

**HOT BREAKFAST
AFTER THE 9am MASS
TODAY, JANUARY 8TH.
PLEASE JOIN US!**

“Where is the newborn king of the Jews?” (Matthew 2:2) Like the wise men in the Gospel today, we seek the king. We are looking for a guiding star to bring us safely across the wildernesses of our lives. Our local parish is one of the places where this star rests.

Quietly it shines above, calling us to seek the king here. When our journey is beset with troubles, like the wise men’s journey was with Herod’s plots, we can rest with the king here. He sleeps peacefully in the manger of our tabernacle, radiating peace to all people of goodwill who have the wisdom to find him there.

There is no more reliable place to find him than there. Join us in preserving the refuge of the wise through our Archbishop’s Call to Share appeal. Through his Church, God asks you to be like Saint Joseph. Just as the angel Gabriel asked Joseph to provide a safe home for baby Jesus, so too does God ask us to support the place where his son lives vulnerably in the quiet Eucharistic bread. Work together with us, alongside Saint Joseph the Worker, to give from the gifts God gave you. Let it not be said that the star shone above a sad stable in our town. Let it be wondered that our parish is instead a “stable” filled with light! Join our Archbishop’s Call to Share appeal. Let’s ensure this place remains fit to welcome kings of the earth and heaven.

Father Bill

COLLECTION: Thank you for your gifts to our parish! Collection amount for last week unavailable. Online

MASSES THIS WEEK:

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 Erzen †

Tues, Jan. 10, 6:00 pm Mass, STL

Intention of the Celebrant

Thurs, Jan. 12, 6:00 pm Mass, SJV

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Sat, Jan. 14, 5:00 pm Mass, SJV

Anna Heintzelman †

Sun, Jan. 15, 9:00 am Mass, STL

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donations were \$370.57. Thank you for your generosity!

ONLINE GIVING IS EASY go to: SJSLparish.org and click the ONLINE GIVING tab. It only takes a few minutes to fill out the form. You may set it up to use your bank account for automatic payment, or use your card. You have benefits that’ll come from giving this way: • No need for checks. • Align your giving along with your paycheck schedule. • Flexibility when you want to changes. • You can even use your credit card to gain airline mileage, bonuses, etc. We use a service called Vanco, which utilizes the highest security standards. It’s safe and secure. Any questions? Please contact: Sara Green (913) 426-3022, sqgreen0427@gmail.com.

REST IN PEACE:

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Cathy Farney**, sister of Linda Heim.

May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

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Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Lenny Oatney**, husband of Rita.

May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

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Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Otis Burglund**, husband of Carol, grandfather of Chad Hendrix and Amy Martin.

May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

WELCOME TO Bryan and Krystal Lutgen, and their son, Asher, the newest members of our parish. We’re glad you are part of the St. Joseph-St. Lawrence family.

NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS. I was recently asked what might help someone become a stronger, more devoted Catholic in 2023. Been thinking about that, and here are 4 suggestions:

Do some daily spiritual reading.

There are so many good options these days and easily available to feed our soul. Whether it’s the Bible, or the writings of saint or spiritual author, please open something and read it. We even provide a short thought of the day via our parish Facebook page. If you want suggestions, please contact me.

Share your Catholic Faith. Of course don’t be obnoxious or overbearing when sharing your faith. Just focus on communicating the basic things like you’re getting closer to Jesus each day, knowing the Holy Communion unites you to Christ. Be positive, and make it all about Jesus.

Friday’s are special. We know that on the Fridays in Lent we don’t eat meat. I say, “big deal.” That’s very little penance. Every Friday we should remember Good Friday, the day Jesus gave His life for us on the Cross. Do something extra, or deny yourself something you will miss. Doing a little penance will make you a stronger Catholic. Also, be extra generous to your Church and be more charitable to the poor.

Go to Mass an extra time during the week. Jesus gives us daily bread, and the Mass is the source and summit of our faith. Think of a way you can arrange your schedule so that you can make it to Mass one extra day each week. We have Mass at St. Lawrence Tuesday at 6pm, and Thursday at St. Joseph of the Valley. Our daily Mass takes about 20 minutes.

-Father Bill

CCD NEWS: Please note, we will resume CCD Classes for grades 6, 7 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 15th**.

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-for-life>.

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

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

ANONYMOUS GROUP. If you have a willingness to stop drinking and/or using drugs, you have help and support. 12-Step Anonymous meetings have begun at Easton's United Methodist Church 7pm on Wednesday evenings. Contact 913-683-2271 for more information.

KEEP THIS NUMBER: Someone in your life might need this Lifeline. 988 has been designated as the new three-digit dialing code that will route callers to the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. When people call, text, or chat 988, they will be connected to trained counselors that are part of the existing Lifeline network. These trained counselors will listen, understand how their problems are affecting them, provide support, and connect them to resources if necessary.

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

Our Sunday Funny:



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