

# WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH – ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

“Two Churches, One Parish”

Growing as Disciples of Jesus; Making Disciples for Jesus  
Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe – Nov. 25, 2018

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## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

TUES	Nov 27	06:00 pm	STL	For the Unborn <i>Adoration will follow Mass until 7:30 p.m.</i>
WED	Nov 28	06:30 am	STL	Parishioners of SJ-SL
THUR	Nov 29	09:30 am	ENH	Country Care Residents Easton Nursing Home
FRI	Nov 30	07:30 am	SJV	For Our Pope
SAT	Dec 1	05:00 pm	SJV	Stephen Payeur†
SUN	Dec 2	09:00 am	STL	Father Aaron Reddy†

*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, 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, Louise Wistuba and Nick Yuska.

**Prayer List for Our Soldiers:** ARMY: 1LT 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 – Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>

			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	LECTORS	OFFERTORY
SAT	SJV	5:00 pm	Aaron & Vickie Welch, Traci Heim	Aaron Welch	Cooper Beying and family
SUN	STL	9:00 am	Dawn Staver, Susan Griffee, Geri Wilburn	Dawn Staver	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Class

## OUR PARISH NEWS

**COLLECTION:** Thank you for your gifts to our parish! We received \$1,237 for the regular collection and \$233 for the Campaign for Human Development 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!

**THANK YOU!** Thanks to all who worked so hard to make our Fall Fest a success. The ladies who chopped, cooked and served, the Bingo callers and helpers, and those that helped clean up. Together we did a fantastic job. The winners of the raffle were: the queen size quilt--Bob Jardon, 1/2 beef--Jim Lunsford, 1/4 beef--Rosemary Abel, 1/4 beef--Ray Clem, \$100.00 cash--Robert Courtney, and Price Chopper gift card--Sue Griffee.

**OUR HEARTFELT SYMPATHY** is extended to Justin Green and his family, on the death of his Grandfather from Augusta, KS, who passed away recently. May he rest in peace.

**PERPETUAL ADORATION WEEKEND TO PRAY FOR THE CHURCH** Christ's Peace House of Prayer invites our parishioners to sign-up to cover hours of perpetual adoration during the 1st weekend in Advent (Friday, **Nov. 30**, 6:30 PM - Sunday, **Dec. 2**, 11:00 AM) to pray for the Healing and Purification of the Church. Perpetual Adoration, Daily Mass, Confession, Praying the Liturgy of the Hours and various other prayer services will be offered throughout the weekend. Call to register for an hour of adoration with your family! Come for all or part of the weekend!

**LADIES NIGHT CHRISTMAS PARTY!** will be held **Dec. 2nd** at STL Hall starting at 5:00pm. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend. We are asking you to bring a snack to share. Drinks will be provided. If you would like to participate in the gift exchange please bring a wrapped \$10.00 gift. We look forward to a fun and enjoyable evening.

## OTHER NEWS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

### FORMER ABORTIONISTS TELL THE TRUTH!

Many former abortionists are now speaking publicly to warn people about the deceit of abortion and what takes place before, during and after abortions. These former abortion providers have seen the error of their ways and are now staunchly pro-life. Their statements are very revealing: (1) "The product, abortion, is skillfully marketed and sold to the woman at the crisis time in her life. She buys the product, finds it defective, and wants to return it for a refund. but it's too late. Her baby is dead ... She is deceived in two ways--the clinic personnel and the marketers deny the personhood of the child and the pain caused by the procedure. Every woman has two questions, "Is it a baby" and "Does it hurt?". The abortionist must answer, "NO". He or she must lie to secure the consent of the woman and the collection of the clinic fee. The women were told that we were dealing with a "product of conception" or a "glob of tissue". They were told that there would only be slight cramping, whereas, in reality, an abortion is excruciatingly painful". Carol Everett owned two abortion clinics in the Dallas area from 1977 until 1983.

(2) "We can see the child moving rather serenely in the uterus. The child senses aggression in its sanctuary. We see the child's mouth wide open in a silent scream". Dr. Bernard Nathanson M.D. was originally the co-founder of NARAL and was a renowned abortionist who killed over 60,000 babies. He performed his last abortion when he watched it on ultrasound.

(3) "My heart got callous against the fact that I was a murderer, but that baby lying in a cold bowl educated me to what abortion really was." Dr. David Brewer M.D.

(4) "We were told to find the woman's weakness and work on it. The women were never given any alternatives. They were told how much trouble it was to have a baby". Debra Henry, former abortionist counselor.

(5) "Money is the governing force. Abortion is a very lucrative business. It is the largest unregulated industry in our nation. Most of the clinics are run in chains because it is so profitable. We didn't do any counseling. We sold abortion". Carol Everett, former owner of abortion clinics.

**PENITENTIAL RETREAT:** Christ's Peace House of Prayer will host a penitential retreat in response to the abuse crisis in the Church **Nov. 30 through Dec. 2nd**. The retreat will begin on Friday evening at 6:00pm, orientation at 6:30pm, Mass at 7:00pm, outdoor Stations of the Cross and the beginning of perpetual adoration for the weekend. Saturday begins with morning prayer at 8am, Mass at 10am, Angelus at noon, Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm, evening prayer at 4pm and night prayer at 9pm. Sunday will begin with morning prayer at 8am and Mass at 10am. The retreat will also feature silence and fasting on bread and water only. There is no charge; however, we will ask that people help by giving alms. Funds collected will be given to an organization for abuse victims. People are welcome to spend the night, come for a day or for part of a day. The idea of people coming and going and even returning is appealing as a broad response in this difficult time. If interested, please contact [info@christspeace.com](mailto:info@christspeace.com) or call 913-773-8255.

**MEMORIAL GIFT:** Your generosity can provide for the liturgical needs of the parish and could be a fitting memorial for you or your loved one. Please contact your pastor. For information about joining our Catholic Legacy Society, contact the parish office.

**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, Village Fire, **Nov. 27**, 7-8:30 pm, Holy Trinity Catholic Campus, Lenexa. Praise our Lord; testify to the power of Jesus Christ. Pray deeply. All are welcome!

**GIVING TUESDAY:** Xavier is excited to announce that we are participating in #GiveCatholic on #GivingTuesday! This year it will be on **Nov. 27** from 12:00 a.m. to 11:59 p.m. If you would like to donate to Xavier Catholic School on #GivingTuesday, please visit [iGiveCatholic.org](http://iGiveCatholic.org), select "Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas" under "Browse Arch/Dioceses" and search for Xavier Catholic School. You may also give in advance beginning Nov. 12 through 26. Thank you for your continued generosity of Xavier Catholic School.

**2019 CAMP TEKAKWITHA: NEW EARLIER REGISTRATION DATES IN NOVEMBER:** Parents and grandparents have requested for years to be able to give the experience of Camp Tekakwitha for Christmas--now we can!! Registration opens:

- Tuesday, **Nov. 27**, for Senior High Max & Senior High Extreme: 9th-12th grade camps, campers entering 9-12 grade Fall 2019
- Tuesday, **Dec. 4**, for Junior High Camp: 7th/8th grade camps, campers entering 7/8 grade Fall 2019
- Tuesday, **Dec. 11**, for Camp Kateri: 5th/6th grade camps, campers entering 5/6 grade Fall 2019
- Family Camps – Email registration beginning Tuesday **Nov. 27**.

For more information, camp dates, and registration, please visit our website at [www.archkck.org/camp](http://www.archkck.org/camp). A one-hundred-dollar deposit holds their spot and the earlier time slot gives parents and grandparents the option of paying over several months.

**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 2<sup>nd</sup> page to this bulletin.

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

**PROJECT CHRYSALIS UPCOMING MEETING - MINISTRY FOR PARENTS WHO HAVE LOST A CHILD:** “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. While this ministry is not a bereavement group, our mission is to offer support and hope through scripture in a time of transformation. The next meeting will be held on Monday, **Dec. 3**, from 7:00-8:15 p.m. 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](mailto:kbillinger@archkck.org) or visit [www.hopeinscripture.com](http://www.hopeinscripture.com) or on our Facebook page - @projectchrysaliskc. The group is open to parents who have lost a child or grandparents who have lost a grandchild. Immediate family members are also invited to attend.

**ENKINDLE CONFIRMATION RETREAT:** Will be held **Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>**, 10am-7pm, at Prairie Star Ranch (1124 California Road, Williamsburg, KS 66095), this complete Confirmation Retreat offers any youth the opportunity to partake in our Enkindle Confirmation Program. All meals and programming are covered in the registration fee. All youth participants will need to have a chaperone with them during the event as well as a completed Permission Form and Waiver, a link for which will be provided in the confirmation page and email. Register today at [www.archkck.org/ranch](http://www.archkck.org/ranch) or contact the Retreat Team at [psrministry@archkck.org](mailto:psrministry@archkck.org); 785-746-5693.

**SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY BREATHE RESPITE CARE PROGRAM** Saturday, **Dec. 15**, 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. 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. 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](mailto:tracunas@archkck.org). To register a loved one please go to [www.archkck.org/specialneeds](http://www.archkck.org/specialneeds) and complete the on-line form.

**“COPING WITH LIFE ALONE” - PEER-TO-PEER GRIEF SUPPORT** “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 location: Overland Park, KS – Saturdays, **January 5 through February 16**, at Church of the Ascension, St. Mark Room, 9510 W 127th St, Overland Park KS. Sessions will be from 2:00-4:00 pm. Contact Donna at (816-305-3760), for information and registration.

**2019 IGNITE – YOUTH RALLY**

Please join us FOR THE 2019 IGNITE YOUTH RALLY IN TOPEKA. **January 22, 2019**, Topeka Performing Arts Center. Event begins at 9:00am MASS at 11:15am concelebrated by Archbishop Naumann and Bishop Brungardt. March to KS Capital Steps and Kansans for Life Rally following Mass. Wichita Adore Ministries will be providing worship music and entertainment. Our keynote address will be David Scotten from “I Lived on Parker Avenue”. A story about adoption, forgiveness and hope. Please contact the Pro-Life Office at 913-647-3059 or at [prolife@archkck.org](mailto:prolife@archkck.org) with any questions. Visit [www.archkck.org/ignite](http://www.archkck.org/ignite) for more information and registration details.

**MARCH FOR LIFE PILGRIMAGE 2019** Registration for the 2019 Youth March for Life Pilgrimage to Washington D.C. opens Monday, October 1st, at [archkck.org/march4life](http://archkck.org/march4life). Open to all Jr. High and High School Students. Cost is \$405 per person, which includes transportation and lodging. Check with your group coordinator for more information.

**LIVING IN LOVE” RETREAT:** See why over 700 couples in the Archdiocese have experienced the “Living in Love” retreat. You can sign up now for the “Living in Love” retreat at Holy Spirit Parish, Overland Park, **Feb. 16-17, 2019**. 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.

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

**3-DAY WORKSHOP FOR MEN FEBRUARY 28-MARCH 2, 2019**

The “My House Workshop for Men” will be held Feb. 28-Mar. 2, 2019. This is a 3-day confidential, intensive for men striving to overcome and heal from unwanted sexual behaviors; includes a half day on betrayal trauma and how this addiction impacts a spouse. The workshop is led by Dr. Todd Bowman, Fr. Sean Kilcawley, Michael Ciaccio and Sam Meier. For additional information and to register, visit <https://centerforhealingkc.com/my-house/my-houseworkshop>.

**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 Leslie Knop with any questions at (913) 647-0326, or email her at [lknop@archkck.org](mailto:lknop@archkck.org).

**“GOD’S LITTLE GREEN ACRE” SEMINARIAN SUPPORT**

You are invited to join Catholics across the Archdiocese in giving thanks for our seminarians, and show your support as they strive to answer God’s call to the priesthood. Farmers can donate the proceeds from one acre of their crops, and those who don’t farm but want to “grow” vocations can make a donation in any amount. Donations will be divided among our seminarians this Christmas to help them pay for textbooks and living expenses. They

greatly appreciate these gifts since they have no income. For questions call Melanie at 913-647-0303 or email [vocation@archkck.org](mailto:vocation@archkck.org). Mail donations to: Vocation office, 12615 Parallel Pkwy, Kansas City, KS 66109.

**MARRIAGE MINUTE:**

Are you still eating turkey? The first turkey sandwich the day after Thanksgiving is great, but if you were forced to eat nothing but leftovers until Christmas, the menu would get old fast.

There are times in marriage, such as immediately following the birth of a child, or while the family is dealing with a loss, that we need to give our spouse our “leftover” time, energy and attention. While this is understandable, if it becomes a habit, our spouses will begin to feel unimportant.

To keep this from becoming a bad habit, try:

- Sharing your feelings regularly.
- Intentionally showing physical affection.
- Praying together.
- Expressing gratitude to and for your spouse.

These small gestures do not take a lot of time and effort, but can go a long way to help you stay connected when life gets crazy! For more, [www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com](http://www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com)

**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.