



Parish Bulletin

July 20, 2025

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

IN THE FIRST READING, Abraham welcomes three mysterious visitors with great generosity. He doesn't just offer water and shade—he rushes to prepare a feast and treats them as honored guests. His hospitality is wholehearted and joyful. In return, one of the visitors promises that Sarah will bear a son—a sign that God's blessings often follow acts of kindness.

God often comes to us disguised in everyday moments, especially through people who cross our paths. When we welcome others with love—neighbors, guests, even strangers—we welcome God Himself. As the Letter to the Hebrews says, *"Some have entertained angels without knowing it"* (Hebrews 13:2).

This might mean that we take time to really listen to someone, help a friend in need, or show kindness to someone who feels left out. It might even mean being more generous with our time at home, treating our own family with more patience and joy.

Abraham's story encourages us to live with open hearts and open doors. When we welcome others as Abraham did, we make space not just for them—but for God's surprising grace to enter our lives. Hospitality becomes holy when we offer it with love.

-Fr. Bill

COLLECTION: Thank you for your gifts to our parish. The collection for last weekend was \$3842.00, which included \$250 Capital Campaign, \$120 Utilities, \$2176 Regular Collection, \$10

Mass Stipend, \$526 Summerfest and \$760 for Mission Coop. Online donations were \$1821.64. 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 change. • 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, sgreen0427@gmail.com.

REST IN PEACE:

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Mark Hund**.

May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

PLEASE HELP! We need any spare bedsheets that anyone might have to cover articles in St. Lawrence Church while the painting is being done. If you can help with donating any, please contact Donna Rogers @ 913-773-5530.

THANK YOU! The Leavenworth Catholic Charities has sent a Thank You to our Parish for the 59 lbs. of food that was donated during the month of June. This helped them to serve 1525 individuals last month. Again, Thank You for your continued support and generosity.

THE COFFEE CLUB will meet from 10:00 -11:00 A.M. on the first Thursday of the month, beginning August 7th, at the Easton Restaurant. Please join us for a cup of coffee or your preferred beverage. All are welcome!



SUMMERFEST 2025 is scheduled for **August 9th**. We look forward to a great event where our parish can socialize and share a delicious chicken dinner from 4-7 pm. **Mass will be celebrated at 5 pm at St. Lawrence on Aug. 9th. (Note: there will be NO 5 pm Mass at St. Joseph of the**

Valley, that weekend only). Activities will begin around 6 pm, to include children's games, silent auction, bingo and country store!

VOLUNTEERS – WE NEED YOU!

– please sign up for your choice of work and times of shifts – we need kitchen help – setup, meal prep, serving, picking up/washing, serving cakes/pies, drinks, Beer Garden, Selling Tickets, Country Store, Bingo. There is an on-line signup sheet with the link on the parish website and Facebook page. You can also go to this website:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0F49AFA72BA0FB6-57496586-summerfest>

Please consider volunteering a small amount of time to the success of SummerFest. If you have trouble with the above web link, please email Sharon Wagner (w5cattle@aol.com) or call (913-683-4495) with the desired time and area you would like to help.

SETUP will start Friday night, Aug. 8th at 6:00 pm. If you could donate a few hours – it would be greatly appreciated!

RAFFLE TICKETS: Raffle tickets are available at the back of each church. We are asking each family to sell a minimum of 30 tickets. Get a chance for some great prizes – only \$1 for each chance! Prizes are: \$500 Cash, \$200 Cash, Handmade lap quilt, \$50 Gift Card to Hilltop Market and \$50 Gift Card to Easton Cafe.

BINGO PRIZES: Please help make Summerfest a success! Please donate one child's prize and one adult prize for Bingo (\$10-\$20 value), can be toys, games. Gift cards and cash are welcome too! Prizes can be left at the back of each church or brought to St. Lawrence Hall on Friday night or the day of the event. POC-Linda Heim.

KIDS GAMES: We ask that each CCD family donate two 2-liter bottles of soda for the Pop Toss. These can be left at the back of each church.

CAKES/PIES: We need those wonderful home-made desserts our Parish is well known for! Please bring them either Friday night or the day of the event.

SILENT AUCTION: We are looking for theme baskets, gift cards, and other great items to include in this event. Please drop your donated items off at the hall starting Friday evening. POC-Kenny and Julie Eastburn.

FROM HURT TO HEALING: ENCOUNTERING GOD'S MERCY THROUGH FORGIVENESS will be held **August 15th - 17th** at Christ's Peace House of Prayer. You will explore the healing power of forgiveness and take steps toward inner peace and reconciliation. An additional \$25 materials fee applies. Register at: <https://archkck.org/cpp/reservations/individual-retreat/>

ST. AUGUSTINE: CONFESSIONS

I BURNED FOR YOUR PEACE

Will be held **August 22nd - 24th** at Christ's Peace House of Prayer.

As we celebrate the newly elected Pope Leo XIV, join us as we gain legacy which formed Pope Leo as a member of the Augustinian Order.

Register at:

<https://archkck.org/cpp/reservations/individual-retreat/>

UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE

MARILLAC CENTER - Register Now at <https://www.scls.org/summer-renewal/>

The Spiritual Wisdom of Trees, September 8 & 22, October 6 & 20, November 3 & 17, from 2:30-3:45 p.m.

Good Conversations: Enjoying Our Pilgrimage, September 11, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Marillac Assembly

The Transformative Power of Prayer, September 12, 9 a.m. - September 14, 12 p.m.

CATHOLIC Q&A:

Q. Can I receive Communion more than once a day?

A Catholic may receive Holy Communion twice in one day. The first time can be at any Mass or liturgical service. The second time must be during a full Mass that the person attends—not just arriving in time for Communion. For example, someone who receives Communion at a morning Mass may receive again later at a wedding or funeral Mass, as long as they participate in the entire celebration.

There is one exception: if a person is in danger of death, they may receive Communion again as Viaticum—

spiritual food for the journey home to God—even if they've already received twice that day.

The Church emphasizes quality over quantity. What matters most is not how often we receive in one day, but how wholeheartedly we receive—with faith, love, and openness to God's grace. If there is a question about this, please speak with a priest.

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.

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: Karen Andrus, Phil Bell, Vicki Bradford, Gretchen Brewster, Steve Bromell, Joe Brose, Judy Brose, Dave Brown, Delcie & Charles Brunk, Jennifer Brushwood, Carl Davidson, Courtney Davis, George Dean, Carolyn DeMaranville, Gail DeMaranville-Zule, Dorian DeVlaminck, Wayne Domann, Vince Eimer, Tina Farr, Tom Flack, Helen Frazier, Glen Goodland, Alan Halstead, Henry Hancock, Robert Hecke, Marly Heim, Jim Heintzelman, Melanie Herken, Jon Highfill, Trista Highfill, Alison Ito, Michael Jones, Tyonna Jones, Phillip Leon, Megan List, Kelly Long, Joyce Lowe, Shauna Marshall, Juanita McDermont, Mary Meinert, Jeni Mettelstedt, Karl Morrison, Charles Mullins, Don Navinsky, Leslie Navinsky, Hung Nguyen, Lonnie Dean Phillips Jr., Mary Piche, Betty Pierron, Julieta Puig, Danny Roemer, Kim Sachse, Jesse

Salinas, Jim Schmidt, Mary Beth Schrader, Pat Schwinn, Mary Shelley, Tanner Siebenmorgen, Julie Simonis, Chrissy Stewart, Matt Stewart, Hugh Talley, David Uhlrich, Vickie Welch, Pat Wilson, and David Zule.

PRAYER LIST FOR OUR SOLDIERS: ARMY: PFC Tristen Baker, CPT Daniel Broaddus, Pvt. David Crook, SGT Colby Seifert, William Stradley. **AIRFORCE:** E-4 Robert W. Herken, TSgt A Scott Loecher, A1C Noah Tattershall. **NAVY:** Dennis Budasz Jr., Sterling Curry, **YNSC (SS) Kevin Lansing. MARINE CORPS:** Drake Budasz, Wyatt DeMaranville.

MASSSES THIS WEEK:

Sat, July 19, 5:00 pm, SJV
For the People of the Parish

Sun, July 20, 9:00 am, STL
David Gates ☩

Tues, July 22, 6:00 pm, STL
For the Intention of the Celebrant

Thurs, July 24, 6:00 pm, STL
For the Intention of the Celebrant

Sat, July 26, 5:00 pm, SJV
Shelbee Heim ☩

Sun, July 27, 9:00 am, STL
For the People of the Parish

	Reader:	Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:
07/19/25	Aaron Welch	Aaron Welch
07/20/25	John Donovan	Diane Pohl
07/26/25	Vince Eimer	Vince Eimer
07/27/25	Tim Herken	Sharon Wagner

OUR SUNDAY FUNNY:



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SATURDAY MASS 5pm St. Joseph of the Valley Church • SUNDAY MASS 9am St. Lawrence Church

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

WEEKDAY MASSES: Tuesday 6pm St. Lawrence Church • Thursday 6pm St. Joseph of the Valley Church

St. Lawrence Church

211 W. Riley St. • Easton, KS 66020



