

WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH – ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

“Two Churches, One Parish”

Growing as Disciples of Jesus; Making Disciples for Jesus
Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time– March 3, 2019

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

TUES	Mar 5	09:00 am	STL	NO MASS
WED	Mar 6	04:30 pm	SJV	(Ash Wednesday) Jack Rogers †
THUR	Mar 7	09:30 am	ENH	NO MASS
FRI	Mar 8	07:30 am 07:00 pm	SJV SJV	NO MASS Stations of the Cross
SAT	Mar 9	05:00 pm	SJV	Anne & Betty Gletting †
SUN	Mar 10	09:00 am	STL	Leo Wagner †

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, Glenn Coffey, Carl Davidson, Georgia Dean, Carolyn DeMaranville, Vince Eimer, Tom Flack, Tina Gaspard, Ronnie Gast, Donald “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, Dannie Phillips, Adam Pineau, Mike Pursel, Mary M. Ruhlman, Tanner Siebenmorgen, Julie Simonis, Jim (Poly) Sloan, Gary Stafford, Louise Wistuba and Nick Yuska.

Prayer List for Our Soldiers: ARMY: 1LT Daniel Broadus, 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, YNS1(SS) Kevin Lansing.

Prayer for Vocations: Brother Seelos (Tyler Lunsford).

LITURGICAL MINISTERS: March 6th and March 9th and 10th

			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	LECTORS	OFFERTORY
WED	STL	4:30 pm	Volunteers	Volunteer	Mr. and Mrs. Brian Beying
SAT	SJV	5:00 pm	Volunteers	Volunteer	Abe Heim and Family
SUN	STL	9:00 am	Volunteers	Volunteer	Blakey Roggenkamp and Family

OUR PARISH NEWS

COLLECTION: Thank you for your gifts to our parish! We received \$1258 for the regular collection including \$202 for Utilities and \$10 Mass Stipend, as well as last week's on-line collection of \$5. Thank you for your generosity. Visit our website OR Facebook page to click on the link to donate on-line!

EMERGENCY CONTACT: Father Mathew has been detailed to Mother Teresa Parish, Topeka. If there is a need to contact a priest in an emergency situation, please call Sue Griffiee at 913-773-8342 or Rita Herken at 913-647-0312 for assistance.

NO WEEKDAY MASSES will be scheduled until we have been assigned a new priest in July 2019.

CONGRATULATIONS to Maria Coffey and Jesse Carter on exchanging their wedding vows at SJV on March 2, 2019. May God bless their marriage.

OUR HEARTFELT SYMPATHY is extended to the family of Irene Schmidling who passed away recently. May she rest in peace.

BREAKFAST: Please join us for our Breakfast on Sunday, **March 3rd**. It will be hosted by CCD children and we will honor the children who were confirmed.

NOTE CHANGE TO ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE: Please join us on Wednesday, **March 6th** for Mass and distribution of ashes at 4:30 pm at St. Joseph of the Valley Church. This will be the **ONLY** Ash Wednesday Service offered. There will be **NO** mass or distribution of ashes at St. Lawrence on Ash Wednesday.

SECOND COLLECTION will be held on **March 6th** (Ash Wednesday) for Aid to the Church in Central & Eastern Europe (CCEE). This collection supports the Church in more than 20 countries that are still struggling to recover in the aftermath of communist rule. It supports pastoral care, catechesis, building renovations, and seminary formation, as well as builds the future in this region. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated.

LIONS CLUB COMMITTEE for **March 7th** is as follows Chairman-Liz Hunt, Mary Wagner, Rita Herken and Anne Felzke. Please prepare for 15 people and Dinner is served at 7 P. M.

SECOND COLLECTION will be held on the weekend of **March 10th** for Black & Indian Missions.

THE CALL TO SHARE CAMPAIGN: We are in the final weeks of the Archbishop's Call to Share Campaign. If you have not filled out your donation form, there are extra envelopes in the pews. Thank you to all of those who have already responded. Gifts of any amount are welcome. You are truly being "Called to Share".

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: A volunteer is needed to pray and spend time with the Country Care residents while there is not a priest to celebrate mass each week. If you are interested, contact Marie Baranko (708-981-5783) for more details.

ROSARY LEADERS: If you would be interested in leading the rosary before the 5:00 Mass at SJV while Glenn is recovering from surgery, please contact Becky Coffey 913-796-6007.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS VOLUNTEERS: Due to the fact that we do not have a full-time priest, we are asking for Volunteers to lead the Stations of the Cross during the Lenten Season. This could be a family as a group, or interested individuals, or any CCD or AOC group. Stations of the Cross will be held on Friday evenings at **7:00 p.m.** at **St. Joseph of the Valley** on **March 8th**, 15th, and 22nd and at St. Lawrence on March 29th, and April 5th and 12th. If you would like to volunteer for any of these times, please contact Sue Griffiee @ 773-8342.

REMINDER – DAY LIGHT SAVINGS TIME CHANGE: Sunday **March 10th**, at 2 am, we “spring forward” an hour – so be sure to update your alarm clocks so we don't miss you next Sunday!

OTHER NEWS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES will also be held at the following Leavenworth churches: Mass and distribution of ashes on March 6th: 6:30 a.m. at St. Joseph Church; 8:30 a.m. at Immaculate Conception Church; 12:00 noon at St. Joseph Church; and 7:00 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Church.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will also be held at the following Leavenworth Churches: St. Joseph Church, 306 N. Broadway each Friday at 7:00 p.m. beginning March 8th; Sacred Heart Church, 1405 2nd Ave. at 6:00 p.m. on the Fridays of March 8, 22 and April 5th; St. Casimir's Church, 719 Pennsylvania St., at 6:00 p.m. on the Fridays of March 15, 29 and April 12.

ANNUAL FISH FRY: Please come join us for a fish and shrimp supper during Lent. St. Joseph's Parish in Nortonville, Ks. invites everyone to the annual Fish Fry hosted every Friday evening during Lent from 5:00-7:00 p.m. beginning **March 8th** and continuing until **April 12th**. Adults pay \$12.00, children 4-10 yrs old are \$5.00. Come and enjoy a meal out with your family.

BIRTHRIGHT VOLUNTEERS: Birthright 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. Come learn about Birthright. Both meetings are required for volunteering.

Birthright Information Night: Thursday, **March 21** at 7pm, at the Leavenworth Public Library Board 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: Saturday, **March 23** 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.

LENTEEN RETREAT will be held at Christ's Peace House of Prayer on Virtue and Vice, Friday, **March 8** to Sunday, **March 10**. The retreat will consist of 4 or 5 talks with time for prayer and reflection. There will be daily Eucharistic Adoration, Morning and Evening Prayer, Mass at the local parish and alone time. The cost is \$170 for individuals and \$250 for couples; all meals are included in the cost. If interested, please contact us at info@christspeace.com or 913-773-8255.

TO HELP YOU HAVE YOUR BEST LENT EVER...School of Love's PIER program is a collection of daily Mass Gospel readings with reflections, that come daily to your inbox. They are designed to be easy, digital, quick, beautiful and faithful. In just a few minutes a day, with no prep or expertise, you can greatly improve your prayer and grow closer with God. Sign up for FREE at www.schooloflovekc.com/pier-lent-2019.

2019 LIVING IN TRUTH CONFERENCE: Church of the Ascension - Saturday, **April 13**, - 8:00 am - 12:30 pm, Cost: \$25. 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. <https://livingintruthkc.com>. Contact Marie Baranko 708-981-5783 if you are interested in carpooling.

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)

ABORTION AND CHILD ABUSE: Abortion teaches us that violence is an acceptable way to deal with difficult life problems. It teaches us that human beings are only valuable if they meet certain criteria, and it teaches us that the strong have a legal right to kill the weak and defenseless. When the unique value of individual human life is trampled upon, society inevitably suffers.

Abortion advocates argue just the opposite. They purport that aborting “unwanted” children will reduce child abuse, neglect, poverty and violence and will generally lead to happier families. However, our experience since 1973 proves that this theory does not work. During that time, over 60 million “unwanted” babies have been denied the right to live, yet we have more crime, more violence, more dead-beat dads, and more gangs. The list goes on.

Abortion advocates even argue that abortion is an effective way to prevent crime since it eliminates those who are “most likely” to commit crimes, more specifically the babies of poor mothers. Dianne Glass wrote an article supporting this radical idea. It is hard to believe that in this age, people could argue that human beings should be executed for crimes they may commit in the future and that abortion is the answer to solving poverty. Indeed, it is a truly frightening social policy!

In the final analysis, it is only logical to conclude that societies who are willing to abort children before birth will be far more likely to abuse them after birth. Abortion is child abuse, and it is the most severe form of abuse in existence.

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 8-10, 2019**, at Precious Blood, Liberty MO. For more information visit: www.beginningexperiencekc.org, email: register.bekc@gmail.com, or contact Michelle, 913-709-3779.

DEAF RETREAT IN TOPEKA: Deaf Ministry for the Archdiocese of Kansas City, Kansas, is pleased to announce there will be a Deaf Retreat at Most Pure Heart of Mary in Topeka, Kansas, on **March 9th**. The cost for the retreat is \$10, and the retreat will be from 9 AM to 5 PM with Sr. Maureen Langston as the speaker. After the retreat, Fr. Scott Wallisch will celebrate Deaf Mass at 5 PM with a social after Mass. If you want to register, please RSVP to Jeannine Adkins at jadkins@mphm.com.

AN AFTERNOON OF PRAYERFUL REMEMBRANCE & INTERCESSION

The hidden wounds of abortion affect each of us whether it be one's neighbor, co-worker, friend, relative or oneself. As a community we have all been touched. Please join us on Saturday **March 9th**, 2019 from 1:30 -3:00pm at St. Thomas More Parish, 11822 Holmes Rd. Kansas City, Mo 64131 as we gather to pray and intercede on behalf of our nation, seeking forgiveness and healing in God's merciful Love. Confession will be offered after the prayer service. Mass begins at 4:00pm. All are welcome to come pray with us. Sponsored by the Respect Life Office of Kc/St. Joe.

IGNITE: Xavier Catholic School's premier scholarship event is scheduled for **March 9th** at J.W. Crancer's. For more information or to purchase tickets, please visit <https://leavenworthcatholicsschools.org/give/ignite-the-green-and-white> or contact Lisa Forge at 913-682-7801.

“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, **March 16-17**, 2019. Register online at www.archkck.org/LivingInLove or contact Mary Anne Kierl at the Archdiocese at 913-647-0345 for information.

23rd 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 Bishop Johnston will deliver the homily. This Mass with anointing of the sick, similar to celebrations in Lourdes, France, will be at 10am, Saturday, **March 23, 2019**, at Curé of Ars Church, 94th and Mission Road, Leawood, Kansas. All are invited. The church is especially accessible for those with mobility concerns. Prior to Mass, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered from 8:45 to 9:30am. 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, 816-622-2323.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING: “Prescription for a Long and Happy Life,” an afternoon 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, **March 23**, from 1:30-5:00pm at Holy Trinity Parish 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 go to www.archkck.org/prescription (\$50/couple)

BENEDICTINE COLLEGE SYMPOSIUM: TECHNOLOGY AND THE HUMAN PERSON: 8th Annual Benedictine College Symposium, Technology and the Human Person, **March 29-30**. Save the date for Benedictine College's 8th Annual Symposium on Advancing the New Evangelization March 29-30. This year's theme is “Technology and the Human Person.” For a list of speakers and additional details, please go to <https://www.benedictine.edu/faithlife/symposium/index> . Questions? Please contact Megan Fassero at 913-360-7967.

CALLED & GIFTED WORKSHOP: God has called and gifted you for a mission! When you were baptized, you were given the presence of the Holy Spirit and “charisms”, gifts of the Holy Spirit that enable you to be a channel of God's love, truth, beauty, mercy, healing, and provision for others. The charisms that you have been given are important clues to your God-given mission in life and Holy Spirit empowered tools to enable you to live it! Join over 100,000 Catholics around the world who have begun to discern their charisms through the Called & Gifted workshop. Come and begin to discover the Mission God has for you. The Called & Gifted Workshop is the first step in the process. Saturday, **March 30th** at Divine Mercy Parish in Gardner, KS. Register at www.jp2kc.org. *Lunch is provided*

SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY BREATHE RESPITE CARE PROGRAM

Saturday, **March 30, 2019**, 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. 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. To register a loved one please go to www.archkck.org/specialneeds and complete the on-line form.

MADE FOR MORE with CHRISTOPHER WEST & MIKE MANGIONE: Brought to you by Prince of Peace, Holy Trinity, Church of the Ascension, Sacred Heart/Shawnee, the Archdiocese of Kansas City, and The Cor Project • **April 4, 2019**, 7-9:30 pm, Prince of Peace Catholic Church - Olathe, KS
1,100 people attended this event in Topeka in February of 2018, and here's a 2 min video of what it was like – <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=owbFBh2hRns>. Tickets will go fast, so grab your tickets NOW in the parish office or online at www.corproject.com/kc . Tickets are \$20.

MADE FOR MORE is an inspired blend of teaching, live music, and art that taps the deepest desires of the human heart revealing their ultimate purpose and goal. Join Christopher West and Mike Mangione as they offer a vision of the Gospel like you've never heard through the lens of Saint John Paul II's Theology of the Body. This event is appropriate for ages 15 and up. Please contact Larissa Smith at lsmith@popolathe.org or 913-747-7746 if you would like more information.

MEN UNDER CONSTRUCTION – A Catholic Men's Conference from 7:00am-3:30pm on **April 6, 2019** at Church of the Ascension, 9510 W 127th, Overland Park, KS. The day includes breakfast, vendors, speakers (Elvis Grbac-former KC Chief's quarterback & Dr. David Anders), confession, lunch and Mass with Archbishop Naumann. Cost - \$40 adults, \$20 students. Register at www.ksmuc.org .

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 knop@archkck.org.

SPRING SESSIONS FOR TRAINING LEAD COUPLES FOR MARRIAGE PREPARATION Our next training for Lead Couples for Marriage Preparation is scheduled for **April 12-14** -- Prince of Peace in Olathe; **April 26-28** -- Most Pure Heart of Mary in Topeka. The schedule is as follows: Friday evening: 6:30 p.m. -9:30 p.m.; Saturday: 8:30 a.m. -5:00 p.m.; Sunday: 1:00 p.m. -5:00 p.m. There is no charge for the training or the materials. We will have light snacks on Friday evening with bagels/donuts and coffee available on Saturday morning. Lunch will be provided on Saturday. All sessions, Friday evening through Sunday, are necessary to be certified as a Lead Couple. To register go to: flifsec@archkck.org or call Mary Anne Kierl at: 913-647-0345. If you have any questions, please call Deacon Tony Zimmerman at 913-647-0329.

FAMILY SPECIAL NEEDS SUMMER CAMP

A summer camp for families who have a child (or children) with special needs will be held Friday, **June 28th to Sunday, June 30th** at Prairie Star Ranch in Williamsburg KS. Go to www.archkck.org/specialneeds for details or contact Tom Racunas, Lead Consultant for the Special Needs Ministry at tracunas@archkck.org or 913.647.3054.

MARRIAGE MINUTE: Have you ever been angry or annoyed, but still manage to speak respectfully to your boss, an important client or the police officer who pulled you over? Did you then get home and failed to extend the same courtesy to your spouse? In this week's readings, we are reminded that our speech comes right from our hearts. Therefore, we should take the utmost care in how we speak to the one we love the most.

- Root out criticism, which is an attitude of superiority that assumes the worst.
- Affirm your spouse's good qualities out loud habitually.
- Communicate your love and respect with your tone of voice and facial expressions.

To learn more tips for communicating lovingly with your spouse, go to:

www.joyfulmarriageproject.com .