

Serving as a Reader, Communion Minister, or Acolyte during Mass serves a dual purpose: it offers practical assistance while at the same time it enriches one's spiritual life. The Mass is the highest form of worship, and active ministry benefits the individual by entering deeper into the profound union of Christ present in Word and Sacrament. If you are eager to help, please reach out to the following contacts:

Readers or Eucharistic Ministers:
Contact Sharon Wagner at w5cattle@aol.com or (913) 683-4495.

Altar Servers: Contact Robert Leach at rpleach90@gmail.com or (913) 306-4416.

We are also in need of volunteers to clean the church. Contact Debbie Ernzen at (913) 683-2530 or Tracy Wagner (913) 775-2064.

SIGNS OF LIFE: Our CCD coordinator Jessica Adelaide reported to me that we have 59 children enrolled in our K-8 religious education program. Our high school youth group has approximately 18 members. So we have 77 who are being formed in our Catholic way of life. What a blessing that is and what an opportunity we have!

Passing on the faith to our young ones is one of the most important things we do. The faith that is planted and nurtured in their hearts and minds will stay with them as they grow into adults, and it will also shape the way they will raise their own children. This is how our Catholic Family continues from one generation to the next.

We want to give a special shout-out to all our teachers who are, in fact, catechists. Catechist comes from the Greek word that means "to resound." They are passing on to the kids what they have learned themselves.

But parents, remember that you have the most important role in this. When you had your child

MASSES THIS WEEK:

Sat, Sept. 30, 5:00 pm SJV

Helen Karczewski ☩

Sun, Oct. 1, 9:00 am Mass, STL

For the People of the Parish

Tues, Oct. 3, 6:00 pm Mass, STL

Rosemary Boeckman-Kennedy ☩

Thurs, Oct. 5, 6:00 pm Mass, SJV

Ed & Rose Hand ☩

Sat, Oct. 7, 5:00 pm SJV

For the People of the Parish

Sun, Oct. 8, 9:00 am Mass, STL

Donald & Mary Gwartney ☩

baptized you made a promise to the Lord that you would bring them up in the practice of the faith. That means it's up to you to make sure your home and daily life reflect the teachings of Christ.

-Father Bill

INTERESTED? If you or someone you know might be interested in learning about what the Catholic Church believes and teaches, please contact Father Bill. It's always a joy to share with others the blessings we have in living our Catholic way of life.

FREE BREAKFAST! after the 9am Mass on Sunday, **October 8th**. Bell 4H will be serving donuts and drinks in St. Lawrence Parish Hall in recognition of National 4H.

NEW NAME FOR THE YOUTH GROUP CONTEST!! Want to have a chance to win a \$50 gift card to Cabela's? Come up with a new name for the high school youth group! Joe and Morgan will choose the winner in October! Please submit to the Instagram page or message Morgan Heim at 913-271-5236. This is open to the whole community! Thank you so much!

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION for the Month of October: For the Synod: We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

COLLECTION: Thank you for your gifts to our parish. Collections for last

week was unavailable. Online donations were \$380.65 Thank you for your generosity!

AUGUST INCOME \$24,591.60
August Expenses \$10,524.31 this includes Summerfest which had a net profit of \$8,932.35.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP meets Sunday evenings from 6-7:30pm in St. Lawrence Parish Center.

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

FALL FEST is scheduled for Saturday **November 18th**. If you have an item that you would like to donate for the raffle, please contact Sharon Wagner. Phone 9136834495 or email w5cattle@aol.com.

HUGE FALL BASEMENT SALE will be held at St Francis de Sales Parish in Lansing. We will open our doors **Oct. 6 & 7** from 8am-4pm.

ST. THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH FALL BAZAAR, 209 Third St., Perry, Ks. **October 1st**. Serving turkey and ham dinner from 11:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. Adults-- \$15.00, children under 10-- \$5.00. Silent Auction, Country Store, Raffle, Bingo, Cake Walk, Pop Toss and Beer Garden.

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NUPTIAL CHARITY RETREAT THIS OCTOBER! The retreat will explore the Holy Spirit's role in the marriage covenant. Saturday, **October 14**, 8:30 am- 4:00 pm at Benedictine College, Atchison, KS. Lunch will be provided. Cost is \$50 per couple. Find out more

and register at
benedictine.edu/NuptialCharity

CATHOLIC ADVISORS NETWORK-TOPEKA, FREE EVENT: Tuesday, **October 17**, 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at CoreFirst Bank & Trust Conference Facility, 701 SW 31st St, Topeka, Kansas 66611 RSVP online: <https://www.cfnek.org/events/estate-and-gift-planning-staples-for-changing-times-or-to-jschmitt@archkck.org> or 913- 647-3060.

MASS OF INNOCENTS: If you love a child who died before or shortly after birth, please join us for the Mass of Innocents, **October 15th**, at 1pm at Holy Spirit at 11300 W 103rd Street Overland Park. Celebrated by Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann. Please contact Brad DuPont with questions: bdupont@archkck.org (913) 647-0301.

2023 RETREATS scheduled at the Christ's Peace House of Prayer.
Oct. 13-15, The Way of a Pilgrim Silent Retreat
Oct. 27-29, Illuminating Scripture
Nov. 10-12: Living Freedom in the Church
Dec. 1-3: Advent Silent Retreat
For additional information – see: <https://archkck.org/cpp/retreats/preached-retreats>

CELEBRATING ADOPTIVE AND FOSTER MOMS: Sophia Spirituality Center (a ministry of the Benedictine Sisters of Mount St. Scholastica) 751 South 8th St. Atchison, KS 66002, **OCTOBER 8**, Sunday, 9:30 A.M.—3:00 P.M. CDT. Suggested donation: \$35

Register:
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfPg9kxUjUHLz2Jw5fvdKARu9vW90LcYUm9NFgl68OYhHuGA/viewform>

OCTOBER 2023 OFFERINGS AT SOPHIA SPIRITUALITY CENTER
They offer a number of retreats. Scholarships are always available. Learn more and register at www.sophiaspiritualitycenter.org

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 take 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.

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.

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, Vicki Bradford, Steve Bromell, Joe Brose, Judy Brose, Jennifer Brushwood, Carl Davidson, George Dean, Carolyn DeMaranville, Gail DeMaranville-Zule, Vince Eimer, Tom Flack, Anna Foster, Helen Frazier, Glen Goodland, Karen Gray, Alan Halstead, Patti Harris, Marly Heim, Jim Heintzelman, Lydia Heintzelman, Ruthie Heintzelman, Melanie Herken, Jon Highfill, Trista Highfill, Mark Hund, Michael Jones, Phillip Leon, Kelly Long, Joyce Lowe, Shauna Marshall, Mary Meinert, Jeni Mettelstedt, Charles Mullins, Don Navinsky, Leslie Navinsky, Lonnie Dean Phillips Jr., Betty Pierron, Mary M. Ruhlman, Jesse Salinas, Mary Beth Schrader, Charlie Schletzbaum, Mary Shelley, Tanner Siebenmorgen, Julie Simonis, Jim (Poly) Sloan, Gary Stafford, Chrissy Stewart, Rebecca VanVerth, and Pat Wilson.

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

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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:



"Too bad we didn't meet sooner."

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