

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



2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."
- Jn 20:28-29

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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

April 11, 2021: Divine Mercy Sunday Quasimodo Sunday (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 April 10

Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1, 14-15,
16-18, 19-21 [21a]/Mk 16:9-15
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass - (Elizabeth
Swarm+)

Next Sunday April 11

Divine Mercy Sunday

Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15,
22-24 [1]/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-3
7:30am - Confessions
8:00am - Mass - (Parishioners)
10:30am - Confessions
11:00am - Mass - (Msgr. William
Blacet+)
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (John &
Ann Monaco+)

Monday April 12

Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a,
7b-9 [cf. 11d]/Jn 3:1-8
11:30am - Confessions
12:00pm - Mass - (Julia Hicks
Family)

Tuesday April 13

Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5
[1a]/Jn 3:7b-15
11:30am - Confessions
12:00pm - Mass - (Robert
Altmann+)

Wednesday April 14

Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7,
8-9 [7a]/Jn 3:16-21
11:30am - Confessions
12:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Myrtle
Dyer+)

Thursday April 15

Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9,
17-18, 19-20 [7a]/Jn 3:31-36
5:30pm - Confessions
6:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Raymond
Rodriguez)

Friday April 16

Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [cf.
4abc]/Jn 6:1-1
11:30pm - Confessions
12:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Nick,
Rachael, & Dom Anderson)

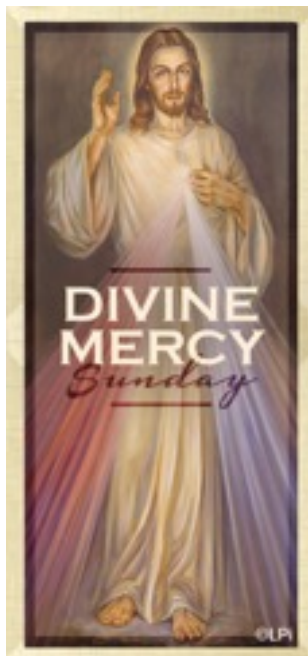
Saturday April 17

Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19
[22]/Jn 6:16-21
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass - (Greg & Tami
Routh)

Next Sunday April 18

Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8,
9 [7a]/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48
7:30am - Confessions
8:00am - Mass - (Parishioners)
10:30am - Confessions
11:00am - Mass - (Dave
Anderson+)
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Julia
Hicks Family)



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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 victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

PLEASE REMEMBER THESE PARISHIONERS and FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Elmer Albert, Mrs. Trudy Amato, David Barrett, Jeffrey Derk, Joan Ishmael, Bill Janner, Teresa Janacaro, Frances Janacaro, Donald Kempfs, Jeffrey Klenklen, Joyce Klenklen, Sharel Mawby, Harold Mitchell, Deborah Monaco, 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)

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE ~ Grief Support Weekend

Beginning Experience is offering a healing weekend April 30 – May 2, 2021 at Savior Pastoral Center in Kansas City Kansas. This invitation is open to men and women of all ages who have suffered the loss of a spouse through death, divorce, or separation. It is a time to heal and a time to begin anew. Reservations are required.

For more information
visit: www.beginningexperience.kc.org
email: register.bekc@gmail.com
or contact Laura 308-530-1873

For those who need more physical space around them, please fill free to use the south adoration chapel for seating, and at communion time approach the altar rail.

St. Mary's Men's Prayer Group

Men, 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

Rachel's Vineyard-Kansas City

Healing hearts in the heart of the nation

Are you or a loved one suffering from abortion? Find hope and allow God to heal your heart by attending a Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat.

The next retreat that will take place in Kansas City will be on **April 23-25, 2021**. For more information or to register, please call Teresa O'Donnell at (816) 679-4973 or email rvkcmo@gmail.com (please note: you might have to check your Spam folder for the guaranteed email reply) or visit www.rachelsvineyardkc.org.

IN EASTERTIDE, THE ANGELUS IS REPLACED BY THE REGINA CAELI AT 6AM, NOON AND 6PM!

**V. QUEEN OF HEAVEN, REJOICE, ALLELUIA.
R. FOR HE WHOM YOU DID MERIT TO BEAR, ALLELUIA.
V. HAS RISEN AS HE SAID, ALLELUIA.
R. PRAY FOR US TO GOD, ALLELUIA.
V. REJOICE AND BE GLAD, O VIRGIN MARY, ALLELUIA.
LET US PRAY. O GOD, WHO GAVE JOY TO THE WORLD THROUGH THE RESURRECTION OF THY SON, OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, GRANT WE BESEECH THEE, THAT THROUGH THE INTERCESSION OF THE VIRGIN MARY, HIS MOTHER, WE MAY OBTAIN THE JOYS OF EVERLASTING LIFE. THROUGH THE SAME CHRIST OUR LORD. AMEN.**



REFLECTION BY DR. SCOTT HAHN

Three times in today's Psalm we cry out a victory shout: "His mercy endures forever."

Truly we've known the everlasting love of God, who has come to us as our Savior. By the blood and water that flowed from Jesus' pierced side (see [John 19:34](#)), we've been made God's children, as we hear in today's Epistle.

Yet we never met Jesus, never heard Him teach, never saw Him raised from the dead. His saving Word came to us in the Church—through the ministry of the apostles, who in today's Gospel are sent as He was sent. He was made a life-giving Spirit (see [1 Corinthians 15:45](#)) and He filled His apostles with that Spirit. As we hear in today's First Reading, they bore witness to His resurrection with great power. And through their witness, handed down in the Church through the centuries, their teaching and traditions have reached us (see [Acts 2:42](#)).

We encounter Him as the apostles did—in the breaking of the bread on the Lord's day (see [Acts 20:7](#); [1 Corinthians 16:2](#); [Revelation 1:10](#)).

There is something liturgical about the way today's Gospel scenes unfold. It's as if John is trying to show us how the risen Lord comes to us in the liturgy and sacraments.

In both scenes it is Sunday night. The doors are bolted tight, yet Jesus mysteriously comes. He greets them with an expression, "Peace be with you," used elsewhere by divine messengers (see [Daniel 10:19](#); [Judges 6:23](#)). He shows them signs of His real bodily presence. And on both nights the disciples respond by joyfully receiving Jesus as their "Lord."

Isn't this what happens in the Mass—where our Lord speaks to us in His Word, and gives himself to us in the sacrament of His body and blood? Let us approach the altar with joy, knowing that every Eucharist is the day the Lord has made—when the victory of Easter is again made wonderful in our eyes.

Regina Caeli

Regina caeli laetare, alleluia.
Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia.
Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia.
Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.
Gaude et laetare, Virgo Maria, alleluia.
Quia surrexit Dominus vere, alleluia.

Weekly Contribution Income

March 28 & April 4

Annual Contribution Income

Envelopes: \$ 7439.00
Plate: \$ 269.00
Online: \$ 2565.00

March Actual: \$ 25,641.00
March Budget: \$ 26,256.90

Total Contributions: \$ 10,273.00 Year-to-Date Actual: \$ 173,425.50
Year-to-Date Budget: \$ 175,046.00

(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.

Easter Flower Memorial and Honorarium

*Mrs. Karen Schooling in memory of Ryan Joseph Schooling

*Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Puhr in Honor of Bill & Anna Mae Brewer and in Memory of Alice Jean "AJ" Warger and William & Anita Puhr



Beautiful picture of St. Joseph's table on March 21st. Thank you again for making it such a success!



FEATURED CD OF THE MONTH

Part 2: The Woman at the Foot of the Cross: In this talk—Part 2 of a special two-part Lighthouse Talks presentation—Augustine Institute professor Dr. Ben Akers continues his meditative reflection on Mary's role in Scripture, weaving together the stories of the Fall and Jesus' Passion and Resurrection, Dr. Akers also provides illuminating answers to thoughtful questions from the audience. "The Fall Happened through eating forbidden fruit; our redemption happens from eating 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.