

# WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH – ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

“Two Churches, One Parish”

Growing as Disciples of Jesus; Making Disciples for Jesus  
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time– January 17, 2021

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## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

TUES	Jan. 19	06:00 pm	STL	NO MASS
Adoration will follow Mass until 7:30 p.m. - CANCELLED				
THUR	Jan. 21	05:00 pm	SJV	NO MASS
SAT	Jan. 23	05:00 pm	SJV	Edward and Rose Hand
SUN	Jan. 24	09:00 am	STL	Wendi Johnston

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

## PLEASE NOTE:

Attendance for Masses is limited. We will be seating every other pew. We must continue to practice social distancing (of at least 6 feet). Masks are required to be worn. We are 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. Please see online info for restrictions and guidance.

**Please pray for the sick, especially:** Phil Bell, Susie Beying, Jennifer Brushwood, Carl Davidson, George Dean, Carolyn DeMaranville, Vince Eimer, Tom Flack, Tina Gaspard, 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! Collection count received last weekend is unavailable but will be reported next week. Last week's on-line collection was \$878.86. Thank you for your generosity.

**NO WEEKDAY MASSES:** Fr. Francis will be out-of-town through Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>. Therefore, there will be NO weekday masses from **now through Feb. 12**. Parishioners will be notified when the weekday masses will be resumed. We will continue to have weekend masses which will be said by a visiting priest. **EMERGENCY CONTACT:** If there is a need to contact a priest in an emergency situation during Father's absence, please call Sue Griffiee at 913-773-8342 or Rita Herken at 913-647-0312 for assistance.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** will be held the weekend of **January 24<sup>th</sup>** for the Church in Latin America. We appreciate your generosity.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SOUP/CHILI SUPPER CANCELLED:** Unfortunately, due to Covid restrictions, The Corpus Christi (Mooney Creek) Knights of Columbus will NOT be hosting their annual fundraiser. We hope to be able to return to this tradition next year. Thank you for your support!

**YEARLY CHURCH DONATION STATEMENTS:** Any Parishioners needing a statement of their yearly money contributions to the church for 2020 should contact Sara Green by email at [sgreen0427@gmail.com](mailto:sgreen0427@gmail.com).

**CALL TO SHARE** Have you ever turned around to someone at home and said, "What?" Only to have them say, "I didn't say anything." Most of the time we just shrug that off, right? Can you imagine Samuel sleeping in his room? Three times he heard someone calling him. Finally, it dawned on him. God was calling him! AS we near the beginning of the Archbishop's Call to Share appeal, take some time to be still, to be quiet and listen to the Lord. Listen to what He is saying and how you will support the Archbishop's Call to Share appeal this year. Please take a few moments to listen to our Archbishop's Homily on Call to Share: <https://archkck.org/give/parish-resources/2021-archbishops-homily/>

**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. 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. If you are interested please contact: Jason Nichols, phone: 913-683-2661 or email: [jnichols@dfamilk.com](mailto:jnichols@dfamilk.com) OR Sharon Wagner, phone: 913-683-4495 or email: [w5cattle@aol.com](mailto: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](mailto:w5cattle@aol.com).

**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 2021-2022 academic year or Catholic camp attendance during summer 2021. The scholarship is made possible by donations specified for Catholic Education. 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, 2021**. The link to the application form is available on the parish website and parish Facebook page. If you cannot access the application form one of these

ways, send an email to [angela.broaddus@gmail.com](mailto:angela.broaddus@gmail.com) to request the link. LINK: <https://forms.gle/TZprrU6dvCQ9wa9n7>

## OTHER NEWS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

**BABY SHOWER:** The Knights of Columbus, Immaculate Council # 900 will be conducting their 21st annual Pro-Life Baby Shower throughout the month of January 2021. Donations of new and used clothing, diapers, baby formula or cash donations are very much needed and appreciated. Baskets will be located in the entries of area churches. The donations will then be given to Birthright of Leavenworth. For more information or questions, call Marty Moreno 913 702 4168, or Timothy J Lednicki 913 240 4122. Thank you in advance.

**RAISING PRO-LIFE CHILDREN** It often takes many decades to correct social injustices and human rights' problems. For example, it took many decades to abolish slavery. Our generation might not see an end to the injustice of abortion. However, the younger generation is becoming increasingly pro-life and it is vitally important that we raise pro-life children. If so, they will one day see our nation becoming one of liberty and justice not just for some, but for all human beings.

A baby and, indeed, life itself, is nothing short of a miracle. As faithful Catholics, we should be teaching our children ---at every opportunity---that all human beings, at all stages of development, should be cherished, respected, loved and protected at all times. Also, we need to teach children that being pro-life does not only mean opposing abortion. Sometimes, children are born with disease, Down syndrome or some other problem---and these children are nevertheless all precious gifts from God and are extremely valuable, no matter what. Teaching children to have a pro-life attitude is the indispensable antidote to today's selfish, "me-first" society, with many people more concerned about pleasure or money than the inherent value and dignity of every human life.

"A person's a person, no matter how small."  
-Horton Hears a Who! Dr. Seuss.

**XAVIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL:** Did you know that Catholic education is affordable? Xavier Catholic School provides a top-notch education for students at a fraction of what public schools receive to educate a child. Enrollment information for Xavier Catholic School 2021-22 school year is coming soon!

**JOYFUL HOMES - JANUARY 2021 THEME** Joyful families aren't perfect, but they're affectionate! We want to set you up for success this year with a simple but effective way of inviting more joy into your family: AFFECTION. Find discussion questions, monthly scripture passage, a fun family date night and more here: [archkcks.org/affectionate](http://archkcks.org/affectionate)

**LENTEN REFLECTIONS:** Archbishop Naumann will be offering Lenten reflections that will provide spiritual nourishment for our journey to Easter Joy. Reflections will be available the week of Ash Wednesday, as well as the following five weeks of Lent. Each 30-minute audio session will include the Archbishop's reflection on the upcoming Gospel (Ash Wednesday/Sunday) and a short personal witness from a member of the Archdiocese. Please visit the Archdiocesan website and Enflame Facebook page soon to access these Lenten offerings. For questions, please call April in the Office the Evangelization at (913) 647-0373.

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**(FOR POSTING ON THE CHURCH INTERNET SITE)**

**THE “VALUE THEM BOTH” PETITION:** The new Kansas Legislature is likely to vote soon on the Value Them Both Kansas Constitution Amendment. We will begin to pray for the successful passage of Value Them Both with a petition during the Prayers of the Faithful. What is VALUE THEM BOTH? VTB is the proposed state constitutional amendment for life supported by the Catholic Bishops of Kansas. On April 26, 2019, the Kansas Supreme Court created a nearly unlimited “right” to abortion in the 1859 Kansas Constitution which continues to allow the live dismemberment of preborn children in our state. Due to this ruling, all of our existing prolife laws including bans on taxpayer-funded and late-term abortions will be considered unconstitutional once challenged. The VALUE THEM BOTH amendment will reverse the Supreme Court ruling and once again allow Kansans, through their elected representatives, to pass laws that will help protect women and their unborn babies from the abortion industry. Please pray for passage of VALUE THEM BOTH.

**NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING CLASS:** Did you know that most methods of contraception can cause an early abortion? The Couple to Couple League (CCL) can teach you the modern Sympto-Thermal Method of Natural Family Planning--100% pro-life! Classes begin **online** on Sun., **Jan. 24**, 2pm. Reasonable course fee charged. Email Alison or Allen Greenlief at [aagreenlief@gmail.com](mailto:aagreenlief@gmail.com) for more info. Registration for these classes **required at:** [Class](#) [Registration](#) [CCL](#) [Portal](#) ([powerappsportals.com](http://powerappsportals.com)).

**PROJECT CHRYSALIS** is a ministry offering hope through Sacred Scripture and community to parents/grandparents who have lost a child or grandchild. While this ministry is not a bereavement group, our mission is to offer support and hope through scripture in a time of transformation. Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday January 26 from 7:00- 8:15 p.m. via Zoom. Fr. Shawn “The Baptist” Tunink will be our guest speaker. For more information and the Zoom link, contact Dcn. Ken Billinger at 913-634-4210 or email [kbillinger@archkck.org](mailto:kbillinger@archkck.org). The group is open to parents or grandparents who have lost a child.

**CANCELLED: KANSAS MASS, MARCH & RALLY FOR LIFE** – *After much discussion, Kansans for Life has decided to cancel the March for Life & Rally at the capitol on January 21st. We will still be moving forward with our IGNITE event and the Kansas Mass for Life with the Bishops of Kansas! We are working through the options of either keeping our event at TPAC or possibly moving it to a Topeka parish that would allow for more in-person attendees. We will still be Livestreaming both events, so that has not changed.*

In recognition of the National Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of the Unborn and the 48th anniversary of Roe vs. Wade, please join the Bishops of Kansas in prayer via the Livestreamed Kansas Mass for Life on **Jan. 21st** at 10:30 a.m. --[www.livestream.com/ArchKCK/KSMassforLife](http://www.livestream.com/ArchKCK/KSMassforLife). All are welcome to join the Kansas March for Life in-person beginning at 12:00 pm in front of the Topeka Performing Arts Center, 214 SE Eighth Ave, Topeka. The march will end at the Capitol steps for the Kansans for Life Rally. Plans are subject to change due to COVID restrictions and possible inclement weather, so please check the [archkck.org/prolife](http://archkck.org/prolife) website for details and updates. On Thursday, **January 28th**, Archbishop Naumann will be the main Celebrant and Homilist of the National Prayer Vigil for Life in Washington DC. **EWTN will televise the Vigil** starting at 7:30 pm CST. Watch the National March for Life in DC on January 29th, also televised by EWTN starting at 11:00 a.m. Visit [www.marchforlife.org](http://www.marchforlife.org) for more details.

**PRAY TO PROTECT HUMAN LIFE!** JANUARY 21-29, 2021 9 Days for Life is a novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Please visit [www.9daysforlife.com](http://www.9daysforlife.com) to join the novena (either via text or email) and for additional information.

**SPIRITUAL ADOPTION – A SPIRITUAL WORK OF MERCY** Over 30 years ago, Roe v. Wade legalized abortion throughout the entire nine months of pregnancy which has resulted in over 60 million abortions since 1973. The late Archbishop Fulton Sheen encouraged the spiritual adoption of an unborn child to help bring an end to this tragedy. A “Spiritual Adoption” is done by praying the following prayer daily for a period of nine months so that one particular, but unknown, child's life be spared abortion and allowed to live:

*Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of [choose a name for the baby you are ‘adopting’ and insert here], the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion.”*  
~Prayer of Archbishop Fulton Sheen

While this child will remain unknown to you, God knows who the child is and your prayers will make a difference for the baby and for both of the parents. At the end of the program (Sept 2021), you can donate gifts of baby items to a local pregnancy center to celebrate the birth of the child.

**“EVERY DAY IN LOVE”** If you ate too many cookies at Christmas, it won't ruin your health if you eat well the rest of the year. Unfortunately, you also can't expect one salad per year to make you healthy! It's the little things, done daily, that affect our lives. Start this new year right by taking 7 date nights with your spouse to learn some simple, effective daily habits that will fill your 2021 with love! 7 Thursdays, **January 21- Mar 4**, 7:30-9pm Live on Zoom, with recordings available to registered participants Scholarships available More info and register: [archkcks.org/everyday](http://archkcks.org/everyday) Questions? Brad DuPont: [bdupont@archkck.org](mailto:bdupont@archkck.org)

**“COPING WITH LIFE ALONE” - PEER-TO-PEER GRIEF SUPPORT** – NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE “Coping with Life Alone ©” is a Beginning Experience® grief support program that meets each week for 8 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: **February 1 through April 5, 2021**, 10 sessions Monday evenings, 6:30pm to 8:30pm Cost: \$50 This session will be held online using Zoom and requires internet access. Please register in advance and receive the program workbook plus detailed Zoom meeting instructions by going to [www.beginningexperiencekc.org](http://www.beginningexperiencekc.org) For additional information please contact Donna at (816-305-3760)

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER** is coming to your house! . . . Great marriages are made when husbands and wives make a lot of everyday choices that say “I love you” rather than choices that say “I love me”. Now is the time to tell your spouse “I love you” by giving them the gift of an intimate retreat right in the comfort and security of your own home. Join us for a Virtual Weekend Experience, **Feb. 26th - 28th**, 2021. For more information, or to apply for the weekend, visit our website at [www.wvme4youandme.org](http://www.wvme4youandme.org) or call/email Deacon Tony and Barb Zimmerman at 816-741-4066, [tonybarbz@prodigy.net](mailto:tonybarbz@prodigy.net). And don't forget to follow us on Facebook for the latest updates about WVME Greater KC!

## 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.

**ONLINE MASSES:** For those who may not be able to attend our parish masses, here are some of the masses that are available to watch on line or on television:

- For regular TV - Channel 38 airs Sunday morning Mass at 7:00am each week.
- For Dish and DirecTV - EWTN airs Sunday Mass a few times throughout the day.
- For livestream – here are some you may wish to look up:
  - Church of the Ascension, Overland Park - Sunday Masses at 8:15am, 10:00am, 11:45am & 5:00pm - <https://kccascension.org/>
  - Queen of the Holy Rosary, Wea - Sunday Mass at 8:30am - <https://qhrwea.church/watch-daily-mass>
  - St. Michael the Archangel, Leawood - Sunday Mass at 9:00am - <https://stmichaelcp.org/ecatholic-live>

Here you can find links to Holy Masses online from different parishes all around the world. There is a link to see the calendar with the Catholic Holy Masses live online. Click on the chosen hour when you want to see the Holy Mass online. <https://mass-online.org/daily-holy-mass-live-online>

**“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! Please visit the Archdiocesan Foster Care Ministry Website at [www.archkcks.com/foster](http://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](http://www.archkck.org/fostercaredatabase)

**THE CATHOLIC GUIDE FOR END-OF-LIFE AND ESTABLISHING OF ADVANCE DIRECTIVES** 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 in accordance with the teachings of our faith about complex treatments in grave illness or as life's end approaches. 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](http://www.archkck.org/prolife-end-of-life-care).

**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](http://CatholicPlannedGiving.org) to learn how to accept this invitation.

**PLANNED GIVING BRIEF: CARES ACT – TAX BENEFITS FOR CHARITABLE GIVING EXTENDED THROUGH 2021**

1. **Increase in tax deduction for cash gifts:** For donors that itemize their tax return, before the new legislation, the annual income limit was capped at 60% for cash gifts. The new legislation allows for charitable donations up to 100% of a donor's annual income.
2. **New deduction:** If you do not itemize when filing your tax return, to reduce your tax liability, you will be allowed to take a special tax deduction of up to \$300 for charitable donations. For more information visit the Archdiocesan website, [CatholicPlannedGiving.com](http://CatholicPlannedGiving.com).

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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