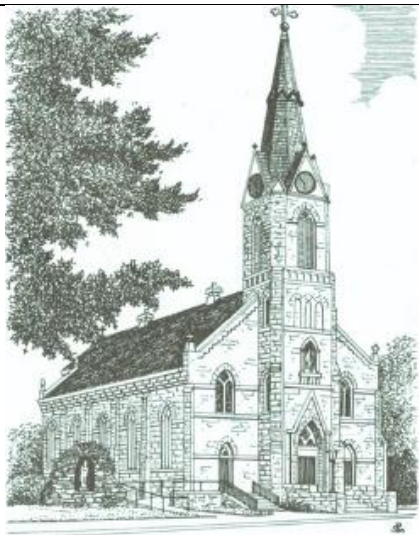




# Saint Joseph Catholic Church

## Ellinwood, Kansas

**2 August 2026 – Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### **Our Parish**

214 N. Main St  
Ellinwood, KS 67526  
Parish 620-564-2534  
School 620-564-2721  
[www.stjosephellinwood.com](http://www.stjosephellinwood.com)  
Facebook:  
Saint Joseph Parish and School

### **Administration**

Fr. Aneesh Parappanattu, MSFS  
Laurie Kolling, Principal  
Jamie Komarek, Secretary

### **Masses**

Weekdays 8:15 am  
Weekends 5:00 pm Saturday  
9:00 am Sunday

### **Confessions**

4:00 pm Saturday & by request



## Upcoming Events

**SJCS Parent Meeting  
& Enrollment  
Aug 5 6:30 pm**

**PGC Awareness  
Session Aug 25  
6-9 pm  
Great Bend**

## INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

**Mon., Weekday (8/3)**

**Mass 8:15 am +Pat Kasselmann**

**Tues., St. John Vianney (8/4)**

**Mass 8:15 am For Rain**

**Wed., Weekday (8/5)**

**Mass 8:15 am +Catherine Hammeke**

**Thurs., Transfiguration of the Lord (8/6)**

**Mass 8:15 am Liv/Dec Mem of D of I**

**Fri., Weekday (8/7)**

**Mass 8:15 am +Ashley Reichuber**

**19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (8/8)**

**Mass 5:00 pm Pat Elpers**

**NINETEENTH SUN ORDINARY TIME (8/9)**

**Mass 9:00 am For the Parish**

### Church Support

Envelopes \$2,345.00      Offertory \$637.35  
 Online Giving \$2,481.00  
**Total Weekend Collection \$5,463.35**  
**Wkly offering needed to meet budget \$9,700.00**  
 Envelopes Mailed 112  
 Envelopes Returned 28  
 Online Donors 50

## Ministers

Wkday Servers: Aug 2: Jackson Joiner, Jaxon Lewis

Aug 8 & 9

Sat. 5:00pm

Sun. 9:00am

Lector

Larry Drees

David Gonzales

Lector

Jill Ritchie

Karla Gonzales

EM

Robin Lebbin

Kent Roth

Melanie Zink

Chad Steffan

Janice Birzer

Lori Steffan

Servers

Lauren Rugan

Eston Barnett

Adley Ritchie

Emalie Joiner

Sacristans

Larry Drees

K & K Wondra

Greeters Sat., Aug 8 – Jason & Heather Schlochtermeyer,  
 Larry & Joan Drees

Sunday, Aug 9 – Kelly & Kristen Wondra, Jean Klepper,  
 Sharon Gatton

### **SCRIPTURE READING FOR SUNDAY, AUG 9**

1 Kings 19:9a,11-13a, Romans 9:1-5, Matthew 14:22-33

*"Jesus said to them, 'There is no need for them to go away; give them some food yourselves'." -*

**MATTHEW 14:16**

This is what Jesus said right before he fed the five thousand men. How often do we really place our trust in Jesus when the situation looks grim? With Jesus, no gift is too small or insignificant when offered with love. But we have to do our part. We should trust that Jesus will provide all that we need. We need to believe that Jesus has a better plan in store for us.



*"You give them something to eat."*  
 (Matthew 14:16)

Jesus calls us to respond to the needs of His people. How is He inviting you to serve and nourish those around you? Talk to Father Aneesh or reach out to Father John Stang, Director of Vocations at the Diocesan Vocation Office, 620-227-1500.



**WE ARE PLEASED TO WELCOME** Rev. John Stang, Director of the Office of Priestly Vocations, who will be with us next weekend, August 8–9, to speak about the gift and call of vocations.

As a parish family, let us continue to pray that God will raise up generous hearts to respond to His call to **the Sacrament of Marriage, the Priesthood, and the Religious Life**. May the Holy Spirit guide and strengthen all those discerning their vocation, and may our prayers and encouragement help them respond with courage and joy.

**WALKING WITH PURPOSE RETURNS TO ST. JOSEPH – ELLINWOOD** - Have you ever asked yourself, *"How do I become a true, dynamic disciple of Jesus Christ?"* **Passionate Discipleship** is a Walking With Purpose Bible study focused on equipping women to know Christ and to make Him known.

**Sessions:** Tuesdays, August 25 – October 20  
**Book Cost:** \$30 (book order will be placed on **August 10**)

To sign up or for more information, please contact:  
**Gaila:** 620-617-3392  
**Marlene:** 620-566-7041

**LOOKING FOR A DEEPER RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD?** If your faith feels routine or you long for a stronger connection with God and a supportive faith community, consider attending an ACTS Retreat.

This fall, the Diocese of Dodge City will offer:

- **Women's ACTS Retreat:** October 22–25, 2026
- **Men's ACTS Retreat:** November 19–22, 2026

Both retreats will be held at the Heartland Center for Spirituality in Great Bend. Registration forms are available at **Actsdc.org**, and scholarships are available for those needing financial assistance.

Prayerfully consider this opportunity to deepen your faith, grow closer to Christ, and build lasting friendships in the Church.

**PETITION SCHEDULE**, Weekend of Aug 9:  
Melanie Zink.

**LOTTO ST. JOE 2026** – The winner of the weekly \$50.00 drawing for July 31 is Angela McCaffery. All tickets are re-entered, allowing one to win multiple times. All proceeds go directly to the support of SJCS.

**SJCS PARENT MEETING AND ENROLLMENT** - We're looking forward to welcoming everyone back for a new school year! Join us on Wednesday, August 5, in the Parish Center for our SJCS Parent Meeting, which begins promptly at 5:30 p.m. Enrollment will take place immediately following the meeting. Please make plans to complete your child's enrollment by **Friday, August 7, 2026**. We can't wait to see you!

**MISSING A CAKE PAN OR SERVING BOWL?**  
Ladies, we've collected quite a few cake pans, bowls, and serving dishes that were left behind after funeral dinners at the Parish Center.

If you've been wondering where your favorite pan or bowl disappeared to, it just might be here! Feel free to stop by the Parish Center and take a look. The north (back) door is open during the day, Monday through Friday, for your convenience.

Please claim any items by **August 3**. After that date, any unclaimed items will be donated to Catholic Charities Golden Harvest Thrift Store. Thank you!



**SHARE YOUR CREATIVITY WITH OUR STUDENTS!** -St. Joseph Catholic School is looking for creative volunteers to help inspire our students through fun art and craft projects! Whether you enjoy painting, drawing, crafting, or simply encouraging young artists, we would love to have you share your talents.

One volunteer—or a team of volunteers—would be wonderful! Your time and creativity can make a lasting difference in the lives of our students.

If you have questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Laurie Kolling at 620-564-2721.



**BAPTISM** was celebrated on July 26 for Kennedy Jo Oelke, daughter of Jared and Kami Oelke, and Archer Maxwell Crites, son of Braeden and Kendi Crites.

We rejoice with Kennedy and Archer and their families as they received the Sacrament of Baptism. Please join us in congratulating Jared and Kami, and Braeden and Kendi, and in praying that Kennedy and Archer will always know God's love and continue to grow in faith throughout their lives.

May God richly bless Kennedy and Archer and their families.

**UNITED WAY OF CENTRAL KANSAS STUFF THE BUS!** Help us support Ellinwood students and seniors by donating needed supplies for the Ellinwood Heritage Senior Center and Ellinwood schools! Join us on August 5 from 5:00–6:00 p.m. at Dollar General or Ellinwood Family Foods to drop off donations.

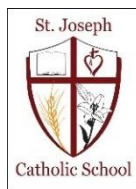
Donations may also be dropped off in advance at Sunflower Bank in Ellinwood. See today's bulletin flyer for a list of needed supplies. Thank you for your generosity!

**HEARTLAND CENTER FOR SPIRITUALITY RETREAT – *Sowing Light*** - Join Fr. Bob Schremmer on Saturday, August 29, 2026, from 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. at the Heartland Center for Spirituality (3600 Broadway, Great Bend) for *Sowing Light*, a day of reflection inspired by *The Sower*. Through prayer and contemplation, discover how God is at work in your life and how you are called to sow His grace in the world.

**Cost:** \$40 (includes lunch)

For more information or to register, contact Ann Axman at 620-792-1232 or [ann.axman@heartlandspirituality.org](mailto:ann.axman@heartlandspirituality.org), or register online at <https://heartlandspirituality.org/sowing-light/>.

**POPE LEO'S PRAYER INTENTION** for August: For evangelization in the city. Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness, we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.



## Dillons Community Rewards Update

Thank you to everyone who has linked their Dillons (Kroger)

Community Rewards account to St. Joseph Catholic School! Because of your support, SJCS earned \$282.06 through the Community Rewards Program for the second quarter of the year (April 1–June 30, 2026).

A total of 137 households are currently supporting SJCS through this program. The more you shop at Dillons, the more we earn—at no additional cost to you!

If you have not yet linked your Dillons Rewards card to St. Joseph Catholic School, we encourage you to do so. It is easy to participate, and every purchase helps support our school.

Thank you for helping SJCS through your everyday shopping!

## "You give them something to eat."

(Matthew 14:16)



### Reflect:

Jesus calls us to meet the needs of others with compassion. Each vocation is a way of feeding the world with Christ's love.



### Discuss:

Who in your parish or family needs spiritual or emotional nourishment right now? How can you bring Christ to them?



### Pray:

Pray for a spirit of generosity in all vocations and for those who feed others through ministry and love.



Let us be Christ's hands and heart, feeding others with His love.



# BOX TOPICS

End the summer with extra earnings.

AUGUST 2026  
EDITION



## MONTHLY BONUS OFFERS

Offers are valid on a single transaction from 8/1/26–8/31/26



**Buy 2, Earn 5**  
on all snacks (fruit snacks, bars,  
Annie's crackers/grahams)\*



**Buy 2, Earn 5**  
on Progresso products\*



**Buy 2, Earn 5**  
on Totino's products\*



**Buy 2, Earn 5**  
on Pillsbury products\*



**Buy 2, Earn 5**  
on Cheerios cereal\*†



**Buy 2, Earn 5**  
Gold Medal Flour and/or Bisquick\*

\*Must submit your receipt within 14 days of purchase. Limit 5 claims per receipt. †Excludes cereal treat bars



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Senior Center and  
Ellinwood schools!

**AUGUST 5TH**  
**5:00-6:00**



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DONATE OR TO SEE THE  
FULL LIST OF NEEDED  
ITEMS

**LOCATIONS**

**DOLLAR  
GENERAL®**



\*Drop off donations in advance at Sunflower Bank



### SENIOR CENTER SUPPLIES

- Scotch tape
- Copy paper
- Dry erase markers
- Vinegar
- French vanilla coffee creamer
- Family size tea bags
- Heavy duty plastic forks and spoons
- Coffee & Filters
- Paper plates
- Dessert plates
- Napkins
- Envelopes
- Stamps
- Cascade
- LemiShine
- 30 gallon trash bags

### SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- Wide & College notebook paper
- Black & blue pens
- 3 Ring binders
- Comp notebooks
- Glue Sticks
- Kleenex
- Wood pencils
- Copy paper
- Sharpies
- Wired headphones
- Markers
- Bottled water
- Pocket folders (no clips)
- Sheet protectors
- Poster board
- Dry Erase Markers
- Clorox wipes
- Deodorant
- Liquid Body Wash
- Shampoo/Conditioner
- College rule spiral notebooks
- Mechanical pencils
- Color pencils
- Breakfast snacks