

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)

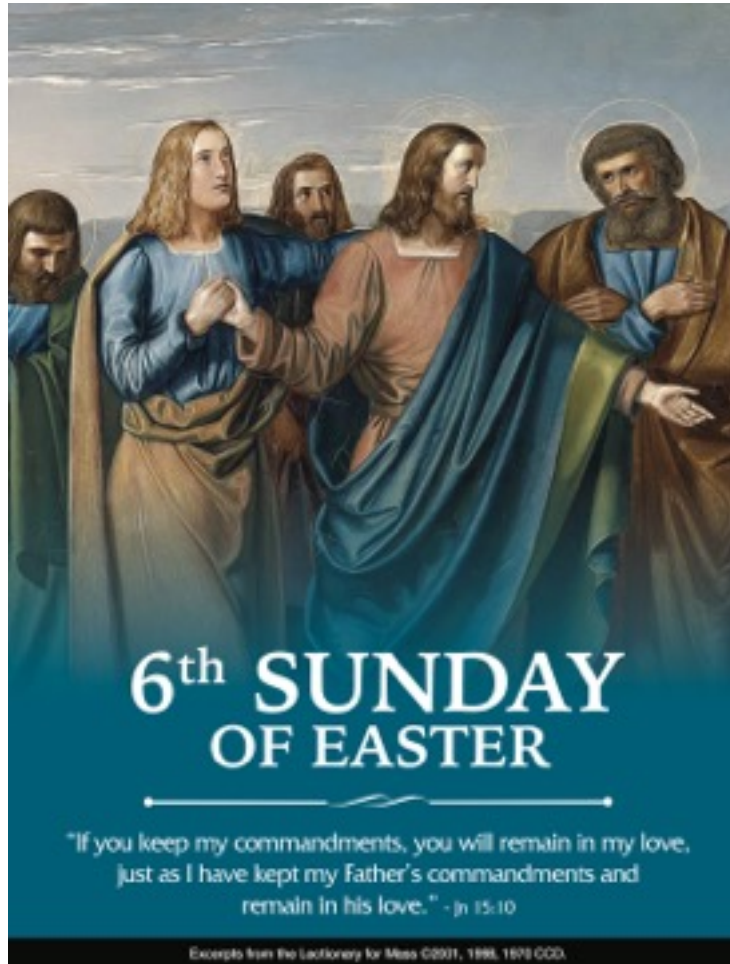
11:00 am (OF)

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

May 9, 2021: 6th Sunday of Easter
5th Sunday after Easter (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 May 8

Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Mass - (Parishioners)

Sunday May 9

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [cf. 2b]/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

7:30am - Confessions

8:00am - Mass - (Patrick Rhea+)

10:30am - Confessions

11:00am - Mass - (Velia Tebeck+)

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Heather Sansom)

Monday May 10

Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Jn 15:26—16:4a

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (Special

Intention for Larry)

Tuesday May 11

Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [7c]/Jn 16:5-11

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (Brad & Jessica Swarm)

Wednesday May 12

Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-1

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Ida & William Altmann+)

Thursday May 13

Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4

[cf. 2b]/Jn 16:16-20 Ascension:

Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-2

5:30pm - Confessions

6:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Carl Marriott+)

Friday May 14

St. Matthias, Apostle

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [8]/Jn 15:9-1

11:30pm - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Breeanne & Thomas James Clark)

Saturday May 15

Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-10, 10 [8a]/Jn 16:23b-28

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Mass - (Parishioners)

Next Sunday May 16

The Ascension of the Lord

Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk

16:15-20 Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 [19a]/1

Jn 4:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19

7:30am - Confessions

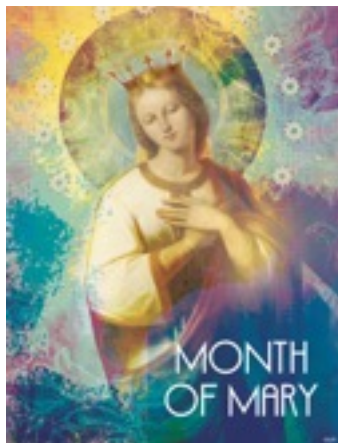
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The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you *observe or suspect* sexual abuse:

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 Kempes, 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, Lucas Uresti, 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)

CATHOLIC CHARITIES WEBSITE

Catholic Charities is pleased to announce the launch of our new and improved website. If you have not had an opportunity to check it out, go to www.catholiccharities-kcsj.org <<http://www.catholiccharities-kcsj.org>>. You will find information for accessing our services as well as how you can become part of the solution to eradicate poverty. You can also sign up to receive our newsletter and learn about job openings. If you have any questions, please contact Brigitte Chirpich, Director of Marketing & Communications at: bchirpich@ccharities.com <<mailto:bchirpich@ccharities.com>> or 816-659-8308.

PRAYERS FOR THE UNBORN

You are invited to be a voice and a presence for the unborn by gathering with us in prayer every *Thursday at 3:00PM* in front of the Planned Parenthood, 815 N. Noland Road, Independence, MO.

St. Mary's Men's Prayer Group

Men, are you looking for an opportunity to grow in your faith and share faith discussions with other men of the parish? 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 is an 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 jamcevoy@sbcglobal.net

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.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land before Advent 2021. Perfect timing for a life-changing faith trip! Nazareth, Bethlehem, Cana, Mt. Tabor, Jerusalem, the Dead Sea and much more. Don't just see it --- experience it. Scriptures and the Mass will be far more meaningful afterwards. It's a trip you'll treasure the rest of your life! (Oct 25 - Nov 3, 2021) Save \$300-1200 over similar trips that offer less! Space is limited. For more info, contact Mark Wyble at **816-233-8427**

OR

religiousramblers@gmail.com.



GOSPEL REFLECTION BY DR. SCOTT HAHN

God is love, and He revealed that love in sending His only Son to be a sacrificial offering for our sins.

In these words from today's Epistle, we should hear an echo of the story of Abraham's offering of Isaac at the dawn of salvation history. Because Abraham obeyed God's command and did not withhold his only beloved son, God promised that Abraham's descendants, the children of Israel, would be the source of blessing for all nations (see [Genesis 22:16–18](#)).

We see that promise coming to fulfillment in today's First Reading. God pours out His Spirit upon the Gentiles, the non-Israelites, as they listen to the word of Peter's preaching. Notice they receive the same gifts received by the devout Jews who heard Peter's preaching at Pentecost—the Spirit comes to rest upon them and they speak in tongues, glorifying God (see [Acts 2:5–11](#)).

In His love today, God reveals that His salvation embraces the house of Israel and peoples of all nations. Not by circumcision or blood relation to Abraham but by faith in the Word of Christ, sealed in the Sacrament of Baptism, people are to be made children of Abraham, heirs to God's covenants of promise (see [Galatians 3:7–9](#); [Ephesians 2:12](#)).

This is the wondrous work of God that we sing of in today's Psalm. It is the work of the Church, the good fruit that Jesus chooses and appoints His Apostles for in today's Gospel.

As Peter raises up Cornelius today, the Church continues to lift all eyes to Christ, the only one in whose name they can find salvation.

In the Church, each of us has been begotten by the love of God. But the Scriptures today reveal that this divine gift brings with it a command and a duty. We are to love one another as we have been loved. We are to lay down our lives in giving ourselves to others—that they too might find friendship with Christ and new life through Him.

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
May 2

Annual Contribution Income

Envelopes: \$ 4354.00
Plate: \$ 109.00
Online: \$ 1360.00

May Actual: \$ 5823.00
May Budget: \$ 17,504.60

Total Contributions: \$ 5823.00 Year-to-Date Actual: \$ 193,279.50
Year-to-Date Budget: \$ 192,550.60

(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.

Please note: There will be a second offering for Tomorrow's Priests Vocation Fund, the weekend of May 16



PRAYER FOR MOTHERS

HEAVENLY FATHER,
FROM THE BEGINNING YOU HAVE CHOSEN TO ENTRUST
THE HUMAN PERSON TO MOTHERS IN A SPECIAL WAY.
WE THANK AND PRAISE YOU FOR THE GIFT OF
MOTHERS;
FOR THEIR TENDERNESS, CARE, AND COMPASSION,
FOR THEIR INTUITION AND ENCOURAGEMENT,
FOR COMMITMENT AND SACRIFICE.
BLESS ALL MOTHERS THIS DAY.
KEEP, STRENGTHEN, AND REFRESH THEM
IN YOUR LOVING CARE.
MAY THEY BE BLESSED BY OUR OPEN-HEARTED
LOVE AND GRATITUDE.
AMEN.

St. Mary's Gift Shop



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our selection of religious gifts.

