

# WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH – ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

“Two Churches, One Parish”

Growing as Disciples of Jesus; Making Disciples for Jesus  
Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Oct. 20, 2019

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## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

TUES	Oct. 22	06:00 pm	STL	Jack Rogers †
Adoration will follow Mass until 7:30 p.m.				
WED	Oct. 23	06:30 am	STL	Parishioners of SJ-SL
FRI	Oct. 25	07:30 am	SJV	Doris Blockburger †
SAT	Oct. 26	05:00 pm	SJV	Jamie Karczewski †
SUN	Oct. 27	09:00 am	STL	Eric Felzke †

*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, Donald Erzen, 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, Wendi Johnston, 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: Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>

			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	LECTORS	OFFERTORY
SAT	SJV	5:00 pm	Rita Herken, Carol Kroll, Tracy Heim	Rita Herken	Devin Guenther and family
SUN	STL	9:00 am	Rita Oatney, Sue Griffiee, Sharon Wagner	Rita Oatney	Pearl Miller and family

## OUR PARISH NEWS

**COLLECTION:** Thank you for your gifts to our parish! We received \$1867.75. Last week's on-line collection was \$5. Thank you for your generosity.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** will be held this weekend of Oct. 20 for World Mission Sunday.

**PRAYERS AND CONDOLENCES** from the parishioners of St. Joseph-St. Lawrence Parish to Matt and Sara Noll and their sons on the death of Sara's Mother, Janet Schneider, who passed away on Oct. 13th. Her funeral was celebrated at St. Benedict's Church in Atchison on Friday. May she rest in peace.

**PLEASE PRAY!** Prayer is our most important action as we seek to end the devastation of abortion. Please pray the rosary and use the prayer cards in the pews to help bring an end to the issue of abortion.

**PLEASE DONATE!** The Fall Season with cooler temps has arrived. Please clean out your closets and donate any extra coats, jackets, or hoodies that you may not need to Leavenworth Catholic Charity. Hats, gloves and new socks are also needed. Totes are in the back of church to put them in. Thank you for your generosity.

**FALLFEST NOV. 23:** Raffle tickets are available. Great food & turkey/ham bingo. Please plan to attend.

**SAVE THE DATE:** Ladies Night is planned for Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> at SL Hall.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Fr. Francis would like to have music at the Saturday evening masses at St. Joseph of the Valley Church. If you would like to play or lead the parish in music, or know someone who would be interested, please contact Sue Griffiee @ 913-773-8342.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** We need someone to greet parishioners and guests before the Sunday morning mass at St. Lawrence. Please Contact Sue Griffiee if you can help out.

**WORLD PRIEST DAY** is celebrated on Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>. May God bless our Priest on this special day with the knowledge that he is loved and appreciated.

*Heavenly Father, we come before you today to ask your blessing on our brothers whom you have called to the Sacrament of Holy Orders.*

*Lord Jesus, we ask that you support them with your presence and fill them with grace to serve you faithfully.*

*Gracious Spirit, unite us in spirit with those whom you have called. Open our hearts to encourage our brothers and sons to pursue your calling, and open their hearts to hear your call to this most Holy Sacrament.*

Amen

**LIONS CLUB:** Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> – Chairman Tracy Wagner, Lisa Crook, Sue Barnes and Virginia Mowery. Serving time is 7 pm, please prepare for 15 people.

## OTHER NEWS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** Immaculata Council #900 Mouse Race! Oct. 26 Sacred Heart Church Hall (1405-2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Leavenworth. Doors open 6:00 pm. Races start 7:00pm. Food & beverages, door prizes for non-winning tickets. Admission ticket price is \$10.00

**DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA,** Little Flower Circle will say a Rosary on Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 pm. Then at 1:00 pm Business Meeting followed by Social at Christ the King Parish, Yadrich Hall, 5972 SW 25<sup>th</sup> St, Topeka, KS. If anyone knows of member or family in need of the circle's prayer call Theresa Smith-Lawton at (785) 640-1403. If you are interested or would like more information about Daughters of Isabella, call Cindy Kern at 785-228-9863.

**THE LEAST OF MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS:** Jesus tells us that, "Whatever you did for one of the least of these my brothers, you did for me." Who are "the least" in our world today? One can put forward many worthy candidates: fatherless children, the elderly, the infirm, the immigrant and the poor. Of course we should help all of these people.

But it's hard to be "less" than a child so young he is unable even to cry. The unborn have no ability to plead their own case. No leverage with which to protect themselves. If their natural parents choose to abort them, they have no recourse, and nowhere to run. They are literally voiceless and defenseless.

So the pro-life movement seeks to befriend these friendless people. Whether or not one takes the Bible to be the Word of God, I think all pro-lifers are moved by this insight: that we have the responsibility to protect those who are most singularly incapable of protecting themselves. That's why we go on marching, year after year and decade after decade. That's why we chisel away at the network of laws designed to protect adult lifestyles and convenience at the expense of innocent lives. That's why young people today are more pro-life than their parents were 20 years ago.

### REGISTRATION FOR CAMP TEKAKWITHA 2020 OPENS IN FALL

- Tuesday, Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>, for 9th-12th grade camps, campers entering 9-12 grade Fall 2020
- Tuesday, Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>, for 7th/8th grade camps, campers entering 7/8 grade Fall 2020
- Tuesday, Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>, for 5th/6th grade camps, campers entering 5/6 grade Fall 2020
- Family Camps - Email beginning Tuesday Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>.

Go to <https://www.archkck.org/camp> for more detailed information regarding Camp Registration, Camp Schedule, Camp Fees, and more about the camp experience. All camps are held at a Prairie Star Ranch.

### NOV. 1 HOLY DAY MASS ONLINE FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Is someone you love unable to join us at church for the Nov. 1 Holy Day Mass in celebration of All Saints Day? Please invite anyone you know who cannot get out to church to experience the spiritual comfort of this joy-filled Catholic Mass. Online video will be available at [www.HearoftheNation.org](http://www.HearoftheNation.org) all day. (For those who can attend at church, the online liturgy will not fulfill the Holy Day Mass obligation.)

**PRAYER CARE SHARE OPPORTUNITY:** Gatherings of Eucharistic adoration & Scripture. Bring a friend: Oct. 8-Nov 26 (Tuesdays) at Holy Spirit in Overland Park; Oct. 13-Nov. 24 (Sundays) at Cathedral of St. Peter in Kansas City.

**JARS OF LOVE** Mini-Marriage Retreat: November 2, 2019 from 8:30am-2:30pm, Church of the Ascension. If you are newly married or "well-seasoned" in marriage; if you have young, grown, or no children; if you are happy and healthy or struggling a bit, this is the retreat for you. Registration \$30 per couple and \$5 for childcare. Meals provided. Register by Oct. 29 at <https://kccascension.org/jars-of-love/>

**ADVENT RETREAT:** Christ's Peace House of Prayer invites you to take time to prepare for the coming of our Lord. Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> to Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>. Suggested donations, including meals: \$170 single; \$250 couples-cabins; \$80 single guest rooms. If you are interested please call 913-773-8255 or [info@christpeace.com](mailto:info@christpeace.com)

**SUPPORT GROUP FOR VICTIMS/SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL ABUSE:** As Catholics, our first response in regard to victims/survivors of abuse is for healing and reconciliation. The Archdiocese is launching a support group for survivors of sexual abuse harmed by an agent of the Church or by other perpetrators. The group will meet twice a month, beginning in October, at a location in the Johnson County, KS area. This is a safe, supportive environment to be able to talk about the impact to your lives and your feelings, to know you are not alone, and to promote healing. To protect the privacy of potential participants please contact Linda Slater-Trimble by email at [lslatertrimble@archkck.org](mailto:lslatertrimble@archkck.org) or by phone at 913-298-9244 for the days, times and location of the meeting. Must be at least 18 years of age to participate.

**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)**

“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.

**ENFLAME FOLLOW-UP: WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES FOR DEEPENING PRAYER**

All are welcome! Come join us before the Lord for raW – relationship and Word hosted by the Priests of the Apostles of the Interior Life. These gatherings include Eucharistic adoration and Scripture to deepen your prayer life and relationship with Jesus. Please bring someone with you and stay for conversation and fellowship after prayer.

**October 8 – November 26, 2019** (Tuesdays, 7pm) with Fr. Alessandro Borraicca, at Holy Spirit in Overland Park

**October 13 – November 24, 2019** (Sundays, 7-8pm) with Fr. Joel Haug, at the Cathedral of St. Peter in Kansas City

**FOSTER CARE EDUCATIONAL EVENT**

Please join us for “THRIVE! – Fostering our Foster Families”, Wednesday **Oct 23** at 7pm, Church of the Ascension, 9510 W 127th St., O.P. KS. There are many vulnerable children in our community who need love and security. Whether you are open to fostering or want to help in some way, come discover how to help these children and the families who foster them THRIVE!

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND** is an opportunity to strengthen the foundation of your marriage. The next weekends in the Kansas City area will be **November 15-17, 2019**. For more information, or to apply for a weekend, visit [www.wmwe4youandme.org](http://www.wmwe4youandme.org), or call/email Tony & Barb Zimmerman at 816-741-4066, [tonybarbz@prodigy.net](mailto:tonybarbz@prodigy.net) For more information about Worldwide Marriage Encounter and how our ministry can support the couples in your parish you can contact us at the following: Local Area Leadership Couple: Rich & Wendy Lorenz, 815-761-6591, [wendyteach3@yahoo.com](mailto:wendyteach3@yahoo.com) Local Area Leadership Priest: Fr. Ron Will, 816-390-7950, [rlwill2@juno.com](mailto:rlwill2@juno.com) Weekend Application Couple: Tony & Barb Zimmerman, 816-741-4066, [tonybarbz@prodigy.net](mailto:tonybarbz@prodigy.net). Inviting Resource Couple: Ralph & Jan Lewis, 913-909-1028, [encounteredcouple@gmail.com](mailto:encounteredcouple@gmail.com)

**2019 RESPECT LIFE MONTH EDUCATIONAL EVENTS**

\*\*There will be a Kansas Constitution Amendment discussion at each of the following events\*\*

\*\*\*Visit [archkck.org/prolife](http://archkck.org/prolife) for more details on each event\*\*

“Catholic End-of-Life Care & Planning” – An expert panel presentation discussing the value and dignity of all life, especially at life’s end, and the moral, medical and legal considerations and decisions to be made.

**Oct 23, 7:00 pm:** Church of the Ascension, Overland Park KS

For complete Respect Life Month resources and images (including those displayed below), please visit <https://www.respectlife.org/october>

**PLANNED PARENTHOOD IN KCK – PRAYER RALLY OCT 26**

Help STOP PLANNED PARENTHOOD IN KCK! There will be a prayer rally on **October 26** at 10:00 am on the public sidewalks at 701 N 7th St., Kansas City, KS in front of the offices of the unified Government of Wyandotte County and Kansas City KS. Planned Parenthood Exposed is a non-profit corporation leading the Stop Planned Parenthood in KCK campaign. For more information about the campaign, visit [www.PlannedParenthoodExposed.org](http://www.PlannedParenthoodExposed.org).

**PRESENTATIONS AT ROCKHURST UNIVERSITY:**

On Thursday, **Oct. 24**, the Visiting Scholar Lecture Series and the Thomas More Center for the Study of Catholic Thought and Culture present the Rev. Steve Kastouros, S.J., “Come to Believe: How the Jesuits are Reinventing Education (Again).” Dean of Arrupe College, the innovative two-year program at Loyola University of Chicago aimed at giving students of limited means a low-cost path toward an associate degree while preparing them for a bachelor’s degree, Fr. Kastouros will address innovative, mission-driven approaches to Jesuit education changing the face of higher education today. The lecture is free and will begin at 7:30 p.m. in Arrupe Hall Auditorium. Visit [rockhurst.edu/center-arts-letters](http://rockhurst.edu/center-arts-letters) for more information or to register.

Sister Helen Prejean will be the guest of the Visiting Scholar Lecture Series on Wednesday, **Nov. 6**, in a lecture co-sponsored by Rockhurst’s Respect Life organization titled “Getting Jesus Right: My Spiritual Journey.”. Since being thrust into the national spotlight with the 1995 film, “Dead Man Walking,” Sr. Helen has never deviated from her mission to promote alternatives to the death penalty. In her lecture, she will challenge the audience to think about what it really means to promote a culture of life. The lecture is free and will begin at 7:30 p.m. in Arrupe Hall Auditorium. Visit [rockhurst.edu/center-arts-letters](http://rockhurst.edu/center-arts-letters) for more information or to register.

**GAUDEAMUS EVENT OCTOBER 26:** Join the Catholic Education Foundation on **October 26** for Gaudemus, an annual celebration of Catholic education! This year’s event will honor Kathleen A. O’Hara, Ph.D., who served as Superintendent of Schools for the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas from 2003-2019. All proceeds from Gaudemus (“Let Us Rejoice”) benefit scholarships for students with financial need attending designated K-12 schools in the Archdiocese. The evening includes a cocktail reception, dinner and live music at the Overland Park Convention Center. With more than 1,300 guests, Gaudemus ranked one of The Independent’s Top Five Events in Kansas City last year and supported scholarships for more than 1,000 students in the Archdiocese. For registration and sponsorship information, visit [cefks.org/events](http://cefks.org/events) or call (913) 721-1574.

**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, **October 29, 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. Our guest speaker will be Msgr. Charles McGlenn talking on hope. For more information, contact Ken Billinger at [kbillinger@archkck.org](mailto:kbillinger@archkck.org). More info on our website at [www.hopeinscripture.com](http://www.hopeinscripture.com) The group is also open to those who have lost a grandchild. Immediate family members are also invited to attend.

**NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK IS NOV. 3-9**

This is National Vocation Awareness Week. God calls each of us to holiness through a vocation to marriage, priesthood, consecrated religious life, or the heroic single life. The most important thing we can do is take the time to seriously pray, discern, and respond generously to the vocation God is calling us to. Only in choosing to follow God’s will for our life, we will be the most fulfilled. Furthermore, as the Body of Christ, we have shared responsibility to help others come to know and say “yes” to God’s will in their life. National Vocation Awareness Week is a specific time set apart by the Church to be reminded of this truth. Parents, relatives, and friends play a very

important role in supporting a person in their discernment. Not only do we need to be helping those around us to simply “follow” Jesus Christ, but to sometimes take the opportunity to share what we actually see in them. If you know a young person who exhibits the qualities and character that you see in priests or religious, let them know! Tell them you will pray for them. Your sincerity and confirmation may be all they need to explore their vocation. Although the voice of God is best heard when we are silent, we must never forget that sometimes God calls us to speak up and be that voice and encouragement for someone else!

**BEGINNING EXPERIENCE – Grief Support Weekend:** Beginning Experience is offering a healing weekend **Nov. 8-10, 2019**, at Precious Blood Retreat Center in Liberty Mo. This invitation is open to men and women of all ages who have suffered the loss of a spouse through death, divorce, or separation. It is a time to heal and a time to begin anew. Reservations are required. For more information visit: [www.beginningexperiencekc.org](http://www.beginningexperiencekc.org) or email: [register.bekc@gmail.com](mailto:register.bekc@gmail.com) or contact Laura 308-530-1873.

**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

**SAVE THE DATES FOR THESE EVENTS**

- March for Life, **January 22-25, 2020**. Youth bus pilgrimage to Washington DC
- J-High Rally, **February 23, 2020**, at Prairie Star Ranch

Look for more information, including details on how to get registered, coming soon!

“**SPRING BREAK**”: Advancing Christian Stewardship, Catholic Philanthropy, and Resource Development throughout the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., **March 26, 2020** at the Keleher Conference Center, Savior Pastoral Center, Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas, 12615 Parallel Parkway, Kansas City, Kansas. Half-Day Symposium on Best Practices in Stewardship and Development for Parishes, Schools, Ministries and Organizations. Free Lunch Included. Please contact Leslie Knop with any questions at (913) 647-0326, or email her at [lknop@archkck.org](mailto:lknop@archkck.org)

**REGISTRATION OFFICIALLY OPEN ON OCTOBER 15TH, 2019**

Register now for the Camp Tekakwitha Women’s Retreat, scheduled for the weekend of April 24-26, 2020. Here you will find the space to relax, rejuvenate and reconnect. This is a retreat for women of all ages 21+. No matter your age, you will find speakers that inspire you, sacraments that draw you to the heart of Christ, and fellowship with other women. Reach out to friends and family, and invite them to come with you! Learn more and register at: <http://www.camptekakwitha-womensretreat.com/>

**MARRIAGE MINUTE:** Life is full of battles, and we were never meant to fight them alone. This weekend we see Joshua on the front lines being supported by Moses’ prayers. We also see Aaron and Hur literally supporting Moses in his role as intercessor. Sometimes in our marriages, we are Moses, supporting our spouses as they fight the difficult battles of life. During these seasons, we need to reach out to our own “Aaron and Hur” for the support WE need too!

- Ask a friend to set up a meal train, or other practical help.
- Share your struggles with a marriage-friendly friend who will not let you “vent” about your spouse.
- Seek prayers!
- Consider counseling: [archkck.org/catholic-counselors](http://archkck.org/catholic-counselors).

Also, be quick to offer help to others who may need it. We need one another if we are to build a strong culture of marriage! [www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com](http://www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com)

**KS CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT NEXT STEPS:**

The Kansas Supreme Court recently created a nearly unlimited “right” to abortion in Kansas, effectively rolling back decades of enacted life-saving limits on abortion. Thank you to those who have signed the KS Constitution Amendment petition to REVERSE the RULING (go to [archkck.org/prolife](http://archkck.org/prolife) to sign online). Next, please consider engaging your State Senator or State Representative with a letter, email or phone call. Nothing gets their attention like a respectful but sincere note from a constituent who helps decide if that elected official returns to office after the next election. To locate your elected official, go to this link: <https://www.kansascatholic.org/take-action/> At the bottom right hand of that page look for FIND POLITICIANS. Type in your zip code to find out who represents you in Topeka. There will be a link to their email and address. Please visit [archkck.org/prolife](http://archkck.org/prolife) under the KS Amendment tab to find suggested talking points and example verbiage. Thank you very much for your support!

**Additional Petition Information:**

- You can find all the resources you need to do a petition drive at [archkck.org/prolife](http://archkck.org/prolife) under the KS Amendment tab.
- Mail or drop off completed cards by Dec 1, 2019 to:
  - The Pro-Life Office at the Chancery – 12615 Parallel Parkway, KCK 66109 OR
  - Catholic Conference, 204 SW 8th Ave, Topeka, KS 66603
- If you need additional pew cards, please contact Debra Niesen at [dniesen@archkck.org](mailto:dniesen@archkck.org)
- KCC mailed out Our Lady of Guadalupe Amendment prayer cards to all parishes last week