

WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH – ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

“Two Churches, One Parish”

Growing as Disciples of Jesus; Making Disciples for Jesus
Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ – June 6, 2021

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

TUES	June 8	06:00 pm	STL	NO MASS
Adoration will follow Mass until 7:30 p.m. - CANCELLED				
THUR	June 10	06:00 pm	SJV	Parishioners of SJ-SL
SAT	June 12	05:00 pm	SJV	Stephen Payeur †
SUN	June 13	09:00 am	STL	Jack Rogers †

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

COVID Protocols

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Please pray for the sick, especially: Phil Bell, Susie Beying, Judy Brose, Jennifer Brushwood, Carl Davidson, George Dean, Carolyn DeMaranville, Vince Eimer, Tom Flack, Tina Gaspard, Alan Halstead, Patti Harris, Marly Heim, Frank Heintzelman, Jim Heintzelman, Lydia Heintzelman, Melanie Herken, Jon Highfill, Trista Highfill, Mark Hund, Arlene Jennings, Michael Jones, Elmer Karczewski, Phillip Leon, Kelly Long, Billy Lowe, Joyce Lowe, Mary Meinert, Jeni Mettelstedt, Don Navinsky, 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: CPT 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: YNS1 (SS) Kevin Lansing.

Prayer for Vocations: Brother Seelos (Tyler Lunsford).

OUR PARISH NEWS

COLLECTION: Thank you for your gifts to our parish! Collection amount was unavailable for last week. Last week's on-line collection was \$314.23. Thank you for your generosity.

PLEASE NOTE: There will be no Mass on Tuesday, June 8th at St. Lawrence.

PLEASE TAKE ONE: The Parish has received sample copies of "The Word Among Us", which is a booklet containing the daily mass readings and meditations. These booklets are in the back of each of the churches. Please feel free to pick one up and take home, or take one to someone who is not attending mass at this time. We also will be receiving the "Magnifikids" booklets again beginning in July.

MASS SERVER COORDINATOR VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: Father would like to have servers at Mass now that our Covid restrictions are being removed. We will need someone to coordinate scheduling servers for Masses. If you can help out please contact Kevin Heim @ 913-271-1900.

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: nichols@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.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WAS SENT ON A POSTCARD TO OUR PARISHIONERS (it is being included with the bulletin in case you have not received yours yet):

Archbishop Lifts Dispensation from Sunday Obligation
When the COVID-19 pandemic hit, Archbishop Naumann instituted a dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass, meaning Catholics in the archdiocese were not required to attend weekly Mass in person due to the risk of COVID infection. As vaccination rates increase and hospitalizations are decreasing, the Archbishop has announced he is lifting the dispensation, meaning Catholics in the archdiocese are again obligated to attend weekly Mass if they are able. **The obligation will be effective the weekend of June 5-6.** Below is the Archbishop's official statement.

"In light of the availability of effective COVID vaccines, the rising rate of immunity, and the dramatic reduction of hospitalizations and deaths related to the virus, I am ending the dispensation of Sunday obligation, effective the weekend of June 5-6, 2021, the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)."

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Thanks to Our Parish Community

This past year has been very challenging for everyone in many ways. However, there are many positive items that our members supported to allow our Parish Community to continue to grow and nurture our Faith. Some examples: extra Masses throughout the week to allow members to attend while social distancing, CCD, 2020 First Communion, outreach by email and facebook, assistance with COVID protocols. This is

a great indication that our parish is strong and with the help of our dedicated members we will continue to flourish as a community of Faith.

OTHER NEWS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

XAVIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL: Please join Xavier Catholic Preschool (located at 1409 2nd Avenue) for free activity hours in the month of June! Tuesday, June 15th, 9:00-10:00 a.m. - *How Do Dinosaurs Say I Love You*. Friday, June 25th, 9:00-10:00 a.m. - Fairy Tales. Please call 913-682-1943 for reservations or for more information.

THE ENDERLE-BOGENRIFE SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT: Mary Rose Enderle and Richard Bogenrife have established a scholarship endowment for Catholic students living in Leavenworth and Wyandotte counties that plan to attend a trade or vocational school. Most trade and vocational programs are available through community and technical colleges. The scholarship award is \$5,000.00. To request a scholarship application please email Dave Hernandez at landofoz1239@sunflower.com or call 913-369-2718. Scholarship application deadline is July 15, 2021.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA-LITTLE FLOWER CIRCLE: The next meeting will be held in person on June 27th, at 12:45 PM in Yadrich Hall at Christ the King Parish, 5972 SW 25th St. A Rosary will be followed by the business meeting and social time. Social distancing and masks will be required. If anyone knows of a member or family member of Daughters of Isabella in need of the Circle's prayers call Bobbie Graff Hendrixson at 785-271-0145. If you are interested in or would like more information about Daughters of Isabella call Cindy Keen at 785-228-9863

THE SILENT VICTIM: In the DVD "The Silent Scream" where an unborn child attempts to escape the abortionists suction curette; her motions can be seen to become desperately agitated and her heart rate doubles. Her mouth opens as if to scream, but no sound can be heard. The pro-abortion movement and lobby thrives on having a silent victim.

Every pro-abortion argument requires that we pretend, that we play mind games, that we forget, ignore, or deny the humanity, worth, and dignity of unborn babies. It thrives on our ability to disregard innocent victims as long as they are out of our sight and voiceless. Tell a lie often enough and people will eventually believe it. Just consider their terminology (with words such as "fetus" "pro-choice" "non-viable" etc.) which is carefully designed to disguise the humanity of the unborn child and obscure what abortion really does. This is the story of the pro-abortion deception of America.

PROJECT RACHEL WEEKEND RETREAT: Hurting after an abortion? Come to our Unfailing Mercy - Project Rachel Weekend Retreat **Friday 6/11 to Sunday 6/13**. For privacy, location is given only to those attending. For further information and to register, please contact Ann Marie at projectrachelkc@archkck.org or 913- 621-2199.

SUMMER DATE NIGHTS FOR MARRIED COUPLES: Grab your spouse and your favorite beverage and head out to your patio. We've got 7 great date nights filled with insights and skills that will bring you closer. Sessions are live online with recordings available for registered participants. Ready to socialize again? Invite a group of couples to register with you, then simply plan to stream all or some of the sessions together for a fun evening with friends! Course begins **June 17th**. More information and register: <https://evermoreinlove.org/everyday-skills>

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)

3 DAY YOUTH CONFERENCE “THE SUMMIT” - FOR ALL HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH:

The Summit is a three-day Catholic youth conference 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 for full days! You can visit their website at: <https://www.kcksummit.org/about>. The conference is being hosted by The 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 our website. QUESTIONS Contact Ascension Youth Minister Lee McMahon (785) 218-2708 lmcmahon@kcascension.org

ENFLAME SPARK SESSION: CARE: What is the art of listening? How do we best approach loved ones that have left the Church or other difficult conversations? What does a community of care look like? Join us in a gathering of other disciples interested in growing closer to Christ. The Spark Sessions explore the core Enflame principles - Prayer, Care, Share - to deepen our relationship with God and strengthen us in building missionary discipleship relationships with others. This session will focus on Care by focusing on the art of listening, how to engage in difficult conversations, and developing a community of care as we invite people into an active relationship with God. We will share success stories and encouragement, renewing our hearts with the joy of the Gospel. Join us and register to attend now. Saturday, **June 19** 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM, followed by an optional networking and dessert hour from 1:00-2:00 PM Keleher Conference Center - Savior Pastoral Center 12615 Parallel Parkway Kansas City, KS Cost: \$20 (\$25 at the door) – lunch and beverages will be provided. If you have any questions, please email our team at enflame@archkck.org. To register, go to <https://archkck.org/adults/home/spark-session/>

RETROUVAILLE: Not willing to let go of your marriage? Many couples continue to struggle in a marriage, but are not willing to give up on each other. There is hope! Retrouvaille is a program designed to help struggling marriages regain their health. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced. The next Retrouvaille weekend is scheduled for **June 25, 2021**. For more information, contact KC registration team: (800) 470-2230 or visit website at HelpOurMarriage.com

IMMERSION WEEKEND: The Living in Love retreat is back in person and better than ever! Now called the Immersion Weekend offered by our friends at EverMore in Love, this weekend will help married couples experience the wonder of being more in love. **June 26 & 27** at Holy Spirit in Overland Park More information, other dates and special coupon code for our Archdiocese found at www.archkck.org/livinginlove

SUMMER RETIREMENT SEMINAR: Tax Reducing Strategies for Pre- and Post-Retirees With Speaker, Bill Eckert, C.A.P. **July 14, 2021** Donnelly College, Room 229, in the new addition 10:30 am to Noon. Register at PlannedGiving@archkck.org Bill is a member of Nativity parish and is a Chartered Advisor in Philanthropy which provides him an in-depth knowledge of the legal and financial tools necessary to help Catholics articulate and advance their highest aspirations for self, family, church, and society. The Office of Stewardship and Development, CFNEK, and Donnelly College. Space is limited. Registration information: archkck.org/summer-seminar/

TOTUS TUUS FOR PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS: The Totus Tuus Team will offer an adapted Totus Tuus program for people with special needs **July 19th – 23rd** from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Prince of Peace parish in Olathe. This program is for persons ages 6 to adult with intellectual/developmental disabilities. The fee is \$40 per person for the week. For more information, please contact tracunas@archkck.org or call 913.647.3054. To register, go to <https://archkck.org/special-needs>.

TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST (TEC) WEEKEND: Does Jesus really have our back ALL the time? Does He really love us that much, even when we aren't at our best? Does He really want to listen to us, even when we haven't been a good friend to Him? When you come to a Teens Encounter Christ Retreat, you're going to hear some great things from other people about Jesus, but you're also going to get a lot of time to talk with Him and get to know Him better too. Teens Encounter Christ is a 3-day retreat where we focus on the Paschal Mystery of the dying and rising of Jesus Christ for each one of us. This is for High School Students and graduated seniors. It will be held at PSR on **August 14-16, 2021**. Cost is \$110.00. Scholarships are available. Sign up here: www.archkckyouth.org/tec

MARY'S CATHOLIC MONTESSORI TRAINING CENTER (MCMTc) is currently accepting applicants for our fall cohort, starting in September 2021. Located in Eudora, Kansas, MCMTc trains and certifies Catholic Montessori guides to transform the world. In this program, the Montessori

method and Catechesis of the Good Shepherd are united as an organic whole, preparing Catholic Montessori guides to deliver full Montessori formation to children and their families. Check out mcmtc.org for more details or email info@mcmtc.org

TEACHING POSITIONS AVAILABLE: Are you looking for rewarding work in Catholic education? The Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas is looking for faith-filled Catholic teachers at all levels from Pre-K thru 12th grade in our Catholic schools. The diocese has 36 elementary and 6 high schools throughout Northeast Kansas. We have positions available for qualified candidates. Applicants should hold a Kansas teaching license, or be eligible to obtain a license. We can help you through this process. For questions contact Allison Carney at 913-647-0332, or email acarney@archkckcs.org. To apply visit www.archkckcs.org and follow the Employment+ link from the menu across the top of the page.

PERMANENT DIACONATE INFORMATION NIGHTS: Anyone who is interested in learning more about the diaconate to attend one of our "information nights." We will be hosting information nights at the following locations:

- **Wednesday, September 1st:** Savior Pastoral Center (KCK) (Spanish Interpreter)
- **Monday, September 13th:** Christ the King (Topeka) (Sign Language Interpreter)
- **Thursday, September 23rd:** Holy Cross (Overland Park) (Spanish Interpreter)
- **Tuesday, September 28th:** Immaculate Conception (Leavenworth)
- **Tuesday, October 12th:** Savior Pastoral Center (KCK) (Live Streamed)
- *All information nights begin at 7:00 p.m.

To assist with this effort please:

(1) Pray Let us begin praying for the new cohort—both collectively as well as for individual inquirers, that the Holy Spirit will inspire men to “come and see” and plant in their hearts the seeds of a diaconal vocation.

(2) Invite Now that the information nights have been set up, we invite men (along with their wives!) to attend one of them!

(3) Personal Interaction Please review the FAQs about the diaconate that are found on the archdiocesan website: Father or Leon Suprenant from this office should you have any additional questions regarding our Archdiocesan diaconate program or the diaconate in general. He may be reached via email at leons@archkck.org or by calling (913) 647-0358.

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://kcascension.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>

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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