

WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH – ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

“Two Churches, One Parish”

Growing as Disciples of Jesus; Making Disciples for Jesus
Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Sept. 30, 2018

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

Day	Date	Time	Location	Activity
TUES	Oct 2	06:00 pm	STL	Parishioners of SJ-SL <i>Adoration will follow Mass until 7:30 p.m.</i>
WED	Oct 3	06:30 am	STL	Parishioners of SJ-SL
THUR	Oct 4	09:30 am	ENH	Country Care Residents Easton Nursing Home
FRI	Oct 5	07:30 am	SJV	Parishioners of SJ-SL
SAT	Oct 6	05:00 pm	SJV	Sam Erzen \ddagger
SUN	Oct 7	09:00 am	STL	For Those Battling Cancer

Confessions: SAT-4:30 pm at SJV; SUN-8:30 am at STL

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 – Oct. 6th and 7th

			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	LECTORS	OFFERTORY
SAT	SJV	5:00 pm	Vince Eimer, Aaron & Vickie Welsh	Vince Eimer	Noah Johnson and family
SUN	STL	9:00 am	Shirley Navinsky, Geri Wilburn, & Mary Ray	Mary Ray	Lane Green and family

OUR PARISH NEWS

COLLECTION: Thank you for your gifts to our parish! We received \$1603.47 for the regular collection, as well as \$20 for SJV Cemetery, \$10 Mass Stipend, and \$14 Altar Flowers, and last week's on-line collection of \$180. 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 TODAY IS RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY. Members of the parish will be accepting donations for Birthright of Leavenworth, Inc. after all Masses this weekend. Birthright has been helping pregnant women of our area choose life and carry their babies to term for 32 years. Birthright is a total volunteer organization, all money given today will be used to operate the local center, educate volunteers and help women of our area. Your tax deductible donation will be greatly appreciated. Please be generous. For more information check out our website, www.birthright.org

RUG MISSING! If you know what happened to the rug for the west Hall door at St. Lawrence please call 913-773-8303. Thanks!

OTHER NEWS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

ARE WE OBSERVERS OR "DOERS" IN THE ABORTION DEBATE?

Are we doing enough? The answer is an emphatic "no" as it is so easy to simply tune out and put this horror out of our minds and sight. Yet, nearly all violence done against human beings involves three types of people: the Perpetrator, the Victim and the Observer. This is sometimes called the "Tragic Triangle". With abortion, the abortionist, in collusion with the parent(s) is the perpetrator, the child is the victim, and the observers are all the rest of us. Some believe that we as observers have an equal or greater responsibility than the perpetrators because we can be more objective and if we were really motivated, we could stop this daily slaughter of the innocents. We can start by making sure we vote for LIFE in the forthcoming elections.

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'*. There will be 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!



SCHOOL OF LOVE "DATE NIGHT" Prioritize your spouse and marriage! Join us for our monthly FIRST THURSDAYS Date Night! Fellowship, faith

and food at Ascension Catholic Church. Thursday, **Oct. 4th** from 6:30-8:00 pm. Church of the Ascension, 9510 W. 127th St., Overland Park, KS

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.

FALL BAZAAR: St. Theresa's Catholic Church, 209 3rd St, Perry KS invite you to attend their Turkey or Ham dinner (plus homemade pie) from 11 am-2:30 pm on Sunday, **Oct. 7th**. Adults \$10; Child \$5 (10 & under). There will be games, bingo, cakewalk, Country Store. Raffle and Silent Auction too!

"TUNE, TEXT, AND THEOLOGY: COMPOSING FOR TODAY'S CHURCH" with renowned liturgical composer and Paulist priest Ricky Manalo for USM's annual Theology Lecture at 7 p.m. Tuesday, **Oct. 9**, in Annunciation Chapel on the university's Leavenworth campus, 4100 South 4th Street. The presentation is free and open to the public. Seating is limited, so early arrival is recommended. A reception with Fr. Manalo will immediately follow the presentation in the Social Room. For more information on the lecture, email Dr. Amanda Quantz, USM professor of theology, at Amanda.Quantz@stmary.edu or visit stmary.edu/Lecture.

MASS OF DEDICATION: Holy Angels Parish invites you to the Dedication of Our Lady Queen of the Holy Angels adoration chapel. Archbishop Joseph Naumann will preside at 4 pm Mass, **Oct. 13** at 15408 Leavenworth Road Basehor. BBQ dinner will follow at the parish hall with a 7 pm concert of the farewell tour of "The Elders", a Celtic rock band.

FALL BAZAAR AND DINNER: You are invited to St. Aloysius Parish, Meriden, Ks on Sunday, **Oct. 14th** for Mass at 10:30 am. Turkey and Ham Dinner with all of the fixings will be served from 11:30am-3:00 pm. Adults \$10 and Children 5-12 yrs, \$5. Country Store, Bingo, Kid's games, Silent Auction, Raffles, Ice Cream Stand.

FOSTERING, ADOPTION AND CARING FOR VULNERABLE FAMILIES

Do you have a heart for vulnerable children and families? Please join us for the Grid KC, an event focusing on foster care, adoption and caring for vulnerable children and families in our parishes and communities, Sat. **Oct. 20**, from 8:30 – 3:30 at Savior Pastoral Center. Tickets \$0-20 (cost is free for those who volunteer). Email kzubillaga@archkck.org for more information and registration.

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.

FAITH WALK – Looking for some good Catholic materials to help you in your spiritual growth? Go on line and take a look at Faith Walk (www.myfaithwalk.org). It has some wonderful materials for Sunday liturgy preparation and personal and small group spiritual growth. The site is very easily accessible and provides a lot of helpful Catholic faith information.

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)

HIRING FOR DIRECTOR OF MISSION AND SERVICE POSITION: Benedictine College is currently hiring for our Director of Missions and Service position. The director will institute foreign and domestic mission trips and service programs that train students to be disciples in the modern world and advance the mission of the Church in the world through the study and implementation of the documents of the Second Vatican Council and the call for a New Evangelization. This position will train students to effectively develop, lead, and participate in projects that advance Gospel values. If you would like to see the full job listing and details or to apply, please go to: <https://benedictine.edu/jobs/director-missions-service>. If you have any other questions that cannot be answered through this link, feel free to contact Kevin Brown, the Director of College Ministry at kbrown@benedictine.edu.

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, **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.

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.

DEAF RETREAT: Deaf Ministry for the Archdiocese of Kansas City, Kansas, is pleased to announce there will be a Deaf Retreat at St. Lawrence Center at the University of Kansas in Lawrence, Kansas, on **October 13th**. The cost for the retreat is \$10, and the retreat will be from 8:30 AM to 5 PM with Sue Gudenkauf as the speaker. After the retreat, Deaf Mass begins at 5:30 PM with a social after Mass. If you have questions or would like to RSVP, want to register, or have questions, please RSVP to Katie Locus at deafministry@archkck.org.

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 RESPECT LIFE MASS will be held Sunday, **Oct. 21st**, at 12:00 P.M. Light reception to follow Mass, at The Cure’ Of Ars, 9401 Mission Road, Leawood, Ks 66206. Please join Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann for a celebration of Mass for Respect Life Month. For questions or more

information contact prolife@archkck.org 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.

EVERY GREAT GRIEF CONCEALS A GREAT GRACE. Project Chrysalis is a new Catholic ministry designed to help parents who have lost a child find hope through Sacred Scripture and community, all while adhering to teaching of the Magisterium. While this ministry is not a bereavement group, our mission is to offer support and hope through scripture in a time of transformation. The inaugural meeting will be held on Monday, **Oct. 22**, in the St. Luke’s Room at Church of the Ascension, 9500 W. 127th St. in Overland Park. For more information, contact Ken or Patty Billinger at 913-634-4210 or email kbillinger@archkck.org. You can also find more information on our website – www.lc Apostolate.org/project-chrysalis or on our Facebook page - @projectchrysaliskc. The group is open to parents from all parishes.

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

MISSED OPPORTUNITIES: In our busy lives we tend to put off things, thinking we have time later to take care of it. Pretty soon, we will run out of time, and wish we had done those things. Don’t put off doing something for yourself and your family. Take the time to attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. It is a chance to strengthen your relationship and bring back that spark you thought was lost. Don’t miss this opportunity. The next Weekends in Kansas City are **Nov. 9-11, 2018** and **March 1-3, 2019**. For more information or to apply, please visit our website: www.wmwe4youandme.org or call Tony & Barb Zimmerman, 816-741-4066 or email tonybarbz@prodigy.net

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 Scotten “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.

SPRING ICSC REGION IX CONFERENCE 2019: Please mark your calendars for the International Catholic Stewardship Council (ICSC) Region IX Spring Conference. What a great opportunity to “spring” into stewardship action! It will be **April 11 and 12**, 2019 in Wichita, KS at the Spiritual Life Center, 7100 E 45th St N, Bel Aire, KS, 67226 (316)744-0167. More details to follow. Please contact Lesle Knop with any questions at (913) 647-0326, or email her at lknop@archkck.org.

MARRIAGE MINUTE: How far should we go? In marriage, sin can be easy to spot... in our spouse! In this weekend’s Gospel, Jesus gets really serious about sin, and, therefore, he raises the bar on how far we should go to root out sin. If our marriages are the most important relationship on earth, it is worth taking a look at how we can root out sins against our spouse:

- Switch to a flip phone or use accountability software to keep from looking at inappropriate websites, or even just to keep your phone from becoming a distraction.
 - Intentionally flood your relationship with affirmation to correct a habit of criticism.
 - Withdraw from activities that make too many demands on family time or Sunday Mass.
 - Set reminders for yourself to do the things that make your spouse feel loved to avoid taking him/her for granted.
- For more, go to www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com

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