

# WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH – ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

*“Two Churches, One Parish”*

**Growing as Disciples of Jesus; Making Disciples for Jesus**  
**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Aug. 4th, 2019**

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### THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

TUES	Aug 6	06:00 pm	STL	Jack Rogers †
<i>Adoration will follow Mass until 7:30 p.m.</i>				
WED	Aug 7	06:30 am	STL	Parishioners of SJ-SL
FRI	Aug 9	07:30 am	SVJ	Floyd & Ruth Schmania †
SAT	Aug 10	04:00 pm	STL	Jamie Karczewski †
SUN	Aug 11	09:00 am	STL	Mary Gwartney †
<i>Confessions: SAT-4:30 pm at SVJ; 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. 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>

			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	LECTORS	OFFERTORY
SAT	STL	4:00 pm	Ted & Dawn Staver, Vince Eimer	Ted Staver	Mr. and Mrs. David Wagner
SUN	STL	9:00 am	Sharon Wagner, Sue Griffiee & Mary Ray	John Johnston	Mr. and Mrs. Les Blaski

## OUR PARISH NEWS

**COLLECTION:** Thank you for your gifts to our parish! We received \$1,836.14, which included \$100 for SJV Cemetery, \$20, CCD, \$307.01 Utilities, \$25 – Summerfest donation, and \$1,384.13 for the regular collection. Last week's on-line collection of \$205. Thank you for your generosity.

**PLEASE NOTE –** There will be no 5:00 pm Mass held at St. Joseph of the Valley on Saturday, **Aug. 10<sup>th</sup>**; 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!

**OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY:** Prayers and condolences to Nancy Reed and her children and grandchildren on the death of their husband, father, and grandfather, Duane Reed. Duane passed away on Wednesday, July 24th, and was buried on July 27th at Easton Cemetery. May he rest in peace.

**THANK YOU!** St. Joseph-St. Lawrence Parishioners would like to sincerely thank all those who were involved in the planning and completion of the paving of the new parking lot at the St. Joseph of the Valley Church. Kevin Heim and Mark Heim for organizing and supervising the project. Rick Wagner donated time and machinery labor to do the prep dirt work. Thank you to Hamm's Rock Quarry for the donation of the rock used as the base, and to Heim Brothers Hauling for donating the hauling of the rock. The finished asphalt project, curb and gutter installation was done by Approved Paving LLC of Atchison, Ks. Thanks to all of you for all your hard work. Job well done!

**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. 10<sup>th</sup>. 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](mailto:w5cattle@aol.com).

**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.

**FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY:** Mass will be held **Aug. 15th** at St. Lawrence at 7:00 p.m. to honor our Blessed Mother. Please join us!

**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).

**DONATIONS NEEDED:** It's that time of year - the beginning of a new school year! Last Christmas, some parishioners donated snacks for Pleasant Ridge students who didn't have anything for class snack time or those who just needed a little "pick me up" to get through the day. We would like to restock our snack shelves and would appreciate any donations that you would like to make. The best options are those snacks that are already individually packaged - crackers, cookies, fruit cups- were all very popular. There will be a box for donations in the back of church for the next couple of weeks. Thanks for supporting those kids in our community who need it! Danielle Nichols, LMSW, Pleasant Ridge School Social Worker

## OTHER NEWS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

**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. 11<sup>th</sup>** 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@christsppeace.com](mailto:info@christsppeace.com) or call 913-773-8255.

**FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER OPEN HOUSE:** Catholic Charities recently changed the name of the Emergency Assistance Center to FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER – but the mission remains the same. They strive to help people more fully from crisis to stability through skills training, financial education and employment. In celebration of the name change and to provide continual education of our services, you are invited to an Open House at the Leavenworth Family Support Center, 716 North 5<sup>th</sup>, on Tuesday, Aug. 27<sup>th</sup> from 1:30-3:30 pm. Thanks for your continued support to the mission of Catholic Charities!

**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 potted 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)**

**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 XIII)** - "The fetus may be human, but it is not "viable" without the mother"

Pro-abortion advocates increasingly have to admit that the unborn child is a human being (because they otherwise deny science) but they argue that the so-called "fetus" has no right to life because he/she is not "viable" and is dependent upon the mother. For the reasons outlined below, this argument has no merit, but if they were sincere in this view, they would at least support a limit being placed on abortions after the twenty second week of gestation, when the child can survive outside the mother's womb. Of course, they do not support such a restriction.

If the issue is that the unborn are not viable because they are dependent upon another individual in order to survive, that does not end at birth. By this standard, a two-year-old baby is no more viable than an unborn baby. In fact, if the guiding principle to the right to life is the ability to survive without others, many people in society would not be "viable" such as the handicapped and the aged. So why would this cruel and illogical "viability" standard only apply to the unborn.

Moreover, science has now produced proof that human beings are actually viable from the moment of conception. Because of invitro-fertilization (IVF), we now know that even at its earliest stages, human life is capable of surviving outside the womb, if given the proper environment. With IVF, the fertilized egg (or child) spends the first few days in a petri dish and is only placed inside the mother because medical science has not yet developed a substitute for the womb.

In other words, the viability issue is yet another smoke-screen because it is a function of medical technology and is wholly unrelated to the humanity of the child. That is further proven by the fact that premature babies are now routinely surviving at gestational ages that would have been unthinkable even 20 years ago (although children are biologically the same as ever).

**“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.

**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

**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](http://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](http://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](http://www.archkck.org/rural-outreach) Online pre-registration will be available soon or you may secure your registration via email: [ruralyouth@archkck.org](mailto:ruralyouth@archkck.org)

**OPEN WIDE OUR HEARTS TO RACIAL HEALING:** Join us for an evening of dialogue about racism which draws upon the experience of people of color and the wisdom of the United States Bishop's Pastoral Letter against racism, Open Wide Our Hearts. Friday, **Sept. 6, 2019** 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at the Parish Hall under St. Joseph Church 11311 Johnson Drive, Shawnee, KS 66203

**CALLED AND GIFTED WORKSHOP | DISCOVER GOD'S CALL FOR YOUR LIFE** Saturday, **Sept. 14, 2019.** God is calling you to a unique purpose in life, a work of love that only you can do. You have received gifts in Baptism and Confirmation through which God intends His love to reach others. Discern your spiritual gifts and begin to discern God's call for your life. Come to the workshop and discover these gifts in you! (This workshop is limited to 110 participants). Registration and details: <https://www.cureofars.com/called-gifted-workshop>

**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](mailto: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 your 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 [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** - Have you and your spouse ever argued about money, like the brothers in this week's Gospel? Here are some ideas for becoming more “rich in what matters to God.”

- Share your feelings about money: How do you feel when you think about debt? Money in savings? An unexpected expense?
- Share your values about money: Why do you think it's important to save for retirement? Purchase a specific item or service?
- Get financial guidance: Learn together from a great resource like Dave Ramsey or Compass Catholic Ministries.
- Make money decisions together: Decide together how you will earn, spend and save money. Ask yourselves, “Is this plan in the best interest of our marriage?”

To learn how to do these suggestions, check out Every Day in Love, [www.archkck.org/everyday](http://www.archkck.org/everyday)