bears fruit in plenty, alleluia. —John 15:1, 5*



Pray the Rosary

The month of May is the month we celebrate our Holy Mother, Mary. The Pope has asked that we say a daily Rosary and we encourage all our families to join in this endeavor. May your homes be filled with the blessings of the Joy, Peace and Love of the Risen Lord and may Mary lead you ever closer to her son, Jesus Christ. Amen! Alleluia!

Join for individual or World Rosary at ComePraytheRosary.org



A Night Prayer

*Jesus Christ, my God,
I adore You and thank You
for all the graces You have
given me this day. I offer You
my sleep and all the moments
of this night. I place myself and
all my loved ones, wherever
they may be, in Your sacred
side and under the mantle
of Our Blessed Mother. Let
Your holy angels stand watch
and keep us in peace. Amen.*



Behold! He makes All things new!

- Rev 21: 5



Mark your calendars!

Totus Tuus
at St. Joseph
June 14 - 19
Registrations
Are Now Open



Mark your calendars!

VBS
at St. Francis Xavier
July 6 - 10
5:30-8pm



St. Teresa Parish Announcements

Ministers	Saturday - May 2 - 6:00pm
Lector	Children
Offertory	Children
Eucharist	Mary Ann Morgan
Ushers	Sarah, Eric
Cross	Coy
Servers	Nash, Ed
Ministers	Saturday - May 9 - 6:00pm
Lector	Margie Highberger
Offertory	Ryan Tastove Family
Eucharist	Marilyn Brooks
Ushers	Brian, Sarah
Cross	Cayden
Servers	Rylie, Hope
Ministers	Saturday - May 16 - 6:00pm
Lector	Eric Ervin
Offertory	David Blaufuss, Larry Dieker
Eucharist	Ron Ohl
Ushers	Ken, Holly
Cross	Kaelynne
Servers	Ella, Gracyn
May Cleaners	Emily Brooks, Marilyn Brooks, Carrie Williams, Brenda Ludolph

St. Patrick Parish Announcements

Altar Society will meeting on May 2 at 8:30am and our new officers will begin. All ladies of the parish are welcome.

Ministers	Saturday - May 2 - Mass 4:00pm
Lector	Sue Stringer
Offertory	Mike & Sue Stringer
Ministers	Saturday - May 9 - Mass 4:00pm
Lector	Greg Hernandez
Offertory	Glenn & Joan Gagnon
Ministers	Saturday - May 16 - Mass 4:00pm
Lector	Amanda Garrett
Offertory	Dale & Regina Roecker

St. Joseph Parish Announcements

Join us for the Parish Breakfast May 3.

Ministers	CCD Sunday - May 3 - Mass 8:00am
Lector	CCD Students
Ushers	CCD Students
Offertory	CCD Students
Servers	Dustin Foster, Gavin Stice, Joseph Biggs
Rosary	CCD Students
Ministers	Sunday - May 10 - Mass 8:00am
Lector	Megan Drumm
Ushers	Brian Barnhardt, John Lichtenauer
Offertory	David Foster Family
Servers	Gavin Stice, Alec Stice, Leo Stice
Ministers	Sunday - May 17 - Mass 8:00am
Lector	Jennifer Stukey
Ushers	Michael Drumm, Russ Stukey
Offertory	Foltz Family
Servers	Clayton Bartlett, Dustin Foster, Joseph Biggs

Pray the Rosary

*May
is the
Month of
Mary*



St. Francis Xavier Parish Announcements

LAST WEEKEND to purchase TGC Roses for Mother's & Father's Day weekends. Stop by the table in the hall or pick up a form in the church and return to the office.

Ministers	Sunday - May 3 - Mass 10:00am
Greeters	Damon & Gennifer Birk
Offertory	Stan & Janet Wahlmeier
Lector	Theresa Martin
Eucharist	Andrea Jones
Sacristan	Gennifer Birk
Cross Bearer	Caleb Robrahn
Servers 1 & 2	Case Birk, Dexter Birk
Usher	Damon & Gennifer Birk
Rosary	Philip Beyer
Collection Count	Reynolds, Ryan
Hospitality	Senior Sunday & TGC Fundraiser
Ministers	Sunday - May 10 - Mass 10:00am
Greeters	Thomas & Kimberly Robrahn
Offertory	Thomas & Kimbelry Robrahn
Lector	Tim Austin
Eucharist	Donna Patterson
Sacristan	Tom Heinz
Cross Bearer	Nevaeh Myers
Servers 1 & 2	Zack Matney, Andrew Matney
Usher	Thomas & Kimberly Robrahn
Rosary	Donna Patterson
Collection Count	Jones, Robrahn
Hospitality	None - Happy Mother's Day
Ministers	Sunday - May 17 - Mass 10:00am
Greeters	Dan & Susan Mueller
Offertory	Jeff & Gwen Birk
Lector	Leslie Mahoney
Eucharist	Gennifer Birk
Sacristan	Andrea Jones
Cross Bearer	Adeline Skillman
Servers 1 & 2	Tucker Skillman, Tom Vu
Usher	Stan & Janet Wahlmeier
Rosary	Leslie Mahoney
Collection Count	Wahlmeier, Reynolds
Hospitality	K. Skillman, D. Myers, C Chavira



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St. Francis Xavier

Friday, June 5

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May 27

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