

WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH – ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

“Two Churches, One Parish”

Growing as Disciples of Jesus; Making Disciples for Jesus
Third Sunday of Lent– March 24, 2019

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

TUES	Mar 26	09:00 am	STL	NO MASS
WED	Mar 27	06:30 am	SJV	NO MASS
THUR	Mar 28	09:30 am	ENH	NO MASS
FRI	Mar 29	07:30 am 07:00 pm	SJV SJV	NO MASS Stations of the Cross
SAT	Mar 30	05:00 pm	SJV	Edith "Sam" Ernzen †
SUN	Mar 31	09:00 am	STL	Tracy Howard †

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 Broaddus, Pvt. David Crook, Lexi (Skaggs) Hargis, Major Bryan Herken, SPC Derrick Hunt, 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 30th and 31st

			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	LECTORS	OFFERTORY
SAT	SJV	5:00 pm	Robert Jardon, Aaron & Vicki Welch	Aaron Welch	Sam Funk and Family
SUN	STL	9:00 am	Sharon Wagner, Ted & Dawn Staver, Geri Wilburn	Dawn Staver	6 th Grade Class

OUR PARISH NEWS

COLLECTION: Thank you for your gifts to our parish! We received \$2,578, and \$90 for the Black & Indian Mission collection; as well as 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!

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 Griffee 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.

PLEASE PLAN TO JOIN US for the Sacred Paschal Triduum services (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday). Locations and times are to be determined. Aaron Waldek, a wonderful young seminarian, has volunteered to assist by chauffeuring and by serving as Master of Ceremonies. The Reverend Fr. Joseph Carola, S.J., Patristics Professor of the Pontifical Gregorian University and sometime chaplain of seminarians in Rome, will officiate.

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.

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. Lawrence on **March 29th**, and April 5th and 12th. If you would like to volunteer for any of these times, please contact Sue Griffee @ 773-8342.

SECOND COLLECTION will be held the weekend of **March 31st** for Catholic Relief Services.

THE ARMY OF CHRIST YOUTH GROUP will be meeting **March 31st** at 6:00 pm at the St. Lawrence Parish Rectory. Dinner will be provided. We would love to have all High School students attend. If you have questions, call or text Abby, 913-683-9937.

CONFESSION INITIATIVE: We are encouraged to make going to confession a significant part of our spiritual lives during this season of Lent. Please remember that our parish offers confession 4:30-5:00 pm on Saturdays at SJV and 8:30-9:00 am on Sundays at STL.

We would also like to note that many churches in Leavenworth plan offer confessions every Wednesday from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Beginning March 13th 6 pm at Sacred Heart, then alternating every Wednesday with St. Casimir, during the Lenten season. Beginning March 13th, 6 pm at St. Joseph, then alternating every Wednesday with Immaculate Conception, during the Lenten season. Also, the following Penance Services will be offered: March 24th at 1 pm at St. Francis de Sales, Lansing; April 7th at 2 pm at Sacred Heart Leavenworth; April 11th at 7 pm at St. Joseph Leavenworth; and April 14th at 4 pm at Holy Angels, Basehor

Has it been awhile since your last confession? Do not fear (Is 41:10) – the priest will help guide you. Also, this website can help you prepare and provides a great guide to take with you: [http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-](http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/sacraments-and-sacramentals/penance/upload/Bulletin-Insert-Penance-ENG.pdf)

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OTHER NEWS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

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 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. 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.

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.

7TH ANNUAL FISH FRY: St. Theresa Parish at Perry, Kansas invites everyone to their fish fry on Friday, **March 29th**, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. The meal includes 2 kinds of fish, potatoes, coleslaw, macaroni and cheese, baked beans, corn muffins and desserts. Adults--\$10.00 and kids age 10 and under --\$5.00.

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.

UNPLANNED IN THEATERS MARCH 29, Take a friend and go see this movie. It is truly life changing. Unplanned In Theaters March 29, or visit: <https://www.unplannedfilm.com/>

FISH FRY: Please join us for St. Benedict Catholic School's Annual Lenten Fish Fry on **April 12th**, 5pm-7:30 pm at St. Benedict Catholic School Commons, 201 Division St, Atchison, \$9 Adults; \$5 Children 7 & under. Meal includes fried or baked fish or cheese pizza, scalloped potatoes and roll, choice of sides and homemade dessert. Hope to see you there!

PRAYER FOR AN END TO INFANTICIDE: The U.S. Senate recently failed to pass the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act—legislation that prohibits infanticide by ensuring that a child born alive following an attempted abortion would receive the same degree of care to preserve her or his life and health as would be given to any other child born alive at the same gestational age. Please join us in prayer for an end to infanticide:

“Jesus, Lord of Life, transform the hearts of our elected leaders to recognize that infanticide is wrong and must not be tolerated. We especially pray for our Senator(s) Moran and Roberts. Open his/her/their heart(s) and mind(s) to recognize and defend the precious gift of every human life.”

XAVIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL invites all interested kindergarten families for the 2019-2020 school year to Kindergarten Experience Night, **March 27** from 5:30 - 6:30 PM at 541 Muncie. Your family will have an opportunity to tour the building, meet the teachers, visit with PTO, ask questions about the curriculum, schedules, enrollment, and financial aid. Your future kindergarten student will participate in various activities and experience a curriculum rotation to see what kindergarten is all about! There will be some fun surprises as well! To RSVP please call Lisa Forge at 913-682-7801.

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)

ATTENTION! Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary in 2019 Archdiocesan 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration will be held June 2, 2019, 2:00 pm, Church of the Nativity/Leawood. To receive your invitation from Archbishop Naumann, please call the parish office and give us your name, address, phone number and date of your wedding. Please do this as soon as possible.

DR. BERNARD NATHANSON ON WHY HE STOPPED DOING ABORTIONS
“I ran the largest abortion clinic in the world for 2 years. I had no conflicts whatsoever at the time I was doing the abortions. I changed my mind because the new scientific data which we were getting from advanced technology persuaded me that we could not indiscriminately continue to slaughter what was demonstrably a human being.” Interview with Bernard Nathanson, M.D., 1986 (the most famous abortionist in history)

“In its seventh week [the unborn baby] bears the familiar external features and all the internal organs of the adult... The brain in configuration is already like the adult brain and sends out impulses that coordinate the functions of other organs.... The heart beats sturdily. The stomach produces digestive juices. The liver manufactures blood cells and the kidneys begin to function by extracting uric acid from the child’s blood.... The muscles of the arms and body can already be set in motion. After the eighth week.... everything is already present that will be found in the full-term baby.” Dr. Bernard Nathanson

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 lknop@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: flifesecc@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.

LIVING IN TRUTH KC CATHOLIC WOMEN’S CONFERENCE
5th Annual KC Catholic Women’s Conference will be held on **Saturday, April 13** from 7:30am-12:30pm at Church of the Ascension, 9510 W. 127th St., Overland Park. Archbishop Naumann will celebrate Mass, EWTN former co-host Colleen Carroll Campbell is the keynote speaker along with Sonja Corbitt, author of “Fulfilled” Bible Study. Open to all women age 16 and older desiring to grow in faith and holiness, and who seek to live their Catholic faith more fully. Registration is \$25 (\$30 at the door). You may register at <https://livingintruthkc.com/>

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: For a Christian, marriage is not just a social institution, it is a real supernatural calling. A great sacrament, instituted by Christ. It is a permanent contract that sanctifies in cooperation with Jesus Christ. He fills the souls of husband and wife and invites them to follow him. He transforms their whole married life into an occasion for God’s presence on earth. How well are you living out your supernatural calling? A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend can help you explore and answer that question! The next weekend in the Kansas City area will be **May 3-5, 2019**. For more information, or to apply for a weekend, visit

www.wmwe4youandme.org, or call/email Tony & Barb Zimmerman at 816-741-4066, tonybarbz@prodigy.net

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 30st** 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.

2019 TOTUS TUUS FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

The Totus Tuus Team will offer an adapted Totus Tuus program for children with special needs!! Monday, July 22nd to Friday, July 26th, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This Totus Tuus program is for children ages 6 to 14 with intellectual/developmental disabilities. St. Joseph Parish in Shawnee. Fee is \$40 per child. **Registration deadline is Monday, July 8th.** Volunteers are needed for the program. For more information please contact the Office of Special Needs Ministry by email at tracunas@archkck.org or call 913.647.3054 or 316.305.7487. To register go to: www.archkck.org/specialneeds

NCYC 2019: The National Catholic Youth Conference is this **November 21-23**, in Indianapolis, Indiana, and is open to all high school students. Talk with you Youth Minister to let them know you are interested! You can find out more at <http://www.archkck.org/ncyc>.

MARRIAGE MINUTE: If you have ever been hot, thirsty and exhausted, then you can understand the conditions under which the Israelites “grumbled” in this weekend’s reading. Most of us can remember a time we reacted in the same way when faced with a similar physical or mental stress. But our “kind and merciful” God doesn’t react well to their complaints, because they are letting their discomforts replace their appreciation of his amazing, salvific work. We act the same way when we: • Take our spouse’s faults out of context • “Keep score” against our spouse • Criticize or belittle our spouse • Treat marital or religious commitments as burdens

As our Lenten sacrifices continue this week, let’s focus on being grateful to God for our spouse and the wonderful work of redemption he is doing in our lives through the Sacrament of Matrimony. www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com

PRAYER AND ACTION – SUMMER MISSION TRIP

Prayer and Action 2019 will be hosted by Sts. Peter and Paul in Seneca Kansas. Prayer and Action is a youth mission trip program. The idea was formed by seminarians who wanted to accomplish 2 things: offer a low-cost mission trip experience and provide service to the people in their own communities. Students will spend the week in an atmosphere that is free of distractions which will foster their faith, inspire charity, and lead them closer to Christ. The Prayer & Action experience will be facilitated by the mission team which consists of seminarians and other dynamic young adults. Prayer and Action is organized through individual Parish Youth Ministers. If you are interested in attending please contact your Parish Youth Minister. If your Parish does not have a Youth Ministry and you are interested in attending, please contact Jody O’Rourke at jorourke@archkck.org. For more information please visit <https://www.archkck.org/prayerandactionkc>

TOTUS TUUS MISSIONARY NEEDED

JOB DESCRIPTION: The Archdiocese Kansas City in Kansas is seeking one more woman committed to her Catholic Faith, who feels called to share it with youth of parishes within the Archdiocese, to complete the 2019 TOTUS TUUS team, which will consist of four members: two men and two women. The four individuals will travel to 6 parishes in the archdiocese, spending a week at each and running programs for elementary aged children during the day and teens during the evening. Team members share in Christian community with the parishes they are visiting, participating in events and staying with host families. Throughout their time with the community, they seek to give witness to their love for Christ and his Church and share their enthusiasm. The team also strives to create an authentic Christian community with each other: praying, working, sharing, and spending many hours together to provide mutual support. This position is a temporary two-month commitment (May 23-July 26, 2019). This includes one week of training and a one week break for the 4th of July. This is a great summer job experience for anyone who wants to work in ministry, education or with children in any setting. Job Requirements: • 18 or older • Willing to devote themselves to the program for 8 weeks. • Practicing Catholic faithful to the Church’s teaching. • Desire to work with and witness to youth. • Maturity to live and work as part of a mutually respectful Christian team • Successful completion of a background check and VIRTUS safe environment screenings. Application Instructions: To apply, send email of interest with resume to Fr. Zarse at jzarse@archkck.org.