BLESSED SACRAMENT LADIES GROUP

Meets every Thursday at 10:00am
at McDonald's in Bethany.
All ladies of the parish are welcome.

BLESSED SACRAMENT FOOD PANTRY for SEPTEMBER

Items to donate to the Food Pantry for September are:
Soup and crackers, bread and roll mixes.
May God Bless You for your generosity helping to feed the poor and the hungry!

SACRIFICIAL GIVING
September 20, 2026

Saint Joseph	$	2,292.03
Blessed Sacrament	$	537.00
Immaculate Heart of Mary	$	1,123.00
Mary Immaculate	$	635.00

Sunday School Religion Classes Have Begun for St Joseph/IHM!

Our Sunday School program is now underway, meeting on the **2nd and 4th Sundays** of each month. After Mass, families are invited to enjoy **coffee, cocoa, juice, cookies, and donuts** before class time—a simple way to gather and build community.

On the **1st and 3rd Sundays**, we will also offer coffee and donuts so parishioners can visit, connect, and strengthen our parish family. **Parents,** please bring your children to grow in their knowledge of Jesus and deepen their faith. These classes help prepare them to follow the Lord throughout their lives, nurturing the future of our church **one child at a time.**

The class dates are listed below:
September 27, 2026
October 11, 2026
October 25, 2026
November 8, 2026
November 22, 2026
December 13, 2026
No classes December 20-January 3, 2027
Classes will start again on
January 10, 2027

September Prayer Intentions

Bishop Johnston: For a renewed defense of the **right to life** and protection of all babies in the womb.
Holy Father: Let us pray for a just and sustainable **management of water**, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

Mark Hughes Jared Leeper	†Richard Rothermich † Janet Bichsel Beth Silvola	Leanne Rouse Bill Tintera Trent Lepper	Anastasia Crowley Stephen Crowley John Cox	Penny Nelson Marie Untiedt	Gabby Wiles Michael Utter

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting 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 Ombudsman at 816-213-6024 or ombudsman@ombudsmankcsj.org 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 the Victim Advocate, at 816-714-2357 ext. 516 or victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

SEPTEMBER 27, 2026
26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH, 1728 Saint Joseph Street, Trenton MO 64683
IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH, 606 Broadway Street, Princeton, MO 64673
BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH, 1208 S 25th Street, Bethany, MO 64424
MARY IMMACULATE CATHOLIC CHURCH, 409 South Main Street, Gallatin, MO 64640

Pastor: Fr. Timothy Leete ~ timothy.leete@gmail.com ~ (816) 266-9248
Office Manager: Cecilia Marsh~ (573)590-0075

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Website: **www.stjoseph-trenton.org**
Email: **stjosephtrenton@gmail.com**
Scan here to give to St. Joseph's Parish online.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Mission, Princeton
Website: **www.ihm-princeton.org**
Email: **stjosephtrenton@gmail.com**
Scan here to give to Immaculate Heart of Mary Mission online.

Blessed Sacrament Parish, Bethany
Phone number: (660) 425-8160
Website: **www.bs-bethany.org**
Email: **stjosephtrenton@gmail.com**
Scan here to give to Blessed Sacrament Parish online.

Mary Immaculate Parish, Gallatin
Phone number: (660) 663-2416
Website: **www.mi-gallatin.org**
facebook.com/maryimmaculategallatin
Scan here to give to Mary Immaculate Parish online.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass Schedule

St. Joseph, Trenton:	8:30 am	Sunday
	6:30 pm	Tuesday
	9:00 am	Friday
	9:00 am	1st Saturday of the month
Blessed Sacrament, Bethany:	4:30 pm	Saturday
	5:30 pm	Wednesday
Mary Immaculate, Gallatin:	6:30 pm	Saturday *Memorial Day through Labor Day weekend*
	10:30 am	Sunday
	9:00 am	Thursday
Immaculate Heart of Mary, Princeton:	1:30 pm	1st & 3rd Sundays of the month

CONFESSIONS

4:00 pm	Saturday at Bethany
6:00 pm	Saturday at Gallatin *(Memorial Day through Labor Day weekend)*
8:00 am	Sunday at Trenton
10:00 am	Sunday at Gallatin
1:00 pm	1st & 3rd Sundays at Princeton
5:20 pm	Tuesday at Trenton
8:30 am	1st Saturday at Trenton

ROSARY

4:00 pm	Saturday at Bethany
8:00 am	Sunday at Trenton
1:00 pm	1st & 3rd Sundays at Princeton
8:30 am	1st Saturday at Trenton

ADORATION
5:15 pm with Benediction at 6:15 pm
Confession at 5:20 pm; Mass at 6:30 pm
every Tuesday at Trenton

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Sun Sept 27			***26th Sunday in OT***
Sat 9/26	4:30 pm	BS	Nic Coates
Sat 9/27	8:30 am	SJ	† Deceased Members of the Tran Family
	10:30 am	MI	Pro Populo*
Tue Sept 29			*SS. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels*
	6:30 pm	SJ	† Deceased Members of the Lodder Family
Wed Sept 30			*St. Jerome*
	5:30 pm	BS	Consolation of Our Lord's Soul
Thu Oct 1			*St Therese of the Child Jesus*
	9:00 am	MI	† Renata Kim Rexing
Fri Oct 2			*The Holy Guardian Angels* *First Friday*
	9:00 am	SJ	Matthew John
Sat Oct 3			***First Saturday***
	9:00 am	SJ	Reparation to the IHM
Sun Oct 4			***27th Sunday in OT***
Sat 10/3	4:30 pm	BS	Pro Populo*
Sun 10/4	8:30 am	SJ	Pauley Bradley
	10:30 am	MI	† Mrs Dorothy Thornton
	1:30 pm	IHM	† Steve Lauer

**Pro Populo = Mass said for the people of all 4 parishes.*

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

This coming Saturday, October 3rd, we will continue our First Saturday Devotion at St. Joseph in Trenton, as requested by **Our Lady of Fatima.** The schedule will be as follows:

8:10 am — 15 minute mediation on the Mysteries of the Rosary offered by Father Leete
8:30 am — Rosary
8:30 am — Confession
9:00 am — Mass

Enrollment in the Brown Scapular after Mass.

Sept. 27 is Priesthood Sunday

Today we honor and reaffirm the vital role of the priesthood in the life of the Catholic Church. Thank you, **Father Leete**, for your faithful service, your guidance, and all you do to keep our parishes strong and united.

Parish	Sunday, September 27, 2026		Goal Status		
	# Gifts/ Pledges	Total	2026-2027 ACA Participants Goal	2026-2027 ACA Dollar Goal	% $$ Goal
Bethany, Blessed Sacrament (2090)	7	$1,155	15	$2,005	58%
Gallatin, Mary Immaculate (2290)	9	$2,626	25	$3,614	73%
Princeton, Immaculate Heart of Mary (2580)	7	$370+	12	$1,093	32%
Trenton, St. Joseph (2660)	6	$1,010	25	$2,635	61%

St. Jerome
Feast Day September 30

St. Jerome, is one of the Church's most influential biblical scholars and a model of deep devotion to God's Word. Born around 342 in Stridon, a town likely located in modern□day Croatia or Slovenia. Jerome received an excellent education in Rome, mastering Latin and Greek under the renowned grammarian Aelius Donatus. Though he struggled with youthful temptations, the influence of Christian friends eventually led him to conversion, and he was baptized in 366 by Pope Liberius.

Jerome devoted himself to a life of study, prayer, and asceticism. He spent time in monasteries, traveled widely, and even lived several years as a hermit in the desert near Antioch, where illness and spiritual visions deepened his commitment to Christ. His sharp intellect and passion for learning made him a sought after teacher and theologian. In Rome, he served as secretary to Pope Damasus and encouraged many Christians—especially women seeking holiness—to embrace lives of prayer and simplicity.

Jerome is best known for his monumental labor of love: translating the Scriptures from Hebrew and Greek into Latin, producing what we now call the *Vulgate*. This work shaped Christian life for centuries and remains one of the most important achievements in Church history.

Later in life, Jerome settled in Bethlehem, where he continued writing, teaching, and defending Church doctrine until his peaceful death on September 30, 420. He was laid to rest near the Church of the Nativity.

St. Jerome is the patron saint of archaeologists, biblical scholars, librarians, students, and translators. His life reminds us that **the pursuit of holiness often begins with a sincere desire to know and love God's Word.**

Taken from Catholic Online

Seven Sisters Retreat

Members of our Diocesan Seven Sisters Apostolate and ladies who want to learn about this Apostolate are invited to a retreat at St. Andrew the Apostle Church, 6415 NE Antioch Rd, Gladstone, MO on Saturday, October 17, beginning with Holy Mass at 8:00am and ending by 3:00pm. The cost is $25 and includes a light breakfast, lunch, three talks, and Q&A. Our presenters are Fr. Eric Schneider, Fr. Kendall Ketterlin, and Janette Howe, Apostolate foundress.

This year our theme is "The Triple Hearts." Come and see how one Sister, one hour, one day each week before the Eucharistic Presence soon becomes a shared gift. No dues, no meetings except your hidden hour with the Lord anytime your schedule allows, on your specific day each week. Seven Sisters, seven hearts of prayer.

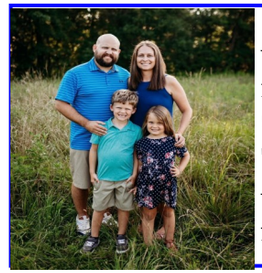
For more information on the apostolate, go to the website: **sevensistersapostolate.org.**

To register, email Judy Koster at sevensisterskcsj@gmail.com

Thoughts on the Liturgy - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Actions speak louder than words." Two lessons flow from the gospel. First, a late conversion on part of even a notorious sinner is more valuable than the delusion of the righteous who feel no need for repentance. Second, one who expresses pious words without following through with accompanying action does greater dishonor than one who changes his mind and carries out the will of the father. The parable of the two sons invites us to make comparisons between the two and to make a good choice on how we live out our own lives.

(Taken from Pray Together (Sunday Missal Service)



A Heartfelt Welcome to Scott and Brooklyn Stevens

We joyfully welcome **Scott and Brooklyn Stevens** to St. Joseph Parish. The Stevens are the parents of **Bradley** (Grade 3) and **Harper** (First Grade). Scott serves as the Head Football Coach at Trenton High School, and Brooklyn is the Business Teacher.

We are grateful to add their family to our parish community and look forward to growing in faith together.