

# WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH – ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

*“Two Churches, One Parish”*

**Growing as Disciples of Jesus; Making Disciples for Jesus**  
**Fifth Sunday of Lent – April 2, 2017**

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### THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

TUES	Apr 4	06:00 pm	SL	Kathleen Schmader †
<i>Adoration will follow Mass until 7:30 pm.</i>				
WED	Apr 5	06:30 am	SL	Parishioners of SJ-SL
THUR	Apr 6	09:30 am	ENH	Country Care Residents Easton Nursing Home
FRI	Apr 7	06:30 pm	SL	Stations of the Cross, Mass follows Tony Wagner †
SAT	Apr 8	05:00 pm	SJ	Robert Pierron †
SUN	Apr 9	09:00 am	SL	Shirley Karczewski †

**Please pray for the sick, especially:** Phil Bell, Doris Blockburger, Ellen Boudreaux, Norma Bromell, Joe Brose, Carl Davidson, Georgia Dean, Carolyn DeMaranville, Vince Eimer, Marty Eisler, Tom Flack, Tina Gaspard, Ronnie Gast, Alan Halstead, Marly Heim, Frank Heintzelman, Jim Heintzelman, Lydia Heintzelman, Nancy Heintzelman, Melanie Herken, Jon Highfill, Trista Highfill, Landry Hodges, Mark Hund, Arlene Jennings, Margie Kramer, Kelly Long, Todd Mathews, Mary Meinert, Jeni Mettelstedt, Kay Nocktonick, Mary M. Ruhlman, Lucca Sachse, Irene Schmidling, Tanner Siebenmorgen, Julie Simonis, Gary Stafford, Merlin Wagner, and Nick Yuska.

**Prayer List For Our Soldiers:** ARMY: 2LT Daniel Broaddus, Pvt. David Crook, Major Bryan Herken, PFC Colby Seifert, 1<sup>st</sup> Sgt. Allen Serrano, William Stradley, Daniel Winkler. AIRFORCE: E-4 Robert W. Herken, TSGT Scott Loecher. NAVY: ADDA Jason P. Herken, YN2-SS Kevin Lansing. MARINES: PFC Blake Hadley.

**Prayer for Vocations:** Brother Seelos (Tyler Lunsford).

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS – April 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>

			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	LECTORS	OFFERTORY	SERVERS
SAT	SJ	05:00 pm	Aaron & Vicki Welch, Carol Kroll	Kris Beyer	Wyatt DeMaranville and family	Tm 5
SUN	SL	09:00 am	Elmer Karczewski, Mary Ray, Shirley Navinsky	John Johnston	Taylor Seever and family	Tm 3

## OUR PARISH NEWS

**COLLECTION:** Thank you for your gifts to our parish! We received \$1531 for the regular collection plus \$70 for SJV Cemetery and \$323 for CRS Collection; and last week's on-line collection was \$155. Thank you for your generosity. Visit our website OR Facebook page to click on the link to donate on-line!

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST** this Sunday, **April 2<sup>nd</sup>**, after Mass. It is being hosted by the CCD teachers, parents, and students.

**PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL** will meet **April 5<sup>th</sup>**, at 7:00 pm at the rectory. All are welcome to attend this meeting.

**CHANGE FOR A CHANGE:** Just a reminder that the CCD students (grades K-5) are collecting Change for a Change each week during Lent. They are bringing a few coins each week and their combined efforts will make a positive change to a special charity in the end. This is their Lenten project.

**NOTE CHANGE IN CCD SCHEDULE:** CCD WILL be held on April 12<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday). This is different from the original schedule. Thanks!

**STL ALTAR SOCIETY:** Looking for volunteers to take on the role of President and Vice-President of the STL Altar Society. Please let Ginny Mowery know ASAP as to which position you'd like!

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Will be held at 6:30 pm Friday evenings followed by Mass (during Lent) - at STL April 7<sup>th</sup>; and at SJV on Good Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup>. Please join us!

**SECOND COLLECTION** to be held **April 14<sup>th</sup>** for the Holy Land.

**EASTER COLLECTION** held Easter Sunday (**April 16<sup>th</sup>**) will be for the Priesthood: (Present and Future). The Easter collection helps cover a significant cost of our 30 seminarian's education. It also funds the continuing education and spiritual formation of our priests. Finally, it finances a necessary retirement fund to help support our beloved retired priests. Please use your Easter envelope to give generously. Thank you for your support!

**LENTEN RECONCILIATION:** In lieu of a separate Lenten Reconciliation service, Father will hear Confessions at the regularly scheduled times, and on every Wednesday during Lent from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Additionally, Father will hear Confessions on Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> following the 6:30 PM Mass.

**ARCHDIOCESAN 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION** Couples celebrating their 50th wedding Anniversary in 2017 are invited to attend on June 4<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m., Church of the Nativity/Leawood. Please call the parish office or contact Sue Griffiee and give us your name, address, phone # and date of your wedding.

## OTHER NEWS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

**ST. JOHN'S BIBLE** (the first hand-written and illuminated Bible) will be hosted at Benedictine College and will include an exhibition of 25 full-scale, archival giclee prints, which will be on display in the Abbey Gallery and the McCarthy Gallery of Art from **until April 17<sup>th</sup>**. There will also be a display of a full-scale replica volume of the Gospels and Acts during Holy Week.

The Dept. of Music will be offering a concert of musical works that explore the same passages as the illuminations on exhibit in the Abbey Church on **March 26<sup>th</sup>** at 3 pm. To find out more about the St. John's Bible, see <http://www.saintjohnsbible.org>.

**SCHOOL OF LOVE: A WELL BALANCED DATE NIGHT, April 6<sup>th</sup>** from 06:30-07:30 pm at Classic Cup's "Cellar" – Plaza (301 W. 47<sup>th</sup> St.) Join other couples for social time and fun. It's low key. Food & drink! And the best spouse in the world – yours!

**"EVERYDAY IN LOVE" MARRIAGE WORKSHOP** Couples will learn a foolproof process that can help a husband and wife come together on any issue while still nurturing the tender atmosphere of deep love and respect in marriage. This final session will be from 9am-12pm on **April 8** at Church of the Ascension in Overland Park. The cost is \$20 per couple, and child care is available on a limited basis! To register, go to [www.archkck.org/everyday](http://www.archkck.org/everyday). Questions: contact Brad DuPont in the Office of Marriage and Family Life at 913.647.0301 or [bdupont@archkck.org](mailto:bdupont@archkck.org). This workshop is made possible by the Archbishop's Call to Share and is an offering of the Joyful Marriage Project

**ICARE MASS, TOPEKA:** iCare (Inclusive Catholic Activities & Religious Experiences) **APRIL 8**, 6:00pm at Most Pure Heart Of Mary, 3601 SW 17<sup>th</sup> St, Topeka, Kansas. iCare is looking forward their first adapted mass in Topeka for children and adults with developmental disabilities and their families. Most Pure Heart of Mary Parish in Topeka will host the monthly adapted mass, which will feature developmentally appropriate music and liturgy with a social immediately following. Participants and volunteers can register online at [icarenek.org](http://icarenek.org). Or for more information, they can contact iCare by email at [icaretopeka@gmail.com](mailto:icaretopeka@gmail.com) or call 785-271-5379.

**"COPING WITH LIFE ALONE" - PEER-TO-PEER GRIEF SUPPORT** is a Beginning Experience ® grief support program that meets each week for 7 weeks, helping those who have lost a love relationship due to death, divorce or separation move through the experience of grief into a future with renewed hope. The next program will meet at Mother Teresa of Calcutta, Topeka, KS, on Tuesday evenings: **April 18**, from 7:00– 9:00 p.m. For registration or additional information, please call Michelle at 785-640-1177.

**PLEASE NOTE** – There are a large number of other Archdiocesan announcements that could not fit in the space available. They will be posted on our church website listed above as a 2nd page to this bulletin.

Below are some of the announcements-please review online for more details:

Other Announcements:	
Survivor Support Group(s)	Symposium To Focus On Catholic Stewardship, 4/21/17
3rd Annual Living In Truth - Kansas City Catholic Women's Conference, 4/22/17	Family Day At Prairie Star Ranch 04/23/17
Camp Tekakwitha Women's Retreat: Abundant Love, 04/28/17 Weekend	Worldwide Marriage Encounter 4/28/17 Weekend
Pro-Life Coordinators Retreat 04/29	Joyful Marriage Project
Project Rachel	Living in Love Retreat, 6/10-11
St. Paul's Outreach	

**BULLETIN ITEMS:** Contact Kim Sachse, 913-775-0690 or email [sjslparish@gmail.com](mailto:sjslparish@gmail.com). Mass intentions may be scheduled with Kim as well. MUST SUBMIT BY 9 pm TUES FOR INCLUSION.

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**(FOR POSTING ON THE CHURCH INTERNET SITE)**

**SURVIVOR SUPPORT GROUP(S):** The Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas is interested in forming a Catholic peer support group for survivors of sexual assault or abuse, especially by anyone representing the Church. The aim of the support group(s) is to assist with the ongoing journey of healing and hope through the power and mercy of Jesus Christ and His Church. If you or someone you know would benefit from a peer support network, please contact our Healing Assistance Coordinator, Laura Enders, LMSW at 913-298-9244 or at [lenders@archkck.org](mailto:lenders@archkck.org). Confidentiality of all communication is assured. Please pray for healing for all of our brothers and sisters who are hurting.

**SYMPOSIUM TO FOCUS ON CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP:** Join parishioners and clergy from the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas on Friday, **April 21st** for “Twenty-five Years of Catholic Stewardship—A Symposium on Stewardship: A Disciple’s Response.” This year marks the 25th anniversary of the Pastoral Letter Stewardship: A Disciple’s Response. This document, introduced by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, has been the foundation for stewardship formation. Rediscover how this information can not only transform your own personal stewardship, but also transform the life of your parish and community. All clergy, parish staff and parishioners are invited to this gathering hosted by the Stewardship and Development offices of Region IX (Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska and Kansas). The keynote address, “Reflections on 25 Years of Stewardship,” will be given by Archbishop Emeritus James Patrick Keleher, who assisted in authoring the Pastoral Letter on Stewardship that was first published by the USCCB in 1992. The cost is \$49 per person; parishes that register four guests may bring a fifth for free. To register, please visit [www.stewardshiparchkck.org/register](http://www.stewardshiparchkck.org/register).

**3RD ANNUAL LIVING IN TRUTH - KANSAS CITY CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE:** Mass celebrated by Archbishop Naumann and Two Dynamic Nationally Renowned Speakers: - Sue Ellen Browder – “Cosmo Writer to Catholic Mom” - Jennifer Roback Morse, Ph.D. “Combating Assaults on Marriage and Families”, and Continental breakfast. Saturday, **April 22**, Time: 8:00 am – 12:30 pm, Cost: \$25 pre-registration; \$30 at the door. Register at: [www.livingintruthkc.com](http://www.livingintruthkc.com) 2 Event location: Church of The Ascension in Overland Park, KS, Contact information: email: [RegistrationKCCatholicWomen@yahoo.com](mailto:RegistrationKCCatholicWomen@yahoo.com), Phone: Shannon Gomez at: 913-708-0157

**FAMILY DAY AT PRAIRIE STAR RANCH:** Prairie Star Ranch is offering you the chance to step away and enter into a day of prayer, adventure, outdoor activities, and time to reconnect. Families, friends, and communities are invited to join us on **April 23rd** from 9 am to 5 pm! Opportunities include Horseback Riding, Canoeing, Ropes Activities, and time for prayer. The experience will culminate with the celebration of the Holy Mass in our beautiful St. Kateri Chapel. Let us journey together on this day of Christ-centered adventure! Register online now or contact the Team at Prairie Star Ranch. [www.archkck.org/ranch](http://www.archkck.org/ranch)-- 785-746-5693 -- [psrministry@archkck.org](mailto:psrministry@archkck.org)

**CAMP TEKAKWITHA WOMEN'S RETREAT: ABUNDANT LOVE** at Camp Tekakwitha (**April 28-30th**, ages 21+) Here you will find the space to relax, rejuvenate and reconnect. This is a retreat for women of all ages. You will find speakers that inspire you, sacraments that draw you to the heart of Christ, and fellowship with other women. This retreat offers large group and breakout sessions, individual reflection, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation, free time, friendship, laughter, and joy! Come enjoy the beauty of God’s creation at Prairie Star Ranch and the gift of sharing life with other women seeking the heart of Jesus. More information and registration details can be found at [www.camptekakwithawomensretreat.com](http://www.camptekakwithawomensretreat.com).

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:** The car gets a tune up. The house gets a painting. The job gets our all. When is there time to “brush up” on US? Carve out the time you so richly deserve and attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekend in Kansas City is **April 28-30<sup>th</sup>**. For more information or to apply, please visit our website: [www.wmme4youandme.org](http://www.wmme4youandme.org) or Tony & Barb Zimmerman, 816-741-4066 or email [tonybarbz@prodigy.net](mailto:tonybarbz@prodigy.net)

**PRO LIFE COORDINATORS RETREAT:** Calling all Parish Pro-Life Coordinators! We are having the first ever Pro-Life Coordinators Retreat and Planning Day! Every Parish Coordinator is invited to join us on **April 29th** at Prince of Peace Catholic Church! The retreat will run from 8:30-1:00pm! All parishes outside of the Johnson County area will be given \$50 for your travel reimbursement. Please visit [www.archkck.org/prolife](http://www.archkck.org/prolife) to sign up!

**JOYFUL MARRIAGE PROJECT:** The ultimate dream home everyone can afford Imagine winning a contest that allowed you to build your ultimate dream home...at no cost! While it would certainly take some time and hard work, the rewards would be totally worth it! Guess what? We married couples have it within our power to make our marriage our “ultimate dream home” by participating in the Joyful Marriage Project, which is an initiative of the Archdiocese to unleash abundant joy in marriages. Design your Blueprint for a more joyful marriage at [www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com](http://www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com). For more info, contact Brad and Libby DuPont, Office of Marriage and Family Life, Archdiocese of Kansas City in KS, (913) 647-0301, or [bdupont@archkck.org](mailto:bdupont@archkck.org).

**PROJECT RACHEL:** Want to help someone heal from an abortion? Join our Prayer Warriors for Project Rachel. Simply send your email to [3irishlads@gmail.com](mailto:3irishlads@gmail.com) to be part of our Prayer Warrior list. You will only receive a few Prayer Warrior requests per month. Please know that all email addresses are kept confidential and are never published or shared. No one knows who is on the distribution list.

**“LIVING IN LOVE” RETREAT:** Married couples: Wouldn’t you like to be great lovers? “It has been said that great artists begin to ‘think in music, or think in colors,’ and so it is with great and holy lovers....they begin to think in love!” Sign up now for the next “Living in Love” retreat held at St. John the Evangelist Parish, Lawrence, **June 10-11**, 2017. Register online at [www.archkck.org/LivingInLove](http://www.archkck.org/LivingInLove) or contact Mary Anne Kierl at the Archdiocese at 913-647-0345 for information.

**SAINT PAUL'S OUTREACH - PRAYER BREAKFAST:** Register today for the Saint Paul's Outreach City-Wide Prayer Breakfast on **May 1!** Help us celebrate "A Light in the Darkness" by praying for the young adults of Kansas City. Special guests include Archbishop Naumann, Archbishop Emeritus Keleher, and Bishop Johnston. All funds raised from this prayer breakfast are tax deductible and go toward our mission of building Catholic communities that awaken faith on campus and within young adult environments in Kansas City.

**SAINT PAUL'S OUTREACH** is a Catholic ministry that recruits, trains, and financially supports young men and women to become missionaries in the Kansas City area to our local young adults and college students. They currently have chapters at Johnson County Community College, UMKC, Benedictine College, and among post-college young professionals in the five-county metro (SPO also serves at Donnelly College and Emporia State). Last year, over 1500 local young adults were reached out to by Saint Paul's Outreach missionaries. They are supported by both local dioceses and are experiencing dramatic growth.

**TRANSLATION IN SPANISH — LEAVEN ARTICLES:** With the kind assistance of Judith Breton, The Leaven has translated and reformatted two of its recent stories that might be of interest to parishioners of yours who read only Spanish. Feel free to use them as bulletin inserts or handouts at your Spanish Masses.

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