

# WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH – ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

“Two Churches, One Parish”

Growing as Disciples of Jesus; Making Disciples for Jesus  
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Oct. 27, 2019

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## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

TUES	Oct. 29	06:00 pm	STL	Jim Reno ☩
Adoration will follow Mass until 7:30 p.m.				
WED	Oct. 30	06:30 am	STL	Parishioners of SJ-SL
FRI	Nov. 1	07:30 am	SJV	Catherine Aragon and Charles Abel ☩
SAT	Nov. 2	05:00 pm	SJV	Floyd & Ruth Schmania ☩
SUN	Nov. 3	09:00 am	STL	Pete Gwartney ☩

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-3 Connor Schuler, A1C Noah Tattershall. NAVY: ADDA Jason P. Herken, YNS1 (SS) Kevin Lansing.

**Prayer for Vocations:** Brother Seelos (Tyler Lunsford).

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS: Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>

			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	LECTORS	OFFERTORY
SAT	SJV	5:00 pm	Robert Jardon, Vince Eimer, Tracy Heim	Vince Eimer	Lane Coppinger and family
SUN	STL	9:00 am	Jennifer Roggenkamp, Mary Ray, Shirley Navinsky	Mary Ray	Lane Green and family

## OUR PARISH NEWS

**COLLECTION:** Thank you for your gifts to our parish! We received \$2,353.63, to include \$25-Utilities, \$20-SJV Cemetery, \$361.63-World Mission Sunday (2<sup>nd</sup> Collection) and \$1867-Regular Collection. Last week's on-line collection was \$180. Thank you for your generosity.

**THANK YOU!** Bishop Richard Baawobr, from Ghana has sent a Thank You note to the Parish for the transportation, food, hospitality and donations given to him during his visit at our parish. There are copies of the letter in the back of church with the bulletins for parishioners to take and read.

**PRAYERS AND CONDOLENCES** from the parishioners of St. Joseph-St. Lawrence Parish to the family of Virginia Heintzelman, who passed away recently. 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.

We are in need of 40 lbs of hamburger and soup bones if anyone has any they could donate for the Fall Fest. Please contact Virginia Mowery at 913-773-803. Thanks to all for their generosity!

**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.

**XAVIER PRESENTATION:** Mike Connelly will be at the Masses on the weekend of Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Xavier Catholic School is celebrating 160 years of Catholic Education in the Leavenworth area this year! It is very exciting and they would like to thank each of our parishes for their help and support in reaching this accomplishment!

**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

### THE RIGHT TO LIFE IS FUNDAMENTAL

In the Preamble to the Declaration of Independence, Thomas Jefferson made it very clear that all human beings "are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights". Chief and first among those he enumerated was the Right to Life.

Jefferson and our founding fathers knew that without the right to life, no other rights are possible. How can one have the right to vote or the right to free speech, for example, if one does not firstly have the right to exist?

The rights mentioned in the Declaration are no less valid than those articulated in our Constitution. In fact, they are foundational to all the rights and protections which the Constitution guarantees. This applies especially to the right to life, which is not only paramount but is also clearly protected under the 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment by due process of law.

We need to impress upon our children the importance of these two documents and how they already guarantee every American, born or unborn, week or strong, the blessings of Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness.

### 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.)

**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://kcascension.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)

**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)

**DEAF MINISTRY FOR THE ARCHDIOCESE OF KANSAS CITY IN KANSAS**, is pleased to announce we will be hosting a 4-week ASL courses at two different locations: St. Paul Catholic Church in Olathe, Kansas, and St. Joseph Catholic Church in Shawnee, Kansas. Classes at St. Paul will take place on November 5, 12, 19, and 26. The first two classes will be in the St. Matthew Room and the last two classes will be in Room 103. Classes at St. Joseph will occur on November 7, 14, 21, and December 5 in the Barnabas Room. The classes are free, and will be from 6 PM to 7 PM at both churches. Please follow the signs to find the classroom. Families are welcome. If you want to attend, RSVPs to Katie Locus at [deafministry@archkck.org](mailto:deafministry@archkck.org) is encouraged.

**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.

**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 Prairie Star Ranch

**PRESENTATIONS AT ROCKHURST UNIVERSITY:**

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.

**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 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

**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 [knop@archkck.org](mailto:knop@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:** The Path to Marriage Humility

When faced with the two characters in this weekend's Gospel, it is easy to see how ugly arrogance is compared with the disarming beauty of the sinner's repentance. So why is it so hard to follow suit in our lives, and especially our marriages? Here is a prayer for us all this week:

- Jesus, when I am tempted to hide my mistakes from my spouse, have mercy on me, a sinner.

• Jesus, when I begin to “count” all great things I do (that no one appreciates), have mercy on me, a sinner.

• Jesus, when I do not want to admit I'm wrong, have mercy on me, a sinner.

• Jesus, when I mask my hurt with self-righteous anger, have mercy on me, a sinner.

To build a more joyful marriage, go to [www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com](http://www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com)

**PROLIFE UPDATE:**

Thank you to all who have supported the KS Constitutional Amendment effort rejecting abortion as a constitutional right in Kansas and therefore giving Kansans the ability to keep and place life-saving limits on the abortion industry. Below are the next steps that you can do to help REVERSE the RULING and NOT abandon women in crisis and pre-born babies to an unregulated abortion industry.

Pray! We are consecrating our efforts to the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, so please pray the rosary for the passage of a State Constitutional Amendment rejecting abortion as a constitutional right in Kansas. Go to [www.KansasRosaryCrusade.org](http://www.KansasRosaryCrusade.org) to register your family, parish, organization, or self.

Contact your elected officials! Signing the petition is just the first step. Now we are asking everyone to contact their elected officials directly by phone, email, or handwritten letter. 2020 is an election year, and nothing gets the attention of an elected official than when a constituent takes the time to reach out personally with a respectful, clearly written letter expressing their opinion on an important issue.

To find your State Senator and Representative, go to: <https://openstates.org/ks/legislators>

Key points to include in your personal message:

Please support the state constitutional amendment that will reverse the ruling made by the Kansas Supreme Court in the case Hodes & Nauser vs. Schmidt.

This ruling puts in jeopardy all of our existing, common-sense and well-supported existing pro-life laws that have helped reduce abortions in KS over the past ten years.

By supporting this amendment, you are allowing KANSANS to have our say in this crucial issue at the ballot box.

The majority of Kansans do want some limits on the abortion industry so that women and pre-born babies are not left to a potentially unregulated industry.

Thank you for researching and considering this request and thank you for your service.