HOT BREAKFAST AFTER THE 9am MASS NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 8TH.

THANK YOU! Christmas was beautifully celebrated at our parish, and I hope you were able to enjoy the holy days with family and friends. Thanks to all who worked so hard to make our Masses so inspiring and our churches so beautiful and festive. A celebration truly fit for a King! And very special thanks to those who withstood the bitter cold and shoveled and salted the sidewalks and steps so we would all be safe.

I am very grateful for your prayers and best wishes, and for your thoughtful cards and gracious gifts —along with the cookies and candy!

I pray that 2023 overflows with God's abundant blessings, with good health and happiness, upon you and your family. Please know of my sincere and heartfelt appreciation for your generosity to your parish and for welcoming me into the St. Joseph - St. Lawrence family.

Father Bill

THE POPE'S SPECIAL INTENTION:

For educators. We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

COLLECTION: Thank you for your gifts to our parish! Collection amount for last week was a total of \$2,611, including \$2000 for hall rent and \$3 for utilities. Catholic Charities was \$670. Online donations were \$169.57. Thank you for your generosity!

XAVIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL:

Enrollment for the 2023-24 school year will open soon. Please call 913-682-7801 to schedule a tour today and discover the Xavier Difference!

CCD NEWS: Please note, we will resume CCD Classes for grades 6, 7

MASSES THIS WEEK:

Sat, Dec. 31, 5:00 pm Mass, SJV
For the People of the Parish
Sun, Jan. 1, 9:00 am Mass, STL
For the People of the Parish
Tues, Jan. 3, 6:00 pm Mass, STL
Intention of the Celebrant
Thurs, Jan. 5, 6:00 pm Mass, SJV
Intention of the celebrant
Sat, Jan. 7, 5:00 pm Mass, SJV
For the People of the Parish
Sun, Jan. 8, 9:00 am Mass, STL
Richard Heim &
Donald & Sam Ernzen &

8 on **January 8th** and grades K-5 on **January 11th**. We look forward to seeing our students soon!

The Confirmation class will do the reading and offertory on **January 15**th.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING is 7pm on Wednesday January 4th at Bertels Hall. If you are a Catholic male 18 years or over, you are encouraged to join the Knights of Columbus. Contact. For more information contact Aaron Welch at realcav17@gmail.com or 785-370-9737.

LIONS CLUB MEETING - Jan. 5th at 7:00 P.M. Chairman Debbie Ernzen-Kris Beying, Lori Simmons and Evelyn Wagner.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES at SJV-STL:

Clean St. Lawrence Church once a month: Contact: Debbie Ernzen (913) 683-2530 or Tracy Wagner (913) 775-2064.

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.

NEW YEAR SPIRITUAL REFLECTION AND PLANNING

RETREAT: Christ's Peace House of Prayer, 22131 Meager Rd., Easton, Friday, Jan. 6th at 5:30pm – Sunday, Jan. 8th at 4:30pm. Join us for our Annual New Year's Spiritual Reflection and Planning Retreat. Set aside time at the beginning of the new year to create growth goals and devise steps to reach your goals. The structure of

the retreat will allow ample time for you to do work on your plan; we will provide resources and ideas to incorporate in your plan. Please bring your own personal items that will aid in the process such as: bible, notebook, agenda, journal, catechism, laptop (if this helps you plan better), etc. Cabins/Courtyard Rooms: \$170, Single/\$250 Couple or Single Guest Rooms: \$100 (Meals Included). To attend, fill out the Retreat Reservation Form at *ChristsPeace.com*

SHROUD OF TURIN PRESENTATION: will be held Jan. 8th at 3:00 pm at Immaculate Conception Church, Miege Hall, 711 N. 5th St, LVN. The Shroud of Turin is believed by many to be the cloth in which Jesus Christ was buried in. Join us to hear about the shroud and see a full sized facsimile. Free will offering.

RETREAT FOR NEWLY MARRIED COUPLES: Couples married 0-7 years are welcome to join the First Seven Fellowship at Queen of the Holy Rosary in Overland Park for a Weekend Immersion retreat: Jan. 21-22. For more information go to: archkck.org/livinginlove. Scholarships available! Contact Brad DuPont: bdupont@archkck.org

ARCHDIOCESAN MARCH FOR LIFE DC ADULT TRIP - JAN 19-22: Join other adults from the Archdiocese, and thousands from across the country, to pray and march for unborn children at the National March for Life in DC. Participants will make their own travel arrangements to DC then join in community for the Rally & March for Life as well as several prayer opportunities with Archbishop Naumann. For more information and to reserve a room in the Archdiocesan block of hotel rooms, visit https://archkck.org/national-march-forlife.

ALL ARE INVITED – 49TH CATHOLIC CHARITIES SNOW BALL

benefitting Catholic Charities Foundation of Northeast Kansas.To be held at the Overland Park Convention Center on **Jan. 21**. For more information about the event or to register visit: https://snowballgala.org DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA LITTLE FLOWER CIRCLE: The next meeting will be Jan. 22, at 12:40 PM in Yadrich Hall at Christ the King Parish, 5972 SW 25th St. For more info, please contact Diana Ortiz at 785-554-4256 or Chancellor Gen Orozco at 785-213-0374

KANSAS MASS, MARCH & RALLY FOR LIFE 2023: IGNITE for LIFE, Jan. 24th in Topeka! IGNITE for LIFE is the Catholic Kick-Off Rally for the Kansas March for Life. Following IGNITE, all are invited to join in the Kansas March for Life to the capitol for the Kansans for Life rally. This year, we lift our prayers and call all to serve to show we still value them both. IGNITE is sponsored by the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas.

TOTUS TUUS is now accepting applications for Summer 2023 Missionaries. Application instructions can be found on the Totus Tuus page of the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas website at https://archkck.org/family-kids/kidsteens/youth-formation/totus-tuus. If you know of anyone who would make a great missionary, please encourage them to apply.

HEALING RETREAT FOR ADULT CHILDREN OF DIVORCE: Adult children of divorced or separated parents can come find healing at the Life-Giving Wounds retreat, Feb. 24-26 at Savior Pastoral Center in Kansas City, KS. Includes insightful talks, Reconciliation/Adoration, time

for prayer and optional small groups. For more information and to register: archkck.org/LGW

PRAYER REQUESTS. From time to time special needs arise in one's life: personal or family crisis, illness, death of a loved one. One prays, of course, but our petitions are more powerful when we lift up our prayers together. The members of our parish prayer team takes time to pray every day for people's prayer requests. If you are in need of prayer, please go to SJSLparish.org, and click on the "Prayer Requests" tab to submit your petition. Your request is very soon forwarded to the prayer team who will begin that day to pray for your intentions.

POPE FRANCIS HAS ASKED US TO PRAY for Pope Emeritus Benedict, whose health has turned worse. Here is a prayer you might use. Thanks.

- Father Bill

Let us pray. Almighty and Eternal God, You are the everlasting health of those who believe in You.

Hear our prayers for your sick servant Benedict for whom we implore the aid of Your tender mercy, Through Christ our Lord. Amen. **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, Sacha Curry, 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., Betty Pierron, Adam Pineau, Krystal Roemer, Mary M. Ruhlman, Jesse Salinas, Charlie Schletzbaum, Tanner Siebenmorgen, Julie Simonis, Jim (Poly) Sloan, Gary Stafford, Rebecca VanVerth, Pat Wilson, and Nick Yuska.

Prayer List for Our Soldiers: ARMY: CPT Daniel Broaddus, Pvt. David Crook, Lexi (Skaggs) Hargis, SGT Colby Seifert, William Stradley. AIRFORCE: E-4 Robert W. Herken, TSGT Scott Loecher, E-3 Connor Schuler, A1C Noah Tattershall. NAVY: Dennis Budasz Jr., Sterling Curry, YNSC (SS) Kevin Lansing. MARINE CORPS: Drake Budasz

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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Our Sunday Funny:



"No, Father, they're not praying, They're texting."

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