

WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH – ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

“Two Churches, One Parish”

**Growing as Disciples of Jesus; Making Disciples for Jesus
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – February 11, 2018**

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

TUES	Feb. 13	06:00 pm	STL	Parishioners of SJ-SL
<i>Adoration will follow Mass until 7:30 p.m.</i>				
WED	Feb. 14	06:30 am	STL	Kathleen Schmader †
WED	Feb. 14	04:45 pm	SJV	Ernie DeMaranville †
THUR	Feb. 15	09:30 am	ENH	Country Care Residents Easton Nursing Home
FRI	Feb. 16	06:30 pm 07:00 pm	SJV	Stations of the Cross Floyd & Ruth Schmania †
SAT	Feb. 17	05:00 pm	SJV	Joseph & Delvina Hattok †
SUN	Feb. 18	09:00 am	STL	Hope and Recovery

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, Melanie Herken, Jon Highfill, Trista Highfill, Tracy Howard, Mark Hund, Arlene Jennings, Michael Jones, Margie Kramer, Phillip Leon, Kelly Long, Mary Meinert, Jeni Mettelstedt, Kay Nocktonick, Adam Pineau, Mike Pursel, Mary M. Ruhlman, Irene Schmidling, Tanner Siebenmorgen, Julie Simonis, Jim (Poly) Sloan, Gary Stafford, Merlin Wagner, and Nick Yuska.

Prayer List for Our Soldiers: ARMY: 2LT Daniel Broaddus, Pvt. David Crook, Lexi (Skaggs) Hargis, Major Bryan Herken, PFC Colby Seifert, 1st Sgt. Allen Serrano, William Stradley, Daniel Winkler. AIRFORCE: E-4 Robert W. Herken, TSGT Scott Loecher, E-1 Connor Schuler, A1C Noah Tattershall. NAVY: ADDA Jason P. Herken, YN2-SS Kevin Lansing. MARINES: PFC Blake Hadley.

Prayer for Vocations: Brother Seelos (Tyler Lunsford).

LITURGICAL MINISTERS – Feb. 17th and 18th

			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	LECTORS	OFFERTORY	SERVERS
SAT	SJV	5:00 pm	Rita Herken, Robert Jardon, Carol Kroll	Rita Herken	First Communion Class	Tm 4
SUN	STL	9:00 am	Ted & Dawn Staver, Geri Wilburn	Ted Staver	Jaxx Martin and family	Tm 1

OUR PARISH NEWS

COLLECTION: Thank you for your gifts to our parish! We received \$1862, which included \$20 for SJV Cemetery and \$50 to the CCEE collection, and last week's on-line collection of \$130. Thank you for your generosity. Visit our website OR Facebook page to click on the link to donate on-line! **PLEASE NOTE:** In order for our counters to credit the proper person with their donation, please be sure to list your name on the envelope if you are donating cash.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE: Please join us Wednesday, Feb. 14th at 6:30 am at STL or 4:45 pm at SJV for Ash Wednesday Mass.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Stations of the Cross will be held Friday night, Feb. 16th, at 6:30 pm, SJV. Mass will follow. Please join us!

RECEIPTS: Contribution receipts from your Church donations are ready to be picked up in the back of each church. If you cannot find your receipt, check at the other church, or contact Sara Green.

SECOND COLLECTION: will held on Feb. 14th (Ash Wednesday) for Aid to the Church in Central & Eastern Europe (CCEE). Another collection will be held on the weekend of Feb. 18th for the Black & Indian Missions.

CALL TO SHARE: Each year during the Archbishop's Call to Share campaign, we pause and consider all the good that is done because we give: the homeless are sheltered, the elderly are cared for, our seminarians are prepared for future ministry, to name just a few. You are being "Called to Share". If you have not already done so, please say "YES" to the Archbishop's Call to Share with a gift today. Gifts of any amount are welcome.

THANK YOU: St. Joseph-St. Lawrence Parish received a Thank You note from our Angel Tree family. "Your kindness really made a difference and the gratitude We feel cannot be put into words." With the generosity of our parishioners, we were able to take care of this family's stove problems as well as provide gifts for 5 children. Thank you to all of the parishioners who donated so much. God bless you.

FIRST PENANCE: Saturday, Feb. 17th, four of our CCD students will be receiving their first Penance: Haddie Miller, Ella Coppinger, Isabella Bryan and Devin Guenther. Please pray for them on this happy occasion.

OTHER NEWS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

ANNUAL CHILI AND BEEF SOUP SUPPER will be held Feb. 10th, 4 to 8 pm, St. Lawrence Hall. Free will donation. Bingo will follow. Please join us! Hosted by The Knights of Columbus (Mooney Creek).

MARDI GRAS - St. Benedict's Parish, Atchison on Feb. 11th, 11-1:30 serving Jambalaya, Maque Choux, Pizza, Chicken and Noodles, King Cakes and Beignets. Adults \$8; Kids 4-10 \$4. There will be a live auction starting at noon, along with silent auctions, games and crafts!

FISH DINNER: St. Patrick's Catholic Church, 94th and State Ave. invites us to their fish dinners starting Feb. 16th through March 23rd from

4:30p.m. to 7p.m. Baked and fried fish, Fried and boiled shrimp. \$10.00 adults, \$5.00 children and \$30.00 per family.

MEN UNDER CONSTRUCTION: Feb. 17th, 6:30am-3:30pm at Church of the Ascension, 9510 W. 127th St., Overland Park, Ks. Register @ www.ksmuc.org \$35, Students (18-22) \$25, Young men (12-17) \$15 Featured speakers-Lamar Hunt Jr., Fr. Andrew Strobl, Michael Shirley and Deacon Dana Nearmyer

COME AWAY AND PRAY WITH ME: Give yourself the gift these coming Wednesdays afternoons of Lent to pause for a time to be with God by praying with the Lenten Scriptures. Sister Mary Pat Johnson will lead each session, which will include input about the chosen Scripture for that day, individual prayer time, and small group reflection. The group will meet on the following Wednesdays: **Feb. 21st & 28th / March 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th**, from 1:00-2:00 PM in Robert Martz Hall at St. Francis de Sales Church, 900 Ida Street in Lansing.

CAMP TEKAKWITHA REGISTRATION OPENING DATES:

Tuesday, Jan.30, for 9th-12th grade camps and Family Camps
Tuesday, Feb. 6, for 7th/8th grade camps
Tuesday, Feb. 13, for 5th/6th grade camps
Tuesday, Feb. 20, for Special Needs Family camps
For more information, please visit our website at www.archkck.org/camp

FREE ASL CLASSES: Deaf Ministry for the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas, is pleased to announce we will be hosting a 4-week ASL course at St. Paul Catholic Church in Olathe, Kansas, to take place on the following dates: **Feb. 15, Feb. 22, March 1, and March 8**. Attendance of the first session in Oct. 2017 is not required. However, the information in the second session will include a review and build on what was taught in the first session. The cost for the event is free, and will be from 7 PM to 8 PM. Families are welcome. If you want to attend, it is encouraged, although not required, to RSVP with Katie Locus, at deafministry@archkck.org

LENTEN PARISH MISSION: Feb. 19-21, 7-8 pm each evening. Follow Mother Teresa to the Cross of Jesus with Father Bob Conroy. Father Bob has worked as a missionary priest for almost 30 years in over 30 countries in both rural and urban areas and the homeless, alcoholics, drug addicts and gang members in prison. Recently, he has been working on editing the works of Father Langford, cofounder of the Missionary of Charities Fathers with St. Teresa of Calcutta for future publication. There is no cost for this mission, but a free-will offering will be Further information may be obtained from Mary, 785-286-2188.

JOB OPENINGS IN THE ARCHDIOCESE: The Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas currently has several openings:

- Office Manager, Tribunal Office
- Associate Superintendent of Schools
- Campaign Coordinator
- Record and Gifts Specialist
- Campaign Field Director

Please visit our website at www.archkck.org/jobs to view the full job descriptions and application instructions.

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.

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)

COURAGE is a spiritual support group helping Catholic men and women live chaste lives in accordance with the Catholic Church's teaching on same-sex attraction and/or behaviors. Through participation in the Sacraments, prayer, fellowship and moral support, Courage members strive to develop lives of interior chastity in union with Christ and His Church. Courage meets in the Archdiocese every two weeks. **EnCourage** is a separate spiritual support group for family members and friends of loved ones with same-sex attraction. If you, your child or loved one struggles with same-sex attraction and wants confidential Catholic support, call the Courage helpline (913) 428-9893.

FEBRUARY RESPITE CARE PROGRAM FOR PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS: Special Needs Ministry Respite Care Program, Saturday, **Feb. 24**, 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Holy Cross Catholic School, 8101 West 95th Street, Overland Park, Kansas. Respite Care provides the gift of time away from caregiving for families who have a loved one with a disability. The program is designed for anyone age 5 and older. If you have any questions regarding the program please contact Tom Racunas, Archdiocese Lead Consultant of the Special Needs Ministry, at 913.647.3054 or by email at tracunas@archkck.org or Audrey Amor, Archdiocese Respite Care Coordinator at 816.739.1197 or via email at aamor@sjakeepingfaith.org. Volunteers are needed to be a respite buddy to a person with a disability. To register a loved one for the program or to volunteer please go to www.archkck.org/special-needs and complete the on-line form

LIVING IN TRUTH: KANSAS CITY CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE: **Feb. 24**, 8:00 am - 12:30 pm, Inspiring Catholic speakers will help prepare your heart for a meaningful Lenten journey. Get practical advice for discovering your unique gifts, your capacity for love, and the Father's unique design for you. Please join us! Church of the Ascension; Overland Park, KS 66213. Registration fee: \$25; \$30 at the door. Register online at: livingintruthkc.com or by mail at: Living In Truth Conference c/o Linda Spencer, 11706 Hadley, Overland Park, KS 66210. (Include name, address, phone)

J-HIGH YOUTH RALLY, This year's J-High Rally is coming up on **Feb. 25th!** Don't miss out on an awesome day at Prairie Star Ranch, featuring Emily Wilson, along with the Mikey Needleman Band, Mike Debus and more! The cost is \$25 in advance. Talk with your Youth Minister about getting signed up today!

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE ~ A Weekend Away for a Lifetime of Change. Serving the Widowed, Separated and Divorced; who are suffering the loss of a love relationship and may feel left out by their church, uneasy around married friends, unsure of themselves and uncertain about their futures. Helps grieving persons focus on their experience, deal with the natural grief process and offers an opportunity to turn the pain of loss into an experience of positive growth emerging from the darkness of grief into the light of a new beginning. The next Beginning Experience Weekend is **MARCH 2-4**, at Precious Blood, Liberty, MO. For more information visit: www.beginningexperienceckc.org, email: register.bekc@gmail.com, or contact Lori 913-980-7966.

RECHARGE MARRIAGE WORKSHOP: Have you been looking for marriage enrichment but don't have a whole weekend? Recharge is a 4 hour opportunity to connect with your spouse that will give you the basics to increase the joy in your marriage! Recharge is a practical application of John Paul II's Theology of the Body. Our next Recharge will be Sunday, March 4, from 2-6pm at Christ the King parish in Topeka, KS. Child care is available! For more details or to register, contact Shannon Nichol at snichol@cktopeka.org Or 785-273-0710 or go to www.cktopeka.org Recharge is made possible by the Archbishop's Call to Share and is an offering of the Joyful Marriage Project.

22nd ANNUAL JOINT DIOCESAN MASS WITH ANOINTING OF THE SICK: The Order of Malta is pleased to sponsor this Mass for Catholics of the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas and the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, with priests from both dioceses concelebrating. Archbishop Naumann will be the Principal Celebrant and Archbishop Emeritus Keleher will deliver the homily. This Mass with anointing and blessing of the sick, comparable to celebrations in Lourdes, France, will be at 10am, Saturday, **March 3**, at Curé of Ars Church, 94th and Mission Road, Leawood, Kansas. All are invited. The church is especially accessible for those with mobility issues. Prior to Mass, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered from 8:45 to 9:30 am. Those wishing to receive the Anointing of the Sick are asked to pre-register by phone or email. Please call 816-579- 1370 or maltakansascity@gmail.com and leave your name and correct spelling. Please join us in praying for all of our sick and suffering brothers and sisters. Need more information? Contact Bob Fitzgerald, 913-499- 7118.

HUMANAE VITAE 50 YEARS LATER—A SYMPOSIUM AT BENEDICTINE COLLEGE: The theme for the Seventh Annual Symposium on Advancing the New Evangelization at Benedictine College in Atchison, Kansas, “Humanae Vitae 50 Years Later: A Call to Self-Gift,” is a call to reflect on and analyze the significance of Pope Paul VI's encyclical and subsequent Catholic thought on issues of marriage and family life. While Humanae Vitae is most famous for its teaching on the use of contraception, the Symposium hopes to address that issue within the context of the vocation to imitate Christ in making a “sincere gift of self.” To this end we invite proposals from scholars and professionals in all disciplines that address contraception as well as broader questions related to marriage, family, children, and society.

The Symposium is meant to cultivate reflection and dialogue on issues of great urgency to the New Evangelization. Few events in the modern Church

have caused as much controversy and division as the publication of Humanae Vitae. While many have found its teachings to be a great challenge, many have also found them to be a great blessing. For this reason, we issue a “Call for Abstracts” to scholars and professionals, graduate students, lay leaders, and consecrated religious to give serious reflection upon the teachings of Humanae Vitae and the ways in which its teachings are communicated to the contemporary world.

It will be held **March 23-24**. For more information, please visit: <https://www.benedictine.edu/faith-life/symposium/index>

MARRIED COUPLES – WANT TO GIVE A GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING? Register for the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend – it's the best gift you'll ever give to each other and your marriage! Make your reservation now! The next Weekend in Kansas City is **April 20-22**, 2018. For more information or to apply, please visit our website: www.wmme4youandme.org or call Tony & Barb Zimmerman, 816-741-4066 or email tonybarbz@prodigy.net

DAY OF REFLECTION: HEALING FROM THE SCANDAL OF ABUSE OF CLERGY, RELIGIOUS AND OTHERS IN AUTHORITY WITHIN THE CHURCH: The Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas cordially invites you to join Teresa Hartnett for a day of reflection, exploring ways to move forward and heal from the scandal of abuse by clergy, religious and others in authority within the Church, Saturday, **April 21, 2018**, 9am to 3pm, Savior Pastoral Center. We encourage all Catholics to attend, including religious sisters and brothers, deacons, priests, lay ministers, as well as any Catholic grappling with the spiritual wounds we share as a Church. All survivors of abuse, their friends and family members will find this information helpful and edifying; anonymity will be protected. Teresa Hartnett is founder of Spirit Fire (SpiritFire.Live) and The Healing Voices Magazine (thehealingvoices.com). Additional information regarding this Day of Reflection will follow.

AMAZING PARISH CONFERENCE Registration is now open for our Dallas/Fort Worth conference this coming spring! Parish leadership teams that register by October 6 will save \$250 with the early-bird discount, so register today! Amazing Parish Conference - **April 25-27**, Hilton Anatole Dallas. The Amazing Parish conference is a practical and one-of-a-kind experience for parish leaders. You'll receive first-hand organizational health training from New York Times best-selling author, Patrick Lencioni, and you'll learn from dynamic and engaging presenters. The conference experience is also an opportunity for personal and spiritual renewal with daily Mass, confession and Eucharistic Adoration. Unlike other conferences, an Amazing Parish conference is a workshop-style format so pastors and parish leadership team members can work side-by-side to learn what a parish leadership team looks like, how it operates, and how it can best serve its parishioners. By the end of our time together, you'll have gained knowledge and insight, a clear vision of what leadership can look like at your parish, and how to implement it once you get home. <https://amazingparish.org/amazing-parish-conference-dallas-fort-worth/>

MARRIAGE MINUTE: Solitary Confinement

When things are difficult in our marriage, we can often isolate ourselves. We can feel like the lepers in this weekend's readings, waiting for rejection from others we think will consider us “unclean.” This is reinforced when we see others who seem to have minimal problems. Like the lepers, the problems themselves seem so much bigger when faced alone.

When Jesus healed the lepers, he not only ended their physical suffering, but invited them back into community. If you are hurting in your marriage, he wants to heal your hurts and put you back in relationship with your spouse and with His Church.

- Find a counselor at www.archkck.org/catholic-counselors
- Talk to a couple you trust
- Learn a proactive and healthy way to reconcile through the Everyday in Love program, www.archkck.org/everyday .

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