### WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH – ST. LAWRENCE PARISH "Two Churches, One Parish" Growing as Disciples of Jesus; Making Disciples for Jesus Third Sunday of Easter– April 18, 2021

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:	Please pray for the sick, especially: Phil Bell, Susie Beying, Judy
TUES Apr. 20 06:00 pm STL Parishioners of SJ-SL	Brose, Jennifer Brushwood, Carl Davidson, George Dean, Carolyn
Adoration will follow Mass until 7:30 p.m CANCELLED	DeMaranville, Vince Eimer, Tom Flack, Tina Gaspard, Alan Halstead,
THUR Apr. 22 05:00 pm SJV Parishioners of SJ-SL	Patti Harris, Marly Heim, Frank Heintzelman, Jim Heintzelman, Lydia Heintzelman, Melanie Herken, Jon Highfill, Trista Highfill, Mark Hund,
SAT Apr. 24 05:00 pm SJV Ernie DeMaranville ₽	Arlene Jennings, Michael Jones, Elmer Karczewski, Phillip Leon, Kelly
SUN Apr. 25 09:00 am STL Wendi Johnston 🕫	Long, Joyce Lowe, Mary Meinert, Jeni Mettelstedt, Don Navinsky, Kay
Confessions: SAT-4:30 pm at SJV; SUN-8:30 at STL	Nocktonick, Dannie Phillips, Adam Pineau, Mike Pursel, Mary M.
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.	Ruhlman, Kim Sachse, Tanner Siebenmorgen, Julie Simonis, Jim (Poly) Sloan, Gary Stafford, Aaron Welch, Louise Wistuba and Nick Yuska. <i>Prayer List for Our Soldiers: ARMY</i> : CPT Daniel Broaddus, Pvt. David Crook, Lexi (Skaggs) Hargis, Major Bryan Herken, SPC Derrick Hunt, SGT Colby Seifert, William Stradley. <i>AIRFORCE</i> : E-4 Robert W. Herken, TSGT Scott Loecher, E-3 Connor Schuler, A1C Noah Tattershall. <i>NAVY</i> : ADDA Jason P. Herken, YNS1 (SS) Kevin Lansing.

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<u>COLLECTION:</u> Thank you for your gifts to our parish! Collection amount was \$2,476.00, including \$325 for Utilities and \$45 for Rice Bowl and \$5 for Holy Land. Last week's on-line collection was \$303.86. Thank you for your generosity.

**SECOND COLLECTION** will be held **April 25**<sup>th</sup> for the Good Shepherd Sunday Collection. Each year, a special offertory collection is taken up throughout the Archdiocese on Good Shepherd Sunday which is allocated to three special funds supporting the Priesthood. They include: 1.The education and support of our 20 seminarians 2. Continuing education and retreats for our priests (there are more than 100 of us) 3. The care of our 20 retired priests. Please be generous in showing your support for my brother priests and for our seminarians who are discerning the priesthood. Thank you.

ATTENTION! COUPLES CELEBRATING THEIR 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY IN 2021 Archdiocesan 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration June 13, 2021, 2:00 pm, Church of the Nativity/Leawood To receive your invitation from Archbishop Naumann, please call Sue Griffee at 913-773-8342 and give her your name, address, phone number and date of your wedding. Please do this as soon as possible so she can send the request to Deacon Zimmerman, who is the coordinator.

WINNER, WINNER CHICKEN DINNER-Please join us at the Easton Methodist Church (Easton KS) for a Fried **Chicken Dinner to Go.** Saturday, **April 24th** 4:30-7:00 P.M. Adults-\$9.00-Children \$5.00.

**<u>PLEASE JOIN US!</u>** Following Mass on **May 1st** at St. Joseph of the Valley, a meditative Rosary will be prayed in the hall, a light meal will be served, all are welcome to come pray with us.

LIONS CLUB COMMITTEE for May 6<sup>th</sup> - Chairman Debbie Ernzen-Kris Beying, Lori Simmons and Evelyn Wagner. Please prepare for 15 people. Dinner is at 7 P. M.

**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: <u>inichols@dfamilk.com</u> OR Sharon Wagner, phone: 913-683-4495 or email: <u>w5cattle@aol.com</u>.

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

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**LIFTING OF DISPENSATION FOR MASS ATTENDANCE:** Archbishop Naumann has chosen the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, the weekend of **June 5-6**, 2021, as the occasion on which the dispensation from the obligation by the faithful to attend Mass shall be lifted. Beginning with Masses for that weekend, all the Catholic faithful residing within the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas must return to observing the precept of the Church to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. Of course, those who suffer from underlying health concerns or compromised immunity, or who have genuinely serious concerns about the risk of contracting the coronavirus are not bound by the obligation to attend Mass. More details will be provided as we approach the date. The complete article on this is attached for you to read.

XAVIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL: Preschool - eighth grade, is currently enrolling for the 2021-2022 school year. The teachers and staff invite all interested families to join us for several enrollment events.

Kindergarten Experience Night: April 22, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM, In-Person at 541 Muncie Road or Virtual.

Preschool Open House: April 29, 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM, In-Person at 1409 2nd Avenue

*Virtual Open House*: Preschool - Eighth Grade, May 6, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Please note that COVID restrictions will be in place. For more information or to register please call Lisa Forge at 913-682-7801.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS World Day of Prayer will be observed on Sunday, April 25, 2021 also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, and societies of apostolic life or secular institutes. Resources for promoting vocations can be found on the USCCB website.

**<u>CHRIST'S PEACE HOUSE OF PRAYER APPEAL:</u>** We depend on your generosity to fill the gap between our income from guests and the Archbishop's Call to Share and what is needed to keep us operating efficiently. Thank you for being examples of the living out in real time the ideal of almsgiving. We appreciate your donations! You may donate online here:

https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted\_button\_id=C6TEJNB5CAXVQ

**ST. ISIDORE DAY RETREAT, MASS AND BLESSING OF SEEDS AND SOIL** will be held Saturday, **May 15<sup>th</sup>** from 10:30am-4:30pm at Christ's Peace House of Prayer. Please join us for a special mass in honor of St. Isidore, the patron saint of farmers on his feast day. The day will begin with Mass at 10:30am followed by a procession to the Saint Isidore Shrine. Bring seeds and soil in a small decorated basket to be placed at the altar for blessing. After lunch and a time of fellowship, there will be a spiritual conference on Pope Saint John Paul II's encyclical "Laborem Exercens" – On Human Work, adoration and evening prayer. All are welcome! A free-will offering will be taken up during the retreat.

**PENTECOST - FREEDOM IN THE SPIRIT RETREAT** Christ's Peace House of Prayer 22131 Meager Road - Easton, KS Friday, **May 21st** at 5:30pm – Sunday, **May 23rd** at 4:30pm Come, prepare for the coming of the Holy Spirit over Pentecost Sunday Weekend. Enter into a dynamic relationship that will enkindle your faith life. Don't forget to start the Novena to the Holy Spirit on May 14th. There will be conferences, Eucharistic Adoration, Mass, Confession and time for private prayer, reflection and walking. The suggested donation is \$170/Single or \$250/Couples for the Cabins and Courtyard Rooms or \$100 for the Single Guest Rooms (Meals Included). To attend, sign-up at <u>christspeace.com</u>, send an email to: info@christspeace.com or call 913.773.8255.

**PLANNED GIVING BRIEF:** The Catholic Church is made up of all races; families and singles, sinners and saints. In these times of disruption and uncertainty, it is good to know that through our parishes, as members of the Catholic Church, we have unity. The Office of Stewardship and Development invites you to make a grateful response to God for the gift of your parish by designating it, by name, as a beneficiary of a retirement asset, annuity, or life insurance policy. James 1:17. <u>CatholicPlannedGiving.com.</u>

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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**GOVT. SHOULD NOT TELL A WOMAN WHAT TO DO WITH HER BODY** To suggest that there are no circumstances in which the government can tell people what to do has no merit whatsoever. Our govt. routinely enacts laws which prevent people from doing certain actions both to their own bodies and other peoples' bodies. By way of example, we are not legally allowed to sell our bodies for sex, or take drugs, or sell organs. However, the most important issue is that the woman's body is not the only body involved in an abortion. The baby, as a matter of scientific fact, is a separate human being from the mother with its own genetic code, blood type and fingerprints. The fatal "choice" being made does not relate to the mother's body, but that of the innocent child.

**PROJECT CHRYSALIS** Tuesday **April 27**-In Person, St. Luke Room at Church of the Ascension and Online via Zoom, 7:00PM Project Chrysalis is a ministry offering hope through Sacred Scripture and community to parents or 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 **April 27**, from 7:00-8:15pm, in person in the St. Luke Room, at Church of the Ascension, and online via Zoom. For more information, including the Zoom invitation link, contact Deacon Ken Billinger at 913-634-4210 or email <u>kbillinger@archkck.org</u>. The group is open to parents or grandparents who have lost children.

### WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND EXPERIENCES:

Come! . . . Arise my love, my beautiful one, and come! For see the winter is past, the rainsare over and gone. During this joyful Easter Season, as we celebrate the risen Christ and the promise of new life, come away and tend to the garden of your marriage. The next in-person Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend Experiences, will be **April 30 - May 2**, and **July 16-18**, at Savior Pastoral Center in Kansas City, Kansas. For more information, visit our website at <u>www.wwme4youandme.org</u>, and follow us on Facebook. To apply for the weekend call/email Deacon Tony & Barb Zimmerman at 816-741-4066, tonybarbz@prodigy.net

**GRATIA PLENA FUNDRAISING SOCIAL:** Gratia Plena House of Discernment for Women for a Fundraising Social on Saturday, **May 1st.** Please register on our website and plan to stop by between 6pm - 9pm in the McDevitt Hall at St. Joseph Parish in Shawnee. Support Religious Vocations and learn more about this unique ministry. Enjoy charcuterie, adult beverages, and dessert! Bid on silent auction items featuring St. Joseph works of art and hand painted Polish Pottery. Celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker and our Founders Day, established 5/1/17. Questions? Email <u>GratiaPlenaKS@gmail.com</u>. Go to <u>GratiaPlenaKS.org</u> for more information and to register. Please continue to pray with us for all vocations. St. Joseph the Worker, pray for us.

**FOSTER APPRECIATION MASS WITH ARCHBISHOP NAUMANN:** May is Foster Care Awareness Month! Did you know there are over 7,500 children in care in Kansas? Over 2,000 foster families have opened their hearts and homes to lovingly care for many vulnerable children until they can safely return home. To show our gratitude to these families and raise awareness for the need for more loving foster homes, please join us for a Foster Appreciation Mass with Archbishop Naumann on Sunday, **May 2nd**, 9:30 a.m. at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 13615 W 92nd St. Lenexa. All foster families and those who serve the foster community are invited to attend. The Livestream link can be found on the Holy Trinity Catholic Parish YouTube Channel or by visiting <u>htlenexa.org</u>. Foster and adoptive parents, please connect with the ministry by visiting www.archkck.org/foster under the "Connect With Us" menu tab. We are working to grow this ministry throughout the Archdiocese so that we can pray for and support you as you answer the call to help children in need. Thank you!

**BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG** to benefit Wyandotte & Olathe Pregnancy Clinics Do you have loose change? Do you have a heart to help those in need? Do you want to make an eternal impact in the lives of many? Wyandotte & Olathe Pregnancy Clinics encourage you to join in their Baby Bottle Boomerang fundraiser that helps them serve women and families facing difficult pregnancies so they can choose life for their children. Beginning on Mother's Day (**May 9**), please pick up a baby bottle to fill with loose change or bills, and return the bottles to church by Father's Day (**June 20**). Or, to donate online, visit www.wyandottepregnancyclinic.org and click on the "Events" menu tab. Your participation will make a profound difference in the lives of the women they serve and WILL save lives!

**<u>CHRIST'S PEACE HOUSE OF PRAYER</u>** has adjusted many of the ways we operate in order to create a safe environment for our retreatants. The layout of our facility naturally lends itself to social distancing with separate guest cabins and rooms each with private entrances and self-contained kitchen and shower areas. We have altered many of our operating procedures including how we clean, serve food and interact in the public spaces together so as to eliminate the spread of the virus. The transform CDC pandemic guidelines are carefully followed. We want our guests to be safe and know that they can trust the steps we have taken to make that possible. It is a privilege to serve each of you in these challenging times. Schedule a time for a personal retreat, organize a group retreat or join one of our monthly preached retreats. Send an email to: info@christspeace.com.

2021 RETREAT SCHEDULE FOR CHRIST'S PEACE: May 15: St. Isidore Mass - Blessing of Seeds and Soil May 21-23: Freedom in the Spirit

May 21-23: Freedom in the Spirit June 25-27: St. Joseph – With a Father's Heart July 9-11: Theology of the Body w/ Fr. Thomas Loya August 13-15: Consecration to Mary September 17-19: Living in the Present Moment October 15-17: Discovering the Wisdom of Saint Pope JPII November 19-21: Unlocking Difficult Scripture December 3-5: Advent Silent Retreat January 7-9: New Year Spiritual Reflection and Planning

**BEGINNING EXPERIENCE** ~ Grief Support Weekend Beginning Experience is offering a healing weekend **April 30 – May 2**, 2021, at Savior Pastoral Center in Kansas City, Kansas. 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.beginningexperience kc.org email: register.bekc@gmail.com or contact Laura 308-530-1873

<u>3 DAY YOUTH CONFERENCE "THE SUMMIT" - FOR ALL HIGH</u> <u>SCHOOL YOUTH:</u> The Summit is a three-day Catholic youth conference HIGH hosted in Overland Park, KS. We will encounter the Lord together in the Sacraments and Adoration, through dynamic speakers, praise and worship, small group conversation, and downright fun. The Summit is open to all incoming high school freshmen (those entering 9th grade) through graduating high school seniors (those exiting 12th grade). June 14-16th, 2021 from 9:00am-9:00pm each day There will be keynote addresses, time for small groups, praise and worship, daily Mass, confessions, and Eucharistic adoration as well as plenty of time for games so be prepared You visit full days! can their website https://www.kcksummit.org/about Church of the Ascension (9510 W 127th St, Overland Park, KS 66213). Our main session space will be outside under a huge tent. Parking will be available on site each day. Breakouts sessions and vendor spaces will be available inside. COST For teens, the cost is \$150/teen. For chaperones, the cost is FREE (\*up to a parish ratio of 6:1 then \$50 per additional chaperone). Priests and religious attend at no cost! Registration includes access to all summit sessions, 6 meals (lunch & dinner all 3 days), an awesome t-shirt, snacks, inflatable games and personal lanyard name badges. WEBSITE For more information, you can visit our FAQ's page on QUESTIONS Contact Ascension Youth Minister website. Lee McMahon (785) 218-2708 /Imcmahon@kcascension.org

CAMP KATERI TEKAKWITHA: There is still time to take advantage of a week of faith, fun, and friends happening down at Camp Kateri Tekakwitha this summer! We can't wait to spend that time with your (grand)kids and family. Camp Kateri Tekakwitha has always been a place of adventure activities combined with powerful, spiritual, and unique encounters with God. As with every summer, we continue to enhance our property to allow for a safe place for kids and families to develop life-changing memories. This summer we are offering both day camps and overnight camp options. The day camps are a great way for kids to have the opportunity to experience camp, but allow them to return home in the evenings. We look forward to spending the summer with you. We are excited to announce that we are expanding the first sessions of our Kateri and Jr. High camp sessions to include an overnight option. These sessions will now be hybrid camps for campers who wish to come as a day camper, leaving and returning each day, AND for campers who wish to stay overnight. The cost is the same. All campers will enjoy the same activities. If you haven't had a chance to sign your (grand) kids up yet, there is still time! All age groups have availability for both boys and girls. Give them the opportunity to experience faith, fun, and friends in a safe and thrilling atmosphere. Camp Kateri Tekakwitha continues to be a place of adventure activities combined with powerful, spiritual, and unique encounters with God. To see the available camp spots visit https://archkck.org/camp/camps/camp-sessiondates-cost-availability/. Visit www.archkck.org/camp for more information about Camp Kateri Tekakwitha. And, join us on Facebook (Camp Tekakwitha at the Prairie Star Ranch) and Instagram (camptekakwitha)

**DISABILITY RESOURCE SERIES** The Special Needs Ministry and EMBRACE are offering a series of Thursday evening Zoom workshops on a variety of topics related to providing for a child with special needs. Qualified professionals will explain Kancare/Medicaid benefits, transition planning, Working Healthy and much more. Review all the session topics and register at <u>www.archkck.org/special-needs.</u>

**SPECIAL NEEDS FAMILY CAMP** Camp Tekakwitha and the Special Needs Ministry offers a family camp designed especially for families who have a child with a disability. Enjoy a weekend away to spend quality time with the family you and God have created. Each participant with a disability will have a camp buddy to accompany them and be of assistance to the family throughout the weekend. All Covid-19 protocols will be followed. Register by emailing: <a href="mailto:camptekreg@gmail.com">camptekreg@gmail.com</a>. For questions or scholarship information, contact <a href="mailto:tracunas@archkck.org">tracunas@archkck.org</a>.

TOTUS TUUS FOR PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS The Totus Tuus Team will offer an adapted Totus Tuus program for people between the ages of 6 and adult with intellectual/developmental disabilities. The program will be held July 19th to July 23rd from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Prince of Peace in Olathe. Fee is \$40 per person. Enrollment is limited. Register at <u>www.archkck.org/special-needs</u> by Monday, July 5th. For questions, contact <u>tracunas@archkck.org</u>

# 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 <u>https://kcascension.org/</u> Queen of the Holy Rosary, Wea Sunday Mass at 8:30am

  - <u>https://qhrwea.church/watch-daily-mass</u>
    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 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.

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For parishes located in jurisdictions or municipalities that in June will still require social distancing for churches and houses of worship, pastors are encouraged, to the extent possible, to offer additional weekend or holy day Masses to accommodate attendance by the faithful. When additional Masses are not reasonably possible for parishes required to maintain social distancing, parishioners are excused from the obligation to attend Mass.

Pastors and parish staffs are encouraged to begin making preparation for the lifting of the dispensation. Parishioners should receive well-prepared and clear communication to inform them of this change regarding the precept of obligation. More information from the Archdiocese on the lifting of the dispensation will follow as we draw closer to the weekend of June 5-6.

This return to the precept of obligation affords an exceptional opportunity for pastors and catechists to provide a renewed catechesis on the necessity of the Eucharist in our lives. Catholics, of course, should always hunger for the Eucharist and long to receive the Body and Blood of Christ in Holy Communion, but especially now, as we begin to depart from restrictions imposed by the pandemic. As the Church solemnly teaches, the Eucharist is the summit of the Church's mission, and is the font from which all her power to serve God is derived. Archbishop Naumann will be writing about our true need for Holy Mass in his column in The Leaven, inviting the faithful to communal celebration of the Eucharist in their parishes. Additional articles by The Leaven, and resources provided by the Office for Liturgy and Sacramental Life and the Office of Evangelization, will help us carry out this important catechesis and formation. Watch the PIP for timely information and resources.

Additionally, and as has always been the case, whether one is obligated to attend Mass or not, we are nonetheless obliged to observe the Third Commandment of our Lord to keep holy the Sabbath. The faithful who are unable to attend Mass should celebrate a liturgy of the Word in their home, using the Sunday readings; like all the faithful, they should refrain from unnecessary work and avoid unnecessary shopping, and should spend time in leisure, rest, and prayer with their families and loved ones.