

**MAY 19, 2019, 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

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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	May 19	8:30 AM	SJ	Heath & Mary Chapman	Fri	May 24	8:30 AM	SJ	Rachel Dillon
Sun	May 19	10:30 AM	IHM	The People of St. Joseph's & IHM	Sat	May 25	8:30 AM	SJ	Roger Cook
Mon	May 20	8:30 AM	SJ	Mary McNally	Sat	May 25	5:30 PM	SJ	Dick & Sandy Stefonac
Tue	May 21	8:30 AM	SJ	James Bono	Sun	May 26	8:30 AM	SJ	Kayla Rogers
Wed	May 22	8:30 AM	SJ	Daiane Ferriera	Sun	May 26	10:30 AM	IHM	The People of St. Joseph's & IHM
Thurs	May 23	8:30 AM	SJ	Fr Kevin Drew	<b>Confessions 30 minutes prior to every Mass</b>				

**OFFERING**

**May 12**

St. Joseph's \$1,039.00  
 IHM \$ 647.00

**ROSARY**

**Sunday's at 8 AM at St. Joseph's**

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

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

**FROM FATHER DREW**

**Christopher Magallanes and Companions, May 21**

In 1521 Martin Luther, a Catholic monk from Germany, was excommunicated for revolting against the Church. The ensuing years saw Europe, the bastion of Catholicism, shatter into many little religious pieces. Almost overnight a third of Europe broke away from the true faith.

Ten years later, in 1531 the Virgin Mary appeared in Mexico. Isn't that interesting? Chase the Virgin Mary out of the Old World and she'll come to the New World. In a few short years nine million native Mexicans became Catholic. Mexico became a very Catholic nation, especially amongst the peasant population. The ruling class? Not so much. Dictators stripped the Catholic Church of much of her power in the 1800's. And in 1917, a year of revolutions, Mexico became the first country to write up a socialist constitution. She wrote hers even before the communists in Soviet Russia did.

This constitution was written to all but stamp out Catholicism. Article 3 mandated that "the education imparted by the State (which was to have a monopoly over the instruction of the young) shall be a socialistic one and, in addition to excluding all religious doctrine, shall combat fanaticism and prejudices by organizing its instruction and activities in a way that shall permit the creation in youth of an exact and rational conception of the Universe and social life." But this led to bloody fanaticism and prejudices of its own. (See Robert Royal *The Catholic Martyrs of the Twentieth Century*).

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## Fr. Drew, Continued

Robert Royal writes: *Churches were destroyed, desecrated, confiscated, and turned into army barracks; religious items were profaned by soldiers drinking from chalices, chopping up statues for firewood, and using religious art for target practice; orders of priests and nuns were outlawed, and teaching about religion prohibited... Priests had to seek government licenses, a procedure that all but eliminated their work. The number of licenses might be one or two for anywhere from 10,000 to 100,000 Catholics, effectively denying them the sacraments.* (Royal, 16).

The saints we honor today, Christopher Magallanes and companions, were caught up in this persecution. When the seminary where he studied was closed and turned into a museum he started his own. The government didn't look too kindly on this so arrested him while he was on his way to say Mass. He was convicted without a trial. Then he and twenty-one other priests and three lay Catholics were shot or hung on May 21<sup>st</sup>, 1927. His dying words were: ***"I am innocent and I die innocent; I forgive the authors of my death from my heart and I ask God that my blood would serve to bring peace to divided Mexicans."*** He was canonized by Pope John Paul II on May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2000.

*Magallanes forgave his executors from his heart. The wise Sirach writes: My son, when you come to serve the LORD, stand in justice and fear, prepare yourself for trials. Be **sincere of heart** and steadfast; incline your ear and receive the word of understanding, undisturbed in time of adversity.*

## Announcements

### ROSARY

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

### WEDNESDAY'S AT ST. JOSEPH'S

Holy Hour & Confessions at 6 PM

**High School Graduates.** Congratulations to our high school graduates, Latorri Johnson from St. Joseph's and Logan Krohn from Immaculate Heart of Mary. Latorrie will be honored with a reception after Mass on May 19. Please join us in the hall to wish Latorrie the best in her future endeavors. We pray that both graduates continue their Catholic faith on the journey ahead and that God blesses them with happiness and success.

**Easter lilies.** Those who donated a lily for Easter are welcome to take one home. They are in the church hall.

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

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](mailto:JeniferValenti@att.net), if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.