23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Next Sunday, September 11th, at the 9:00 am Mass, Archbishop Naumann will be here to officially install me as your pastor.

In his homily I am expecting that the Archbishop will reflect on who a pastor is, what he must strive to do, and what parishioners might do in return. After the homily, there will come the presentation of the pastor to the parish leadership. Following this, the Archbishop will address me with these words:

"Remember, my brother, always be a loving father, a gentle shepherd, and a wise teacher of your people, so that you may lead them to Christ who will strengthen all that you do."

After this point in the rite, the new pastor leads the congregation in the profession of faith and then he himself will make an oath of fidelity. I hope that I will always lead you to and connect with Christ.

So I would greatly appreciate your prayers that I may indeed be a loving father, a gentle shepherd, and wise teacher.

Father Bill

PS: Right after the Installation Mass there will be a reception with donuts, rolls, and coffee cake in the parish hall.

COLLECTION: Thank you for your gifts to our parish! Collection amount for the past 2 weeks: \$3927, to include \$100 Hall rent; \$321 Utilities, \$50 Mass stipends, \$105 Memorials and \$20 SJV Cemetery. Online donations were \$269.57 Thank you for your generosity!

THE POPE'S SPECIAL INTENTION: Abolition of the Death Penalty. We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

PARISH PRAYER TEAM: We want to build up a team of several individuals in the parish who will commit themselves to pray every single day for the needs of others, as expressed to us through word of mouth, email, or via our webpage. MASSES THIS WEEK:
Sat, Sept. 3, 5:00 pm Mass, SJV Helen Karczewski ≠ Dan Karczewski ≠
Sun, Sept. 4, 9:00 am Mass, STL For the People of the Parish
Tues, Sept. 6, 6:00 pm Mass, STL For the People of the Parish
Thurs, Sept. 8, 6:00 pm Mass, SJV C. J. Kroll ≠
Sat, Sept. 10, 5:00 pm Mass, SJV Bernard & JoAnne Payeur ≠
Sun, Sept. 11 9:00 am Mass, STL For the People of the Parish

These prayerful parishioners will continue what our ancient ancestors did way back in biblical days. Abraham, Moses, Ezekiel all prayed to God in intercession for others. Many times Saint Paul asked for prayers, and he himself prayed for others. Saint James says very clearly that we should "pray for one another."

As members of the Body of Christ, we are united with one another in a Holy Communion. Praying with and for other people is one of the most powerful ways to love one's neighbor, and I am often amazed at the power of prayer.

As prayer requests come to us via a tab on our webpage, Kim Sachse will forward this on to our Prayer Ministry Team via email. We will also lift up those regularly mentioned in our bulletin: the sick, those serving in the armed forces, and Brother Seelos Lunsford who is in formation in the religious life.

If you feel called to join this Prayer Ministry, please contact me at *Fr.Wm.McEvoy*@gmail.com.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (CCD)

UPDATE: Although the bussing schedules are not quite finalized, we are going forward with our plans to have CCD for grades 1-5 on Wednesday afternoons. Class would be from 4pm until 5:15pm.

We have teachers for Grades 6-8, but we are in serious need of teachers for the other grades. We all agree that giving our children a strong spiritual life is the greatest gift we can give them. Sharing our beautiful Catholic faith with children is one of the most important and rewarding things you may ever do. You do not need to be an experienced teacher or a church scholar. The text and workbooks are excellent and you will get lots of help. Please consider helping with this important work. If you have questions or are willing to volunteer, contact Linda Heim 913-306-8881.

SECOND COLLECTION: will be held this weekend of **Sept.** 4th for the Catholic University of America. We appreciate your generosity.

CORPUS CHRISTI PICNIC,

celebrating their 165th anniversary will be **Sept. 11.** Mass at 10:00 am, with Chicken/Hamburger or Hotdog Dinner following. Bingo and other festivities.

THANK YOU: The new sound system at St. Joseph of the Valley Church was greatly needed. Special thanks to Herman and Kim Sachse, who made a substantial donation for this important project. *Father Bill*

XAVIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL: Our Xavier Preschool at St. Francis de Sales is looking for help on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. A volunteer is needed in the classroom from 8:00-11:00 a.m. to help the classroom teacher with outdoor play and other activities as needed. Please contact Shannon Holcomb, Preschool Director, at 913-682-1943 if you are interested in one or both days.

Xavier Catholic Preschool is pleased to begin the Catechism of the Good Shepherd this Fall. We need several donated items to build our Atrium. If you have any of the following items available, please bring them to the preschool office located at 1409 2nd Ave in Leavenworth between the hours of 9 AM - 3 PM. We are looking for small pitchers for pouring, small glasses for pouring, trays, small vases, small live plants, and small garden shears.

THANK YOU! Our parish received a Thank You note from Leavenworth Catholic Charities for the 38 pounds of food and personal hygiene donated during the month of July. This helped them serve 1015 individuals during July. Thank you for your generosity.

SAVE THE DATE. Our annual Parish Clean-Up Day will be Saturday, October 22nd at 8:00am at both St. Joseph and of the Valley and St. Lawrence sites.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES: Please prayerfully consider volunteering for one of the following: Music/Cantors: Contact Karen Logan at 913-683-2406 or *kjunebugl@yahoo.com.*

Mass Server Coordinator Volunteer Opportunity: Contact: Kevin Heim @ 913-271-1900.

Lectors And Eucharistic Ministers: Contact Sharon Wagner at w5cattle@aol.com or 913-683-4495.

SAVE THE DATE! You are invited to the 40th Anniversary Thanksgiving Mass of Priestly Ordination for Rev. Fr. Francis Bakyor on **Dec. 18th** at 1:00 pm at the Immaculate Conception Parish, 606 S. Elm St, Louisburg, KS 66053. RSVP: 913-235-6837.

CEF SCHOLARSHIP DRIVE: would appreciate your help by making a tax-deductible gift to the CEF Scholarship Drive today.



BIRTHRIGHT is looking for Volunteers who can give approximately 3 hours per week or every other week. For more info, call Margaret McNamee 913-991-7660 or Birthright at 913-682-2700. Both meetings are required to volunteer:

Birthright Information Night, an

introductory meeting, **Sept. 8**, 7 pm, Leavenworth Public Library East Meeting Room.

Birthright Volunteer Training Day, **Sept. 10**, 9am-4pm, Birthright Center, 221A Delaware.

ENCOUNTERING ONE'S DEEPEST

CENTER RETREAT: Christ's Peace House of Prayer 22131 Meager Rd., Easton Friday, **September 9th** at 5:30pm – Sunday, **September 11th** at 4:30pm. To attend, fill out the Individual Retreat Form at *ChristsPeace.com*.

DISCERNMENT RETREAT FOR YOUNG WOMEN: Bethany Night, Sept 17 from 5:30 pm-8 pm. Love's Reply, Sept. 18th from 9 am to 4 pm. Held at St. James Academy, Lenexa. Contact the Vocation Office at 913-647-3646 or vocation@archkck.org

FINISH FAITHFUL CONFERENCE will be held **Sept. 17th** at St. Benedict's Catholic School, Atchison from 9:15-1:00 pm For more info: *archkck.org/finishfaithful-registration* or Terri Lynn, 913-647-0365.

GRIEF SHARE AND DIVORCE CARE:

Groups offer help and encouragement. To register, call Janet Beverley, LSCSW, at 913-558-4885 or visit: *kcnativity.org/divorcecare-griefshare.*

MONTHLY PRO-LIFE PRAYER TO END ABORTION: To be held on the 3rd Friday night of each month, beginning Sept. 16th. Adoration to start at 7 pm, until 8 am. (Sept 17th) with Mass, followed by walk/prayer until 10 am. Contact Christ the King office to sign up for a slot. 913-287-8823 or contact @ctkkck.org.

PRAY THE ROSARY WITH ARCHBISHOP NAUMANN. Join us in prayer in front of Planned Parenthood, 6013 Leavenworth Rd, KCK on Sept. 24th 9am-10 am. Contact Ron Kelsey at ronkelsey10@gmail.com. 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.

PRAYER LIST: If you would like to have a name added or removed from our prayer list, please contact Kim Sachse. Our Parish Prayer Ministers invite you to join them in praying for the following: Phil Bell, Joe Brose, Judy Brose, Jennifer Brushwood, Carl Davidson, George Dean, Carolyn DeMaranville, Gail DeMaranville-Zule, Vince Eimer, Tom Flack, Anna Foster, Tina Gaspard, Glen Goodland, 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, Mary M. Ruhlman, Charlie Schletzbaum, Tanner Siebenmorgen, Julie Simonis, Jim (Poly) Sloan, Gary Stafford, 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, FSSP (Tyler Lunsford).

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Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm at St. Joseph of the Valley Church Sunday Morning Mass 9:00 am at St. Lawrence Church

Confessions are heard 30 minutes before the weekend Masses or by appointment

Weekday Masses: Tuesday evening 6:00 pm at St. Lawrence Church Thursday evening 6:00 pm at St. Joseph of the Valley Church

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