

WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH – ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

“Two Churches, One Parish”

Growing as Disciples of Jesus; Making Disciples for Jesus
Second Sunday of Easter – April 24, 2022

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

TUES	Apr. 26	06:00 pm	STL	Parishioners of SJ-SL
Adoration will follow Mass until 7:30 p.m. - CANCELLED				
THUR	Apr. 28	06:00 pm	SJV	Parishioners of SJ-SL
SAT	April 30	05:00 pm	SJV	Irene Schmidling †
SUN	May 1	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As of 12 May 2021, all archdiocesan safety protocols relating to COVID-19 are rescinded.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, Rose Baranko, Joe Brose, Judy Brose, Jennifer Brushwood, Carl Davidson, George Dean, Carolyn DeMaranville, Gail DeMaranville-Zule, Vince Eimer, Tom Flack, Anna Foster, Tina Gaspard, Karen Gray, Alan Halstead, Patti Harris, Marly Heim, Jim Heintzelman, Lydia Heintzelman, Melanie Herken, Jon Highfill, Trista Highfill, Mark Hund, Michael Jones, Elmer Karczewski, Phillip Leon, Kelly Long, Joyce Lowe, Mary Meinert, Jeni Mettelstedt, Charles Mullins, Don Navinsky, Kay Nocktonick, Dannie Phillips, Lonnie Dean Phillips Jr., Adam Pineau, Mike Pursel, Mary M. Ruhlman, Charlie Schletzbaum, Tanner Siebenmorgen, Julie Simonis, Jim (Poly) Sloan, Gary Stafford, Aaron Welch, Pat Wilson, Louise Wistuba and Nick Yuska.

Prayer List for Our Soldiers: ARMY: CPT Daniel Broaddus, Pvt. David Crook, Lexi (Skaggs) Hargis, Major Bryan Herken, SGT Colby Seifert, William Stradley. AIRFORCE: E-4 Robert W. Herken, TSgt Scott Loecher, E-3 Connor Schuler, A1C Noah Tattershall. NAVY: YNSC (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 April 9-10 was \$1,352 including \$50 for utilities, \$25 for Catholic Relief, and \$30 for SJV cemetery. Collection for Holy Week was \$2,348 including \$25 for utilities, \$380 for SL Cemetery, and \$100 for Catholic Charities and \$153.20 for the Holy Land. Online donations were \$344.60. Thank you for your generosity!

REMINDER: ALTAR SERVER TRAINING will be held today, April 24, 2022, at 10am (following Mass) at St Lawrence Catholic Church, Easton KS. For further info, please contact: Robert Leach, Email: rpleach90@gmail.com or phone/text: 913-306-4416.

SECOND COLLECTION will be held this weekend of April 24th for Catholic Home Missions Appeal (CHMA). Your generous donations are greatly appreciated.

ST. LAWRENCE CEMETERY: Cemeteries pay for upkeep, such as mowing, re-setting of cemetery stones that are falling, maintaining the drive into the cemetery, etc. St. Lawrence Cemetery funds are getting drastically low. Please consider a donation to help them keep the cemetery grounds beautiful.

THANK YOU! Our Parish has received a note from Leavenworth Catholic Charities thanking our parishioners for the 26 pounds of food and hygiene products that were donated last month. This will help them serve 845 individuals in the community. Thank you for your generosity.

LIONS CLUB COMMITTEE for May 5 - Chairman Karen Logan, Angela Broaddus, Peggy Clark and Brenda Langley.

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

MASS SERVER COORDINATOR VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: POC: Kevin Heim @ 913-271-1900.

PARISH DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (DRE): POC: Jason Nichols, phone: 913-683-2661 or email: jnichols@dfamilik.com OR Sharon Wagner, phone: 913-683-4495 or email: w5cattle@aol.com.

LECTOR'S AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: POC: Sharon Wagner at w5cattle@aol.com or 913-683-4495 if you would like to become or continue as a lector or Eucharistic minister.

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 2022-2023 academic year or Catholic camp attendance during summer 2022. 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 May 1, 2022.** Please visit the link or QR code, which should both take a user to the application form.

Link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdqSvarMr3FOZJqIVdG-p2d2sVrNPLce7Hcp1FsCQmyEP4YKq/viewform?usp=sf_link



OTHER NEWS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

SACRED HEART-ST. CASIMIR PARISH ANNUAL GARAGE & BAKE SALE will be Saturday, April 30th from 8 am to 2 pm at the Sacred Heart Parish Hall Basement, 1405 2nd Avenue, Leavenworth.

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 for tuition up to \$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 May 1, 2022.**

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA LITTLE FLOWER CIRCLE - Come help celebrate Mary's Holy Hour on Saturday, **May 7th**, 10:00 AM at MDHN Church (Chapel), 911 SW Clay St.. Deacon Chris Seago will officiate. Following the Rosary there will be an auditors meeting in the Parish Hall. If you have any questions call Chancellor Gen Orozco at 785-213-0374.

ST. ISIDORE FEAST DAY MASS AND BLESSING OF SEEDS AND SOIL with Archbishop Joseph Naumann Sunday, **May 15th** at 10:00am. Join us for a day in honor of St. Isidore, the patron saint of farmers, on his feast day. The day will begin with Mass with Archbishop Joseph Naumann followed by a rosary procession to the Saint Isidore Shrine. Bring seeds and soil in a small, decorated basket to be placed at the altar for blessing. The day will end with lunch and a time of fellowship. A free-will offering will be taken up to support the center. To attend, send an email to: info@christspeace.com or call 913.773.8255 to let us know how many people will be attending.

ATTENTION! COUPLES CELEBRATING THEIR 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY IN 2022 Archdiocesan 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration **June 12, 2022**, 2:30 pm, Church of the Nativity/Leawood To receive your invitation from Archbishop Naumann, please call the parish office and give us your name, address, phone number and date of your wedding. Please do this as soon as possible.

PRO-LIFE ANSWERS TO FALSE PRO-CHOICE ARGUMENTS (PART VI): "There are other issues just as important as abortion such as the homelessness, health care, poverty and the economy." This philosophy is generally advanced by two groups of people. The first group is closet pro-abortionists who fully realize that abortion is terribly wrong and want to avoid revealing their position on abortion. The other group is luke-warm pro-lifers who are looking for some way to justify their own inaction on abortion, or more often, to justify voting for a pro-abortion politician. By equating abortion with other social ills, they are both attempting to neutralize the abortion issue and silence pro-lifers.

To expose what a scam this really is, just ask one of these people if they would ever vote for a white supremacist on the basis that race is just "one of many issues". Obviously, there is no denying that America faces many societal problems. However, if abortion is the taking of human life----which most definitely it is and even the most die-hard advocates of abortion have to admit----then our country is engaged in the largest holocaust in history. To suggest that the wholesale slaughter of approximately 60 million children (since 1973) ----a number which increases by more than 3,000 each day----is even in the same universe as tax policy, or homelessness, or poverty, or any other issue is both heartless and indefensible. Indeed, for someone who claims to be a Christian to make such a statement is pornographic.

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)

RUNNIN' WITH THE REVS TOPEKA GAME, All are invited to cheer on their favorite priest or student player at the Runnin' With the Revs basketball game on Monday, **April 25th** at 7pm at Hayden High School. Priests will be teamed up with 8th grade and high school students from our Catholic schools in an exciting game of basketball. Bring your family and friends to enjoy this fun event. Donations collected will benefit our seminarians.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE WEEKEND FRIDAY, APRIL 29 – SUNDAY, MAY 1 Savior Pastoral Center Beginning Experience Weekend for persons who are separated, divorced or widowed. This program helps men and women work through the grief process associated with the end of a marriage and move into the future with new hope. For more information go to beginningexperiencekc.org or contact Maria Meli at 913-314-9844.

REVIVE-CAMP TEKAKWITHA'S ANNUAL WOMEN'S RETREAT: Do you hunger to grow in relationship with the living Christ, and want to develop holy friendships with other women? This is a weekend for you! Here you will find the space to relax, rejuvenate and reconnect. This is a retreat for all women 21-100. There will be speakers that inspire you, Sacraments that draw you into the heart of Christ, and time for fellowship with other women, free time, friendship, laughter, and joy. Come enjoy the beauty of God's creation at Prairie Star Ranch and the gift of sharing life with other women seeking the heart of Jesus. Retreat starts at 6:00 pm on Friday **April 29**, and ends at 1:00 pm on Sunday **May 1**. Cost for the Retreat: • Early Bird Registration (before February 15): \$225 • Registration after February 15: \$250 • Full Time Student: \$200 To register, go to: <https://archkck.org/camp-tekakwitha-womens-retreat/>

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER EXPERIENCE: Come! . . . Arise my love, my beautiful one, and come! For see the winter is past, the rains are 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 Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience, will be **April 29 - May 1, 2022**, at Savior Pastoral Center in Kansas City, Kansas. For more information, visit the website at www.WWME.org, and follow us on Facebook. To apply for the weekend you can go online or call/email Deacon Tony & Barb Zimmerman at 816-741-4066, tonybarbz@prodiqy.net

FAMILY DAY AT PRAIRIE STAR RANCH Prairie Star Ranch is offering you the chance to step away and enter into a day of prayer, adventure, outdoor activities, and a time to reconnect. Families, friends, and communities are invited to join us on Saturday, **May 7th** from 9am to 5pm! Opportunities include Horseback Riding, Canoeing, Ropes Activities, and time for prayer. The experience will culminate with the celebration of a Saturday Vigil Mass in our beautiful St. Kateri Chapel. All ages are welcome to this come-and-go as you please event! Register online now or contact the Team at Prairie Star Ranch. www.archkck.org/ranch -- 785-746-5693 - psrministry@archkck.org

FINISH FAITHFUL CONFERENCE: Saturday, **May 14, 2022**, 9 am – 1 pm, Holy Spirit parish - 11300 W 103rd St, Overland Park, KS 66214. Four engaging speakers and topics on estate and end-of-life planning; practical and spiritual. Free boxed lunch. Visit archkck.org/finishfaithful-registration for agenda and online registration.

FAMILY WEEK AT BENEDICTINE COLLEGE: It's a dynamic seven days of deep and engaging talks, fellowship, prayer, and fun activities for the whole family. **May 22-28th**. In the mornings, couples explore topics and strategies relating to marriage and family while the kids participate in fun activities and faith formation. Afternoons and evenings will include many opportunities for quality fun and formative family time. For more details or to register: www.benedictine.edu/FamilyWeek.

FATHER KAPAUN PILGRIMAGE: WALKING THE PATH TO HEAVEN: From **June 1st through the 5th**, the Office of Evangelization and Catholic Formation for Youth will take high school students and their chaperones on the Fr. Emil Kapaun 60 mile Pilgrimage from Wichita to Pilsen. Will the 60-mile trek be hard? No doubt! But, the opportunity to disconnect from the noise and participate in daily Mass, guided reflection, group prayer, and reconciliation, will open the door to growing in relationship with Jesus Christ and discovering His plan for you to advance in holiness. For more information and to register go to <https://archkck.org/youth-ministry/father-kapaun-pilgrimage/> or contact Rick Cheek at youth2@archkck.org.

BCYC ENCOUNTER (BENEDICTINE COLLEGE YOUTH CONFERENCE): **July 17-19--** Teens will learn to pray from the Monks of St. Benedict's Abbey, hear Catholic speakers, and encounter an experience that is meaningful to make prayer and their faith accessible and relatable to teens today. Contact at youthoutreach@benedictine.edu/BCYC or call 913-360-7406.

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 8**), please pick up a baby bottle to fill with loose change or bills, and return the bottles to church by Father's Day (**June 19**). Or, to donate online, visit www.wyandottepregnancyclinic.org. Your participation will make a profound difference in the lives of the women they serve and WILL save lives!

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>

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How many times does not Holy Mother Church tell us that our life on this earth is a journey? This earth is not our lasting home. God created us for a higher, a much more perfect home, our home in heaven with the joy of God. --Servant of God Emil Kapaun

The Father Kapaun Pilgrimage

Walking the Path to Heaven, June 1-5, 2022



Are you a weary servant? Do you feel burdened, broken or in a spiritual rut? Let's go on a journey together. **WORTH** be hard? YES, but rewarding. Daily Mass, reconciliation and a time to grow in your Love for Jesus.

Cost: \$55.00 Registration Opens March 15, 2022

Register at www.archkck.org/youth-ministry/father-kapaun-pilgrimage

We will travel June 1 to Church of the Magdalen to stay overnight in preparation for the first day.

Start: Church of the Magdalen, 12626 E. 21st St. N., Wichita, KS 67206, on Thursday.
 Pilgrimage begins with Mass at 6 am.
 First Day: 22 Miles to McNeil farm, 2 miles north of Whitewater.
 Second Day: 14 Miles to Peabody Park
 Third Day: 16 Miles to Knappe Farm, US-56 and Remington Road
 Fourth Day: 8 Miles to Plover, Father Kapaun Day-Mass at 11:00 am

Pilgrimage: a journey, often into an unknown or foreign place, where a person goes in search of new or expanded meaning about self, others and God.



Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas

50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration

Sunday, June 12th, 2:30 pm
 Church of the Nativity

To receive your invitation, see details below:



If you are celebrating your 50th Wedding Anniversary in the year 2022 and would like to take part in the **Archdiocesan 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration, please call the parish office.**

Please give us your name, address, phone number and wedding date **as soon as possible.**

The Archdiocesan Marriage & Family Life Office will send each couple a formal invitation from Archbishop Naumann.

Marriage & Family Life Office
 Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas
 12615 Parallel Parkway
 Kansas City, KS 66109
 913-647-0345
 E-mail: flifsec@archkck.org

PRAIRIE STAR RANCH
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FAMILY DAY

RETURNS

MAY 7TH

1124 CALIFORNIA RD WILLIAMSBURG, KS
 FOR INFORMATION: 785-746-5693

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Christ's Peace House of Prayer

An Archdiocesan Retreat Center - 22131 Meagher Road - Easton, KS

Sunday, May 15, 2022

10am Mass with Archbishop Joseph Naumann
 Blessing of Seeds and Soil
 Procession to Saint Isidore and Maria Shrine
 Followed by lunch and fellowship.

Bring seeds and soil in a small decorated basket to be placed at the altar for blessing.

Feast of Saint Isidore
Patron Saint of Farmers

To you, O Lord, we pray and pray: bless this sprouting seed, strengthen it in the gentle movement of soft winds, refresh it with the dew of heaven, and let it grow to full maturity for the good of body and soul.

RSVP: 913-773-8255 or info@christspeace.com

CAMP KATERI TEKAKWITHA 2022

Family and faith are two of the most important things in all of our lives. Family Camp celebrates both of these through their adventure activities like climbing a rock wall, horses, canoeing, and archery; community building with other families; and formation experiences. Your family will live together in an air-conditioned cabin, and will enjoy family-style meals throughout the weekend. On July 15-17 we welcome Spanish speaking families to enjoy family camp and our adult formation sessions and large group activities will be in Spanish. Take time to enjoy your precious loved ones away from the busyness of everyday life. For more information and to register go to: <https://archkck.org/camp/camps/family-camp/>.

We are excited to announce that Camp Tekakwitha Registration is opening soon!

Come join us in faith, fun, and friends down at Camp Kateri Tekakwitha in 2022! Camp has always been a place of adventure activities combined with powerful, spiritual, and unique encounters with God.

We look forward to spending time with you. Visit www.archkck.org/camp for more information and camp availability.

Sr High is for campers entering 9th-12th Grade Fall 2022.

HS Max	\$455	June 20-25
HS Extreme	\$535	July 25-Aug 2

Jr High is for campers entering 7th/8th Grade Fall of 2022

J-high 1	\$450	June 6-11
J-high 2	\$450	June 27-July 2
J-high 3	\$450	July 18-23

Kateri is for campers entering 5th/6th Grade Fall of 2022.

Kateri Session 1	\$290	June 3-5
Kateri Session 2	\$290	June 13-15
Kateri Session 3	\$290	July 11-13

FAMILY CAMPS.

Cost - \$150 per camper 2yrs of age and older

Family Camp (Special Needs) June 17-19*

Family Camp July 8-10

Spanish Family Camp July 15-17**

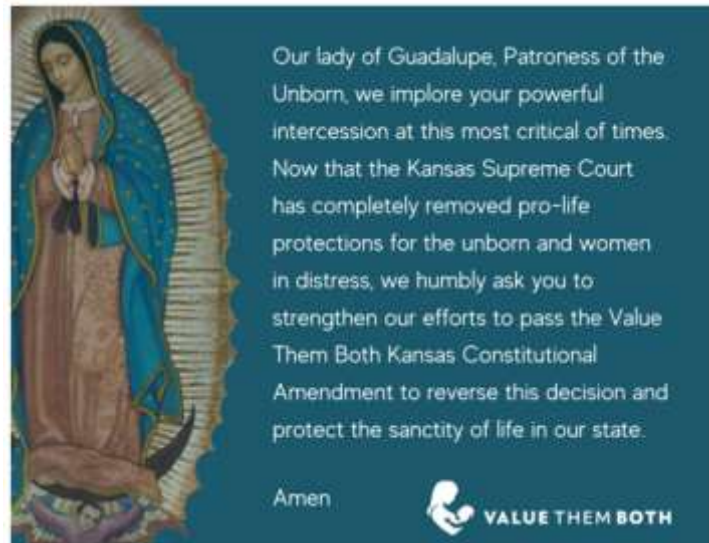
*Trained staff available this weekend to help families with special needs campers. All families welcome!

** Bienvenidas las familias hispano parlantes (Welcoming Spanish speaking families)

VOTER REGISTRATION FOR THE AUGUST 2ND PRIMARY ELECTION The Church is allowed to engage in lobbying and advocacy for a constitutional amendment such as the Value Them Both Amendment, and Catholics are called to put their faith into action through the exercise of their rights and duties as participants in our democracy. **Election Day is Tuesday, August 2nd with advance voting beginning July 13.** Anyone who is 18 by August 2nd and is registered to vote can vote. **The deadline to register to vote is Tuesday, July 12th.** You can register at www.kdor.ks.gov/Apps/VoterReg. Please check to be sure you are registered and register if you: • Recently turned 18 or will turn 18 by August 2nd 2022 • Recently moved or had a name change • Have not voted in recent elections

WHY SUPPORT THE VALUE THEM BOTH KANSAS CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT? Few people realize that Kansas is already becoming an abortion destination - a “haven state” for abortion access. The abortion rate in Kansas is up almost 10% in the latest data released by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE). For the first time ever, more than half of all Kansas abortions are being performed on women coming to Kansas from surrounding states. The abortion industry projects that if Roe v. Wade is overturned and Kansas does NOT pass Value Them Both, the abortion rate in Kansas will skyrocket by 1300% to more than 100,000. Let’s not allow our state to become a destination for abortion; let’s make Kansas a destination for Life! Vote YES for Value Them Both on August 2nd. Visit www.ValueThemBoth.com to learn more.

Our Respect Life efforts go far beyond Value Them Both. Let others know about all of the support resources available to women challenged by an unplanned pregnancy, or women who have been hurt by an abortion. Go to www.archkck.org/prolife to learn more.



Join the Memorare Army for the passage of the Value Them Both Amendment. The most important action we can take to help pass the Value Them Both Amendment is to turn to prayer, and asking Our Mother to intercede for us is effective and powerful. Mother Teresa formed the first “Memorare Army” years ago, and Archbishop Naumann and Benedictine College have both been longtime fans of this prayer campaign. There are 100 days between Divine Mercy Sunday and the Value Them Both vote. If 1,000 Kansans commit to praying 10 Memorares each day from **April 25th to August 2nd**, 1 million Memorares will be prayed for the successful passage of the amendment. If you would like to join this powerful prayer campaign, please register at www.archkck.org/VTBMemorareArmy **before April 25th**. Thank you for your support!

The Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary,
that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection,
implored thy help, or sought thy intercession, was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother.
To thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful.

O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions,
but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen