

St. Mary's Catholic Church

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Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00am-3:00pm | Friday Office Closed

600 N Liberty Street | Independence, MO 64050

Mass Times

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)

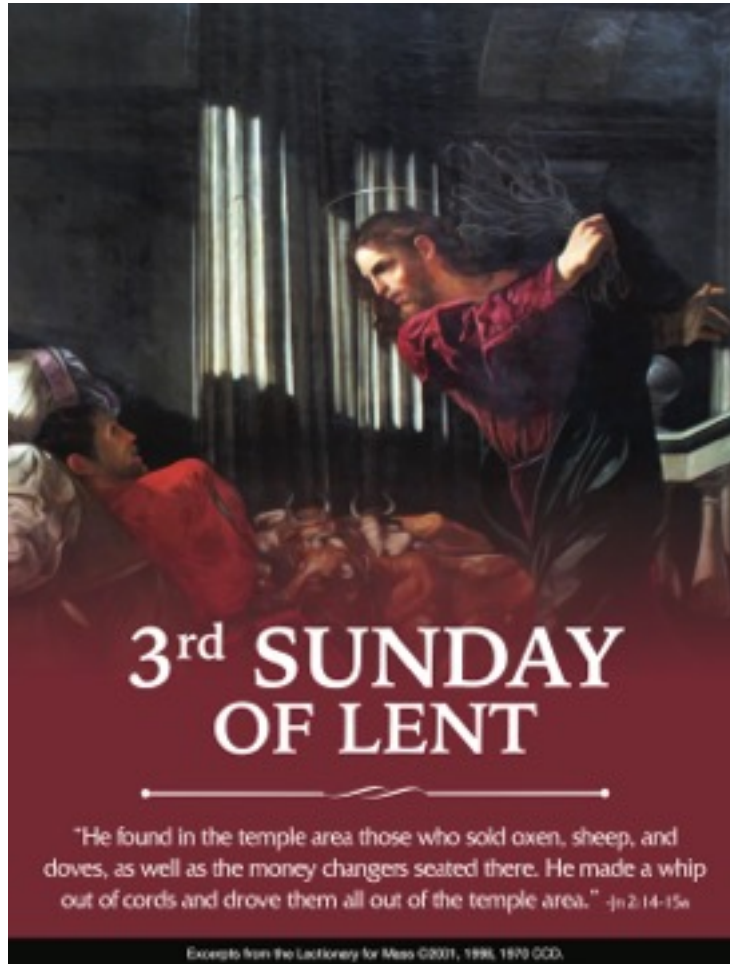
11:00 am (OF)

5:00 pm (EF)

OF - Ordinary Form

EF - Extraordinary Form

Confessions are 30 minutes
before every Mass



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

March 7, 2021: 3rd Sunday of Lent
3rd Sunday of Lent (Traditional)

PRAYER OF SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS

Almighty eternal God, behold, I come to the Sacrament of your Only Begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, as one sick to the physician of life, as one unclean to the fountain of mercy, as one blind to the light of eternal brightness, as one poor and needy to the Lord of heaven and earth. I ask, therefore, for the abundance of your immense generosity, that you may graciously cure my sickness, wash away my defilement, give light to my blindness, enrich my poverty, clothe my nakedness, so that I may receive the bread of Angels, the King of kings and Lord of lords, with such reverence and humility, such contrition and devotion, such purity and faith, such purpose and intention as are conducive to the salvation of my soul. Grant, I pray, that I may receive not only the Sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood, but also the reality and power of that Sacrament. O most gentle God, grant that I may so receive the Body of your Only Begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ, which he took from the Virgin Mary, that I may be made worthy to be incorporated into his Mystical Body and to be counted among its members. O most loving Father, grant that I may at last gaze for ever upon the unveiled face of your beloved Son, whom I, a wayfarer, propose to receive now veiled under these species: Who lives and reigns with you for ever and ever. Amen.

PARISH CALENDAR

Saturday March 6

First Saturday

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8a]/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Mass - (Dave Anderson+)

Sunday March 7

3rd Sunday of Lent

Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/
Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/1
Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25 or Ex
17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/
Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or
4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

7:30am - Confessions

8:00am - Mass - (Jerry Britt+)

10:30am - Confessions

11:00am - Mass - (Parishioners)

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Mass - (EF) -

3rd Sunday of Lent (Julia Hicks Family)

Monday March 8

2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4
[cf 42:3]/Lk 4:24-30

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (Harold

Stewart+)

Tuesday March 9

Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6
and 7bc, 8-9 [6a]/Mt 18:21-35

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (Paul Houk+)

Wednesday March 10

Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16,
19-20/Mt 5:17-19

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (EF) -

(Amanda & Hailey

Hinrichs)

Thursday March 11

Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9

[8]/Lk 11:14-23

5:30pm - Confessions

6:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Connor
Bradley)

Friday March 12

First Friday

Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9,
10-11ab, 14 and 17 [cf. 11 and
9a]/Mk 12:28-34

11:30pm - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Robert
& Elaine Spence+)

Saturday March 13

First Saturday

Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19,
20-21ab [cf. Hos 6:6]/Lk 18:9-14

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Mass - (Parishioners)

Next Sunday March 14

4th Sunday of Lent

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps
137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Eph
2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 or 1 Sm 16:1b,
6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4m 5,
6 [1]/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or
9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

7:30am - Confessions

8:00am - Mass - (Jerry Britt+)

10:30am - Confessions

11:00am - Mass - (Dave
Anderson+)

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Mass - (EF) -

4th Sunday of Lent (Brian
Simmons)



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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 crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org 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 the Victim Advocate at 816.392.001, or

PLEASE REMEMBER THESE PARISHIONERS and
FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Elmer Albert, Mrs. Trudy Amato, David Barrett,
Jeffrey Derk, Joan Ishmael, Bill Janner, Donald
Kemps, Jeffrey Klenklen, Joyce Klenklen, Harold
Mitchell, Annie Moran, Ke Hun Ngo, Eric Palmer,
Eric Parvin, Marie Ramirez, Michelle Rohaus, Betty
Underwood, Frank Velasquez, Peggy Vincent

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY MEN &
WOMEN:

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
(Nephew of Sr. Teresita)

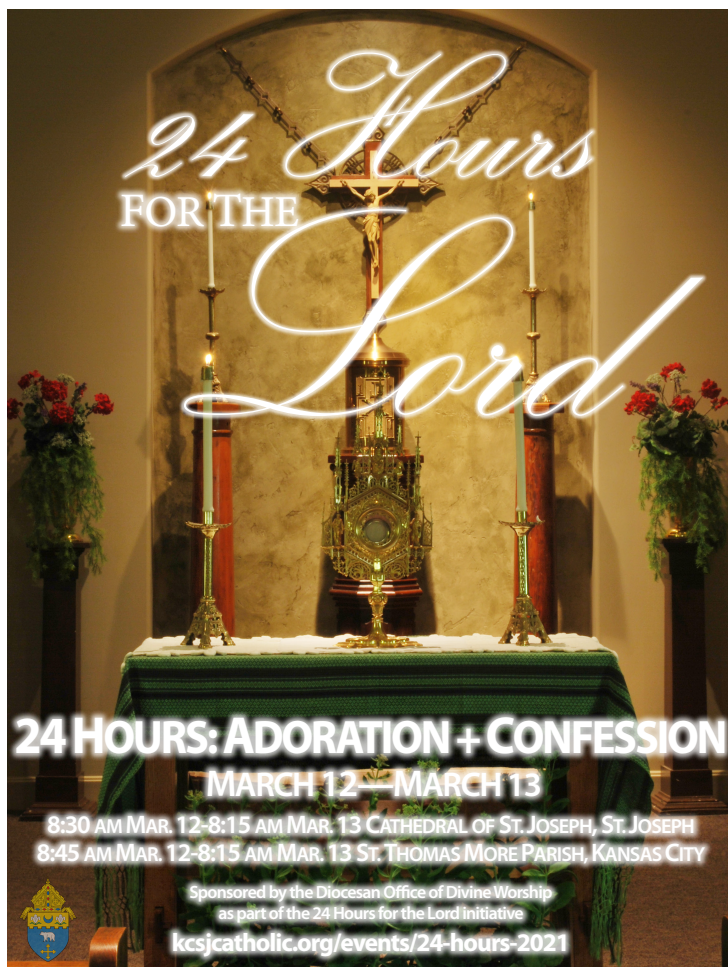
St. Mary's Men's Prayer Group

Men, with Lent upon us, have you been waiting for an invitation to do something different? St. Mary's Men's Prayer Group is a small community of prayer that meets every Saturday morning at 6:30 in the Ministry Center. We start with the Rosary; then a short audio presentation by a noted Catholic speaker (Bishop Barron, Fr. Michael Schmitz, Fr. John Ricardo etc.) followed by a discussion of issues of faith, family, personal character, and growth. Our goal is to learn & grow as Catholic Men. This may be a Lenten opportunity to sacrifice an hour of time in exchange for whatever gift God has waiting for you. No commitment, no requirements, just show up when you can and join our journey. Please join us. For additional information contact John McEvoy at 582-4835 or e-mail at

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

St. Mary's is hosting a **diaper drive** through March 28 for our local pregnancy resource center, *Rachel House*. Diapers, wipes, and diaper cream will graciously be accepted, along with items for the mothers, such as travel-sized lotions, body gel, and shampoo/conditioner. Collection bins are located at each entrance of the church.

For more information about upcoming events within our diocese, please visit
respectlifekcsj.org
or
kccoalitionforlife.com

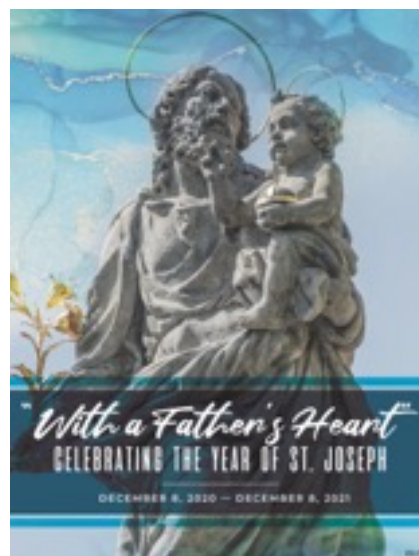


**24 Hours
FOR THE
Lord**

24 HOURS: ADORATION + CONFESSION
MARCH 12 - MARCH 13

8:30 AM MAR. 12-8:15 AM MAR. 13 CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOSEPH, ST. JOSEPH
8:45 AM MAR. 12-8:15 AM MAR. 13 ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH, KANSAS CITY

Sponsored by the Diocesan Office of Divine Worship
as part of the 24 Hours for the Lord Initiative
kcsjatholic.org/events/24-hours-2021



MASS FOR THE YEAR OF ST JOSEPH, MARCH 19
Bishop Johnston will preside for the diocesan observance of the Feast of St. Joseph in the Year of St. Joseph at the **Cathedral of St. Joseph** on March 19 at 6:00 p.m. All are welcome but should reserve a place in advance.

Readings for 3rd Sunday of Lent



Reading I

Ex 20:1-17

In those days, God delivered all these commandments: "I, the LORD, am your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that place of slavery. You shall not have other gods besides me. You shall not carve idols for yourselves in the shape of anything in the sky above or on the earth below or in the waters beneath the earth; you shall not bow down before them or worship them. For I, the LORD, your God, am a jealous God, inflicting punishment for their fathers' wickedness on the children of those who hate me, down to the third and fourth generation; but bestowing mercy down to the thousandth generation on the children of those who love me and keep my commandments. "You shall not take the name of the LORD, your God, in vain. For the LORD will not leave unpunished the one who takes his name in vain. "Remember to keep holy the sabbath day. Six days you may labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD, your God. No work may be done then either by you, or your son or daughter, or your male or female slave, or your beast, or by the alien who lives with you. In six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them; but on the seventh day he rested. That is why the LORD has blessed the sabbath day and made it holy.

"Honor your father and your mother, that you may have a long life in the land which the LORD, your God, is giving you.

You shall not kill.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male or female slave, nor his ox or ass, nor anything else that belongs to him."

Responsorial Psalm

19:8, 9, 10, 11

R. (John 6:68c) Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul;

The decree of the LORD is trustworthy, giving wisdom to the simple.

R. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the command of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eye.

R. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the LORD are true, all of them just.

R. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

They are more precious than gold, than a heap of purest gold; sweeter also than syrup or honey from the comb.

R. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

Reading II

1 Cor 1:22-25

Brothers and sisters:

Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are called, Jews and Greeks alike, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

John 3:16

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might have eternal life. Gospel

Jn 2:13-25

Since the Passover of the Jews was near, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money changers seated there. He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and oxen, and spilled the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables, and to those who sold doves he said, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, Zeal for your house will consume me. At this the Jews answered and said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and you will raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking about the temple of his body. Therefore, when he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they came to believe the Scripture and the word Jesus had spoken. While he was in Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, many began to believe in his name when they saw the signs he was doing. But Jesus would not trust himself to them because he knew them all, and did not need anyone to testify about human nature. He himself understood it well.

Ave Regina Caelorum

Ave, Regina caelorum,
Ave, Domina Angelorum:
Salve, radix, salve, porta
Ex qua mundo lux est orta:

Gaude, Virgo gloriosa,
Super omnes speciosa,
Vale, o valde decora,
Et pro nobis Christum exora.

Weekly Contribution Income
February 28

Annual Contribution Income

Envelopes: \$ 5075.00
Plate: \$ 214.00
Online: \$ 625.00

February Actual: \$ 17,581.50
February Budget: \$

Total Contributions: \$ 5914.00

Year-to-Date Actual: \$ 148,581.50
Year-to-Date Budget: \$

(Fiscal Year is July 1 through June 30)

Don't carry cash or checks? Contact Father to set up tithing through automatic direct deposit, or sign up for one-time or recurring donations on our website at the [Online Giving](#) tab at the top of the page.



Confidential Assistance for Parishioners

St. Mary's Outreach reserves resources to assist St. Mary's Registered Parishioners with food, diapers and wipes, prescriptions and utilities assistance. Anyone needing assistance should call the Outreach on Tuesday mornings at 816-252-8649 between the hours of 9am and Noon. This assistance is confidential.



St. Joseph's Day Table

On Sunday, March 21 after the 11:00 a.m. Mass, join us in thanking St. Joseph for all his benefits by participating in the St. Joseph's Day Table at St. Mary's. Please bring an offering of bread, pastry, wine or dessert to share. Multiple offerings are welcomed and encouraged. Following the Mass, Father Bartulica will bless the table and all are welcome to take items from the table in exchange for a free-willing offering that will be given as alms to the poor.

More information about the tradition of the St. Joseph's Day Table is posted in the narthex.

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

**St. Mary's Outreach Center
News for January 2021**

For the month of *January*, we assisted **77** families with food for a total of **201** people of which **48** were children and **22** were elderly. The food items included approximately **462** items of food from our pantry (purchased by pantry and from your donations). In addition, St. Mary's Outreach Center is a distribution site for USDA commodities from Harvesters Food Network under TEFAP and the food baskets included approximately **2,623** items of food in January. In addition, approximately **20** homeless were served at various locations by one of our volunteers. The homeless bags include approximately **15** items of ready-to-eat food, socks and hygiene items.

91 items of clothing were given out, **7** coats and **6** blankets in addition to numerous pairs of gloves, hats and scarves. Two packages of diapers and wipes were given. Thanks to our Board Members and volunteers totaling **32** who put in **335** hours in support of our services.

We have been truly blessed this season with clothing items and no longer need any winter clothing items. However, with at least another month of potential winter weather, we would appreciate and gloves, coats and hats, especially for men.

Donations should be brought to the Outreach on Tuesday mornings between the hours of 9 a.m. and 12 p.m.

We are continuing social distancing and will be serving clients for food **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY** at 816-252-8649. The clothing room has been opened on a limited number basis.

"This institution is an equal opportunity provider."