

WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH – ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

“Two Churches, One Parish”

**Growing as Disciples of Jesus; Making Disciples for Jesus
Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity Sunday – June 16, 2019**

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

TUES	June 18	09:00 am	STL	NO MASS
WED	June 19	06:30 am	SVJ	NO MASS
THUR	June 20	09:30 am	ENH	NO MASS
FRI	June 21	07:30 am	SVJ	NO MASS ☩
SAT	June 22	05:00 pm	SVJ	Shirley Karczewski ☩ Jamie Karczewski ☩
SUN	June 23	09:00 am	STL	Irene Schmidling ☩

Confessions: SAT-4:30 pm at SVJ; 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, SGT 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 22nd and 23rd

			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	LECTORS	OFFERTORY
SAT	SVJ	5:00 pm	Carol Kroll, Tracy Heim, Rita Herken	Rita Herken	Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Karczewski
SUN	STL	9:00 am	Rita Oatney, Mary Ray, Sharon Wagner	Rita Oatney	Mr. and Mrs. Larry Wistuba

OUR PARISH NEWS

COLLECTION: Thank you for your gifts to our parish! We received \$145 for SJV Cemetery; \$62.50 for STL Cemetery and \$1882.60 for our regular collection. Last week's on-line collection of \$154.63. Thank you for your generosity.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY to all of the Dads, Grandfathers, Step-fathers and Godfathers of our parish. We hope that you enjoy your day, and continue to lead your children in their faith. Please pick up a small gift when you leave church this weekend.

PRAYERS AND CONDOLENCES to the family of Doris Blockburger who passed away on Saturday, June 8th. May she 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.

SUMMER FEST 2019 is **August 10th!!!** Please mark your calendar. Plans are currently underway, if you would like to assist please contact Sharon Wagner or Karen Logan. Raffle prizes are needed, if you would like to donate an item or money towards a raffle prize please contact Sharon Wagner **by June 16th.**

AMAZON SMILE: If you are shopping on Amazon, please make your purchases on the following link: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/48-1214923>. Amazon Smile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to our organization. This is an additional income source for the church and requires no additional donations from parishioners. If you have questions please contact Sara at sgreen0427@gmail.com.

SECOND COLLECTION will be held the weekend of **June 30th** for Peter's Pence (Collection for the Holy Father).

OTHER NEWS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

WEBSITE AVAILABLE: Developed locally by Christ Renews His Parish alumni – and backed by numerous bishops and priests in the Kansas and Missouri Diocese – we are pleased to introduce our parish family to MyFaithWalk.org. Faith Walk provides Mass preparation, reflections upon the Gospel, and notices of local Catholic gatherings. It's free. It's flexible. It's all for you. With questions, email caroli@myfaithwalk.org or call (913) 214-1175.

SUNDAY GOSPEL PRAYER GROUP: Please join us at Christ's Peace House of Prayer on Thursday Evenings at 6:30 pm as we pray with the upcoming Sunday's Gospel. This is a great way to enliven your faith and grow in your relationship with the Lord! We hope you will join us!

PRO-LIFE ANSWERS TO FALSE PRO-CHOICE ARGUMENTS (PART VI)

"There are other issues just as important as abortion such as the homelessness, health care, poverty and the economy." This philosophy is generally advanced by two groups of people. The first group is closet pro-abortionists who fully realize that abortion is terribly wrong and want to avoid revealing their position on abortion. The other group is luke-warm pro-lifers who are looking for some way to justify their own inaction on abortion, or more often, to justify voting for a pro-abortion politician. By equating abortion with other social ills, they are both attempting to neutralize the abortion issue and silence pro-lifers.

To expose what a scam this really is, just ask one of these people if they would ever vote for a white supremacist on the basis that race is just "one of many issues".

Obviously, there is no denying that America faces many societal problems. However, if abortion is the taking of human life----which most definitely it is and even the most die-hard advocates of abortion have to admit----then our country is engaged in the largest holocaust in history. To suggest that the wholesale slaughter of approximately 60 million children (since 1973) ----a number which increases by more than 3,000 each day----is even in the same universe as tax policy, or homelessness, or poverty, or any other issue is both heartless and indefensible. Indeed, for someone who claims to be a Christian to make such a statement is pornographic.

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 your parishioners can download a helpful [estate planning guide](#) where they can make a list of bequests.

Have you already planned to donate to the parish in your Will or Trust? Notifications are due by October. Please notify the archdiocese with an online form at archkck.org/plannedgiving.

ENROLL IN THE CATHOLIC LEGACY SOCIETY TODAY! Have you already made the parish a beneficiary of one of your retirement assets, insurance, or property in some way? If so, you can be a member of the Catholic Legacy Society. Please notify the Archdiocesan Office of Stewardship and Development by the end of June using the new online Catholic Legacy Society form at www.archkck.org/plannedgiving or contact the parish office for a form.

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.

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.

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

3RD ANNUAL SACRED WHEELS Car, Truck & Bike Show will be held at St. Benedict Parish in Atchison on **Sept. 15th** from 10:30 am to 3:30 pm. It will be held at St. Joseph Church, 8th and Spring Garden. Dinner will be from 11 am to 2 pm, with activities for the kids. Fun for the WHOLE family! For questions or more info, please contact Derek Franklin at 913-426-1481 or Diane Crockett at 816-392-0382.

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)

MINISTRY FOR PARENTS WHO HAVE LOST A CHILD

Project Chrysalis, a Catholic ministry designed to help parents who have lost a child find hope through Sacred Scripture and community. Our next meeting is Monday, **June 24, 2019** from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the St. Luke's Room at Church of the Ascension, 9500 W. 127th St. in Overland Park. We will share scriptures of hope, have discussion and discuss plans for a community event in November. For more information, contact Ken or Patty Billinger at 913-634-4210 or email kbillinger@archkck.org. You can find more information on our website at 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.

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.beginningexperiencekck.org, email: register.bekc@gmail.com, or contact Michelle, 913-709-3779.

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM RALLY JUNE 30TH.

Kick Off your family's celebration of Independence Day with a celebration of the freedom that made America great, the first freedom in the First Amendment, Religious Freedom. 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. Featuring: Monsignor Stuart Swetland, President, Donnelly College. Elizabeth Kirk, J.D., Notre Dame Law School, Scholar, Writer, Speaker Eddie Greim, J.D., Harvard Law School, President of local Federalist Society Chuck Weber, Director of Kansas Catholic Conference, former KS Legislator Religious Freedom Rally on Sunday, June 30, at Ascension Catholic Church (127th Street in Overland Park).

6TH ANNUAL PITCHING FOR PRIESTS SOFTBALL GAME Friday, **July 5th** at 7:00 PM Community America Ballpark – T-bones Stadium Priests from the Diocese of Kansas City - St. Joseph, MO Diocese VS Priests from the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$6 for children 12 and under. Purchase at: PitchingforPriests.com ALL TICKET SALES FROM THIS FUN NIGHT GO TO SUPPORT VOCATIONS! Concession stands will be open

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

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/>

“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 Christ the King Parish in Topeka, KS, **August 10-11, 2019.** Register online at www.archkck.org/LivingInLove or contact Mary Anne Kierl at the Archdiocese at 913-647-0345 for information.

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. For more information please visit <https://www.archkck.org/prayerandactionkck>

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://cgsksmo.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

MARRIAGE MINUTE – The Gift of Fatherhood

In our current culture, the gift of Fatherhood is certainly underappreciated and taken for granted. This weekend's readings help us reflect on the creative action of God the Father, and his relationship with His Son, Jesus. We are reminded of the masculine virtues and dignity of Fatherhood!

Good fathers:

- Give life to those around them.
 - Love to provide abundantly for their families.
 - Spend their strength on those they love.
 - Stand firm and steady in adversity. Husbands, as you reflect on your fatherhood (physical and/or spiritual) today, thank your wife for giving you this great gift! Wives, take some time today to affirm your husband's masculine, fatherly gifts!
- For insights on how to increase joy in your marriage, go to www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com.