

# WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH – ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

*“Two Churches, One Parish”*

**Growing as Disciples of Jesus; Making Disciples for Jesus  
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – Jan. 26, 2020**

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## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

TUES	Jan. 28	06:00 pm	STL	Jack Rogers †
Adoration will follow Mass until 7:30 p.m.				
WED	Jan. 29	06:30 am	STL	Parishioners of SJ-SL
FRI	Jan. 31	07:30 am	SJV	Anne & Betty Gletting †
SAT	Feb. 1	05:00 pm	SJV	Norma Bromell †
SUN	Feb. 2	09:00 am	STL	Pete & Mary Gwartney †
<u>Confessions:</u> SAT-4:30 pm at SJV; SUN-8:30 at STL				

**Please pray for the sick, especially:** Phil Bell, Susie Beying, Joe Brose, Jennifer Brushwood, Glenn Coffey, Carl Davidson, George Dean, Carolyn DeMaranville, Vince Eimer, Donald Erzen, Tom Flack, Tina Gaspard, Ronnie Gast, Alan Halstead, Marly Heim, Rita Sachse Heim, Frank Heintzelman, Jim Heintzelman, Lydia Heintzelman, Melanie Herken, Jon Highfill, Trista Highfill, Mark Hund, Arlene Jennings, Wendi Johnston, Michael Jones, Elmer Karczewski, 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, Aaron Welch, 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: Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>

			EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	LECTORS	OFFERTORY
SAT	SJV	5:00 pm	Robert Jardon, Tracy Heim & Vince Eimer	Kris Beying	Maverick Lowe & family
SUN	STL	9:00 am	Susan Griffee, Jennifer Roggenkamp & Rita Oatney	John Johnston	Evelyn Roggenkamp & family

## OUR PARISH NEWS

**COLLECTION:** Thank you for your gifts to our parish! Last week's collection amount will be reported next weekend. Last week's on-line collection was \$180. Thank you for your generosity.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** There will be a second collection held on THIS weekend of Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> for the Church in Latin America. We appreciate your generosity!

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST** on Sunday, Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>, after mass at St. Lawrence hall. In preparation for Super Bowl Sunday, we will be serving "Super Breakfast Bowls"! We'd love for you to join us!

**"CALL TO SHARE":** Today, we want to thank Vince Eimer who provided a personal note as to how your gifts to the Archbishop's Call to Share supports more than 40 ministries and services in our Archdiocese. Please be generous in supporting these ministries. Thank you for your support. You may also contribute at [www.calltoshare.org](http://www.calltoshare.org).

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SOUP/CHILI SUPPER:** The Corpus Christi (Mooney Creek) Knights of Columbus will be hosting their annual fundraiser on Saturday, **February 8th** at St. Lawrence Hall. They will be serving chili and soups with Bingo to follow. **In order to help support this event, we will be having the 5:00 p.m. SATURDAY evening mass at St. Lawrence on February 8th.** The Knights have always been very generous in donating to help our CCD program. Please mark your calendars to note the change of the mass location, and plan to attend and support this fundraiser. Thank You.

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY:** There is a vacancy on the Finance Counting Team. Volunteers count the collection/donations approximately once a month. Please contact Karen Logan at 913-683-2406 if you are interested in filling this vacancy. Thanks!

**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 Griffee @ 913-773-8342.

**SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY:** The Finance Council is happy to announce that the parish will be accepting applications for one or more scholarships for Catholic school (K-16) attendance during the 2020-2021 academic year or Catholic camp attendance during summer 2020. Interested applicants should fill out the application form, attach either a report card or transcript, and provide contact information for a reference. **Applications are due by April 1, 2020.** The link to the application form is available on the parish website and parish Facebook page or visit this site: <https://forms.gle/vXjX6PPruMRyHtZts6>. If you cannot access the application form in one of these ways, send an email to [angela.broaddus@gmail.com](mailto:angela.broaddus@gmail.com) to request the link.

## OTHER NEWS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY:** Christ's Peace House of Prayer in Easton is looking for several men who are proficient in operating a chain saw to work with our AmeriCorp Volunteers from **Jan. 28- Feb. 11.** We will be clearing trails and cutting back brush. Contact 913-773-8255 or [info@christspeace.com](mailto:info@christspeace.com) to help.

**HOLY LAND LECTURE:** A group of local folks will be leaving late next month to make a pilgrimage to Israel and to Rome. In preparation for the journey Dr. Andrew Swafford, Associate Professor of Theology at Benedictine College, is going to give a biblical and spiritual overview of the Holy Land. All are welcome to attend, event if not going on the pilgrimage. Monday, **Jan. 27th** at 6:30 PM at St. Francis de Sales Church, 900 Ida Street, Lansing, Kansas.

**BABY SHOWER:** The Knights of Columbus, Immaculata Council #900, is conducting their 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Pro-Life Baby Shower throughout the month of **January 2020.** Donations of new and good used clothes, diapers, blankets, baby formula, or cash are very much needed and appreciated. Baskets will be located in the back entries of churches. The donated items will then be given to Birthright of Leavenworth. For more information, please contact Marty Moreno at 913-702-4168.

**BIOCHAR WORKSHOP:** Christ's Peace House of Prayer will be hosting at Biochar Workshop on Saturday, **February 1st** in response to Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si - On Care for Our Common Home. Come out and learn about this up and coming environmental/agricultural process and how you may be able to incorporate it into your farm/garden. 9am noon: Materials Collection, Noon: Lunch and Biochar Info Session, 1pm-4pm: On Farm Biochar Demonstration. Cost: Entry Free + \$10 for Lunch. Please RSVP 913-773-8255 or [info@christspeace.com](mailto:info@christspeace.com).

**EQUIPMENT NEEDED** - Christ's Peace House of Prayer is asking for the following equipment donation requests: Golf Cart or Gator, Leaf Blower, Power Washer, and Vertical Murphy Bed. If you are able to donate, please contact us at 913-773-8255 or [info@christspeace.com](mailto:info@christspeace.com).

**RETREAT OPPORTUNITY** - Christ's Peace House of Prayer, 22131 Meagher Road, Easton, Kansas will host a St. Ignatius – Discernment of Spirits Retreat from **February 21** at 5:30pm **thru February 23** at 4:30pm. God communicates directly with each of us in our hearts, minds and souls through various interior movements – our feelings, thoughts and desires. Come learn the practice of the Discernment of Spirits. There will be conferences, Eucharistic Adoration, Mass, confession and time for private prayer, reflection and walking. Cabins/courtyard rooms: \$170 Single, \$250 Couple; Single Guest Rooms: \$100. To attend, send an email to [info@christspeace.com](mailto:info@christspeace.com) or call 913-773-8255.

**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)**

**GRATIA PLENA**, a House of Discernment for women considering religious life, is located right here in our Archdiocese. It is one of the residences in the country where women can discern religious community life without having to already make a commitment to one particular religious order. This ministry, located next to Holy Trinity, is having an exciting fundraiser on **February 1, 2020**. There will be Adoration at 6pm in the Holy Trinity Church and a banquet at 7:30pm in the Fr. Quigley Banquet Hall across from the church. Sr. Marie Hessed, S.O.L.T. will be the guest speaker. It should be a wonderful evening. Hope you can join us. Visit [www.gratiaplenaks.org/events](http://www.gratiaplenaks.org/events) to get tickets.

**THE "CHOICE" IS OURS AT THE BALLOT BOX:** As Catholics we have a duty to assist and promote all social justice issues e.g. helping the poor and destitute, improving health care etc. There are some Catholics who argue that we should be free to prioritize the various social justice orders and act according to our individual consciences. However, the Church has made it abundantly clear that not all these issues carry equal weight---some issues such as abortion are defined by the Church as "intrinsically evil", and can never be morally justified. Thus, our consciences are not ours to form as we think best; they must be formed by the Laws of God and the teachings of the Church, not personal political preference.

Pope John Paul II called abortion "an unspeakable crime" and "an attack against God Himself." The Pope also made it clear that all other rights and social justice issues are irrelevant if the right to LIFE is denied, "The first right of the human person is his life. He has others but this one is fundamental - the condition of all the others." Similarly, Cardinal Egan and the Catholic bishops of New York released a statement (Our Cherished Right, Our Solemn Duty) urging voters to make pro-life issues their first priority when voting. They say the destruction of 60 million children and the injury of countless millions of women eclipses any other political issue.

The bishops warn against voting solely out of party loyalty or self interest and say voters should be guided by the pro-life teachings of the Catholic Church. "The inalienable right to life of every innocent human person outweighs other concerns where Catholics may use prudential judgment, such as how best to meet the needs of the poor or to increase access to health care for all," they add. "The right to life is the right through which all others flow," they wrote. "To the extent candidates reject this fundamental right by supporting an objective evil, such as legal abortion, euthanasia or embryonic stem cell research, Catholics should consider them less acceptable for public office." Today, in America 3,500 innocent babies lose their lives each day and in the words of Pope John Paul II "the blood of the victims cry to God for justice." Tragically, that figure could be even greater depending on the outcome of this election. The choice is ours!

**MARRIAGE MINUTE:** The idea of repentance is not always pleasant. But when Jesus calls us to repent, it is not to condemn, or to try and make us feel bad... it is an invitation into something wonderful. The Kingdom of Heaven has arrived and repentance is our ticket into the party! The same is true in our marriages. When we refuse to apologize to our spouse, we are locking ourselves out of the joy we long for.

- When times are good, decide how you will handle hurts that come between you.
- Pray for compassion for your spouse when you are hurt.
- Explicitly ask for and grant "forgiveness," even for small offenses.
- Decide your relationship is always more important than your pride!

Join us for the Living in Love retreat Feb 15-16!  
[www.archkck.org/livinginlove](http://www.archkck.org/livinginlove)

**CAMP KATERI TEKAKWITHA** combines demanding outdoor activities with powerful, spiritual instruction bringing about a unique encounter with God. Although our adventure activities are memorable, often the love that campers experience through prayer is what kids remember most. Take advantage of this amazing opportunity for your kids. For more information and to register, please visit <https://www.archkck.org/camp>

**"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.

**A WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND** is the perfect way to renew your love and commitment to each other. Grounded in the love of Jesus Christ, the weekend will provide you the tools and the time necessary to grow deeper love so that you can live more intimately and responsibly as a couple of God. The next weekend in the Kansas City area will be **Feb. 28 - Mar 1, 2020**. 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)

**PROJECT CHRYSALIS** is a ministry that offers hope to parents who have lost a child through Sacred Scripture and community. While this ministry is not a bereavement group, our mission is to offer support and hope through scripture in a time of transformation. The next meeting will feature guest speaker Monsignor Charles McGlenn and will be held on Tuesday, **January 28** from 7:00-8:15 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

Billinger at 913-634-4210 or email [kbillinger@archkck.org](mailto:kbillinger@archkck.org). The group is open to parents who have lost a child or grandparents who have lost a grandchild.

**"COME AND SEE" LEAD COUPLE:** Are you seeking a way to serve the Church that will bring you closer to your spouse? Do you love the Church's teachings on marriage and family? Consider mentoring the engaged. The Office of Marriage and Family Life will host a Lead Couple "Come and See" for perspective couples who are interested in this important ministry to the engaged. Date: **Feb 8, 2020**. Time: 6:30-8:30. Location: Holy Spirit Parish in Overland Park, KS. Appetizers, drinks, and dessert will be served. Interested couples should RSVP to Brad DuPont, [bdupont@archkck.org](mailto:bdupont@archkck.org) or call 913.647.0301.

**NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING:** "Prescription for a Long and Happy Life," with Dr. Laurie Heap - This introduction to NFP takes an intellectually-honest look at the medical benefits of natural fertility management systems and how they enhance the married relationship. Our next event is Saturday, **February 8, 2020**, from 1:30-5:00pm at Holy Spirit Parish in Overland Park. Light appetizers and drinks will be served. If you are engaged, this fulfills your Archdiocesan requirement for NFP introduction in Marriage Preparation. For more info, contact Brad DuPont in the Archdiocesan Office of Marriage and Family Life at [bdupont@archkck.org](mailto:bdupont@archkck.org) or 913.647.0301. To register, go to [www.archkck.org/prescription](http://www.archkck.org/prescription) (\$55/couple)

**WORLD MARRIAGE DAY MASS -- SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2020:** Come celebrate World Marriage Day and renew the commitment you made to one another on your wedding day! Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann on Sunday, **February 9, 2020**, 11:45am, at Church of the Ascension, 9510 W. 127th Street, Overland Park, KS. Mass will include a "Renewal of Commitment and Blessing" for the married couples. Mass will be followed by a reception. Families are welcome! Sponsored by the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas and the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. For more information call 913-647-0329.

**KANSANS FOR LIFE VALENTINE BANQUET** featuring TIM TEBOW. Join us at the KC Regional Kansans for Life Valentine Banquet Tuesday, **February 11** at 5 PM. Social Time/Silent Auction; 7 PM Dinner & Program at the Overland Park Convention Center – 6000 College Blvd OPKS. Come huddle with Tim Tebow and KFL as we take the field to "reverse the ruling" of our KS Supreme Court and restore the right to protect unborn lives in Kansas with a Constitutional Amendment! \$100 per person (\$50 tax deductible). RESERVE AND PAY AT [KFLBanquet.com](http://KFLBanquet.com). Call 913.642.5433 or email: [kansansforlife@aol.com](mailto:kansansforlife@aol.com) with questions.

**"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 St. Lawrence Catholic Campus Center at Kansas University in Lawrence, KS, **February 15-16, 2020**. 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.

**ENFLAME YOUR HEART. ENCOUNTER CHRIST.** Start off your Lent with a retreat centered on the Paschal Mystery. **February 15-17, 2020** at Prairie Star Ranch 1124 California Road Williamsburg, KS. 66095 For high school students and recent graduates. Sign up at [www.sunflowerterc.org](http://www.sunflowerterc.org). For more information contact Rick Cheek in the Youth Office at [youth2@archkck.org](mailto:youth2@archkck.org)

**"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, **February 22nd through April 4th**, from 1:30 to 3:30pm Location: St. Bernadette Church, Parish Hall, 9020 E 51st Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64133. Contact Donna at (816-305-3760), for more information and registration.

**"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 Lesle Knop with any questions at (913) 647-0326, or email her at [lnop@archkck.org](mailto:lnop@archkck.org)

**SCOTT HAHN TALK—ALL ARE INVITED** Don't miss Scott Hahn and the St. Paul Center at St. Michael the Archangel Friday, **April 17, 2020**. Study Scripture from the heart of the Church with one of today's most respected scholars. Dr. Hahn will deliver two talks over the course of the evening. Join us in the Church to go deeper into the riches of our Catholic faith! This event is sponsored by the St. Paul Center.

Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased online here: <https://stmichaelcp.org/scott-hahn>

Schedule:  
6:30 p.m. — Welcome and talk by Scott Hahn  
7:15 p.m. — St. Paul Center Presentation  
7:30 p.m. — Break, books available for sale  
7:45 p.m. — Talk by Scott Hahn  
8:30 p.m. — Closing, books available for sale

**CAMP TEKAKWITHA WOMEN'S RETREAT**, scheduled for the weekend of **April 24-26, 2020**. Registration is now official open. 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/>

**FAITH-BUILDING AND EVANGELIZATION OPPORTUNITIES**  
Benedictine College is pleased to offer a number of opportunities for faith-building and evangelization:

**Symposium** – Register Now! Benedictine College's 9th Annual Symposium on Advancing the New Evangelization will be **March 20-21, 2020**. The theme is "Destroyer of the gods: Christian Culture vs. the Idols of Secularism" and the conference will feature the following keynote

presenters: Ross Douthat, New York Times; Mary Rice Hasson, Ethics & Public Policy Center; Robert Louis Wilken, University of Virginia. Find more information and register at [www.benedictine.edu/symposium](http://www.benedictine.edu/symposium). College students and groups attend at a discounted rate; priests and religious attend for free.

**Study Abroad Experience:** Attention, Parents and Grandparents! Do you know a high school student who would benefit from a once-in-a-lifetime short-term study abroad experience with Benedictine College? Students earn 3 hours of college credit while traveling with a Benedictine College professor to Italy **June 26 – July 16, 2020**. Highlights include a general audience with Pope Francis, guided visits to Rome, Assisi, Florence, Padua, Ravenna, Verona, and Milan. Register by December 1 to save \$500! Learn more and submit an inquiry form at [www.benedictine.edu/journeywithdante](http://www.benedictine.edu/journeywithdante).

**Faith & Beauty in Italy** - You are invited to travel with Benedictine College to Italy **June 15 – 24, 2020** with Associate Professor of Theology Dr. Matt Ramage. Visit the most significant cultural sites in Rome and Florence. Walk in the footsteps of St. Benedict and St. Francis in Subiaco and Assisi. Meet current Benedictine College students at their summer villa in Florence. Learn more and submit an inquiry form at <http://www.benedictine.edu/ravendiscovery>.

**Opportunity for College Students and Adult Learners** – Benedictine College Professor of Theology Dr. Mark Zia will lead a two-week Holy Land Study Abroad Summer Program **May 31 – June 14, 2020**. Earn 3 credit hours while traveling to Bethlehem, Galilee, Jerusalem, and other sites. Learn more and submit an inquiry form at <http://www.benedictine.edu/holyland>.

### **TOTUS TUUS MISSIONARIES NEEDED**

Totus Tuus is now accepting applications for Summer 2020 Missionaries. In order to make Totus Tuus a success, awesome faith-filled missionaries are needed...both men and women!

**JOB DESCRIPTION:** The Archdiocese Kansas City in Kansas is seeking 8 missionaries for the Totus Tuus 2020 team. Missionaries will travel to parishes in the archdiocese, spending a week at each and running programs for elementary aged children during the day and teens during the evening. Missionaries share in Christian community with the parishes they are visiting, participating in events and staying with host families. Throughout their time with the community, they seek to give witness to their love for Christ and his Church and share their enthusiasm. The team also strives to create an authentic Christian community with each other: praying, working, sharing, and spending many hours together to provide mutual support. This position is a temporary two-month commitment (May 25-August 7, 2020). This includes one week of training and one week break for the 4th of July. This is a great summer job experience for anyone who wants to work in ministry, education or with children in any setting. Applicants must be 18 or older, have an authentic, dynamic Catholic faith and be actively living the teachings of the Catholic Church. One year of college/work is preferred, but willing to consider mature high school graduates. No major or area of study required. To apply, applicants need to complete TT Missionary Application which can be found on the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas website or at the following link: <https://forms.gle/DFWmWHY1rGkTq3fn7> If you know of anyone who would make a great missionary, please encourage them to apply. For more info on TT: <https://www.archkck.org/ministries--offices/ecat-youth/youth16-totustuus>