

# WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH – ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

“Two Churches, One Parish”

Growing as Disciples of Jesus; Making Disciples for Jesus  
Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday – June 9, 2019

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## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

TUES	June 11	09:00 am	STL	NO MASS
WED	June 12	06:30 am	SJV	NO MASS
THUR	June 13	09:30 am	ENH	NO MASS
FRI	June 14	07:30 am	SJV	NO MASS †
SAT	June 15	05:00 pm	SJV	Stephen Payeur †
SUN	June 16	09:00 am	STL	Mary Crook †

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, 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 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>

			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	LECTORS	OFFERTORY
SAT	SJV	5:00 pm	Sharon Wagner, Vince Eimer, Robert Jardon	Vince Eimer	Mr. and Mrs. Francis Wistuba
SUN	STL	9:00 am	Rita Oatney, Shirley Navinsky, Mary Ray	Rita Oatney	Mr. and Mrs. Jason Stewart

## OUR PARISH NEWS

**COLLECTION:** Thank you for your gifts to our parish! We received \$20 for SJV Cemetery; \$88 for Catholic Communications Campaign; \$100 for STL Hall Rent; \$25 for Utilities and \$2010 for our Regular Collection. Last week's on-line collection of \$5. Thank you for your generosity.

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST TODAY June 9<sup>th</sup>** in honor of Father's Day! The breakfast will be served by the ladies of the parish.

**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 16<sup>th</sup>**.

**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](mailto:sgreen0427@gmail.com).

**THANK YOU** to our Army of Christ who recently did a Service Day at Christ's Peace on Saturday. They took apart old wooden furniture for Marie's icon projects that she makes. They also helped with cleaning out a garage/storage area. Way to go AOC! We are so proud of you!

## OTHER NEWS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

**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!

**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.

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

"How can you make a fetus more important than a grown woman?" Abortion is a human rights issue, but politically speaking, it does involve competing rights. On the one hand, you have the mother's "right" not to be pregnant. On the other hand, you have the baby's right not to be killed. The question that must therefore be answered is which right is more fundamental? Abortion advocates argue that outlawing abortion would, in essence, elevate the rights of the unborn over and above those of the mother. However, in reality, outlawing abortion would not be giving unborn children more rights; it would simply re-establish for them the most fundamental right that no one can live without, namely the right to life.

If a baby is not to be aborted, then the pregnant mother must remain pregnant. This will also require of her sickness, fatigue, reduced mobility, an enlarged body and some new clothes. Fortunately, it is not a permanent condition. On the flip side, for a pregnant woman not to be pregnant, her child must be killed (unless she is past 22 weeks of pregnancy, in which case the baby may well survive outside the womb). Abortion costs the unborn child his or her very life and it is a thoroughly permanent condition. That is what's at stake, both for the child and for the mother. It is not an

issue of who is more important, but rather who has more on the line. Any time there are competing rights, the government must protect the more fundamental right. For example, the law requires the driver of a car to slow down and stop so a pedestrian may cross the road in front of him. This is not because the pedestrian is more valuable or important than the driver, but rather because, if the driver does not stop, it might cost the pedestrian his life.

Obviously, for a woman to remain pregnant, she gives up far more than a few minutes of drive time, but she gives up far less than her baby who would otherwise be killed. This is what it comes down to. Since the child has far more at stake, the more fundamental right to life must be upheld.

**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.

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](http://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](http://www.archkck.org/plannedgiving) or contact the parish office for a form.

**FAMILY ADORATION & FOOD TRUCK, "FACE TO FACE"** - presented by School of Love. **Thursday, June 13.** 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!!

### 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](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.

### 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.wmme4youandme.org](http://www.wmme4youandme.org), or call/email Tony & Barb Zimmerman at 816-741-4066, [tonybarbz@prodigy.net](mailto:tonybarbz@prodigy.net)

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

**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, 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 26<sup>th</sup>, 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 Lesle 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](http://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 you 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://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](mailto:priordan@archkck.org)

**MARRIAGE MINUTE – Come Holy Spirit!**

Sometimes we forget that we don't walk the road of married life alone! The same Holy Spirit that transformed the Apostles' fear into boldness wants to work in our marriages today. Let us ask the Holy Spirit to intercede for our marriages this weekend in the words of the beautiful sequence we prayed at Mass:

Heal our wounds, our strength renew;  
On our dryness pour your dew;  
Wash the stains of guilt away;  
Bend the stubborn heart and will;  
Melt the frozen, warm the chill;  
Guide the steps that go astray.  
On the faithful, who adore  
and confess you, evermore  
In your sevenfold gift descend;  
Give them virtue's sure reward;  
Give them your salvation, Lord;  
Give them joys that never end.

For insights on how to increase joy in your marriage, go to [www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com](http://www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com).