

WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH – ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

“Two Churches, One Parish”

**Growing as Disciples of Jesus; Making Disciples for Jesus
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 28, 2019**

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

TUES	July 30	06:00 pm	STL	Father David Rabe †
<i>Adoration will follow Mass until 7:30 p.m.</i>				
WED	July 31	06:30 am	STL	Parishioners of SJ-SL
FRI	Aug 2	07:30 am	SJV	Stephen Payeur †
SAT	Aug 3	05:00 pm	SJV	Norma Bromell †
SUN	Aug 4	09:00 am	STL	Clarence Wagner †
<i>Confessions: SAT-4:30 pm at SJV; SUN-8:30 am at STL</i>				

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, 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: Aug. 3rd & 4th

		EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION		LECTORS	OFFERTORY
SAT	SJV	5:00 pm	Aaron & Vickie Welch, Carol Kroll	Vince Eimer	Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Sullivan
SUN	STL	9:00 am	Rita Oatney, Shirley Navinsky & Mary Ray	Mary Ray	Mr. and Mrs. Larry Beying

OUR PARISH NEWS

COLLECTION: Thank you for your gifts to our parish! We received \$1491. Last week's on-line collection of \$180. Thank you for your generosity.

SECOND COLLECTION will be held **July 27th and 28th** for utilities for our parish. We appreciate your generosity.

PLEASE NOTE – There will be no 5:00 pm Mass held at St. Joseph of the Valley on Saturday, **Aug. 10th**; however we would love for you to join us for the 4:00 pm Mass at St. Lawrence, and please stay for fun Summerfest activities following Mass!

EASTON NURSING HOME MASS CHANGE: Fr. Francis will be having mass at the Country Care Nursing Home only once a month beginning in August. This mass will be offered on the **THIRD** Thursday of each month at 9:30 a.m. He would like to invite and encourage any parishioners who are free on these mornings to join us at the mass at Country Care. The next date for the mass there will be **August 15th**.

SUMMERFEST 2019! Is just around the corner – **August 10th!** Mark your calendar to join us for a delicious chicken dinner 4-7 pm. Mass will be held at 4 pm at St. Lawrence on Aug. 10th. Activities will begin at 5 pm, to include children's games, bingo, and country store!

SETUP will start Thursday night, **Aug. 8th** at 6:30 pm and continue setup and food prep Friday night at 6:30 pm. If you could donate a few hours either night – it would be greatly appreciated!

VOLUNTEERS – WE NEED YOU! – please sign up for your choice of work and times of shifts – we need kitchen help – setup, meal prep, serving, picking up/washing, serving cakes/pies, drinks, Beer Garden, Selling Tickets, Country Store, Bingo. Sign up sheets will be in the back of the church or call Sharon Wagner at 913-683-4495 or email her at w5cattle@aol.com. We start serving food at 4:00 pm. Activities start at 5:00 pm.

RAFFLE TICKETS are available for pickup at the back of the church. Families are asked to sell at least \$30 worth of tickets. Great prizes to win – Queen Quilt, \$250, \$150, \$100 Price Chopper Gift card and \$50 cash!

BINGO: Each CCD family is asked to donate 1 child-age bingo prize (\$10-\$20 value), can be toys, games, gift cards, or sports equipment. All other families are asked to donate an adult prize (cash or gift cards are great!) Boxes for donations will be in the back of church. Contact Linda Heim at 913-306-8881.

KIDS GAMES: We ask that each CCD family donate two 2-liter bottles of soda for the Pop Toss. These can be left at the back of each church. We are currently looking for individual(s) who are willing to work the children's games. Please contact Geri Wilburn if you are interested (913-306-1841).

CAKES/PIES: We need those wonderful home-made desserts our Parish is well-known for! Please bring them either FRI night or the day of the event.

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.

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!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: Direct assistance is provided to those living in rural, outlying areas through our two Mobile Resource buses. Each bus is equipped with basic essentials including food and clothing. Catholic Charities is seeking volunteers to drive our buses to assigned locations on either Tuesday or Wednesday. A CDL is not required. For additional information, please contact Cari Olberding at 913-433-2104 or colberding@catholiccharitiesks.org.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: Catholic Community Hospice is looking for volunteers to be with the terminally ill. Volunteers are a valuable part of Catholic Charities and often find that their greatest satisfaction comes from contributing to the wellbeing of others. If you are that person and would like more information, please contact Bonnie Krause, Volunteer Coordinator [913/433-2020](tel:9134332020).

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, **July 29**, 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. 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 also open to anyone who has lost a grandchild. Immediate family members are also invited to attend.

ANNUAL ROAST BEEF DINNER is being held by the Sacred Heart-St. Casmir Parish, on Sunday, **Aug. 4th** at St. Casmir Church, 719 Pennsylvania, Leavenworth. Serving from 11:30 am until 3:00 pm. Adults-\$10.00, Children (under 12) - \$5.00.

BLOOD DRIVE: Monday, **Aug. 5th**, 2:00 pm - 6 pm, at St. Lawrence Hall. Please join us and give the life-giving gift!

FAMILY PICNIC will be held Sunday, **Aug. 11th** 10am - 5 pm, at Hawthorne Park (Ohio & Kansas Sts.). Sponsored by K of C Leavenworth Immaculata Council #900. Door prizes 2 pm. Serving 12 noon to 1:00 pm. Food and beverages furnished. Bring your favorite side dish & family game. Open to ALL local K of C members as well as prospective members.

STUDY & PRAYER RETREAT: Christ's Peace House of Prayer is hosting a study and prayer retreat on 4 dogmatic Marian teachings of the Church: the Immaculate Conception, the Virgin Birth, Mother of God, and the Assumption from 5:30pm Friday, **Aug. 16th** to 4:00pm Sunday, **Aug. 18th**. There will be 4-5 talks, daily Eucharistic Adoration, Mass at the local parish and time for private prayer and reflection. The cost is \$125 per night for couples and \$85 or \$40 per night for individuals. If you are interested, please contact us at info@christspce.com or call 913-773-8255.

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.

PILGRIMAGE TO ISRAEL AND ROME: Walk in the footsteps of Jesus. Visit Rome, and see Pope Francis in his weekly audience. Travel to Assisi, the hometown of Saint Francis. Feb. 24-Mar. 7, 2020. The per person cost is \$3,899 (covers all travel, 2 meals daily, hotel lodging, etc.). If interested, or if you would like more information, please email: Fr.Wm.McEvoy@gmail.com

“THE HISTORY & LEGACY OF IMMACULATA HIGH SCHOOL” is now available for purchase from the publisher, Lulu.com. Access the link to order from Facebook pages “Forever Raiders”, “Immaculata High School Alumni” or “The History & Legacy of Immaculata High School”. Direct link is: <http://www.lulu.com/shop/mary-ann-sachse-brown-and-marti-sachse-judson/the-history-legacy-of-immaculata-catholic-high-school-in-the-first-city-of-kansas/hardcover/product-24157407.html> This is a keepsake hardcover 120 page book with nearly 300 images. Available in color (best quality) or black and white.

PLEASE NOTE – There are a large number of other Archdiocesan announcements that could not fit in the space available. They will be potted 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)

PRO-LIFE ANSWERS TO FALSE PRO-CHOICE ARGUMENTS (PART XII) "It's the law of the land. Abortion should be safe, legal and rare"

As with slavery in early America, killing Jews in Nazi Germany, or aborting babies in America today, just because something is legal does not make it right. Today, abortion is justified by claiming the termination of baby's lives is "safe and legal". For example, Dr. Michael Jackson, an abortionist and clinic owner states, "I just go by what the courts say. I only do what's legal". It is no coincidence that this was the exact same justification used by "doctors" who participated in the massacre of millions of innocents at Auschwitz. Indeed, the defense of most of the Nazi doctors at the Nuremberg trials was, "we were only carrying out the laws of the land".

Moreover, if abortion is such an empowering thing for women (as pro-abortion advocates argue) why would we want it to be rare? If it is not the terminating of an innocent child's life, why should its use, even in high numbers, be a problem? And, if abortion advocates are really sincere in their desire to make abortion "rare" why do they oppose every constructive and common-sense proposal ----such as affording pregnant mothers the opportunity to see their babies on ultrasound and informing parents when their minor daughter is pregnant---- put forward to reduce the staggering number of abortions in this country each year? Finally, if abortion is a Constitutional right, why shouldn't it be celebrated? We don't hear anyone saying that free speech or freedom of religion should be "rare". Why apply this illogical standard to abortion?

The truth of course is that with the advance of science and the images of ultrasounds, abortion advocates are now having to grudgingly concede the humanity of the unborn child. This gets them in trouble because they then feel obliged to pay lip-service to a desire for abortions to be "rare". Not only do their actions not support this, but increasing awareness of the humanity of the unborn child and the pain suffered by the child during an abortion, shows them to be callous and heartless.

SCHOOL OF LOVE "DATE NIGHT": Need to get back in the groove, tighten your schedule, tighten your focus as summer comes to a close? Join us at Classic Cup on the Plaza. Join us for KC's only Catholic recurring event for married couples. Date Night, on first Thursdays. See what 1,000 KC spouses, of all ages, from 65 parishes, and both KC dioceses already have. It's fun, but classy. Low-key, but important. And it's free! We start your date with happy hour, appetizers, & a brief talk on faith, marriage, family... You finish your date at home or out on the town! www.schooloflovekc.com/date-night DATE NIGHT, FIRST THURSDAYS THURS, August 1 6:30-7:30pm CLASSIC CUP, (Main Restaurant), 301 W. 47th St. (Plaza, KC) - We are in the Cellar, three stories down. Parking in underneath parking garage.

3-DAY WORKSHOP FOR MEN - AUGUST 8-10: The My House Men's Workshop is a premier Catholic/Christian intensive for men struggling with pornography, sexual behavior problems and/or sexual addiction. The workshop is led by Dr. Todd Bowman, Fr. Sean Kilcawley (www.integrityrestored.com), Michael Ciaccio, and Sam Meier. This workshop is more affordable than similar Christian intensive programs. Please pray that this workshop will provide hope and healing to many men in our area and throughout the US!

Here is some of the feedback from our last workshop:

- "It was a well-run, informative, and healing experience."
- "Very, very impressed. Eased my fears of opening up my past sins"
- "Amazing! Encouraging! Hopeful!"
- "Incredible spiritual and psychology weekend. It is the perfect mix of each."

More Information & Registration visit: <https://centerforhealingkc.com/my-house/my-house-workshop#panel--4>

"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.

START A FIRE! YOUTH AND FAMILY EVENTS

Start a Fire! In the Southern Region is on **August 18th** at Prairie Star Ranch from 3-7 pm. The day will include inspiration from speaker Noelle Garcia, Wichita Adore Ministries, games for all ages, dinner, and Mass! Pre-registration will be open soon and is only \$5 per person with a \$25 family cap. Please join us for this great way to kick-off the school year. All are welcome.

Start a Fire! In the Northern Region is **September 22nd** at the Horton Fairgrounds from 3-7 pm. This event will include time with Jesus in adoration; praise, worship and dancing with the Mikey Needleman Band; inspiration with Fr. Bruce; games and dinner! Pre-registration will be open soon and is \$5 per person with a \$25 family cap. All are welcome!

For more information, please visit www.archkck.org/rural-outreach Online pre-registration will be available soon or you may secure your registration via email: ruralyouth@archkck.org.

SAVE THE DATE: School of Love Benefit 2019 – AMORE. For further information visit the website at: <https://www.schooloflovekc.com/benefit/> or contact Mike Dennihan at mike@schooloflovekc.com It will be Dinner, Date, Silent & Live Auctions and Casino Night on **Sept. 14th** at the Sheraton Overland Park (Convention Center). All proceeds go towards the mission of School of Love. Tickets \$200 per couple or \$100 per person.

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/>

"COPING WITH LIFE ALONE" - Peer-To-Peer Grief Support "Coping with Life Alone" is a Beginning Experience® grief support program that meets each week for 7 weeks. The program helps those who have lost a love relationship due to death, divorce or separation, move through the experience of grief and loss into a future with renewed hope. Upcoming program dates and location: Saturdays, September 7th through **October 19th**, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. Location: St. Therese Parish, North, Lower Level, Birkel Room, 7207 NW Highway 9, Kansas City, MO 64152 Contact Donna at (816-305-3760), for information and registration.

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>.

SAVE THE DATES - RCIA Retreat – Chosen in Christ

The Office of Evangelization is offering a retreat day for catechumens, candidates, and sponsors to have an encounter with Christ rooted in the questions posed at the Rite of Election. Fr. Andrew Strobl and Mr. Curtis Keddy will again be leading the retreat. (Please note: Space is limited and registration details will be available in December).

Two retreat dates/locations are available:

- Saturday, January 25, 2020, at Mother Teresa Parish in Topeka, 9am – 3pm
- Saturday, February 15, 2020, at Holy Trinity Parish in Lenexa, 9am – 3pm

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 jourke@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

MARRIAGE MINUTE - I don't know how to pray!

Have you ever been intimidated at the prospect of praying with your spouse? If so, you are not alone. However, the Gospel teaches us this week that it is not the perfect prayer that rises to God, but rather, the persisting prayer.

Prayer between spouses is the last frontier of intimacy that couples endeavor, but it is so crucial for growth in the Sacrament of Matrimony. If prayer is new with your spouse or uncomfortable, you are not alone! Try the following to start:

- Praying one "Our Father" together before going to sleep.
- Asking Jesus to bless your spouse's day at work before he or she leaves in the morning.
- Take 2 minutes to each share your needs and end with a "Hail Mary."

For other tools check out the resources page www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com.