



ST. STANISLAUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

January 4, 2026

The Epiphany of the Lord

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BAPTISM: Contact Monsignor Cox regarding preparation sessions and scheduling

PENANCE: Saturday 4:30-5:00 p.m. or by appointment

MARRIAGE: Contact Monsignor at least six months in advance for preparation and scheduling

MASS INTENTIONS: January 5 through January 11

Monday:	8:00 a.m.	† Erma Holzer
Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	† Victor, Virginia, John, Judy & James Cassmeyer
Wednesday:	8:00 p.m.	† Bernie Forck, Julie Scheppers, Deceased Members of the Scheppers and Forck families
Thursday:	8:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of the Duke and Margaret Linhardt family
Friday:	8:00 a.m.	† John & Thecla Buschjost
Saturday:	5:30 p.m.	† People of the Parish
Sunday:	7:30 a.m.	† Roger Braun
	10:30 a.m.	† Al & Leona Fick

Perpetual Adoration Open Holy Hours

Friday morning 3 am—4 am

Sunday morning 2 am - 3 am (1st & 3rd)

Sunday Morning 3 am - 4 am (1st, 3rd, 5th)

Please call Donna at (573) 680-1470 if you are

All School Mass for the Epiphany

On Tuesday, January 6th, there will be an All School Mass at 2:00pm to celebrate the end of the Jubilee Year Pilgrims of Hope and to commemorate the Epiphany. This Mass is open for anyone who would like to attend. We will still have the 5:30pm Mass on Tuesday evening.

A Huge Thank you

A Special Thank you to the Decorating Team who were able to help decorate the church for Christmas. Lori Bruemmer, Nicole Burns, Chris and Lydia Brownell, Jack Crull, Diane Hummell, Leanne Kampeter, Brenda Roling, and Sharon Wilde. Your time and help are greatly appreciated.

St. Stanislaus Confirmation Candidate

Prayer Partners

We are seeking parishioners who would like to serve as **Prayer Partners** for our 25 St. Stanislaus Confirmation Candidates. This is a beautiful way to support our young people as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

If you feel called to participate, please email ststandre@ststan.net to be paired with a student.

In addition, if you would like to send a card with your well wishes to your assigned student, please mail (or dropped off) to the Parish Center by February 17th.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated at **6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3, 2026**. Thank you for your prayers during this special time for our Confirmation candidates.

Pro-Life Committee

The Pro-Life Committee will be meeting on January 5, 2026 at 6:00 pm in the Parish Center.

Faith-Food Fellowship

Join us on **Tuesday, January 6th**, following the 5:30pm **Mass** for our Faith-Food-Fellowship gathering in the Parish Center. This month's host is the **Legion of Mary**, who invite you to an evening of **good food and great conversation** with fellow parishioners. Faith-Food-Fellowship is a wonderful opportunity to build relationships, strengthen our parish community, and simply enjoy time together. This event is open to all members of our parish—everyone is welcome. We hope you'll make plans to join us!

Wardsville/Osage Bend Knights of Columbus

The next meeting will be on Monday, January 12—KC Hall—Doors open at 6 pm, meal served at 7 pm with a meeting at 7:30 pm.

Over 50 Club Meeting

The next meeting of the Over 50 Club will be held on **Friday, January 16** in the Parish Center. We will begin praying the Rosary at 11 am., followed by a carry-in lunch of soup/chili/stew and dessert. Bingo will be played after lunch. Please plan to attend.

Parish Council Meeting

The Parish Council will meet on Tuesday, January 20, 2025 at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center.

Steubenville STL Mid-America 2026

Informational Meeting—Amended

Dear St. Stanislaus Teens (Grades 8–12),

We are thrilled to invite St. Stanislaus Teens (Grades 8-12), to join us for **Steubenville STL Mid-America**, a powerful youth conference that will take place **July 2026 in Springfield, Missouri**. This unforgettable weekend is designed to ignite your faith, connect you with peers, and deepen your relationship with Christ.

An informational session will be held on Wednesday, **January 14, 2026 @ 6:30pm in the St. Stanislaus Parish Center.**

Devin Koelling and Emily Groner will share their experiences and excitement for this transformative spiritual opportunity.

Please RSVP by **January 7th** for the informational session on the Parish Website (Under Special Events).

St. Stanislaus School News

Classes will resume on Jan. 6. We look forward to seeing all the smiling little faces. Happy New Year!!!

Youth Group Leader

Our St. Stanislaus D.R.E. is looking for an adult leader for the Youth Group. If you are interested in working with our 8th–12th graders, leading them in faith talks, prayer and even some games, please contact Missy at 636-4925 x4.

Children's Choir Masses

The Children's Choir mass is typically scheduled for the 10:30am mass on the second weekend of the month. We are excited to offer the opportunity for the children of the parish to serve in the Liturgical Roles during these masses. If your child is interested in being a reader, Rosary Leader, Usher, Greeter or bring up offertory, please contact the Parish Center to have them added to the list.

Christmas Decoration Downsizing

An option for you if you are feeling overwhelmed by the amount of Christmas decorations that you are putting up and feel like you may want to downsize for next year. Your overflow of Christmas Decorations can be donated for the Vintage Mart held during the Parish Picnic and Fall Supper. The decorations can be dropped off at the Parish Center for storage or if questions, contact Marian Forck at 573-690-4734.

Knights of Columbus Bourbon Tasting

The Knights of Columbus invite members and prospective members to join us for a Bourbon Tasting on **Friday, February 6, 2026**, at the **St. Stanislaus-St. Margaret Community Center** in Wardsville. Doors open at 6:00pm, with the tasting beginning at 7:00pm. Enjoy sampling five premium bourbons, heavy appetizers, and fellowship—and each participant will receive a bottle at the end of the tasting.

The cost is \$75 per person, and space is limited to 100 seats. **RSVP and payment are required by January 31, 2026.** Bring a friend and enjoy a great evening together. For questions or registration details, contact **Chris at (573)694-3312** or check for flyers in back of Church.

Prayer Hotline: Contact Kay Stockman at 573-536-8777 or Karen Schenewerk at 573-635-3943 for prayer line requests or to be added to the prayer line.

A Prayer for the New Year

God, Please grant me wisdom in the new year. Help me discern where You are leading and what opportunities you have placed in front of me. Give me eyes to see those who you have set before me to share Your love and truth. Guide my steps as I seek to shine your light wherever I go.

Men's Welcome Spiritual Renewal Weekend

All men of **St. Stanislaus and St. Margaret's Parish** are invited to attend our Welcome Spiritual Renewal Weekend — a powerful opportunity to pause, reflect, and grow in your faith.

Dates: Saturday, January 31 & Sunday, February 1, 2026

Location: St. Stanislaus/St. Margaret Community Center

This two-day retreat is designed to help you reconnect with God, renew your spirit, and strengthen the bonds of brotherhood within our parishes. Led by men from our own community, the weekend will include prayer, reflection, fellowship, and inspiring personal stories of faith.

There is **no cost to attend**, and all meals are provided. Space is limited, so sign up early!

For more information or to register, contact:

Gary Wilbers—573-619-8700

Email—gwilbers@goascend.biz

Come and experience what God has waiting for you — a weekend that could change your life!

Volunteers Needed

Men's Spiritual Welcome Weekend (Jan 31–Feb 1)

We are looking for volunteers to help with meals for the Men's Spiritual Welcome Weekend. There are four ways you can help.

1. Help with meal prep, serving, and clean-up.
2. Provide specific dishes that can be made in your home and delivered to K of C building.
3. Donate needed ingredients.
4. Donate money to help with meal costs.

All levels of help are needed and greatly appreciated. Please contact **Mel Graessle at 573-690-1400** or melodiandluke@gmail.com if you can help or need more information. Thank you.

Cursillo School of Leaders

The second semester for the Cursillo School of Leaders begins January 10, 2026. Location is in Flanagan Hall, Our Lady of Lourdes parish in Columbia MO. Social time begins right after 8AM Mass with a program to begin at 9:10AM. Ron Dunn will give a presentation on the "Role of Cursillo Leaders" followed by a presentation by Mike Hentges on "Temptations of Leadership and Pitfalls of Leaders". Hope you can join us for this fun and faith filled morning as we all grow closer to Christ and strive to do His Work. Program will end with a visit to the Blessed Sacrament at 11AM.

Child Care Openings

The Immaculate Heart of Mary Child Development Center in Jefferson City has openings ages 1 & up. We also have a waiting list for infants, which is moving quickly. If you are interested in affordable childcare provided in a Christ-filled environment, please visit our website at www.diojeffcity.org/immaculate-heart or email lockwell@diojeffcity.org. IHM-CDC exists to provide faith-based care and learning to the youngest of God's children.

Parish Directory

We still have several copies of the Parish Directory in the Parish Center. Even if you did not place a family photo in the parish directory you can purchase a directory for \$20. Please pick up your copy of the directory from the Parish Center.

CHURCH CLEANING: Doris Adams, Crystal Miller, Emily Bailey, and Lois Bax
(Please clean church before the weekend of January 10 & 11)

Liturgical Role Schedule for January 10 & 11 – The Baptism of the Lord

	Saturday, 5:30 PM	Sunday, 7:30 AM	Sunday, 10:30 AM
Altar Server	Dylan Howell Emmelia Nicolaescu	Nash Wilbers Carson Williams	Kinsley Berendzen Madison Berendzen
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion	Mary Markway	Mark Heckman	Julie Cowell
Reader	Julie Boeckman	Tim Backes	Alison Bruemmer Charleigh Bruemmer Kemper-Cole Wilbers Macy Berendzen
Rosary Leader	Paul Rodeman	Carolyn Schnieders	Donna Bernskoetter
Usher	Darrell Mantle Landon Mantle Glen Reinkemeyer Gene Sandbothe	Leroy Bisges Jeff Boessen Lawrence Bruemmer Justin Buschjost	Heidi Wilbers Luke Wilbers Mason Kaiser Keith Kaiser
Greeter	Paul & Debbie Luebbert	Tom & Mary Buschjost	Sophia & Easton Grothoff
Offertory	Mary Kempker	Mike & Rose Mertens	Eliza & Vera Boessen Hazel Luebbert
Music Ministry	Donna Halbrook & Choir	Dianne Bisges & Group	St. Stanislaus Children's Choir

Upcoming Local Events

Blood Drive—Blair Oaks High School—January 12, 2026—
10am—2pm, All eligible donors are welcome and encouraged
to participate. Any questions, please contact Kylea Kempker at
26kkempker@blairoaks.org

St. Stanislaus Facebook Page

Check out our St. Stanislaus Church Facebook page at
<https://www.facebook.com/StStanislausWardsville/>

Diocesan Summer Camps Registration 2026

The Diocese of Jefferson City holds Summer Camps for
incoming middle schoolers and high schoolers. These
week-long, faith based camps provide young people with
adventure, fun, and community. Registration for incoming
6th-12th graders for Summer Camps will open January 31st,

Wardsville/Osage Bend Community Center

If you are interested in renting the K of C hall for any event,
please call 573-230-4055.



Offertory Budget Year-to-Date	\$ 525,000.00
Offertory Collection Year-to-Date	\$ 542,332.86
Offertory Difference Year to Date	\$ 17,332.86
<u>Collection in Church</u>	
Offertory budget for December	\$ 80,769.23
December 7, 2025	\$ 21,778.70
December 14, 2025	\$ 20,051.50
December 21, 2025	\$ 17,047.00
December 28, 2025	\$ 11,727.50
Electronic Contributions	\$ 38,298.00
Monthly Collection Total	\$ 108,902.70
Monthly Difference	\$ 28,133.47
Stewardship to Diocese—November 2025	\$ 12,311.00

Please remember to write a separate check for anything
outside of Sunday giving i.e. Samaritan Center, Memorial
Masses, candles, etc. Thank you as this makes the processing
of your financial gifts easier.



MIDWEST MARCH FOR LIFE



*Save
the Date*

April 30, 2026

**Missouri State Capitol
Jefferson City, MO**

Featured Speakers:

Reagan Barklage

National Field Director
Students for Life of America

Mayra Rodriguez

Pro-Life Advocate,
Speaker, and Whistleblower
against abortion giant
Planned Parenthood

To see typical schedule from last year, get more information, and register, visit us at
midwestmarchforlife.com

We love to honor young people as they
promote the sanctity of life!

Tell us what your school or homeschool group
has been doing and apply to be the Profile
School of Year!

School bands welcome to register to perform in
March



SHEER GOODNESS

MISSOURI CATHOLIC SUMMIT 2026



**ST. JOSEPH
CATHEDRAL
JEFFERSON CITY, MO**



**FEBRUARY
28, 2026**



**COLLEGE
/AGED YOUNG
/ADULTS 18-25**

For more information and registration
visit diojeffcity.org/mo-catholic-summit/



Breaking the Silence of Abuse

As a diocese, we are committed to breaking the silence of abuse. When someone is reporting abuse, we must acknowledge their pain and how difficult it is to talk about it. False allegations are very rare. Our initial response to someone who is disclosing abuse for the first time must be compassionate. For those who need to report abuse, encourage them to contact our Victims Assistance Coordinator, Jacqueline Baldwin (573-694-3199) and to make sue of the appropriate State of Missouri hotline (1-800-392-3738) or the Attorney General's clergy abuse online form. All of this information is also on our website, under the 'report abuse' tab. For those who want information or want to convey a message to Bishop McKnight, please encourage them to write to us at reportabuse@diojeffcity.org.

Don't Be a Victim of a Scam

The St. Stanislaus Parish Community, including the Pastor, Principal, Director of Religious Education, Teachers, School Staff and Parish Committees, will NEVER send an email or text message asking for a monetary donation or gift card to be paid for electronically. Please do not open any of these messages, delete immediately and don't be a victim of this scam.

Covenant Network Radio

Do you want to know a great way to make this Lent even better? Listen to Catholic Radio! Shut off the noise and listen to solid Catholic teaching, prayers, and call-in programs. You can listen on a smart speaker, tell Alexa to play Covenant Network Catholic Radio, on our App, Covenant Network, online at OurCatholicRadio.org, or on your local Catholic radio station, 88.1 FM. Make this a Lent to remember. Pray the Visual Rosary with sacred images for each prayer and the Stations of the Cross.

**MINISTRY
on the Move**

January

St. Mary Parish, Shelbyville.....22nd
St. Joseph Parish, Westphalia 23rd
St. Brendan's School Mexico 29th
SVDP Parish, Sedalia.....30th

6:30 - 8:00 PM
Doors open @ 6 pm

<http://diojeffcity.org/womens-ministry-on-the-move-2026-registration/>

Finding Joy Living in the Spirit



Shalby Packer

Discover how the Holy Spirit leads us toward a life of deeper joy, peace, and purpose. This inspiring talk invites us to open our hearts to God's presence, recognize His movement in our daily lives, and embrace the joy that flows from living in true communion with Him.



Register here!



Totus Tuus 2026

Parish summer
catechetical
program



Scan Me to Register

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Monday - Friday : 8 am - 1:30 pm

Dropoff in Gym - 7:30 - 7:45 am

Mass @ 8am

Lunch will be provided.

Grades : 1st - 6th

Pricing: \$50/Student or \$100/Family Max

Please contact your Director of Religious Education with questions

MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL

Sunday - Thursday : 6:30 - 8:00 pm

St. Stanislaus Parish Center

Grades : 7th - 12th

Evening Program: Free

**TO BE HELD AT
ST. STANISLAUS PARISH
JULY 12 - 17, 2026**



**DIOCESE OF
Jefferson City**



THANK YOU

OUR OFFICE WOULD LIKE TO THANK EACH AND EVERYONE OF YOU THAT PARTICIPATED IN THE CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE. THIS WAS OUR FIRST YEAR PUTTING THIS TOGETHER AND I HAVE TO SAY WE HAVE BEEN OVERJOYED BY THE AMOUNT OF DONATIONS WE HAVE GOTTEN FOR OUR CLIENTS THAT HAVE LITTLE TO NOTHING. AS MANY OF YOU DON'T KNOW OUR OFFICE IS THE GUARDIAN/ CONSERVATOR FOR 200 PEOPLE NOT JUST IN COLE COUNTY WE HAVE CLIENTS ALL THE WAY IN DEXTER MISSOURI. THESE ARE PEOPLE THAT ARE INCAPACITATED AND A WARD OF THE STATE MEANING THEY CAN NO LONGER CARE FOR THEMSELVES SO OUR OFFICE IS APPOINTED TO DO THAT FOR THEM. THE CLIENTS WE CHOSE TO ADD TO THE GIVING TREE WERE ONES THAT ONLY GET \$30.00 FROM SOCIAL SECURITY AND THIS IS THE ONLY INCOME THEY GET MONTHLY, OR THERE ARE OTHERS THAT HAVE LARGE AMOUNT OF BILLS THAT HAVE TO BE PAID AND LEAVES THEM WITH VERY LITTLE FUNDS IN THEIR ACCOUNTS WHEN CHRISTMAS COMES AROUND. DOING THIS CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE HAS BROUGHT A LOT OF HAPPINESS AND JOY TO THOSE CLIENTS AND ALSO OUR OFFICE. WE CAN'T THANK EVERYONE ENOUGH FOR THIS HUGE AMOUNT OF KINDNESS THEY HAVE GIVEN OUR OFFICE AND CLIENTS.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS,
FROM THE
COLE COUNTY PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR OFFICE