

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)

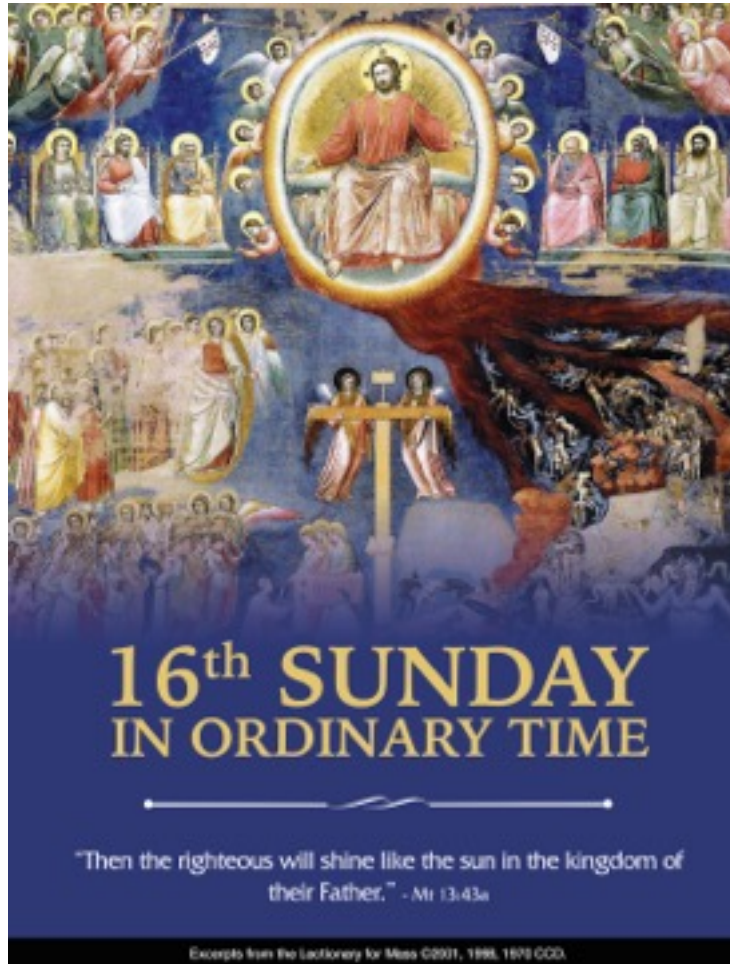
11:00 am (OF)

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

July 19th, 2020: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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, clothes 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 July 18

Mi 2:1-5/Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14
[12b]/Mt 12:14-2

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Mass - (Parishioners)

Sunday July 19

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10,
15-16 [5a]/Rom 8:26-27/Mt
13:24-43 or 13:24-30

7:30am - Confessions

8:00am - Mass - (Robert

Lappat+)

10:30am - Confessions

11:00am - Mass - (Annette Rita
Conley)

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (George &
Bernadette Torpey)

Monday July 20

Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9,
16bc-17, 21 and 23 [23b]/Mt
12:38-4

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (Verna Mohart)

Tuesday July 21

St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-4, 5-6,
7-8 [8a]/Mt 12:46-5

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (Charles &
Jerome Drexler+)

Wednesday July 22

St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps
63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [2]/Jn 20:1-2,
11-18

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Brad
Swarm)

Thursday July 23

Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-7ab,
8-9, 10-11 [10a]/Mt 13:10-1

5:30pm - Confessions

6:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Joel
Rivera)

Friday July 24

Jer 3:14-17/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd,
13 [cf. 10d]/Mt 13:18-23

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Living
& Deceased Members of the Altar
& Rosary Society)

Saturday July 25

2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab,
2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [5]/Mt 20:20-28

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Mass - (Sydney Routh)

Next Sunday July 24

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72,
76-77, 127-128, 129-130 [97a]/
Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or
13:44-46

7:30am - Confessions

8:00am - Mass - (Mr. & Mrs.
Verhulst+)

11:00am - Mass - (Parishioners)

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Fr. James
Carlyle)

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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 Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011, or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.



PLEASE REMEMBER THESE PARISHIONERS and FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Elmer Albert, David Anderson, David Barrett, Augie Cruz, Brodie Gorbet, Jeffrey Klenklen, Joyce Klenklen, Harold Mitchell, Annie Moran, Ke Hun Ngo, Eric Palmer, Eric Parvin, Mark & Maryann Polina, Anthony Rizzi, Michelle Rohaus, Harold Stewart, George Stone, 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)
CPT Eric Hoffman - US Air Force, Middle East (Nephew of Chuck & Karen Vlasin)
Airman Tommy Romano - Ariano, Italy (Nephew of Sr. Teresita)

FEATURED CD OF THE MONTH

Transgressim: A Surgeon's Perspective:
Patrick W. Lappert, M.D., a deacon and plastic surgeon, brilliantly and compassionately enters the important and challenging conversation about transgenderism and persons who identify as transgender. Speaking from the perspectives of biology, medicine, psychology, theology and more, Dr. Lappert teaches how questions of human identity, sexuality, woundedness, and the desire for happiness must all be addressed and answered by the truth of what it means to be a human person, made in the image and likeness of God.

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.

Altar Servers

Lectors

5:00pm - J Collins, J Rider
8:00am - M & T Holden, A Rincon, T & T Spooner

11:00am - J Combs, M Deggendorf, E&J Diamond, T Gearke, R Howe, A Talato, L Uresti

5:00pm - N Leete, N Smith

Mark, our summer seminarian, will be doing the readings while he is here, through July 31st.

Thank you Mark!

Rachel's Vineyard-Kansas City

Healing hearts in the heart of the nation

Jesus said, "Whoever comes to me will never hunger and whoever believes in me will never thirst." Anyone who is suffering from an abortion decision is invited to come and experience the True Bread from heaven and drink from the well that never runs dry. Rachel's Vineyard retreats are all about healing the pain of abortion one weekend at a time. The second of three 2020 Kansas City retreats will take place on **July 24-26**. Please call (816) 679-4973 or send an email to rvkcmo@gmail.com for confidential information and to start the healing.

YOUTH SPORTS CAMPS
ALL SPORTS 4TH-8TH GRADES | SOCCER K-8TH GRADE

BASKETBALL VOLLEYBALL
GOLF SOCCER
BASEBALL SOFTBALL
FOOTBALL

SPACE IS LIMITED & REGISTRATION REQUIRED
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Readings for 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1

WIS 12:13, 16-19

There is no god besides you who have the care of all, that you need show you have not unjustly condemned. For your might is the source of justice; your mastery over all things makes you lenient to all. For you show your might when the perfection of your power is disbelieved; and in those who know you, you rebuke temerity. But though you are master of might, you judge with clemency, and with much lenience you govern us; for power, whenever you will, attends you. And you taught your people, by these deeds, that those who are just must be kind; and you gave your children good ground for hope that you would permit repentance for their sins.

Responsorial Psalm

PS 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16

R. (5a) **Lord, you are good and forgiving.**

You, O LORD, are good and forgiving,
abounding in kindness to all who call upon you.
Hearken, O LORD, to my prayer
and attend to the sound of my pleading.

R. **Lord, you are good and forgiving.**

All the nations you have made shall come
and worship you, O LORD,
and glorify your name.

For you are great, and you do wondrous deeds;
you alone are God.

R. **Lord, you are good and forgiving.**

You, O LORD, are a God merciful and gracious,
slow to anger, abounding in kindness and fidelity.

Turn toward me, and have pity on me;
give your strength to your servant.

R. **Lord, you are good and forgiving.**

Reading 2

ROM 8:26-27

Brothers and sisters:

The Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness; or we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes with inexpressible groanings. And the one who searches hearts knows what is the intention of the Spirit, because he intercedes for the holy ones according to God's will.

Alleluia

CF. MT 11:25

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Gospel

MT 13:24-43 OR 13:24-30

Jesus proposed another parable to the crowds, saying:

“The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everyone was asleep his enemy came and sowed weeds all through the wheat, and then went off. When the crop grew and bore fruit, the weeds appeared as well. The slaves of the householder came to him and said, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where have the weeds come from?’ He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’ His slaves said to him, ‘Do you want us to go and pull them up?’ He replied, ‘No, if you pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along with them. Let them grow together until harvest; then at harvest time I will say to the harvesters, “First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles for burning; but gather the wheat into my barn.”’” He proposed another parable to them.

“The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that a person took and sowed in a field. It is the smallest of all the seeds, yet when full-grown it is the largest of plants. It becomes a large bush, and the birds of the sky come and dwell in its branches.” He spoke to them another parable.

“The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed with three measures of wheat flour until the whole batch was leavened.” All these things Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables. He spoke to them only in parables, to fulfill what had been said through the prophet:

I will open my mouth in parables, I will announce what has lain hidden from the foundation of the world.

Then, dismissing the crowds, he went into the house. His disciples approached him and said, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds in the field.” He said in reply, “He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom. The weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sows them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels. Just as weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all who cause others to sin and all evildoers. They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Whoever has ears ought to hear.”

Weekly Contribution Income <i>July 5 & July 12</i>	Annual Contribution Income
Envelopes: \$ 8578.00	July Actual: \$ 10,370.00
Plate: \$ 357.00	July Budget: \$
Online: \$ 1435.00	
Total Contributions: \$ 10,370.00	Year-to-Date Actual: \$ 10,370.00
	Year-to-Date Budget: \$

(Fiscal Year is July 1 through June 30)

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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.



Pitching for Priests has been cancelled due to Covid 19 concerns

THANK YOU for your continued support and generosity as we have navigated through these challenging times. If attending Mass, we have baskets in the vestibules for your contributions. If unable to attend, please continue to mail in your weekly contribution or send it via the church website under the Online Giving tab.

Gospel Reflection by Scott Hahn

God is always teaching His people, we hear in today's First Reading.

And what does He want us to know? That He has care for all of us, that though He is a God of justice, even those who defy and disbelieve Him may hope for His mercy if they turn to Him in repentance.

This divine teaching continues in the three parables that Jesus tells in the Gospel today. Each describes the emergence of the kingdom of God from the seeds sown by His works and preaching. The kingdom's growth is hidden—like the working of yeast in bread; it's improbable, unexpected—as in the way the tall mustard tree grows from the smallest of seeds.

Again this week's readings sound a note of questioning: Why does God permit the evil to grow alongside the good? Why does He permit some to reject the Word of His kingdom?

Because, as we sing in today's Psalm, God is slow to anger and abounding in kindness. He is just, Jesus assures us—evildoers and those who cause others to sin will be thrown into the fiery furnace at the end of the age. But by His patience, God is teaching us—that above all He desires repentance, and the gathering of all nations to worship Him and to glorify His name.

Even though we don't know how to pray as we ought, the Spirit will intercede for us, Paul promises in today's Epistle. But first we must turn and call upon Him, we must commit ourselves to letting the good seed of His Word bear fruit in our lives.

So we should not be deceived or lose heart when we see weeds among the wheat, truth and holiness mixed with error, injustice and sin.

For now, He makes His sun rise on the good and the bad (see [Matthew 5:45](#)). But the harvest draws near. Let's work that we might be numbered among the righteous children—who will shine like the sun in the kingdom of the Father.