

# 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 Body and Blood of Christ – June 23, 2019**

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### THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

TUES	June 25	09:00 am	STL	NO MASS
WED	June 26	06:30 am	SJV	NO MASS
THUR	June 27	09:30 am	ENH	NO MASS
FRI	June 28	07:30 am	SJV	NO MASS †
SAT	June 29	05:00 pm	SJV	Ernie DeMaranville †
SUN	June 30	09:00 am	STL	Thomas J. Herken Jr. †

*Confessions: SAT-4:30 pm at SJV; SUN-8:30 am at STL*

**Please pray for the sick, especially:** Phil Bell, Susie Beying, 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 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>

			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	LECTORS	OFFERTORY
SAT	SJV	5:00 pm	Aaron & Vicki Welch, Carol Kroll	Aaron Welch	Mr. and Mrs. CJ Kroll
SUN	STL	9:00 am	Ted & Dawn Staver, Sue Griffee	Dawn Staver	Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Woodruff

## OUR PARISH NEWS

**COLLECTION:** Thank you for your gifts to our parish! We received \$1400, including \$50 for Utilities, \$100 for SJV Cemetery; and \$110 for STL Cemetery. Last week's on-line collection of \$5. Thank you for your generosity.

**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.

**EMAIL NOTIFICATIONS:** If you haven't been receiving the email notices we send out, please send additions, changes or corrections of your email addresses to Judy Brose at [brosej01@gmail.com](mailto:brosej01@gmail.com).

**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.

**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 23rd**.

**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.

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

**THE LEAVEN:** The Archbishop mandates that the Leaven Newspaper be sent to each Parishioner of each parish in the Archdiocese of KCK. We recently paid the bill for these subscriptions at the cost of \$3,600.00. It would be very much appreciated if you as parishioners would consider covering the expense of \$21.00 per household to pay for the Leaven sent to your home. If you decide to help out with this expense, simply put your donation in the collection basket marked "Leaven". Thank you in advance for your help.

**RELIGIOUS CLASSES:** Please consider volunteering to support our religious education classes by teaching a class this fall. Please contact Jennifer Roggenkamp at 913-705-9872 or [dandj723@gmail.com](mailto:dandj723@gmail.com).

**PLEASE JOIN US** for our Parish Social Dinner after mass on Saturday, June 29<sup>th</sup> at SJV.

## OTHER NEWS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

**WEBSITE AVAILABLE:** we are pleased to introduce our parish family to [MyFaithWalk.org](http://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 [carolj@myfaithwalk.org](mailto:carolj@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 VII)**  
"If abortion is outlawed, women would be forced to unsafe back-alley abortions"  
For years, the abortion industry has concocted statistics to frighten people into supporting their agenda. The fact is that every study ever conducted (including figures

released by the pro-choice Alan Guttmacher Institute) proves that so-called "back-alley abortions" were extremely rare, prior to abortion being legalized in 1973. Moreover, the idea that women would be forced to unsafe "back-alley abortions" if abortion was again illegal, has now been discredited by an actual "test market", so to speak.

For 44 years under Nazi and then Communist rule, abortions were legal in Poland. In 1993, the new freely elected Parliament passed a law forbidding abortion. The media screamed: "You will not stop abortions; they will just go underground and women will be injured and die and there will be a flood of miscarriages". However, the law was passed and not only did abortions drop precipitously (from around 138,000 to 99 per annum), but none of the ominous predictions of the pro-choice lobby materialized. In fact, quite the reverse is true. Miscarriages dropped from around 59,076 in 1990 to 41,568 in 1999. Deaths due to pregnancy and birth dropped from 70 to 24 and neonatal deaths per 1,000 live births dropped from 19 to 9. Not only did none of the dire predictions materialize, but instead, Polish women are healthier and have fewer gynecological problems than when abortion was legal and common.

So here we have a modern, western nation of 40 million people that decided to forbid abortion by law. The result shatters and completely destroys the long-standing pro-abortion argument about "back-alley" abortions.

**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). **YOUR PLANNED GIFT IS A GRATEFUL RESPONSE TO GOD** – There are many ways to make a grateful response to God for the abundant gifts He has given you throughout your life. If you have given thanks to God with a planned gift to an archdiocesan parish, school, or ministry through a bequest or as a designated beneficiary, the Archdiocesan Office of Stewardship and Development would like to recognize you. For more information or to enroll, visit [www.archkck.org/plannedgiving](http://www.archkck.org/plannedgiving) to submit a My Catholic Legacy Society or email [PlannedGiving@archkck.org](mailto:PlannedGiving@archkck.org) to receive a printed form.

**RELIGIOUS FREEDOM RALLY JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup>** will be held at Ascension Catholic Church (127th Street in Overland Park). 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.

**PRAYER & FASTING RETREAT** for the Intentions of the Archdiocese (spiritual needs of the Archbishop, priests, religious and laypeople for the Archdiocese) will be held **July 12<sup>th</sup>-July 14<sup>th</sup>** at Christ's Peace House of Prayer. It will include Perpetual Adoration, Fasting on Bread and Water, Liturgy of the Hours, Stations of the Cross, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Rosary. Suggested donation is \$150 for individual (cabin/courtyard rooms) or \$225 for married couples, \$80 for single guest rooms/individual. For more information call 913-773-8255 or email [info@christsppeace.com](mailto:info@christsppeace.com). 22131 Meagher Road, Easton.

**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 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)**

**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](http://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](http://www.beginningexperiencekck.org), email: [register.bekc@gmail.com](mailto: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](http://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 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)

**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)

**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/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](mailto:priordan@archkck.org)

**MARRIAGE MINUTE** – Spouses! This week have you:

- Completed chores around the house?
- Listened to your spouse?
- Shown affection for your spouse?
- Made any other small sacrifice that "cost you"?

If you have, you have done a great job preparing for this weekend's feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. Though it can seem like a stretch to compare the sacraments of the Eucharist and Matrimony, they actually have a lot in common. In fact, St. Augustine said, "Matrimony is the sacrament most like the Eucharist because of the self-donation involved." If this is true, we should expect an elevated reverence for Married couples in the same way we expect respect for the Eucharist.

To prioritize your Sacrament, go to [www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com](http://www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com)