

WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH – ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

“Two Churches, One Parish”

Growing as Disciples of Jesus; Making Disciples for Jesus
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Aug. 20, 2017

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

TUES	Aug 22	06:00 pm	STL	Mary Gwartney†
<i>Adoration will follow Mass until 7:30 pm.</i>				
WED	Aug 23	06:30 am	STL	Parishioners of SJV-STL
THUR	Aug 24	09:30 am	ENH	Country Care Residents Easton Nursing Home
FRI	Aug 25	07:30 am	SJV	Mike Heintzelman†
SAT	Aug 26	05:00 pm	SJV	Charles Abel†
SUN	Aug 27	09:00 am	STL	Shirley Karczewski†

Please pray for the sick, especially: Phil Bell, Doris Blockburger, Ellen Boudreaux, Joe Brose, Carl Davidson, Georgia Dean, Carolyn DeMaranville, Vince Eimer, Marty Eisler, Tom 8Flack, Tina Gaspard, Ronnie Gast, Pete Gwartney, Alan Halstead, Marly Heim, Frank Heintzelman, Jim Heintzelman, Lydia Heintzelman, Nancy Heintzelman, Melanie Herken, Jon Highfill, Trista Highfill, Mark Hund, Arlene Jennings, Margie Kramer, Phillip Leon, Kelly Long, Mary Meinert, Jeni Mettelstedt, Kay Nocktonick, Adam Pineau, 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, 1st Sgt. Allen Serrano, William Stradley, Daniel Winkler. AIRFORCE: E-4 Robert W. Herken, TSGT Scott Loecher, AB Noah Tattershall. NAVY: ADDA Jason P. Herken, YN2-SS Kevin Lansing. MARINES: PFC Blake Hadley.

Prayer for Vocations: Brother Seelos (Tyler Lunsford).

LITURGICAL MINISTERS – Aug. 26th and 27th

			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	LECTORS	OFFERTORY	SERVERS
SAT	SJV	5:00 pm	Tracy Heim, Robert Jardon, Rita Herken	Rita Herken	Mr. Joseph Brose	Tm 4
SUN	STL	9:00 am	Ted & Dawn Staver, Geri Wilburn	Dawn Staver	Mr. and Mrs. Les Blaski	Tm 1

OUR PARISH NEWS

COLLECTION: Thank you for your gifts to our parish! We received \$2,610 for the Regular Collection, including \$50 for Mission Coop, \$170 for memorials, \$60 for masses and \$20 for CCD. and last week's on-line collection. Thank you for your generosity. Visit our website OR Facebook page to click on the link to donate on-line!

PROJECT GARDEN: If any parishioner has extra garden produce to donate to the churches serving meals in Leavenworth, please contact Judy Brose at 913-683-4304 or brosej2002@yahoo.com.

CCD PARENTS: Parent meeting and registration will be on Sunday Aug. 27th at STL Hall, immediately following the 9am Mass. If you have any questions or cannot make this meeting, please contact Jennifer Roggenkamp at 913-705-9872 or dandj723@gmail.com.

CCD CLASSES begins:

K-5th grade classes start **Sept. 6th**, at Bertels Hall.
 6th-8th grade classes start **Sept. 10th** at STL Hall.

OTHER NEWS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

CHRIST'S PEACE - RETREAT, A Vision of Glory, on the beauty of God's revelation for us. The retreat will be from **Sept. 9-10th**. We will have Eucharistic Adoration each day, Mass Saturday at 5 pm, time for prayer and recollection and meals together. The cost is \$125 per couple and \$85 per individual. If you are interested in attending, please contact us at 913-773-8255 or info@christsppeace.com.

NEW WOMEN'S DISCERNMENT HOUSE: Gratia Plena (Full of Grace) is a new House of Discernment in the Archdiocese, providing post college age women the opportunity to live together to grow in holiness, to deepen their Catholic faith, and to discern with greater clarity God's call for their lives. Join us for a Holy Hour and Grand Opening with the Archbishop on Tuesday **Aug 22nd** at 6PM at Holy Trinity's Old Stone Chapel, 9130 Pflumm Rd, Lenexa, followed by an open house which is a short walk from the Chapel. Parking is available behind Holy Trinity School. Please pray for vocations, and for God's continued grace upon this new ministry. Please get the word out that we are accepting applications for "Resident Discerners". Please check our St. Joseph's List for our material needs at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0d49adab2ba1f49-st> Questions/Inquiries/Sponsorship Opportunities - can be directed to Kathleen Fox: (913) 717-5691 or kfox@GratiaPlenaKS.org or Fr. Scott Wallisch: (913) 647-0303 or frscott@archkck.org.

NATURE'S CALL YOUNG ADULT CAMPOUT: Calling all Catholic young adults! The annual Nature's Call campout is happening over Labor Day weekend, **Sept. 2-4!** Nature's Call is the largest Catholic Young Adult event in the Midwest! A wooded campsite on bluffs overlooking Lake Pomme De Terre in the Ozarks of Missouri - plus 100+ old and new friends, live music and dancing, boating, beaches, priests, sacraments, fishing, pick-up sports and a million stories in the making. It's quality time with incredible people, and a time to get away from life and get a little closer to God. We'll plan travel, meals, camping, etc. together. Contact naturescallcampout@gmail.com if you're interested or for more info, go to our website www.naturescall.camp or Facebook Nature's Call Catholic Campouts.

“COPING WITH LIFE ALONE” - is a Beginning Experience © grief support program that meets each week for 7 weeks. The program helps those who have lost a love relationship due to death, divorce or separation, move through the experience of grief and loss into a future with renewed hope.

Upcoming program dates and locations: Kansas City, MO – beginning **Sept. 17**, and will run for 7 consecutive Sundays, at St Patrick Parish, 1357 NE 42nd Terrace, KCMO. Contact Donna at (816-305-3760), for information and registration. Sessions will be from 2-4pm.

PRAIRIE STAR UNDER THE STARS: YOUTH GROUP AND FAMILY WEEKEND On **Sept. 23rd-24th**, Prairie Star Ranch welcomes all high school youth groups and families for the 13th annual Prairie Star Under the Stars event. We are excited to invite God's children to this camping adventure which includes Canoes, Climbing Tower, a Gaga Ball tournament, the Sacraments (Sunday obligation), prayer, star gazing, camp fires, camping, and so much more. If you're looking for an event filled with adventure, activities, and prayer, this is it. Registration paperwork and more information available online! For more information, call or go online today! www.archkck.org/ranch -- **785-746-5693** -- psrministry@archkck.org

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 **Sept. 24th** from 9am to 5pm! 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 -- **785-746-5693** -- psrministry@archkck.org

BIRTHRIGHT: Want to live your faith and make a difference in someone else's life? Volunteers offer hope, understanding and love to women distressed by pregnancy. We help them evaluate their situation, look at resources and discover how they can give life to their babies. For 31 years Birthright of Leavenworth, Inc. has been helping women in this area carry their babies to term.

Birthright Information Night: **Sept 28** at 7pm, at the Leavenworth Public Library, Jahn Meeting Room, 417 Spruce. This is an introductory meeting for anyone interested in volunteering or who would like to know more about Birthright.

Birthright Volunteer Training Day Sept 30 from 9am to 4pm at the Birthright Center, 221-A Delaware; Leavenworth. This is training for anyone interested in volunteering at the Birthright center. Our volunteers give approximately 3 hours/week or every other week.

Both meetings are required for volunteering. If you have questions or to register for training, please call Margaret McNamee 913-991- 7660, or the Birthright center 913-682- 2700.

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:	
Respite Care Program for Children with Special Needs 9-30	Mass of Innocents: 10/1
Natural Family Planning 10/14	Gaudeamus 10/21
Retrouvaille: 10/27	Christian Men's Retreat 11/18
Life Runners: 11/11-12	
Reporting Suspected Abuse	Adoptive Parents Needed:
Survivor Support Groups	Project Rachel
Stock Gifts Marriage Minute	

Bulletin Items: Contact Kim Sachse, 913-775-0690 Or Email Sisparish@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)

RESPIRE CARE PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Special Needs Ministry Respite Care Program, Saturday, **Sept. 30**, 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Holy Cross Catholic School, 8101 West 95th Street, Overland Park. Respite Care provides the gift of time away from caregiving for families who have a child with a disability. The program is designed for children between the ages of 6 and 18. For exceptions to the age range, please contact Tom Racunas at 913.647.3054 or by email at tracunas@archkck.org. *Volunteers are needed* to be a respite buddy to a child with a disability. To register a child for the program or to volunteer please, go to www.archkck.org/special-needs and complete the on-line form

MASS OF INNOCENTS: Have you or someone you know lost a child or loved one during pregnancy or in early infancy? If so, Archbishop Naumann invites you to commemorate this loss at this Mass on Sunday, **Oct 1**, at 12:30pm at Holy Spirit Parish in Overland Park, KS. This annual Mass gives parents, grandparents, siblings, or other loved ones the opportunity to receive consolation whether the loss was recent or many years ago. For questions or more info, contact Brad DuPont at bdupont@archkck.org, 913.647.0301, or www.archkck.org/family.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING—“Prescription for a Long and Happy Life” with Dr. Laurie Heap: This introduction to NFP takes an intellectually honest look at the medical benefits of natural fertility management systems and how they enhance the married relationship. Our next event is **Saturday, Oct 14** from 1:30-5pm at Holy Trinity in Lenexa. Light appetizers and drinks will be served. If you are engaged, this fulfills your Archdiocesan requirement for NFP introduction in Marriage Preparation. For more info, contact Brad DuPont in the Archdiocesan Office of Marriage and Family Life at bdupont@archkck.org or 913.647.0301. To register or to see future dates, go to www.archkck.org/prescription (\$50/couple)

RETROUVAILLE: Announcing an upcoming WEEKEND FOR COUPLES **Oct. 27th** Kansas City. Is your marriage going down the right road or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage. Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. For More Information, Contact Registration Team: Tracy & Paul (800) 470-2230 Or Visit Our Website: helpourmarriage.com

GAUDEAMUS EVENT: The Catholic Education Foundation’s annual Gaudeamus (“Let Us Rejoice”) awards dinner will be **Oct. 21st** at the Overland Park Convention Center. During this celebration of Catholic education in the Archdiocese, CEF will present the Michael & Patty Morrissey Angels Among Us Award to longtime volunteers Stan & Suzan Cramer and a Special Community Service Award to Channel 41 Action News. In addition, Resurrection Catholic School at the Cathedral in Kansas City, KS will receive the 2017 Archbishop Joseph Naumann CEF School of Excellence Award. The drumline from Mater Dei Catholic School in Topeka and a student choir from Holy Trinity Catholic School in Lenexa will provide entertainment during the event. All proceeds from this event go to scholarships for children living in poverty to attend Archdiocesan schools. For more information, visit www.cefks.org/events or contact Janet Rethman at (913) 721-1574.

LIFE RUNNERS: Are you a runner? Join LIFE Runners from the Kansas City area along with Pro Life Consultant Alli Donohue and Father Adam Wilczak for this year’s Marathon, ½ Marathon, and 5K! **Nov. 11-12th**. We will be flying out to Pensacola’s Marathon to make a stand for LIFE. We will meet up with teammates from across the country! Visit www.archkck.org/prolife-events for more information and to register!

SAVE THE DATE- CHRISTIAN MEN’S RETREAT: The Southern Region Christian Men’s Group will host the 8th annual Christian Men’s retreat on **Nov. 18th** at Sacred Heart School in Ottawa from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This year’s theme is The Father knows Best. We anticipate having three presenters, reconciliation and lunch. Free will offering at the door. Contact Les Wuertz at 785-835-6298 or leswuertz@live.com for details

REPORTING SUSPECTED ABUSE – Any person who has reason to believe that a child is being abused or neglected should make a confidential report to the Kansas Department for Children and Families Protection Report Center at 1-800-922-5330. If you believe a child is in immediate danger, call 911 or local law enforcement. In addition to making a report to the proper civil authorities, if your allegation, suspicion or concern involves a church volunteer, employee or member of the clergy or religious, please make a report to the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas. You may make a report directly to the Report Investigator, Jan Saylor, by calling the Confidential Report Line at 913-647-3051 or by submitting an online report at <http://www.archkck.org/reportabuse>.

ADOPTIVE PARENTS NEEDED!!! St. Joseph Adoption Ministry is in need of more prospective parents. They could place more babies if they had more prospective parents!! And the average wait time for couples to adopt a baby is only seven months. This is wonderful news for those considering adoption. For more information call St. Joseph Adoption Ministry at 913-2995222 or go to their web site at www.CatholicAdoptionMinistry.org. Please spread this good news!!

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. Confidentiality of all communication is assured. Please pray for healing for all of our brothers and sisters who are hurting.

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 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.

STOCK GIFTS: Instructions for how to give a gift of appreciated stock to parishes, schools and institutions can be found online at <http://www.archkck.org/stock>, or by going to www.archkck.org and clicking on the WAYS TO GIVE tab at the top of the page and selecting Stock Gifts from the drop down menu.

The Chancery provides this service as a convenience to parishioners who wish to give appreciated stock to their parish or Archdiocesan institution. It is very important that we be notified of the gift because we do not know who the giver is or to where the proceeds should be sent unless we receive this notification. The stock comes into our account at the brokerage firm without this information. Below is a reminder of the notification necessary. Please remind your givers should they inquire about the process for giving stock that this notification is essential to you receiving funds timely.

In addition to instructing your brokerage firm to wire securities, send an email to stewdev@archkck.org with the following information:

1. Donor’s name and address for tax receipt letters
2. Stock name and ticker symbol
3. Number of shares
4. Expected date of transfer
5. What the proceeds of the stock gift is to benefit; i.e. name and address of parish, school, cemetery, endowment or fund at the Catholic Foundation of Northeast Kansas, the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas, or a specific ministry or campaign within the archdiocese.

BULLETIN ITEMS: Contact Kim Sachse, 913-775-0690 or email sisparish@gmail.com. Mass intentions may be scheduled with Kim as well.: