

**Rev. Philip E. Niekamp, Pastor**

**Deacon Joseph Horton and Deacon Gerald Korman**

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**Parish Council Members:** Terri Schmidt (Pres), Alicia Winkelmann (VP), Brenda Bardwell (Sec), Alida Bader, Julie Berkbigler, Evan Grotewiel, Chad Thompson, Melissa Van Booven, Blake Winkelmann

**Sacrament of Marriage – Meet with priest 8 months before setting wedding date**

**Sacrament of Baptism – Meet with Priest or Deacon for preparation**

*If you are to be hospitalized or if you have a family member who is homebound,*

*Please call the rectory, 573-236-4390. Secretary office hours: Wed. & Thur. – 9am - Noon*

**Church of the Risen Savior**

Sunday: 8:30 AM - Mass

Wednesday: 6:00 PM

**St. George**

Mon, Communion Serv. 8: 00am,

Tue. 6pm - Wed. Thurs, Fri- 8:00am Mass

Saturday: 5:00 PM -Mass

Sunday: 7:00 AM & 10:30 AM -Mass

**Shrine of Our Lady of Sorrows** – [www.historicshrine.com](http://www.historicshrine.com) or follow the Shrine on Facebook

**Valentine Hall** Rental information - [www.valentinehall.org](http://www.valentinehall.org) or contact rectory at 573.236.4390

**Mass Intentions**

Sunday, December 11, 2022 – Helen Rothermich – 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Wednesday, December 14, 2022 – Wilfred Rothermich

December 18, 2022 – Kolks Family

**Reminder Mass Stipend amount is \$10.00 per Mass**

**Pray for the Sick** - Margaret Bahr, Sylvia Bruckerhoff,

Kevin Crowe, Jackie Engemann, Noah Engemann, Casey Gleeson,

Jason Gleeson, Leonard Hall, Nancy Hall, Ruth Hulsey, Barbara Korman,

Mary Korman, Carol Lampkin, Jim Lampkin, Irene Lewis, Mike Maddux, Al Miller,

Kirsten Parr, Hank Van Booven, Fae Winkelmann

~ May they be healed in body and spirit ~ Let us pray to the Lord ~



**Please pray for RCT Benjamin Weissenbach USMC. Lord protect him while he protects us.**

**Notice the new Votive Candle Stand in the front of church. A \$5.00 donation is suggested for the candle you light. Collection box is under the stand. It was donated by the ladies of the St. Anne Sodality.**



**Bishop McKnight’s December Prayer intention** – During the holiday season, may our self-centeredness be replaced with generosity; our frustrations with compassion; our anxieties with patience; and our intolerance with understanding. Let us pray to the Lord.

**Ministers for Sunday, December 18, 2022**

Deacon: Gerald Korman

Lector: Victoria Van Booven

Eucharistic Minister: Brenda Van Booven

Offertory: Bill & Julie Berkbigler

Sacristan: Sharon Buckner

Musician: Sherri Gerlemann

Rosary Leader: Brenda Bardwell

Servers: Chase Williman, Layne Bader

Parish Council Trustees: Alida Bader, Julie Berkbigler

**COLLECTION – December 4, 2022 – Parish Council Trustees: Alicia Winkelmann, Melissa VanBooven**  
Envelopes \$5,431, Education \$2,993, Fuel \$90, Holy Day \$225, Flowers \$180, Human Development \$5, Loose \$85 Total \$9,009.00

**Thank you to all who regularly use their church envelopes, use automatic bill pay or give in the loose collection, and support your parish!!!**

**Your sacrifices are greatly appreciated!!!**

**Scrip On Hand** is sold at the St. George rectory office from 8am to 3pm, Monday through Friday, and after 10:30 am Sunday Mass at St. George.

**Mark your calendar!!!** Need help to decorate Church of the Risen Savior for Christmas after Mass on Dec. 18.

**Musicians** – we are looking for individuals interested in being our Musician at Sunday Mass and funerals. If you are and know of anyone interested, please call the rectory 573-236-4390.

*“And while we sing, remembering to sing is to doubly pray. At once in our hearts and our tongues, we offer double prayer sent heavenward on winged notes to praise God dwelling there.”*

**Mass Intentions** – Requesting a Mass to be celebrated for someone has a long history in the Catholic Church. It is not only a sign of your own faith and flourishing, but of your heart for those who say these Masses. If you have someone in mind for a Mass, please place in the basket in church. Mass stipend is \$10 per Mass.

**Recycle Old Cell Phones & Tablets = \$\$\$ for Catholic Education** – your retired cell phones and tablets can be put to great use and earn money for St. George School. Simply put your unwanted cell phones in the container located in the back of church. The process is easy, safe and quick! The company, Pace Butler Corporation, will take cell phones in any condition, even if they are damaged or locked. Thank you for your support.

**PLEASE SAVE Village Market Receipts** for St. George Parish and Best Choice labels for St. George School. Aluminum cans may be placed on the trailer that is on the lower parking lot. Clothing can be placed in the bins in back of school. Thank you

**Clothes Drive** – St. George School is in a Clothes Drive competition with US-Again. If you have any clothes, shoes, or fabric you would like to donate, please drop them into the bin by the gym door. Thanks!

**GIVE BACK TO ST. GEORGE SCHOOL WITH CASEY’S REWARDS!** When you buy from Casey’s and uses their rewards program you can simply turn your points into a donation to St. George School. Sign up by creating an account through Casey’s app or online at <https://www.caseys.com/> and click on the rewards tab. It’s that easy!

### **Upcoming Events 2022:**

December 18 – Decorating after Mass for Christmas

**Snow Removal Bids** – are needed for Church of the Risen Savior, Rhineland, Starkenburg, the-Shrine, Valentine Hall & St. Martin parking lots.

Please send or email to Church of the Risen Savior, 605 Bluff St., Rhineland, MO 65069  
Or email [risensav@ktis.net](mailto:risensav@ktis.net) by December 1, 2022. Please date your bid.



Today we celebrate Gaudete Sunday, that is Rejoice Sunday. This Sunday marks the half way point in the penitential season of Advent signifying the Lord’s coming. This Sunday we not only rejoice in He who came in history, but also He who is to come. This day also reminds us that the Lord is already here and is on high even if we don’t recognize Him in the people we serve and care for. Like our Jewish brothers and sisters we remember the prophetic promise of His coming into our midst. Therefore, we rejoice, prepare our hearts, minds, and souls with prayers, supplications and thanksgiving. The Lamb of God who is, who was and who is to come is already now in our midst. This Sunday we rejoice in the fact that we have been claimed and won for God our Father through the birth, sacrifice, death, Resurrection and Ascension of His Son. Let us, on this Gaudete Sunday cast our old selves aside and allow the Holy Spirit to raise our hearts and minds to a heavenly communion with the Angels and Saints in Heaven rejoicing and praising our Lord for all He has done, for all He does and for all He will do for us His children, knowing that the Divine became one of us so that we might become like Him. As St. Paul tells us in his letter to the Philippians; “Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.” It’s that time again! Time for a new Parish Pict