

## August 24, 2025 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

A GOSPEL THOUGHT: The "narrow gate" is the way of Jesus—a path of love, forgiveness, and humility. The wide road is easier, but it lets us drift without direction. Christ's way takes courage and steady effort. It means choosing service over selfishness, mercy over resentment, and sacrifice over comfort. Jesus leads the way, and the Eucharist strengthens us when the path feels constricted. This narrow way helps us live with purpose, leading to a full, joyful, and eternal life. Let's trust Christ and step through that gate together.

-Fr. Bill

MASS INTENTIONS: Requesting a Mass for a loved one—living or deceased—is a cherished Catholic tradition. Our parish receives many requests, but the number of available Masses is limited. Normally, one Mass has only one intention.

In 1991, however, the Vatican allowed *Collective Intentions*: more than one offering for the same Mass, provided:

- Donors agree to combine their offerings,
- The Mass time and place are announced publicly (as we do in the bulletin),
- A priest celebrates no more than two such Masses per week.

Thank you to Kim Sachse, who coordinates these requests. To schedule a Mass, please contact Kim at 913-775-0690 Or Email Sjslparish@Gmail.com.

Finally, Church law requires the pastor to celebrate one Mass each Sunday (or

Saturday evening) and Holy Day for the people of the parish. This Mass cannot have combined intentions.

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.

COLLECTION: Thank you for your gifts to our parish. The collection for last weekend was \$4310.75, including: Capital Campaign \$300, Hall rental \$100, Ordinary Collection \$3865.75 Mass Stipend \$25 and \$20 St. Joseph Cemetery, Online donations were unavailable. Thank you for your generosity!

**WELCOME TO** Caroline Doctor, the newest member of our parish. We're glad you are part of the St. Joseph-St. Lawrence family.

### **REST IN PEACE:**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Jim Heintzelman.**May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

#### **REST IN PEACE:**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Jim Herken.**May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

CCD NEWS! CCD Registration is

officially open! Registration will be available after mass on Aug, 23rd, 24th, and 30th. The cost is \$10/child (\$30 max per



family). Registration is also available online: https://forms.gle/njFijeKJzyasfUsi9 or by scanning the QR code. Please contact Jess Adelaine with

any questions. jessadelaine@gmail.co m or 910-987-9291.

**THE COFFEE CLUB** will meet on **Sept. 4th** at the Easton Cafe from 10 A.M. to 11A.M. Please join us!

**LIONS CLUB COMMITTEE** for **Sept. 4.** Chairman- Karen Logan, Angela Broaddus, Theresa Zule and Peggy

Gwartney. Serving starts at 7 p.m. Please prepare for 15 people

**THANK YOU!** The Leavenworth Catholic Charities has sent our parishioners a Thank You for the 113 lbs. of food that was donated in July. They also stated that this helped them to serve 1719 individuals, which is the highest number of individuals they have ever served in one month. Thank you for your generosity and kindness.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA, LITTLE FLOWER CIRCLE: The next meeting will be held August 24, at Yadrich Hall, Christ the King Parish, 5973 SW 25th St, Topeka. Rosary at 12:40 pm, followed by a business meeting, including election of Officers. If anyone knows of a member or family member of Daughters of Isabella in need of the Circle's prayers call Shirley Gustafson at 785-554-3028 or Chancellor Gen Orozco at 785-230-2473.

CANONIZATION CELEBRATION FOR BL. CARLO ACUTIS AND BL. PIER GIORGIO FRASSATI will be held Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>, 5 pm – 9 pm, at Maur Hill-Mount Academy, 1000 Green Street, Atchison. Food/games at 5 pm. Praise & worship adoration 7 pm and more. Please bring an item to donate to Children's Mercy.

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.

BIRTHRIGHT OF LEAVENWORTH, INC. NEEDS YOU: We are celebrating 39 years of helping women in our community carry their babies to term and assisting families. Come be a part of a vibrant organization offering hope, understanding and love to women distressed by pregnancy. We help them evaluate their situation, look at resources and discover how they can give life to their babies.

Come learn about Birthright. Both meetings are required for volunteering.

Birthright Information Night Thursday, **September 4**, 7pm at the Leavenworth Public Library Jahn Meeting Room, 417 Spruce. This is an introductory meeting for anyone interested in volunteering or who would like to know more about Birthright.

Birthright Volunteer Training Day Saturday, September 16, from 9am to 4pm at the Birthright Center, 221-A Delaware; Leavenworth. This is training for anyone interested in volunteering at the Birthright center. Our volunteers give approximately 3 hours/week or every other week.

If you have questions or to register for training, please call Margaret McNamee 913-991-7660, or the Birthright center 913-682-2700.

CAMP TEKAKWITHA WOMEN'S RETREAT: Will be held Oct. 24-26. Join us, conversations, adventures, and free time as we explore this year's theme, Pilgrims of Hope: Journeying with Christ. This retreat is an edifying experience for all ages of women 18 years and older. For more information and to sign up, visit our website: https://archkck.org/camptekakwitha/womens-retreat/.

### CATHOLIC Q&A: What is the Commingling Rite at Mass?

During the Lamb of God at Mass, there's a quiet but meaningful moment called the Commingling Rite. The priest breaks the consecrated Host—reminding us of Jesus 'sacrifice on the cross—and places a small piece into the chalice of His Precious Blood, praying, "May this mingling of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ bring eternal life to us who receive it." This act shows Jesus 'Body and Blood coming together as one, just like in His risen, glorified state, tying together His passion, death, and resurrection.

This simple rite reminds us that Christ's Body and Blood, though given under separate forms, are never divided in the Eucharist. It is a sign of the unity of His sacrifice and the communion into which He invites us. It helps dispose our hearts to receive Him with faith and love, truly and fully present—Body,

Blood, Soul, and Divinity—in Holy Communion.

JOIN ENCOUNTER! Want More from Your Spiritual Life? Want to Do What Jesus Did? The Encounter School of Ministry is a dynamic training program designed to teach, equip, and activate you to live fearlessly open to the Holy Spirit, walk with God in intimacy, and demonstrate His love, presence, and power to the world around you. Encounter meets every Monday night from 6:15-9:15 PM at Holy Spirit Catholic Church, September to May. Apply today and Join us! Classes start on September 8th. Learn more and apply at EncounterSchool.org/Kansas-

at EncounterSchool.org/Kansas-City.

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, 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, Mary Beth Schrader, Pat Schwinn, Mary Shelley, Tanner Siebenmorgen, Dawn Staver, Chrissy Stewart, Matt Stewart, Mary Lee Sullivan, 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.

#### MASSES THIS WEEK:

Sat, Aug. 23, 5:00 pm, SJV
Mike and Roseanne Sachse ₹
Sun, Aug. 24, 9:00 am, SJV
For the People of the Parish
Tues, Aug. 26, 6:00 pm, SJV
For the Intention of the Celebrant
Thurs, Aug. 28, 6:00 pm, SJV
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Sat, Aug. 30, 5:00 pm, SJV For the People of the Parish Sun, Aug. 31, 9:00 am, SJV Jim Heintzelman &

	Reader:	Extraordinary Minister of	
		Holy	
		Communion:	
08/23/25	Vince Eimer	Vince Eimer	
08/24/25	John Donovan	Ted Staver	
08/30/25	Jason Adelaine	Aaron Welch	
08/31/25	Tim Herken	Sharon Wagner	

### **OUR SUNDAY FUNNY:**



"I don't care if you didnt like the sermon, you shouldn't have asked for your collection back!"

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# ALL MASSES WILL BE HELD AT ST. JOSEPH OF THE VALLEY CHURCH

SATURDAY MASS 5pm St. Joseph of the Valley • SUNDAY MASS 9am St. Joseph of the Valley Confessions are heard 30 minutes before the weekend Masses or by appointment WEEKDAY MASSES: Tuesday 6pm St. Joseph of the Valley Church • Thursday 6pm St. Joseph of the Valley Church

