

WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH – ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

“Two Churches, One Parish”

Growing as Disciples of Jesus; Making Disciples for Jesus
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 1, 2021

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

TUES	Aug. 3	06:00 pm	STL	Parishioners of SJ-SL
Adoration will follow Mass until 7:30 p.m. - CANCELLED				
THUR	Aug. 5	06:00 pm	SJV	Parishioners of SJ-SL
SAT	Aug. 7	05:00 pm	STL	Shirley Karczewski † Jamie Karczewski †
SUN	Aug. 8	09:00 am	STL	Jack Rogers †

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As of 12 May 2021, all archdiocesan safety protocols relating to COVID-19 are rescinded.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, Karen Gray, 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 week was unavailable. Last week's on-line collection was \$214.23. Thank you for your generosity.

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF MASS LOCATION! The Summer Fest mass will be held at St. Lawrence Church at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday evening, **August 7th**. There will be no mass at SJV on that day. Sunday morning mass will be at the usual time at 9:00 a.m. at St. Lawrence on August 8th.

SUMMERFEST 2021 is scheduled for **August 7th**. We look forward to a great event where our parish can socialize and share a delicious chicken 4-7 pm. Mass will be held at 5 pm at St. Lawrence on Aug. 7th. Activities will begin at 5 pm, to include children's games, bingo and country store!

SETUP will start Friday night, **Aug. 6th** at 6:00 pm. If you could donate a few hours – it would be greatly appreciated!

VOLUNTEERS – WE NEED YOU! – please sign up for your choice of work and times of shifts – we need kitchen help – setup, meal prep, serving, picking up/washing, serving cakes/pies, drinks, Beer Garden, Selling Tickets, Country Store, Bingo. There is a signup sheet on the parish website and facebook page. Please consider volunteering a small amount of time to the success of SummerFest. You can email Sharon Wagner (w5cattle@aol.com) or call (913-683-4495) with the desired time and area you would like to help.

Raffle Tickets: Raffle tickets will be available at the back of each church. We are asking each family to sell a minimum of 30 tickets. Get a chance for some great prizes – only \$1 for each chance! Prizes are: Hand Pieced Quilt, \$200 cash, \$100 cash, \$50 cash, and a Dillon's Gift Card (\$50).

Bingo Prizes: Please help make Summerfest a success! Please donate one child's prize and one adult prize for Bingo (\$10-\$20 value), can be toys, games. Gift cards and cash are welcome too! Prizes will be collected at the 5 pm and 9 am masses starting on July 23rd. POC-Linda Heim at 913-306-8881.

KIDS GAMES: We ask that each CCD family donate two 2-liter bottles of soda for the Pop Toss. These can be left at the back of each church. We are currently looking for individual(s) who are willing to work the children's games.

CAKES/PIES: We need those wonderful home-made desserts our Parish is well-known for! Please bring them either FRI night or the day of the event.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES: Please prayerfully consider volunteering for one of the following:

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.

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 TO CLEAN THE RECTORY twice a month. POC is Sharon Wagner, phone: 913-683-4495 or email: w5cattle@aol.com.

LECTOR'S AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Please contact Sharon Wagner at w5cattle@aol.com or 913-683-4495 if you would like to become or continue as a lector or Eucharistic minister. Please provide your preference of Saturday evening mass or Sunday morning mass.

OTHER NEWS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

SEX-SELECTION ABORTION IN AMERICA

Our politicians sometimes talk about "a war on women." This usually revolves around contraception and sadly, a policy disagreement is then characterized as a "war" for political purposes. So what would really constitute a "war"? Taking the lives of innocents, to start with. And in some places, it's baby girls who are being targeted by abortion, because some people prefer to have a baby boy. It's called sex-selection abortion. A test is done to determine the sex of an unborn child. Often, if the test shows the baby is a girl, she is aborted.

We know that this occurs on a massive scale in Far East countries such as China and India. However, tragically, it's also happening right here in the United States. An Austin, Texas Planned Parenthood employee was recently caught on tape counseling a woman how to get a sex-selection abortion. These kinds of abortions are usually done in secret because they're so disturbing to the public, but they are occurring.

The struggle for gender equality has made great strides over the last several decades, but how can such discrimination and bias be allowed to take place in America? As with all things relating to abortion, so much is incongruous and perverse...so much is overlooked and swept under the carpet.

FAMILY PICNIC: KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LV Immaculata Council #900 Family Picnic will be held Sunday, **Aug. 8**, at Hawthorne Park (Ohio & Kansas Sts.) from 11am. to 5 pm. Serving starts 12 noon. Food and beverages furnished. Family games & corn hole tournament. Bring your favorite side dish. Open to ALL local K of C members as well as prospective members. Rain or shine (We have a shelter).

BLOOD DRIVE: Monday, **Aug. 9th**, 2 pm - 6 pm, at St. Lawrence Hall. Please help us and give the life-giving gift!

CONSECRATION TO MARY RETREAT Christ's Peace House of Prayer 22131 Meager Road - Easton, KS Friday, **August 13th** at 5:30pm – Sunday, **August 15th** at 4:30pm Come spend a weekend dedicated to Mary and make/renew your Marian Consecration on the Feast of the Assumption! There will be Marian Conferences, Eucharistic Adoration, Mass, Confession and time for private prayer/reflection/walking and a special Consecration to Mary Ceremony. Day Guests are also welcome for the Ceremony and Celebration on August 15th. 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 www.christspeace.com, send an email to: info@christspeace.com, or call 913.773.8255.

JOIN US FOR THE ENFLAME SPARK SESSION: SHARE

We want the best for those we love, and we know that the best of life is found in relationship with Christ and His Church. But how do we share that invitation with others? Join us for Spark Session: Share on Saturday, August 14. For more information and to register, go to <https://archkck.org/adults/home/spark-session/>

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)

XAVIER SCHOOL:

We have limited enrollment available at Xavier Catholic Preschool and Extended Care. Please contact Shannon Holcomb at 913-682-1943 for more information or to schedule a tour.

Xavier Catholic School is now enrolling for CYO sports for 3/4th grade girls volleyball, 5/6th girls volleyball, 7/8th grade girls volleyball, and 3-8th grade boys and girls cross country. For more information or to register please visit <https://leavenworthcatholicschools.org/student-life/athletics/280-cyo/798-cyo>.

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

WHY BE CATHOLIC? We are asked many questions that we may not know the answers to. Have you been saved? How do we know that God even exists? Why are we here? Are we just the result of a random accident which began the creation of the universe and then later developed? Do you have a personal relationship with Christ? If you want to learn more about the answers to these questions please come to the Patrick Madrid conference on **August 28th**. Patrick Madrid is a nationally recognized author, speaker, and radio host Date: Saturday, August 28, 2021 Location: Lyon County Fairgrounds, Anderson Building, Emporia, KS Cost: \$10 admission Time: Check-in 8:00 am (Includes Continental Breakfast) Sessions: 9 am-4 pm Catered Luncheon (Free-Will donation) *Register by August 22nd* at Eventbrite.com (Search “Patrick Madrid-Why Be Catholic?” for tickets) Questions: Call (620) 475-3767

IMMERSION WEEKEND: We felt like we did when we were first married!" The Living in Love retreat is back in person and better than ever! Now called the Weekend Immersion offered by our friends at “EverMore in Love,” this weekend will help married couples experience the wonder of being more in love. A great way to start off the new school year! **August 28-29** at Mother Teresa in Topeka OR **October 2-3** at St. Joseph in Shawnee More information, other dates and special coupon code for our Archdiocese found at www.archkck.org/livinginlove

SCHOOL OF LOVE “BIG DATE” 2021 BENEFIT

The Big Date (formerly “Amore”) is SL’s biggest fundraiser - & celebration – of the year. This year we are having it the week SL turns 10! So, we want to pack the event with all of you: participants, donors, & friends from the past decade... & many new friends too. It will be a blast. Please join us: 6PM Sat. Sept 18 at 103rd & Mastin St – Overland Park • Dinner & Drinks • Friends & Social • Program & Live Auction • Stand Up Comedy & Live Music After-Party • \$1 Tickets! (registration required) Please refer to the attached flyer (below) for more information regarding the School of Love 2021 “BIG DATE” Benefit.

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.

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>

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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www.schooloflovekc.com/thebigdate