

WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH – ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

“Two Churches, One Parish”

Growing as Disciples of Jesus; Making Disciples for Jesus
Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 6, 2020

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

TUES	Sept 8	07:00 pm	STL	Jack Rogers †
Adoration will follow Mass until 7:30 p.m. - CANCELLED				
THUR	Sept 10	07:00 pm	SJV	Parishioners of SJ-SL
SAT	Sept 12	05:00 pm	SJV	Rita Heim †
SUN	Sept 13	09:00 am	STL	Pete Gwartney †

Confessions: SAT-4:30 pm at SJV; SUN-8:30 at STL

PLEASE NOTE:

Attendance for Masses - limited to 25% of the building's seating capacity— 30-75 at St. Lawrence and 30-45 at St. Joseph of the Valley. We will be offering four Masses per week. Please do not feel obligated to attend weekend Masses — weekday Masses will work just fine if it fits into your family's schedule. You may sign-up for Masses online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A4AA9AB2AA1FA7-stjosephst>. Please see online info for restrictions and guidance.

Please pray for the sick, especially: Phil Bell, Deacon Guy Berry, Susie Beying, Jennifer Brushwood, Glenn Coffey, Carl Davidson, George 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, Wendi Johnston, Michael Jones, Elmer Karczewski, Phillip Leon, Kelly Long, Joyce Lowe, Mary Meinert, Jeni Mettelstedt, Don Navinsky, Kay Nocktonick, Dannie Phillips, Adam Pineau, Mike Pursel, Mary M. Ruhlman, Kim Sachse, 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).

OUR PARISH NEWS

COLLECTION: Thank you for your gifts to our parish! Collections received was \$1052 to include \$70 mass stipends. Last week's on-line collection was \$227.39. Thank you for your generosity.

DO YOU WANT TO DONATE and not sure how during this time? In Father's letter of March 24th, he wrote "I know many families are going through hard times this period. I would still like to encourage everyone to continue giving your weekly the upkeep of the parish through online or mail services. God loves a cheerful donations for giver." **Any donations during this difficult time will be greatly appreciated.** You can mail in your donations to: St. Joseph-St. Lawrence, P.O. Box 129, Easton, KS 66020 or deposit online by visiting our website at <https://www.sjslparish.org/home/donations> to click on the link to donate on-line! Thank you! We wish everyone good health. Blessings to all!

SECOND COLLECTION: The weekend of Sept. 6th, there will be a second collection for the Catholic University of America. We appreciate your generosity!

THANK YOU. Over the past few years we have been blessed to have Jennifer Roggenkamp as our Parish Director of Religious Education (DRE) and appreciate her impact on the overall development and enthusiasm she brought to our program. We truly appreciate her time and effort. Jennifer has decided to hand the program off to a new DRE and she will assist in transferring the curriculum, records and documents to the new DRE. Thank you Jennifer for your dedication!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: We are soliciting volunteers who would like to serve as our Parish Director of Religious Education (DRE), leading the effort to teach our children about their Catholic faith. The DRE performs a number of crucial functions: coordinating CCD enrollment and the necessary paperwork, developing the CCD calendar, recruiting and assisting teachers and other volunteers, working with the Archdiocese and teachers in curriculum development and resource procurement, communicating with parents and the parish council, and ensuring all teachers are Virtus trained. Please prayerfully consider this incredibly fulfilling role within our parish. We are also open to co-DREs if that is an approach that works for you. The parish council does not anticipate starting CCD classes before October, allowing the new DRE time to prepare. If you are interested please contact: Jason Nichols, phone: 913-683-2661 or email: jnichols@dfamilk.com OR Sharon Wagner, phone: 913-683-4495 or email: w5cattle@aol.com.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: We are searching for a volunteer to clean the rectory twice a month. POC is Sharon Wagner, phone: 913-683-4495 or email: w5cattle@aol.com.

BIRTHDAY CARD SHOWER: Betty Pierron will be celebrating her 90th Birthday on Oct. 1st. If you would like to honor her on this occasion, please send her a birthday card, letter, photos, and other good wishes, to Betty Pierron, 5150 Hughes Road, Apt #3, Leavenworth, KS 66048. Happy Birthday Mrs. Pierron!

OTHER NEWS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

XAVIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL is excited to announce that our 2020-2021 school year has begun! We are learning in-person and we still have limited space available in both our preschool and kindergarten - eighth grade classes. If you would like more information about enrollment please contact Lisa Forge at 913-682-7801.

Xavier Catholic School is looking for substitute teachers for the Fall semester. If you are interested in working with talented children and staff at our Xavier K - 8 campus or at our extended care program please contact the school office 913-682-3135.

Xavier Catholic Preschool is seeking two volunteers who are interested in becoming trained as Catechists for the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program. Xavier plans to implement the Catechesis Program for the 2021-2022 school year. This is a beautiful ministry! Learn more at <https://www.cgsusa.org/> Xavier will cover the cost of the training with a grant. Please call Shannon Holcomb if you are interested or if you have questions at 913-682-1943.

OUR LITTLE FUTURE CITIZENS Soon we can exercise our right to vote in the Presidential election. We may have different political opinions but as mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers and grandparents we should all be united as one in the effort to protect life. This is the most important issue there is. Without life, nothing else matters!!

Don't let big business such as Planned Parenthood pull the wool over your eyes any longer. As for their "rabbit ads," I find them highly offensive to women. Babies are being killed by the millions while still in their mother's womb through the crime of abortion. The earliest form of child abuse is abortion and the most deadly. We should all be outraged by this heinous crime - and it is a crime of the worst magnitude. The blood of these innocent ones cry out for our help.

Please search your hearts, your consciences and your faith and vote for our little future citizens. Vote for Life.

BIRTHRIGHT VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION & TRAINING Birthright Volunteers offer hope, understanding and love to women distressed by pregnancy. We help them evaluate their situation, look at resources and discover how they can give life to their babies. For 34 years Birthright of Leavenworth, Inc. has been helping women in this area carry their babies to term. If you are interested in being a Birthright Volunteer, we will be having a training wearing masks or social distancing when appropriate. We are practicing safety measures at the Birthright center. For more information or to sign up for orientation call Margaret McNamee 913-991-7660.

ST. BENEDICT WORK AND HOLINESS RETREAT: Conferences about the rule and life of St. Benedict. **Sept. 11th -13th.** There will be conferences, time to work on various projects around the retreat center, Eucharistic Adoration, Mass, Confession and time for private prayer, reflection and walking. Cabins/courtyard rooms, \$170 single; \$250 couple or single guest rooms \$100 (meals included). To attend, send an email to info@christspeace.com or call 913-773-8255.

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITY TO VENERATE ST. PADRE PIO RELICS

St. Pio was a very pious priest who offered up tremendous suffering as he endured the "stigmata" of the crucifixion wounds of Our Lord. He bore all pain in humbleness - while in continuous prayer - for the forgiveness of sins (by all humankind). He is the Patron Saint of: Adolescents, Stress-relief and Civil defense volunteers. His Feast Day is: September 23rd - what a perfect opportunity to begin the month of September in his honor. Due to COVID 19 restriction, guests are required to wear masks upon entering the church, and disinfect hands with hand sanitizer, and respect social distancing Veneration of the Relics of Padre Pio, St. Michael the Archangel Parish, 14251 Nall Ave. Leawood, KS. St. Michael the Archangel will host the relics of St. Padre Pio on **September 6-7**. Opportunities for public veneration September 6-7. September 6 from 1:30-4:30 and 6:30-8:30 pm and September 7 from 10:30 am – 6:30 pm. There will be a Votive Mass of Padre Pio at 9 am on Monday, September 6. All in attendance are asked to wear a mask, observe physical distancing, and sanitize upon entering. Please do not sit in the pews. Signs will direct the flow of traffic: please enter through the center doors and exit through the side doors. More information can be found at stmichaelcp.org/padre-pio.

PLEASE – 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 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)

JOYFUL HOMES is a new initiative designed to carry the spirit of the Convocation into our families. As the families of the Archdiocese of Kansas City in KS, we will be getting honest about the joys and struggles in our lives and serious about making one small change each month to invite more God-- more JOY into our homes. Will you join us? Get started with September's challenge at: www.archkcks.org/intentional

SEPTEMBER 9TH DAY OF FASTING AND PRAYER FOR RACIAL HEALING As members of the Mystical Body of Christ we proclaim the power of prayer and fasting to transform our world and cast out the demonic influences that divide our communities and destroy its peace. As our country continues to contend with the historically traumatic issue of racism, we realize along with our bishops the need “to beg God to heal our deeply broken view of each other, as well as our deeply broken society.” (Open Wide Our Hearts, pastoral letter against racism)

Consequently, Archbishop Naumann invites and encourages all Catholics in the archdiocese to join him for a day of prayer and fasting on Wednesday, **September 9th**, the memorial of St. Peter Claver, to bring about racial healing in our communities. We fast to atone for the sins of racism that violate the sacredness of human life, and we pray for the healing of racial divisions that persist in our nation and our cities. We look to St. Peter Claver for his example and intercession in our prayers. St. Peter Claver, was a 17th century Spanish, Jesuit priest who heroically ministered in Columbia, South America to Africans kidnapped into slavery and fought to end the practice; he is patron saint of slaves, and ministry to African Americans. For ideas and resources on how your household and your parish can come together in prayer for racial healing please visit: www.archkck.org/socialjustice

CALLED AND GIFTED WORKSHOP Discover God's Call for Your Life Saturday, **September 12, 2020** at Prince of Peace in Olathe. 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! Note: Should this be cancelled due to COVID restrictions, an e-mail will be sent to those who have registered and refunds will be made. Registration and details: www.popolathe.org/calledandgifted

KANSAS CITY MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR VICTIMS OF ABORTION Saturday, **Sept 12**; 11:00 am to 12:30 pm, Gate of Heaven Catholic Cemetery, 126th St. & Parallel Parkway, Kansas City, KS. Archbishop Joseph Naumann, Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas, will provide a reflection. Service will be in the chapel followed by a short procession to the memorial site at the cemetery. Solemn prayer services will be held nationwide to honor the memory of more than 60 million unborn victims of abortion. This is a national event. Local sponsors include Planned Parenthood Exposed, Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas, KC Coalition for Life and LIFE Runners. Local contact: Tina Jinkens, 785-615-8373, tmjinkens@gmail.com

THE VITAE FOUNDATION'S ANNUAL KANSAS CITY PRO-LIFE EVENT Wednesday, **September 16, 2020** – 7:00 pm at the Sheraton Overland Park Hotel. The featured speaker is Jason Chaffetz, former congressman from Utah who is an ardent supporter for life! He rose to Chairman of the powerful House Oversight & Government Reform Committee. Chaffetz is currently a Contributor on Fox News Networks and a Fellow at Harvard's Kennedy School, Institute of Politics. Dinner and program begin at 7 p.m. Registration is \$100. Social distancing guidelines are to be followed for safety of all. Livestream option is \$25. For more details and to reserve your seat, visit our website at www.VitaeFoundation.org/events or call 573-634-4316.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: Join us on the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend, **Sept 18th - 20th**. This will be a traditional, in-person, experience at the Savior Pastoral Center in Kansas City, Kansas. The option for a Virtual Weekend Experience, Nov. 13th - 15th, will be offered in conjunction with the scheduled traditional, in-person weekend. For more information, or to apply for a weekend, visit www.wvme4youandme.org, or call/email Deacon Tony & Barb Zimmerman at 816-741-4066, tonybarbz@prodigy.net.

FALL 40 DAYS FOR LIFE: Join us for the Kick-off Rally of the Fall 40 Days for Life on **September 23rd** at 9:00 a.m. outside the Center for Women's Health abortion facility, 4840 College Blvd, Overland Park, KS. 40 Days for Life is an internationally coordinated 40-Day campaign that seeks to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful all-day vigil in front of abortion businesses. We are praying for BOTH surgical abortion facilities in Overland Park to close. The vigil runs Sept 23rd – Nov 1st from 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. daily. Sign up individually or register a group at 40daysforlife.com/overlandpark to be a part of this powerful prayer mobilization. Contact Wendy Curtis at 816.765.9477 with questions. Together we will protect women and save lives!

SCHOOL OF LOVE “AMORE” 2020 BENEFIT This year's Amore is now partly a digital “hybrid” event. That means you can view it online via live-stream, or you can join live in-person (safely, drive in style) at the filming with food, live music, and others. (Friends can gather in parking parties!) But however you join us you must sign up. Sign up is FREE, BUT NECESSARY. **September 26th**, 7:00-10:30pm (In person parking will open at 6:00pm), at 103rd & Mastin St. - Overland Park, Featuring Mikey Needleman Band. Mr. P's Bar & Grill - car-side drive-in menu will be available

A VIRTUAL DAY OF SPIRITUAL REFRESHMENT FOR CAREGIVERS: Caregiving is a holy vocation that truly imitates the loving example of Jesus Christ. But it is not an easy activity, and it can take a toll on the very people who bring great blessings to others. Fatigue, depression, frustration – these and other

effects can wear down the most conscientious caregiver, especially during the unprecedented times in which we are living. Presented by Maureen Pratt, Catholic Author and Speaker, Saturday **October 3, 2020**, from 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM. Hosted by the Archdiocese of Kansas City, Special Needs Ministry. For more information and to register go to www.archkck.org/special-needs.

AMAZING PARISH: Registration is filling fast for the upcoming Amazing Parish Conference hosted by our Archdiocese on **Oct. 19-21st** at the Overland Park Convention Center. Parish teams from around the country have already signed up to take part in this valuable training! Register Here: <https://amazingparish.org/>

What does an Amazing Parish look like? If you're ready to build an effective leadership team and improve the organizational health of your parish, we hope you'll join us. Amazing Parish gives busy pastors and their teams the tools they need to transform their parishes - moving from maintenance mode to mission communities that are truly alive! For more information: Parish Journey – A Pastor's First Steps, <https://amazingparish.org/get-started/#firststeps> or call the Office of Evangelization at 913-721-1570

RESOURCES

PRAYER FROM POPE FRANCIS DURING THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith. You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us. He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

“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.

NEW FOSTER CARE WEBSITE: You can make a difference in the lives of vulnerable children in Kansas! Sadly, every day in Kansas, children are removed from their homes by no fault of their own for a variety of reasons. Each of these children is a precious, unique gift from God who deserves a loving and safe environment where he or she can THRIVE! Because care of the orphan and works of mercy are part of the mission for all baptized Catholics, the Church is the solution to an overwhelmed Kansas foster system which is facing increased needs due to COVID-19.

Please visit the new Archdiocesan Foster Care Ministry Website at www.archkcks.com/foster to learn how you can help vulnerable children in our community and support the families who have answered the call to love and protect these children. If you are currently fostering or have adopted your child/ren from foster care, we want to connect with you to support you on your journey! Please join the Archdiocesan Foster Family by registering here: www.archkck.org/fostercaredatabase

NEW END-OF-LIFE RESOURCE GUIDE IS NOW AVAILABLE The Ethics Council that serves Archbishop Naumann has produced a comprehensive resource for end-of-life planning titled “Catholic Guide For-End-Of Life and Establishing of Advance Directives”. The purpose of the guide is to assist the faithful in making wise decisions about complex treatments in grave illness or as life's end approaches in accordance with the teachings of our Catholic faith. It also includes two Appendices for a Durable Power of Attorney and an Advance Directive form. For a free digital copy of the Guide, visit www.archkck.org/prolife-end-of-life-care.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM - ADULT TRAINING (VIRTUS) Effective Immediately In light of the current health conditions, one prudent and preventative measure we are taking is to make the VIRTUS Protecting God's Children for Adults training available Online as an option. Effective immediately, due to COVID-19, the Archdiocesan requirement for attending a VIRTUS Protecting God's Children for Adults workshop live session will be suspended and the option of the online version of the module can be offered in lieu of live training. This is a temporary safety precaution, and parishes may still offer the live training session available as an option if they prefer as long as the local county and state ordinances in effect at the time of the event are followed. Please note, the training must still be completed prior to participants working around youth, but the requirement may now temporarily be met by completing the online Protecting God's Children module. Individuals needing to attend a session will be offered the option of the online module at the time of registration. They will still need to follow the background screening and policy completion process at the time of registration. Individuals who are already currently registered for an upcoming live session, may log back into their account and change to the online module. These procedures will be reviewed and updated periodically as needed and are in place to protect you, those you work with, and your family. Please stay safe and healthy and continue to pray for all our brothers and sisters in Christ! We are praying for all of you and your families. If you have questions, please contact Sandy Vielhauer at svielhauer@archkck.org or Jenifer Valenti at jvalenti@archkck.org. May God bless you and keep you safe.

PLANNED GIVING BRIEF: Our Catholic Church has spanned the centuries and the globe and through all previous pandemics and disasters has been a source of charity to all through its parish priests and religious. We invite you to make a grateful response to God for these gifts by planning a deferred gift to your parish. Visit CatholicPlannedGiving.org to learn how to accept this invitation.

23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time, A. (9/6/2020).

Texts:

First Reading. Ez. 33:7-9

Second Reading. Rom. 13:8-10

Third Reading. Mt. 18:15-20

Theme: Forgiveness and Reconciliation.

Congregation: St. Joseph of the Valley-St. Lawrence Parish, Easton/ Kansas.

Dear brothers and sisters,

Warm greetings to you all again. I hope you are all keeping well with the virus.

A young woman, Lydia, strayed from the church as a teenager. After nine years of experimenting with atheism, spiritism, and new age, she found her way back again to the church, by the grace of God. Relating her story, Lydia says that her the most in all her nine years of spiritual exile is that nobody in the church missed her. Nobody ever phoned or visited to find out what was wrong. "I got the impression that the church does not want her," she said. Of course, the church wants her. But what we are doing to help the many men and women in her situation find a way back into full communion with the church?

Today, the twenty third Sunday of ordinary time, the holy mother church reminds us of our responsibility towards one another and our society. Most importantly, she reminds us that dialogue and mutual love is the best method of to promote reconciliation.

In the first reading, God reminds us through the Prophet Ezekiel, that we have a responsibility towards one another. This is especially, with regards to counselling and warning others of the consequences of their actions in order to save them. It takes love to warn, counsel or advice someone. So, we are to do this with love.

To say that we have a responsibility towards others, is also to say that it has its own consequence for us too. Therefore, the Lord says: "I will hold you responsible." It is our duty to speak out, counsel, and even warn our brothers and sisters, children, friends, and relatives when they are missing their path. Being indifferent to the decay (especially moral, cultural, and spiritual) in our family, society, or community could be our own detriment in future. So, the onus lies on us to be our brother's keeper. This is what God is saying.

Unfortunately, today while things go wrong, some of us prefer to keep quiet, join the majority, or pretend that nothing wrong. We must make ourselves heard. This is because, the indifference or silence display today might haunt us tomorrow. However, we must be mindful that God says: "I do not delight in the death of a sinner, let him repent and live, (Ezek. 18:23). So,

whatever action we are to take, must be in order to correct, to rebuild, and to bring back the one who is on the wrong path.

In the second reading, Paul hits the nail on the head: "Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love." We must take note of the adjective, "mutual" with which Paul qualified love. The quality of this love, is not just mere selfish feeling or desire to satisfy oneself. Rather, it is that which thinks and cares about the good and welfare of the other.

It can ultimately be known through the actions it prompts in us. This simply means, that it must be relational love and cares, love that is ready to give, and love that reasons. It is mutual love because, it takes and share responsibility. It counsels, and accepts good counsels. It corrects, and accepts corrections. It is generous and helps the other see clearly. It is love at it's best in 1Cor.13. It is simply responsive and responsible.

In the gospel, Jesus gives us the principles of reconciliation. This means that conflicts are inevitable, they must come. They are inevitable in relationships, in families, and in communities. However, the question is how do we resolve them amicably? Suffice to note that at the center of Jesus' principle is, dialogue. Ability to counsel and talk over issues, to see things from the perspective of others or, the ability to empathize with others.

Hence, Christ gives us, a three-dimensional, principles of reconciliation. First, we must sit down and dialogue one on one, and face to face. Then, seek the mediation of a good friend, and finally, seek the mediation of our community or family. As Christians, how do we solve our problems today? Take a pound of flesh from the other, or go straight to the court of law? We must take note of the three basic steps that Christ gives us today.

Unfortunately, today, we neglect all these basic steps and go straight to: "treat him like a tax collector." Before this, if at all it, is necessary, we must make all efforts to reconcile with others through dialogue. Dialogue foster mutual respect for the other, it saves us a lot of energy and time and the cost of law suits. Finally, it fosters mutual love and restores relationships, when we dialogue and to agree, God seals it with a great amen.

Peace be with you all!

Fr. Francis Bakyor