St. Mary's Catholic Church

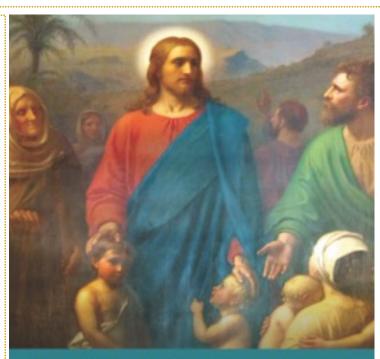
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<u> (Dass Gimes</u>

- Monday: 12 noon (OF)
- Tuesday: 12 noon (OF)
- Wednesday: 12 noon (EF)
- Thursday: 6:00 pm (EF)
- Friday: 12 noon (EF)
- Saturday: 5:00 pm (OF)
 - Sunday:
 - 8:00 am (OF)
 - 11:00 am (OF)
 - 5:00 pm (EF)

OF - Ordinary Form EF - Extraordinary Form Confessions are 30 minutes before every Mass



8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks." - Lk 6:43, 45

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Outreach Agency

Food and Prescription Medication Assistance

HOURS: Wednesday & Thursday 9:00am -3:00pm

(816) 252-8649 (By appointment only)

*Donations of food may be brought to the Ministry Center Monday - Thursday by 12:00 noon

February 27, 2022: 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time Quinquagesima Sunday (Traditional)

8th Sunday of the Year (Year C) Readings, text of the Antiphons, and Responsorial Psalm: page 404-406 Missa Simplex @5pm and 8am pg. 850; Missa de Angelis @11 pg. 873

Entrance Hymn: At the Name of Jesus #98 Entrance Antiphon: The Lord became my protector...(pg. 938 #118) Offertory Hymn: Lead Kindly Light #106 Communion Antiphon: Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age, says the Lord. Communion Hymn: O Lord, I Am Not Worthy #114 Choral Motet @11: O Bone Jesu-attr. Palestrina Marian Antiphon: Salve Regina #124 Recessional Hymn: Be Thou My Vision #123

PARISH CALENDAR

Saturday February 26 Jas 5:13-20/Ps 141:1-2, 3 and 8/ <u>Mk 10:13-16</u> 4:30pm - Confessions 5:00pm - Mass - (Dolores Buchanan+)

Sunday February 27

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45 7:30am - Confessions 8:00am - Mass - (Martin Groat+) 10:30am - Confessions 11:00am - Mass - (Parishioners) 4:30pm - Confessions 5:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (John Miller)

<u>Monday February 28</u> <u>1 Pt 1:3-9/Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9 and</u> <u>10c/Mk 10:17-27</u> 11:30am - Confessions 12:00pm - Mass - (Donald Kempf+)

Tuesday March 1

<u>1 Pt 1:10-16/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab,</u> <u>3cd-4/Mk 10:28-31</u> 11:30am - Confessions 12:00pm - Mass - (Jennifer Buckley)

Wednesday March 2

Ash Wednesday Jas JI 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, <u>12-13, 14 and 17/2 Cor 5:20--</u> <u>6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18</u> 11:30am - Confessions 12:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Nick, Rachel, & Dom Anderson) 5:30pm - Confessions 6:00pm - Mass - (OF) - James Boutross+) Thursday March 3 Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/ <u>Lk 9:22-25</u> 5:30pm - Confessions 6:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Jenni Pollard)

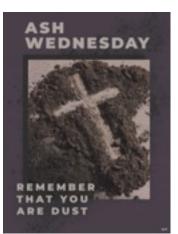
<u>Friday March 4</u> Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, <u>18-19/Mt 9:14-15</u> 11:30am - Confessions 12:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Megan & Matt Clark)

Saturday March 5

<u>Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk</u> <u>5:27-32</u> 4:30pm - Confessions 5:00pm - Mass - (Parishioners)

Next Sunday March 6

First Sunday of Lent Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 [cf. 15b]/Rom <u>10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13</u> 7:30am - Confessions 8:00am - Mass - (Donald Kempf+) 10:30am - Confessions 11:00am - Mass - (Martin Groat+) 4:30pm - Confessions 5:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Special Intention)



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The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you *observe or suspect* sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and

2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and

3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected *sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult* to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, 816.812.2500, or

<u>crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org</u> if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Whitney True-Francis, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 816.392.0011 or true.francis@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

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PLEASE REMEMBER THESE PARISHIONERS and FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

David Barrett, Jeffrey Derk, Gennilyn Eckard, David & Virginia Forbes, Carolyn Hampton, Mike Higbee, Joan Ishmael, Paul Janner, Teresa Janacaro, Frances Janacaro, Donald Kemps, Jeffrey Klenklen, Joyce Klenklen, Sharel Mawby, Harold Mitchell, Carol Monaco, Annie Moran, Ke Hun Ngo, Eric Palmer, Eric Parvin, Michelle Rohaus, Kenneth Tart, Lucas Uresti, Frank Velasquez, Peggy Vincent

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY MEN & WOMEN:

PFC. Victor Rangel U.S Marine Corps - (Son of Phil & Julie Rangel)
SFC.Christopher Kinnaman - Wainwright, Fairbanks AL. (Grandson of Betty Kinnaman)
Fr. CPT. Brian Klingele - Kreech AFB & Nellis AFB, Nevada, (Nephew of Ken & Karen Klingele)
ICSN Josiah Smith - (Grandson of Mary Smith) & IC3 Christina Smith - Virginia (wife of Josiah) Airman Tommy Romano - Ariano, Italy

St. Ann's Fish Dinner

St. Ann's Church will have their Famous **Fish Dinners every Friday during Lent** (except Good Friday) - March 4 to April 8, 2022, from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. St. Ann's is located at the corner of Cedar and Lexington in Independence, two blocks north of 24 Highway and Huttig. The menu includes boiled shrimp, fried shrimp, catfish fillets, baked battered cod fillets, French fries, boiled potatoes, coleslaw, hush puppies and cornbread. Ice tea, coffee, lemonade or water included with dinner. Beer and wine are available for an additional donation. Dinner prices range from \$12.00 to \$14.50. A fish sandwich with fries is \$5.00; macaroni and cheese is \$3.50. Ala carte items may be purchased separately. Desserts are available and sold separately by the Altar Society.

Parishioners Ralph & Janet Howe celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on February 25, 2022. Congratulations on 50 years of marriage!

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Presence: Biblical Foundations of the Eucharist: "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" These words uttered 2,000 years ago are echoed today. Join us as Dr. Tim Gray examines a few objections to the Church's Eucharistic teaching and provides scriptural evidence for these objections. This apologetic helps us to give a reason for our faith and to gain a deeper insight into what it means to be Catholic and experience the true presence of God in the Eucharist.

Please visit our CD kiosk at the front of the church. We have many great topics on CD about the Catholic faith. We ask for a nominal donation of \$3 for each CD.

Discard Your Old Palms

Please bring your old palms to the church before Ash Wednesday and place them in the baskets located near the confessionals. They will be used for ashes on Ash Wednesday.





Gospel Reflection by Dr. Scott habn

In today's readings we hear Jesus speaking in Galilee as well as a Jewish sage named Sirach writing in Jerusalem more than a century earlier. The two of them touch upon a single truth: The words that come out of us make known the hidden thoughts within us. Speech reveals the secrets of the heart.

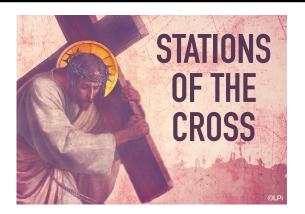
Sirach teaches that speaking is "the test of men" and their character. One who is upright will utter words that are truthful and encouraging to others. But one whose heart is cluttered with "refuse" will be exposed, since the "fruit" of his mouth speaks volumes about the "tree" that produces it. Sirach also compares the testing of our words to clay fired in a kiln—if properly prepared, a useful vessel emerges; but if the clay is not fully dried, it will break apart in the extreme heat.

In a similar way, Jesus insists that a person speaks "out of the abundance of the heart." He too compares our speech, whether good or bad, to what grows on a tree: "For no good tree bears bad fruit, nor again does a bad tree bear good fruit." Both readings urge us to make wholesome speech a habit. After all, much about who we are is brought to light through what we say. But there's an additional step: The Lord is asking us to look inward, to examine our hearts and fill them with the "good treasure" that God desires.

Why do purity of heart and speech matter so much? Because, as Jesus declares elsewhere: "by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned" (Matthew 12:37). They matter because they help to decide our final judgment, and this is where the Second Reading comes in. Paul reminds us that God will destroy death forever, and if we are to share in this victory and live forever with the Lord, then we must take all steps necessary to give our hearts and lips to what is good.

Weekly Contribution Income February 20	Annual Contribution Income
Envelopes: \$ 3145.00 Plate: \$ 540.00 Online: \$ 1007.50	February Actual: \$ 19,829.75 February Budget: \$ 18,076.92
Total Contributions: \$ 4692.50	Year-to-Date Actual: \$ 171,540.20 Year-to-Date Budget: \$ 149,134.59

(Fiscal Year is July 1 through June 30)



Please join us on Friday's of Lent as we pray the Stations of the Cross at 6:00pm in the Church.

The Towel of St. Veronica Apostolate:

A private association of the faithful ministry of mercy for priests who have lost a loved one. The goal of the Apostolate is to provide an avenue for the laity particularly, but not exclusively, to show and express compassion, through messages of consolation and assurances of prayers, to priests who have lost a loved one. For more information: contact Lorie

Sage <u>hailmaryjmj@gmail.com</u> or call (816)-807-8835

The St. Mary's High School Class of

1972 is planning a 50th Class Reunion! If you are a member of the 1972 class, and have not previously been contacted by a member of the reunion committee, please email Cathy Richeson Hartford at <u>crimsoncathy@sbcglobal.net</u> for more information. If you know of someone who may be in this class, we'd appreciate you passing this information along. Thanks! Mark your calendars! Meeting for parents/ guardians of ALL First Communicants (even if they haven't been at PSR) will be held this **Sunday February 27 from 9:15-9:45** (during the beginning of PSR) Feel free to bring your other children if you need to. If you can't make it, please contact Tori or Angelina.



*This Wednesday, March 2, is Ash Wednesday. Mass will be celebrated at <u>Noon</u> <u>and 6pm</u> with the distribution of ashes.

*Remember, Ash Wednesday is a day of fast and abstinence. Fasting is not just a spiritual diet. By denying our bodies, our physical hunger reminds us of the hunger of our souls for God, our longing for a deeper relationship with our Lord.

*Every person 14 years or older must abstain from meat on all Fridays of Lent. Every person between the ages of 18 and 59 must fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting means a person is permitted to eat one full meal. Two smaller meals may also be taken, but they are not to equal that of a full meal.

Men's Winter Clothing Needed

The Outreach Ministry is in need of <u>men's</u> <u>winter clothing</u>. In particular, men's long sleeve shirts, hoodies or sweatshirts, socks, underwear, gloves and hats, and blankets. Thank you to everyone who has already helped fill this need!