

WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH – ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

“Two Churches, One Parish”

Growing as Disciples of Jesus; Making Disciples for Jesus
Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 27, 2021

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

| TUES | June 29 | 06:00 pm | STL | Parishioners of SJ-SL |
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| Adoration will follow Mass until 7:30 p.m. - CANCELLED | | | | |
| THUR | July 1 | 06:00 pm | SJV | Parishioners of SJ-SL |
| SAT | July 3 | 05:00 pm | SJV | Shirley Karczewski † Jamie Karczewski † |
| SUN | July 4 | 09:00 am | STL | Thomas Herken † |

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

COVID Protocols

As of 12 May 2021, all archdiocesan safety protocols relating to COVID-19 are rescinded. As we strive to provide a safe environment for our parishioners to worship, we recommend those who attend Mass and other parish functions continue to follow a few reasonable guidelines: Use hand sanitizer when entering church and practice social distancing when possible.

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, 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 for last weekend was \$1268.10, including \$200 for utilities. Last week's on-line collection was unavailable. Thank you for your generosity.

SECOND COLLECTION: will be held on this weekend of June 27th for Peter's Pence (Collection for the Holy Father). We appreciate your generosity.

SAVE THE DATE - SUMMERFEST 2021 is scheduled for August 7th. Parish Council is in the initial planning phase, if you would like to assist with the planning please call Sharon Wagner @ 913-683-4495. We look forward to a great event where our parish can socialize and share some home cooked chicken. **Raffle Donations** – If you would like to donate a prize for the raffle please contact Sharon Wagner no later than **June 29th**. Raffle tickets will be available at the back of each church starting July 3rd. We are asking each family to sell a minimum of 30 tickets.

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: 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.

Lions Club Committee for July 1-Please Note-the meeting has been canceled.

OTHER NEWS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

GOD BLESS AMERICA: I would like to comment on the speeches by politicians when they end their speeches by saying "God Bless America". I commend them all for saying this, but how can we ask that of God when we have pushed him out of our lives and kicked him out of our public schools and buildings? Our "laws" forbid him to be mentioned there. How can we ask him to bless us when our laws allow us to kill the unborn by abortion? These babies were gifts from God. How can we face him after some agree that euthanasia for the elderly should be made legal?

Our children should have the right to talk about God at school, sing HIS praises and put up nativity scenes in his honor. Maybe then our school systems and the children will improve. If we put God first in our lives and hearts, we will see the error of our ways and abortion will be seen for what it is - the slaughter of the innocents - and our elderly will again be respected and protected. We have to stop playing God ourselves, and then God will truly bless us and America.

XAVIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL:

Did you know that 82% of Xavier students score at or above their grade level average on nationally normed tests in ELA and 76% of Xavier students score at or above grade level in Math?

Please call 913-682-7801 or visit www.leavenworthcatholicsschools.org to schedule a tour or for more information. Don't miss your chance to discover the difference of Catholic education!

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 on attending 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**.

PROJECT CHRYSALIS Tuesday June 29-In Person, St. John Room at Church of the Ascension and Online via Zoom, 7:00PM Our next meeting will be held on June 29, from 7:00-8:15pm, in person in the St. John Room and online via Zoom. For more information, including the Zoom invitation link, contact Deacon Ken Billinger at 913-634-4210 or email kbillinger@archkck.org. 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. The group is open to parents or grandparents who have lost children.

THE CALIX SOCIETY (www.calixsociety.org) is a national association of Catholics in 12-Step recovery (AA, NA, OA, AlAnon, etc.). The Calix Society usually meets the first Friday of each month at Church of the Ascension in Overland Park. The next meeting will be Friday, **July 2nd**. For specific information on time and meeting format, call Neil at 913-645-7244, or Mary at 913-747-5039.

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/

STRENGTHEN YOUR FAMILY'S FOUNDATION! The family is the most important unit in society, and sacramental marriage is the foundation of the family. Invest in your family by investing in your marriage. Join us for the next in-person Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend Experience, **July 16-18, 2021**, at Savior Pastoral Center in Kansas City, Kansas. For more information, visit our website at www.WWME.org, and follow us on Facebook. To apply for the weekend register on-line or call/email Deacon Tony & Barb Zimmerman at 816-741-4066, tonybarbz@prodigy.net

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)

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>.

TOTUS TUUS FOR PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS AND SIBLINGS: The Totus Tuus Teams will offer an adapted Totus Tuus program for people with special needs beginning Monday, **July 24th to Thursday, July 27th** from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Queen of the Holy Rosary Parish in Overland Park. This Totus Tuus program is for persons ages 6 to adult with intellectual/developmental disabilities. Siblings are welcome!! Fee is \$40 per person or \$60 per family. Registration deadline is July 1st. Volunteers are also needed for the program. For more information please contact Tom Racunas in the Office of Special Needs Ministry by email at tracunas@archkck.org or call 913.647.3054 or 316.305.7487. To register go to: www.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

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:

- WED, Sept. 1st: Savior Pastoral Center (KCK)(Spanish Interpreter)
- MON, Sept. 13th: Christ the King (Topeka) (Sign Language Interpreter)
- THURS, Sept. 23rd: Holy Cross (Overland Park) (Spanish Interpreter)
- TUES, Sept. 28th : Immaculate Conception (Leavenworth)
- TUES, Oct. 12th: Savior Pastoral Center (KCK) (Live Streamed)
- All informational nights begin at 7:00 pm.

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.

