

WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH – ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

“Two Churches, One Parish”

Growing as Disciples of Jesus; Making Disciples for Jesus
Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Sept. 16, 2018

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

TUES	Sept 18	06:00 pm	STL	Parishioners of SJ-SL
<i>Adoration will follow Mass until 7:30 p.m.</i>				
WED	Sept 19	06:30 am	STL	Parishioners of SJ-SL
THUR	Sept 20	09:30 am	ENH	Country Care Residents Easton Nursing Home
FRI	Sept 21	07:30 am	SJV	Parishioners of SJ-SL
SAT	Sept 22	05:00 pm	SJV	Ernie DeMaranville †
SUN	Sept 23	09:00 am	STL	Travis Pierron †
<i>Confessions: SAT-4:30 pm at SJV; SUN-8:30 am at STL</i>				

Please pray for the sick, especially: Phil Bell, Susie Beying, Doris Blockburger, Ellen Boudreaux, Joe Brose, Carl Davidson, Georgia Dean, Carolyn DeMaranville, Vince Eimer, Tom Flack, Tina Gaspard, Ronnie Gast, Pete Gwartney, Alan Halstead, Marly Heim, Frank Heintzelman, Jim Heintzelman, Lydia Heintzelman, Melanie Herken, Jon Highfill, Trista Highfill, Mark Hund, Arlene Jennings, Michael Jones, Margie Kramer, Phillip Leon, Kelly Long, Matt David Massoth, 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, Louise Wistuba and Nick Yuska.

Prayer List for Our Soldiers: ARMY: 2LT Daniel Broaddus, Pvt. David Crook, Lexi (Skaggs) Hargis, Major Bryan Herken, PFC Colby Seifert, William Stradley. 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.

Prayer for Vocations: Brother Seelos (Tyler Lunsford).

LITURGICAL MINISTERS – Sept. 22nd and 23rd

			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	LECTORS	OFFERTORY
SAT	SJV	5:00 pm	Vince Eimer, Dawn Staver, Tracy Heim	Vince Eimer	Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Potter
SUN	STL	9:00 am	Rita Oatney, Sue Griffee, Mary Ray	Rita Oatney	Mr. and Mrs. Brian Beying

OUR PARISH NEWS

COLLECTION: Thank you for your gifts to our parish! We received \$1795, which includes \$120 for utilities and \$20 for Mass Stipends, 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!

ARCHDIOCESAN-WIDE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN: *One Faith, One Family, One Future in Christ*, officially began **June 23rd and 24th**. **The parish** is forming a committee for the Archdiocesan-Wide Capital Campaign comprise of two members from the Parish Pastoral Council, two members from the Parish Finance Council, and two parishioners from at large. **We have one volunteer, and are still looking for one more. Please let us know immediately if you are interested in serving on this committee.**

AFTER MASS COLLECTION: On Respect Life Sunday, **Oct. 7th (weekend)** we will have a collection after mass for BirthRight. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

OTHER NEWS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

VIRTUS TRAINING will be available on Saturday, **Sept. 22** from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Parish Hall (1405 2nd Ave). This is the Child Protection Training offered by the Archdiocese and is necessary for anyone working with children or youth in any capacity including CCD, choir, altar servers, school volunteer, sports teams, field trips, library helper, etc. Please go to Virtusonline.org to register for this class. Spaces are limited to 25 people. Please call or email Shannon Holcomb at 913-682-1943 or Shannon.holcomb@leavenworthcatholicschools.org with any questions.

“VOTING IS TRULY A MORAL ACT”: Statement from Bishop Dewane:
 ...there are other issues which must never be directly supported through a vote or by any other means. One such issue is the legal protection of human life.

...by casting a ballot one can save and protect human life or one can participate in destroying life – and all Catholic faithful have an obligation to protect life from conception to natural death. Viewed precisely in this context, voting is truly a moral act.

....each day children are being killed in this modern-day genocide called abortion. The definition of genocide is the systematic extermination of a whole group of human beings– abortion is the genocide of the unborn. We tend to think of genocide in the context of a civil war or conflicts in the developing world. In reality, genocide is occurring in abortion clinics throughout the United States. Since 1973, the year of the legalization of abortion in this country, there have been more than 60,000,000 babies killed.

Blessed Pope John Paul II noted: “A nation that kills its own children is a nation without hope.” Our Faith makes us a people of hope. And as people of hope, continue our efforts in support of life with our vote. Vote PRO-LIFE!

The U.S. bishops urge our participation each Friday in a nationwide Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life, now until Sept. 28. Sign up at www.usccb.org/pray to receive weekly email or text reminders, along with little-known facts about Roe v. Wade!

ICE CREAM SOCIAL: St. Patrick's Church, 94th and State Ave., KCK, invites you to their Ice Cream Social on Saturday, **Sept. 22nd**. Mass is at 4:00 p.m. with the Social starting at 5:00 p.m. Food, music, and games for adults and kids.

SACRED WHEELS Car Show & Mexican Dinner will be held at St. Joseph Church, 8th & Spring Garden, Atchison, KS on **Sept. 23rd**. Dinner served 11 am-2 pm, cost \$8 adults/ \$4 children. For more info visit <http://stbenedictatchison.org>.

FUNDRAISER AND DINNER: Can your parish or group host a table at the Wyandotte Pregnancy Clinic Banquet? Just grab 10 of your closest friends for an evening of fun and fundraising for the Wyandotte Pregnancy Clinic

and new Olathe Pregnancy Center! Tuesday **Sept. 25**, at Overland Park Convention Center, 5:30 p.m. Cash Bar, 6:30 p.m. Dinner and Program. Please contact the Wyandotte Pregnancy Clinic at 913-287-8287 to purchase a table. All reservations are due by **Sept. 17th**.

VILLAGE FIRE: All are invited to join in an evening of prayer and worship! If you have any questions, call the Office of Evangelization at 913.647.0373. Calling the Called, **Sept 25th** from 7-9, Holy Trinity Catholic campus, Lenexa. We are going to praise our Lord. All are welcome!

“LIVING IN LOVE” RETREAT: You can sign up now for the “Living in Love” retreat at Prince of Peace Parish, Olathe, **Sept. 29-30**. Register online at www.archkck.org/LivingInLove or contact Mary Anne Kierl at the Archdiocese at 913-647-0345 for information.

FALLFEST by Sacred Heart-St. Casmir with Turkey-Ham Dinner, Silent Auction, Country Store, DJ, Games for Kids, Raffles. Please join us Sunday, **Sept. 30th**, 1130 am to 3 pm at 1405 2nd Ave, Leavenworth. Call 913-772-1787 for additional info.

CELEBRATING THE FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI: Thursday, **Oct. 4th** is the feast day of the patron saint of God's Creation: Saint Francis of Assisi. A good way to honor the *Il Poverello* is to come together with fellow Catholics, answering the call of the Holy Father's encyclical letter *Laudato Si'*, and immerse ourselves into the spirit and vision of St. Francis of Assisi. John Shively, the coordinator of Justice, Peace and Integrity of creation office for the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth will be hosting a presentation on St. Francis and Catholic teaching on caring for the earth. The event will be held on **Oct. 4th** at 7:00 PM in Robert Martz Hall at St. Francis de Sales Church, 900 Ida Street in Lansing, Kansas. All are welcome



BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS: St. Patrick Church (south of Atchison – 19384 234th Road, Atchison) will have a gathering of animals and owners for a group blessing at 1:30 pm on **Oct. 7th**. For additional information call 913-367-1055.

CHRISTMAS HISTORIC HOMES TOUR (Atchison KS) on Saturday, **Nov. 17**. Tour includes five beautifully decorated homes for the holidays and two historic museums. Ticket price is \$35.00 per person and includes lunch. Children 12 and up may attend with a purchased ticket. A craft and bake sale will be held at the school. For information, call Amanda at 913-360-0342 or email christmashomestour@benedictine.edu (Credit cards are accepted over the phone.) All proceeds go to Saint Benedict Catholic School.

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 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)

2018 DEACON INFORMATION NIGHTS The archdiocesan Office of the Permanent Diaconate is offering a series of Information Nights this fall at the following locations:

- Tuesday, **September 18**, St. Francis Xavier in Burlington
- Thursday, **September 20**, Christ the King in Topeka
- Monday, **September 24**, Cathedral of St. Peter in KCK*
- Tuesday, October 16, St. Benedict in Atchison
- Wednesday, October 24, Corpus Christi in Lawrence

All information nights begin at 7:00 p.m. Locations with an asterisk * will have a Spanish-language interpreter. Everyone who is interested in learning more about the diaconate and the details of our archdiocesan formation program are welcome to attend. Those who believe the Lord may be calling them to serve the Church as deacons (“inquirers”) will be given resources to assist in their discernment. Spouses are strongly encouraged to attend. Attendance at an information night of the inquirer’s choosing is required for those who intend to apply for admission to the diaconate program. For more information, email leons@archkck.org, call (913) 647-0358, or visit www.archkck.org/deacons.

TEC UNDER THE STARS: A free event for all High School students! Come spend a fun night under the stars. Camp out Saturday, **Sept. 22nd** and stay for a Family Fun Day on Sunday. Bring your friends! Contact Rick with any questions: 913-647-0351 or at youth2@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. 23rd** 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

10TH ANNUAL SLOVENEFEST AT HOLY FAMILY

Holy Family Catholic Church Celebrates 10th Annual Slovenefest 2018 on **Sept. 22**. 4:00 p.m. Holy Mass, 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Festivities Begin with a Traditional Slovenian Dinner, Tamburitza and Polka Music, Children & Adult Games, and auction. All money raised supports Holy Family Catholic Church in Kansas City, KS. Call (913) 371-1561 with any questions. Slovenefest 2018, a celebration of church, family, and preserving the Slovenian heritage.

SLOVENEFEST DINNER MENU - \$15.00

YOUR CHOICE OF POLNJENE PAPRIKE (Stuffed Pepper) or SARMA (Stuffed Cabbage Roll) plate also includes:

- KRANJSKA KLOBASA HREN V SMETANOVI OMAKI / Slovenian Smoked Sausage, horseradish in cream sauce
- KRVAVICA / Slovenian Specialty Sausage
- KISLO ZELIJE / Sauerkraut
- KROMPIRJEVA SOLATA / Potato Salad made with boiled potatoes, onions, oil, and vinegar
- KRUIH IN MASLO / Bread and butter
- STROČJI FIŽOL V SOLATI / Green Beans
- KAVA, ČAJ, LIMONADA / Choice of Coffee, Tea, or Lemonade
- SLADICA / Dessert – Choose one item from the dessert table

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT CONFERENCE: Dr. Greg and Lisa Popcak, host of the daily More 2 Life radio show on EWTN radio, authors of For Better Forever, a Catholic Guide to Lifelong Marriage, will present a Marriage Enrichment Conference at St. Michael the Archangel parish on Saturday, **Oct. 6, 2018**. The conference begins with Mass at 8:15am and concludes at 11:45am.

HOLY HOUR AND ROSARY FOR CHURCH HEALING AND GUIDANCE.

Archbishop Naumann will celebrate two Eucharistic holy hours for the healing of all affected by sexual abuse in the Church as well as for wisdom and guidance for the Church’s leaders in response to the sexual abuse crisis. On **Oct. 7**, at 2 p.m. at Queen of the Holy Rosary in Overland Park, and at 7 p.m. at Most Pure Heart of Mary in Topeka, the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be accompanied by the Rosary as well as a brief catechetical talk on Mary as Mother of the Church. All who have suffered abuse and all who wish to join together in prayer for the purification and healing of the Church are encouraged to attend. Mary, Help of Christians and Mother of the Church, pray for us!

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK Oct. 7 – 13. Pope Francis has been very open about his mental health treatment received in the 1970s. It’s not surprising that our holy Pontiff has the confidence to share his need for support and guidance from a mental health professional. Pope Francis is the world’s most sought out Religious leader. His simplicity, humility, and transparency is the model for reducing guilt and stigma that obstruct the graces of God’s healing.

Please join us in the celebration of Mass as we pray for a united and compassionate community and receive the sacrament of anointing to ease the burdens of stress, grief and loss, depression, and anxiety. **Oct. 6**, 8:00 A.M. at St Paul Church, 900 S. Honeysuckle, Olathe, KS 66061

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 **Oct. 12-14** at Sanctuary of Hope, Kansas City, KS. For more information visit: www.beginningexperiencekc.org, email: register.bekc@gmail.com, or contact Lori 913-980-7966.

SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY BREATHE RESPITE CARE PROGRAM

Saturday, **Oct. 20**, 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at Holy Cross Catholic School, 8101 West 95th Street, Overland Park, Kansas. BREATHE Respite Care

provides the gift of time away from caregiving for families who have a loved one with a disability age 5 and older. VOLUNTEERS are needed for the program. Please prayerfully consider offering your time. 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 Staci Gonzalez, Archdiocese Respite Care Coordinator at sgonzalez@archkck.org. To register a loved one or to volunteer please go to www.archkck.org/specialneeds and complete the on-line forms.

2018 ONE LIFE KC – CELEBRATING ALL LIFE

Please join us for a fun day celebrating life on **Oct. 21st**. Mass will be celebrated at 12:00 p.m. by Archbishop Joseph Naumann at Cure’ of Ars, 9401 Mission Road, Leawood. At 1:00 pm, there will be a fun festival and lunch will follow. The festival will have community vendors, free lunch, a live band and inflatables for kids! All we ask is that you please bring a new or gently used baby item to donate! For questions or more information contact prolife@archkck.org.

DEAF EVENT (American Sign Language Course)

Deaf Ministry for the Archdiocese of Kansas City, 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: **Oct. 18 & 25, Nov. 1 & 8**. The classes are free, and will be from 7 PM to 8 PM. Please follow the signs to find the classroom. Families are welcome. If you want to attend, RSVPs to Katie Locus at deafministry@archkck.org is encouraged but not required.

GAUDEAMUS: The Catholic Education Foundation (CEF) will present its 16th Gaudeamus (“Let us Rejoice”) Awards Dinner on **Oct. 20**, at the Overland Park Convention Center. CEF helps fund scholarships in 22 of the 43 Catholic schools in our Archdiocese, allowing local students with financial need to attend Catholic schools. Tickets and sponsorships (which include tables for 10 guests) are available now. The evening includes a pre-event reception, dinner and a live band. For registration information, visit www.cefks.org or call 913-721-1574. Please plan to attend and see firsthand the impact these scholarships have in our Archdiocese.

2018 RED MASS will be at 6:00 p.m., Friday, **Oct. 26**, at Church of the Nativity, 3800 West 119th St, Leawood. Reception will follow. If you have questions, please email The Catholic Foundation of Northeast Kansas at cfnek@archkck.org or call 913-647-3062.

MASS OF INNOCENTS: Sunday, **Oct. 28**, 12:30 p.m. at Holy Spirit Parish, Overland Park, KS. Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann will celebrate a commemorative Mass for all children lost during pregnancy or in early infancy. This Mass gives parents, grandparents, siblings, or other loved ones the opportunity to receive consolation, whether the loss was recent or many years ago. Though you may not have personally experienced this kind of loss, you are invited to come and support those who have through your prayers and presence. For questions or more info, contact Brad DuPont at 913-647-0301 or bdupont@archkck.org

RCYC 2018 “CRAFTED AND WORTHY”: Join 100s of ArchKCK youth at the 2nd Rural Catholic Youth Conference **Nov. 17-18** at Topeka’s Capitol Plaza Hotel. This dynamic two-day conference features national speakers, The Mikey Needleman Band, Mass, adoration, breakouts, spectacular food, evening social and more! Final registration is due October 1st.

SAVE THE DATE: 2019 Ignite Rally in Topeka, and March for Life to the Kansas capital with Kansans for Life – **Jan. 22, 2019**, at the Topeka Performing Arts Center. Doors open at 8:30am. Featuring David Scotton “I Lived on Parker Avenue” and the Wichita Adore Ministries! Visit www.archkck.org/ignite for more information and ticket details.

SAVE THE DATE- JR. HIGH YOUTH RALLY: Please save the date, **Feb. 24th, 2019**, for the Jr. High Youth Rally at Prairie Star Ranch, featuring Steve Angrisano & the Mikey Needleman Band.

MARRIAGE MINUTE: Do you hear what I hear?

Being a good listener is a vital part of living our dignity as Christians. Jesus is an attentive and available listener to all who seek him. Because our marriages imitate Christ’s love for the Church, we are called to generously listen to our spouse. How do we do this?

- Be available: prioritize listening to your spouse by setting aside time each day to connect.
- Be attentive: When listening, give full attention through proper posture and eye contact. And shut off distractions like the phone or television.
- Be understanding: demonstrate you understood what was said by repeating back in your own words what was communicated to you.
- Be prayerful: ask God to help you be a better listener.

To grow in this skill, check out the Every Day in Love series: www.archkck.org/everyday.

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