

# WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH – ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

*“Two Churches, One Parish”*

**Growing as Disciples of Jesus; Making Disciples for Jesus**  
**Sixth Sunday of Easter – May 26, 2019**

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### THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

TUES	May 28	09:00 am	STL	NO MASS
WED	May 29	06:30 am	SJV	NO MASS
THUR	May 30	09:30 am	ENH	NO MASS
FRI	May 31	07:30 am	SJV	NO MASS †
SAT	June 1	05:00 pm	SJV	Irene Schmidling †
SUN	June 2	09:00 am	STL	Justin Johnston †

*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, 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: June 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>

			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	LECTORS	OFFERTORY
SAT	SJV	5:00 pm	Aaron & Vicki Welch, Vince Eimer	Aaron Welch	Mr. and Mrs. Glen Baker
SUN	STL	9:00 am	Ted & Dawn Staver, Sharon Wagner	Ted Staver	Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sloan

## OUR PARISH NEWS

**COLLECTION:** Thank you for your gifts to our parish! We received \$2,133, including \$100 for Utilities, \$225 for Rent, \$70 for Masses, \$120 for SJV Cemetery, \$4 for Catholic Communications Campaign and \$800 in Memorials. Last week's on-line collection of \$180. Thank you for your generosity.

**OUR HEARTFELT SYMPATHY** is extended to the friends and family of Father David Rabe. It is with great sadness that we have learned that Father Rabe passed away May 21<sup>st</sup>. Visitation and Funeral Mass will be held on May 27<sup>th</sup> in Luling, Louisiana. Please keep him and his family in your prayers. May he rest in peace.

**PARISH MEMBERS UPDATE:** It has come to our attention that many of the addresses and phone numbers of our parishioners have changed. Please fill out the forms that have been placed in the pews and put them in the box in the back of church so that we may update our records for the church. Thank you.

**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.

**SECOND COLLECTION** will be held the weekend of **June 2<sup>nd</sup>** for Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC).

**AMAZON SMILE:** Sara Green has setup an "AmazonSmile" account for our church. Amazon offers this as a rebate type program for charitable organizations. This is an additional income source for the church and requires no additional donations from parishioners. For anyone that shops online through Amazon, if they follow the link below when they make their purchases on Amazon the parish will get credit and Amazon will send the church .05% of that total sale in the form of a quarterly check. After you click the link you will notice the Amazon pages look just as it always has except you will notice under the search box it says "Supporting St Joseph-St Lawrence Parish". If anyone has any questions they can email Sara at [sgreen0427@gmail.com](mailto:sgreen0427@gmail.com).

How does AmazonSmile work?

When first visiting AmazonSmile, customers are prompted to select a charitable organization from over one million eligible organizations. In order to browse or shop at AmazonSmile, customers must first select a charitable organization. For eligible purchases at AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to the customer's selected charitable organization. Please use the following link when making your purchases on Amazon.  
<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/48-1214923>

## OTHER NEWS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

### PRO-LIFE ANSWERS TO FALSE PRO-CHOICE ARGUMENTS (PART III)

"Every child a wanted child".

Prior to the legalization of abortion over 46 years ago, advocates for abortion held out the panacea of the elimination of "unwanted children" if only abortion was legal. In fact, it was Planned Parenthood, which led this charge, coining the familiar slogan, "Every child a wanted child". Despite the fact that some 60 million "unwanted" babies have died in the intervening period, the pro-choice lobby still uses this argument to justify abortion. In the 1960' and 70's the pro-choice position was that legalizing abortion would drastically reduce child abuse. America legalized abortion and during the next 46 plus years, child abuse has skyrocketed. Yet, despite this staggering increase in child abuse, the pro-choice lobby continues to tie itself in knots by now arguing that making abortion illegal would cause an increase in child abuse!!! How many more millions of children do we have to kill before their scheme starts to work? We all agree that every child should be wanted. This is an idealistic goal, but sadly we do not live in an idyllic world. Wouldn't it also be a wonderful world if there were no unwanted wives, no aging unwanted parents, no unwanted Jews, blacks or Catholics or anyone else who is devalued or persecuted?

Moreover, since when does anyone's right to live depend upon someone else wanting them? Women rightfully resent that the value of a woman is sometimes determined by whether a man wants her. How can anyone possibly insist that the value of an unborn baby is to be determined by whether a mother wants him or her at any given time? To use being wanted by someone as a measure of whether a human life is allowed to live is a truly frightening concept. Its converse logically awaits us --- that the unwanted can be eliminated. Don't forget that Hitler's Germany was ideal for wanted Aryans. To make sense, the slogan: "Every child a wanted child" has to be completed "and if not wanted, aborted." To complete the sentence removes the mask from this misleading slogan and reveals it for the evil that it is!

**CAMP INVENTION FOR K-6 AT SBCS:** Camp Invention runs **June 3 – 7** for children in grades K-6. It's held at St. Benedict Catholic School!! Camp Invention "Supercharged" - Unmask your child's creativity this summer in the all-new Camp Invention® program, Supercharged™, where children build confidence, learn to collaborate and transform their wild imaginations into epic creations. Campers in grades K-6 will learn creative problem-solving skills while coding and programming futuristic robots, uncovering ancient fossils, designing high-tech superhero gadgets and exploring radio frequencies. Ms. Annie Hart and Ms. Teresa Gorrell will lead this action-packed program featuring exhilarating, hands-on STEM activities teaching children to question, explore, break through obstacles and embrace failure! Visit [www.invent.org/camp](http://www.invent.org/camp) or call 800-968-4332 to register. Use promo code PLAY15LISTING to save \$15 (expires 5/10). Contact Julie Underwood for more information or scholarship requests!!! [junderwood@benedictine.edu](mailto:junderwood@benedictine.edu). NOTE: All BC staff will receive \$30 off of their child(ren) by registering with their BC email. The cost of Camp Invention is \$230, however there are discounts available: a. Host Discount – ANYONE WITH A BC EMAIL! Every employee of your district, church, college, or university hosting Camp Invention, receives \$30 of their child(ren). b. Sibling Discount – Every person that registers 2 or more "camper-aged" children on one order, can receive \$25 off per child. OR c. Spring into Summer expires 5/10/19 – \$15 discount available 3/23 to 5/10 using promo code PLAY15FLYER.

**RETREAT OPPORTUNITY ON THE HOLY TRINITY** - Christ's Peace House of Prayer will offer a retreat on the Holy Trinity from Friday, **June 7** to Sunday, June 9. Check-in on Friday evening by 5:30pm with supper at 6:00pm. There will be 4-5 talks with discussion, Eucharistic Adoration each day, Mass on Saturday and Sunday at the local parish, and time for private prayer, walks, and spiritual reading. The cost is \$170 for individuals and \$250 for couples. If you would like to attend, please email [info@christspeace.com](mailto:info@christspeace.com) or call 913-773-8255.

**RETREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR ENFLAME DELEGATES** - Christ's Peace House of Prayer is offering Enflame delegates a 50% discount on a personal retreat or a group retreat with fellow delegates. Please consider this opportunity to take time away to spend with the Lord and pray about how you are being called to "Build a culture of evangelization across the Archdiocese." This offer is good for the duration of the Enflame Evangelization effort. If you have any questions or need any additional information, please contact Vince Eimer at [directorcp@hotmail.com](mailto:directorcp@hotmail.com) or at 913-773-8255.

**WHAT IS "PLANNED GIVING?"** Planned Giving is planning ahead of your death to leave a gift in your Will or Trust for a person or charity. The *Office of Stewardship and Development* is hoping through awareness of the benefits of planning ahead for **What** and **How to Give**, the faithful will start planning now for their bequests. At the new planned giving website, [CatholicPlannedGiving.org](http://CatholicPlannedGiving.org) your parishioners can download a helpful **estate planning guide** where they can make a list of bequests.

Whether you are single or married, with children or not, download a free *Estate Planning Guide* at [CatholicPlannedGiving.org](http://CatholicPlannedGiving.org) to make your list of bequests.

**HAYDEN BAND GARAGE SALE FUNDRAISER:** Please support the Hayden Band as they fundraise to go to Disney for Spring Break 2020! They will be hosting a HUGE sale (with more than 20 families) on Saturday, **June 1st** at Christ the King Catholic School Gym, 5973 SW 25th Street from 8am – 2pm. Concessions will be served. Please come and shop... or donate by contacting your favorite band member or Jessica Weil at [jessica\\_weil@yahoo.com](mailto:jessica_weil@yahoo.com). Thank you for your support!

**18TH ANNUAL GERMANFEST** will be held Saturday, **June 15<sup>th</sup>**, at St. Joseph Church, 300 N. Broadway, Leavenworth. Mass at 4:30 p.m., Dinner 5:30-8:00 p.m., German Meal--Adults-\$10.00, Kids \$4.00. Music 6:00-9:00 p.m. Great Raffle Prizes.

**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.

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. MUST SUBMIT BY 9 pm TUES FOR INCLUSION.

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**2019 ADULT CONFIRMATION MASS:** The annual Adult Confirmation Mass will be celebrated on Saturday evening, **June 8**, the Eve of Pentecost, at 4 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Peter the Apostle, 409 N 15th, Kansas City, KS. Archbishop Naumann will offer the Mass and confer the Sacrament of Confirmation. Register by **May 31**. Once received, candidates for confirmation will receive a set of instructions from the Office for Liturgy and Sacramental Life to assist in their preparation.

**“EVERY DAY IN LOVE”**

Do you need a common sense approach to inviting more joy into your marriage this summer? Every Day in Love is an upbeat series which offers positive insights and fun couple exercises to help couples love smarter not harder. (**Saturday, June 1, 8, 15, 22** at Prince of Peace in Olathe from 9am-Noon) Cost: \$10/couple per session. Child Care is included on Limited basis. This empowering series is a featured offering of the Joyful Marriage Project. Register and see session details at [www.archkck.org/everyday](http://www.archkck.org/everyday). Questions: email Brad, [bdupont@archkck.org](mailto:bdupont@archkck.org)

**PROFESSIONAL CONTINUING EDUCATION - Catholic CE Program**

The Catholic Foundation of Northeast Kansas (CFNEK) is providing a Catholic-centered Continuing Education (CE) Program for those in the fields of law, accounting, financial planning, and insurance on Friday, **June 7**, at Savior Pastoral Center. Cost is \$75. Live-streamed locations at Christ the King parish in Topeka and Didde Catholic Campus Center in Emporia are also available. For more information and to register, visit [www.cfnek.org/ce](http://www.cfnek.org/ce). The program begins with a Mass celebrated by Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann at 8:00 am and concludes at 1:30 pm. A continental breakfast and a networking lunch are provided. Available CE credits 4 hours CLE (2 ethics), 4 Hours (2 ethics) Kansas Insurance, 4 hours CFP; recommended for 4 hours CPE accounting credits.

**SCHOOL OF LOVE “DATE NIGHT”** at Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, Friday, **June 7** at 6:45 pm. Docents (guides) from the museum will be leading different tours that couples can choose from. (Of course, one option will be the sought after “Christian Art Tour” designed by Docent/KC Art Institute Instructors/& School of Love Friend, Donna Houtteman!) The event is FREE! It’s always a large crowd and a big hit! We’d love to meet lots of new couples there! Please pass the invite along to your friends. . . but remember, the point is for spouses - so take a date or have a good conversation afterward alone with just them! Date Night is a School of Love event. Online: [www.schooloflovekc.com/date-night](http://www.schooloflovekc.com/date-night)

**FAMILY ADORATION & FOOD TRUCK, “FACE TO FACE”** - presented by School of Love. We start your night with family adoration, silence (relative silence!), Scripture, brief talk, live praise music, & the one thing every Catholic parents wants: the whole family together... with Christ! Then afterwards we bring in a food truck! You finish your night with a family dinner, hang out, and conversation together! (Adoration is free. Dinner is up to you; our food truck is DELICIOUS!!) All ages & parishes welcome! Join us at 6-7 pm at The Stone Chapel at Holy Trinity in Lenexa **every 2nd Thursday!**

**IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE**

A Catholic support group for individuals or couples living with the loss of a child through miscarriage, stillbirth or early infant loss will be offered the four Tuesday evenings of **June** from 7-9pm at the home of the facilitator (119th and Pflumm--address sent after registration). Cost is \$15. For more information or to register, go to [archkck.org/InLovingRemembrance](http://archkck.org/InLovingRemembrance). Contact Libby DuPont with questions: [ldupont@archkck.org](mailto:ldupont@archkck.org)

**RELIGIOUS FREEDOM RALLY JUNE 30TH.**

The Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas Offices for Pro-Life and Social Justice are collaborating with Faithful Citizens and FIAT to host a Religious Freedom Rally on Sunday, **June 30**, at Ascension Catholic Church (127th Street in Overland Park). This event will conclude the U.S. Church’s Religious Freedom Week promoted by the US bishops to bring people together to “pray, reflect, and take action on religious liberty, both here in this country and abroad”. Archbishop Naumann will celebrate the 11:45am Mass at Ascension Church followed by a hotdog lunch in the Parish Hall or under “the big top!” The religious freedom rally will begin at 1:30 pm. The day will consist of an old-fashioned, patriotic ice cream social with “under the tent” presentation by speakers on religious liberty issues. There will be informational booths sponsored by religious freedom organizations including Faithful Citizens, FIAT, Kansans for Life, etc. Carnival games and food will be provided to entertain friends and families

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

God designed marriage to be an “other-centered” union in a “me-centered” world. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will give you an unparalleled opportunity to focus on each other and discover God’s unique plan for your marriage. The next weekend in the Kansas City area will be **July 12-14, 2019**. For more information, or to apply for a weekend, visit [www.wm4youandme.org](http://www.wm4youandme.org), or call/email Tony & Barb Zimmerman at 816-741-4066, [tonybarbz@prodigy.net](mailto: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](http://www.archkck.org/specialneeds) for details or contact Tom Racunas, Lead Consultant for the Special Needs Ministry at [tracunas@archkck.org](mailto:tracunas@archkck.org) or 913.647.3054.

**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 **June 28-30**, at Precious Blood, Liberty MO. For more information visit: [www.beginningexperiencekc.org](http://www.beginningexperiencekc.org), email: [register.bekc@gmail.com](mailto:register.bekc@gmail.com), or contact Michelle, 913-709-3779.

**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](mailto:tracunas@archkck.org) or call 913.647.3054 or 316.305.7487. To register go to: [www.archkck.org/specialneeds](http://www.archkck.org/specialneeds)

**2019 ANNUAL ICSC CONFERENCE:** Since 1965, the International Catholic Stewardship Council (ICSC) has hosted annual conferences in cities across North America! Hundreds of pastors, diocesan directors of stewardship and development, parish and school leaders, professional firms, Catholic associations and religious congregations from around the world come together each year for presentations, workshops, liturgies and major addresses. This will be held October 6 – 9, 2019, at the Sheraton Grand Chicago, 301 East North Water Street, Chicago, IL.

Why you need to attend...

Educational Tracks - Whether your role in the Church is with a parish, school, foundation, or diocese, there are informative sessions designed specifically for you. Discipleship, Stewardship & Evangelization - The presence of all three is critical to a thriving parish! Learn how these Christian concepts are different yet related, and why they are important.

Creative Approaches to Serving Others - Find fresh yet proven ideas on key issues like multi-cultural and young adult ministries, parish planning, and community outreach. The Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas has one scholarship available to cover the registration fee. This is on a first come, first served basis. Please call Leslie Knop at 913- 647-0325 for information about the scholarship! For questions and assistance please call the ICSC Office at 800-352-3452 <http://catholicstewardship.com/events/icsc-annual-conference/>

**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 your Youth Minister to let them know you are interested! You can find out more at <http://www.archkck.org/ncyc>.

**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](mailto:jorourke@archkck.org). For more information please visit <https://www.archkck.org/prayerandactionkc>

**UPCOMING CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD FORMATION COURSE OFFERINGS:**

The SonFlower Region of Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is excited to announce the 2019-2020 CGS Formation Courses for our region!

- Does your parish offer CGS in your parish pre-school, school or Religious Education program?
- Would you like to get CGS started in your parish?
- Would you like to offer CGS to more children in your parish, but are lacking trained catechists?
- Would you like to grow in your own faith while learning how to share the faith with children?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, I have good news for you! There are SEVERAL formation courses being offered for the 2019-2020 year and some of them even have babysitting available!! If you (or anyone you know) has ever thought about attending CGS formation, there’s no better time than the present to look at the offerings and sign up for one!! You can even sign up online!!! Please visit the SonFlower Region of CGS website for the full list of courses <https://casksmo.org/>

" LET THE CHILDREN COME TO ME ... FOR THE KINGDOM OF GOD BELONGS TO SUCH AS THESE." -LUKE 18:16

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact: Pam Riordan, Consultant for Children’s Catechesis, (913) 647-3055 or [priordan@archkck.org](mailto:priordan@archkck.org)

**MARRIAGE MINUTE –**

As parents, we experience love and respect from our children every time they listen to and obey one of our rules. Good parents always have a very good reason for giving their children rules. The motivation usually has something to do with protecting them from harm, even though our children don’t always understand.

This weekend, Jesus tells us that obedience to him is our way of demonstrating our love and respect for him. Jesus has many “rules” for us married couples intended to protect our marriages and help them flourish, but sometimes we are tempted to dismiss those “rules” because we don’t understand them.

To help grow in your understanding of difficult teachings:

- Start with the assumption that the Church wants the best for its married couples.
- Study the “why” behind the “what” of the difficult teaching.

For resources to grow your marriage, go to [www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com](http://www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com)