

MARCH 17, 2019, 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

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THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS SCHEDULE

St. Joseph's: **Weekends:** 5:30 PM Saturday, 8:30 AM Sunday
Daily: 8:30 AM Monday through Saturday
 (Saturday at 8:30 AM is the traditional Latin Mass)
Adoration at St. Joseph's at 6:00 PM on Wednesday's
Immaculate Heart of Mary: **Weekends:** 10:30 AM Sunday

Sun	Mar 17	8:30 AM	SJ	The People of St. Joseph's & IHM
Sun	Mar 17	10:30 AM	IHM	Mary Kay McNally
Mon	Mar 18	8:30 AM	SJ	Sonder Urich
Tue	Mar 19	8:30 AM	SJ	Nick Rogers
Tue	Mar 19	6:00 PM	SJ	The Chandler family
Wed	Mar 20	8:30 AM	SJ	The O'Halloran family
Thurs	Mar 21	8:30 AM	SJ	Sister Mary Healy

Fri	Mar 22	8:30 AM	SJ	John & Nancy Gorski
Sat	Mar 23	8:30 AM	SJ	Danielle Van De Vyere
Sat	Mar 23	5:30 PM	SJ	+ Wally Hanus
Sun	Mar 24	8:30 AM	SJ	Randy Alfredo
Sun	Mar 24	10:30 AM	IHM	The People of St. Joseph's & IHM

Confessions 30 minutes prior to every Mass

OFFERING	March 6 & 10
St. Joseph's	\$ 2,072.00
IHM	\$ 1,161.00

DURING LENT AT ST. JOSEPH'S
Wednesday's—Holy Hour and Confessions at 6 PM
Friday's—Stations of the Cross at 6 PM

PRAYER REQUESTS
 Chris Muscik Marsha Waldorf
 Karen Bailey Lucy Sampson
 Howie Lynch Becky McKee
 Jolene Buffington Bill Walker

FROM FATHER DREW

St Patrick's Day

There is a great deal of railroad making here but the most degrading characters work on them now. Some of this is a disgrace to the land that gave them birth.

That was an embarrassed Irish-American in the 1800's writing about the Irish that had flooded into the United States, thousands and thousands of which went to work on the railroads.

Why were the Irish flooding into America? The peasant population of Ireland had for centuries subsisted on potatoes. But all throughout the 1840's the potato crops rotted due to a strain of bacteria. The poor planted their potatoes in the spring and then prayed all summer for success. But when they pulled them up the potatoes were black and putrid smelling. And then these people starved. Those who didn't die of hunger died of disease.

What most of our history books don't show is that there was plenty of food in Ireland at the time. There was wheat and barley and beef and dairy. But it all got shipped across the Irish Sea to England, which at the time was the master of the world. You see, Ireland was England's first colony. It had been so for centuries. Scholars today argue that what happened to Ireland in the 1840's was no less than a genocide.

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And so, dazed, confused and starving, Irish boarded “coffin ships” for America. They were called coffin ships because so many Irish died of sickness and disease in route. The Irish that made it into New York were unskilled and uneducated. These degrading characters then, when they could find work, had to endure the worst and most dangerous kind, like working on the railroad.

As the railroad moved west, towns like Trenton, MO, began to prosper. Irish-born priests started St Joseph parish in the fall of 1872, with about ten families. In 1915 construction began on a new brick church on Crowder Road. A parishioner wrote:

At that time, it is well to remember there is no small amount of anti-Catholic prejudice and ignorance to be found in Missouri's small towns, but our Trenton parish was perhaps fortunate to escape much of that due to the high visibility of many of our people. It was hard to think of them as subversive terrorists as the Klu Klux Klan tried to say. The town's great business was the railroad and we had as members, many of its managers. We had a station master, a yard master and even the general superintendent, along with several regular employees, engineers, and train men.

On the wall in the vestibule as you enter church is a photo of the St Joseph's Church on Crowder Road dedicated in 1916. Pictured in it is the Irish-American priest, J.P. Gallagher. On the Virgin Mary altar on the left is a statue of St Patrick. Below that photo is a picture of the present St Joseph Church dedicated on March 21, 1965.

We installed new windows in the fall of 2016, on the 100th anniversary of the old church. One of the windows features an Irish Cross, in honor of those who came before us, those whose blood, sweat and tears laid the tracks for St Joseph Church in Trenton.

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Announcements

ROSARY

Sunday's at 8:00 AM at St. Joseph's

***Tuesday, March 19 at 6:00 PM** St Joseph's in Trenton will have a Solemn High Mass on the Solemnity of St Joseph, sung by the **Benedictines of Mary, Queen of Apostles** from Gower, MO.

Mark your calendar and plan to attend this special feast in honor of the Patron Saint of our parish. Dinner will follow in the hall. So let us know if you are coming so we can get an accurate food count. The sign-up sheet is in the vestibule.

The Annual Fish Fry . A big thank you all who planned, organized, worked and brought desserts for the fish fry. Thank you, Princeton parishioners for attending and bring desserts as well.

FORMED is an excellent Lenten resource. You can use code 3MJKPV.

To listen to Father Drew's week-day Masses and much more go to catholicradionetwork.com. You should see this image. **Fr. Drew's Masses are aired at 11:00 AM.**

Tap on the small blue oval that says “listen”. The following should appear:

KEXS AM 1090 & FM 92.9. Tap on the arrow to listen.



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1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
 2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
 3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected *sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult* to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Jenifer Valenti, at 816.812.2500 or JeniferValenti@att.net, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.
- The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Victim Advocate Kathleen Chastain at 816.392.0011 or Chastain@diocesekcsi.org for more information.