

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

**August 29, 2021: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
14th Sunday after Pentecost (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 August 28

St. Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 [9]/
Mt 25:14-3

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Mass - (Ruben Rangel+)

Sunday August 29

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5
[1a]/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/
Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

7:30am - Confessions

8:00am - Mass - (Charles

Firsick+)

10:30am - Confessions

11:00am - Mass - (Terry
Schlotman+)

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Mass - (EF) -
(Parishioners)

Monday August 30

1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3,
4-5, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 4:16-30

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (Linda

Barrett+)

Tuesday August 31

1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4,
13-14 [13]/Lk 4:31-37

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (Living &
Deceased Relatives, Friends, &
Benefactors of Sr. Teresita)

Wednesday September 1

Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11 [10]/Lk
4:38-44

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Fr.
Bartulica & Priests of the
Diocese)

Thursday September 2

Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6
[2]/Lk 5:1-11

5:30pm - Confessions

6:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Living &
Deceased Relatives, Friends, &
Benefactors of Sr. Teresita)

Friday September 3

First Friday

Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5
[2b]/Lk 5:33-39

11:30pm - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (EF) -

(Deceased Members of the Stone/
Martin Families)

Saturday September 4

First Saturday

Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8
[6]/Lk 6:1-5

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Mass - (Scott Tebeck+)

Next Sunday September 5

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10
[1b]/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

7:30am - Confessions

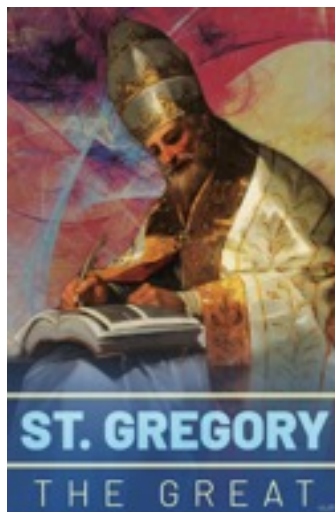
8:00am - Mass - (Intentions of the
William J. Brice, Jr. Family)

10:30am - Confessions

11:00am - Mass - (Parishioners)

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Virginia
Forbes & 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 Kempes, Jeffrey Klenklen, Joyce Klenklen, Sharel Mawby, Harold Mitchell, Deborah Monaco, Annie Moran, Ke Hun Ngo, Eric Palmer, Eric Parvin, Mary Ann Polina, 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)

St. Mary's Outreach Center News for July 2021

For the month of July, we assisted 53 families with food for a total of 133 people of which 24 were children and 24 were elderly. The food items included 1,111 items of food from our pantry. 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 1,929 items of food. In addition, 11 homeless were served at the pantry and 25 homeless bags were given out off site. One emergency bag was given out. Two medical prescriptions were paid.

In addition, 327 items of clothing were given out, 4 packages of diapers and wipes. and 1 fan. Thanks to our Board Members and volunteers totaling 30 who put in 309 hours in support of our services.

Donations should be brought to the Outreach on Tuesday mornings between the hours of 9 a.m. and 12 p.m. DO NOT LEAVE DONATIONS ON THE BACK PORCH AT ANY TIME.

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."

St. Mary's Gift Shop

We now have a nice selection of fiction books ideal for taking on vacation.

Great fiction by Michael O'Brien

The Lighthouse

The Sabbatical

The Fool of New York City

Fathers Tale

Father Elijah

Other new titles and non-fiction;

Dear and Glorious Physician - A

novel about St. Luke by Taylor Caldwell

Father Brown and the Church of

Rome by G.K. Chesterton.

Consecration to St. Joseph by

Donald Calloway.

Hope to Die - The latest book by

Scott Hahn

Last Testament in his own words by

Benedict XVI

The Gift Shop is located in the south vestibule of St. Mary's and is open after all masses on the weekend.

FEATURED CD OF THE MONTH

Leviticus Explained: For many, Leviticus is a strange and difficult book of the Old Testament. As the third book of the Torah, Leviticus lies at the heart of the Law of Moses, and to truly understand it is to unlock a key to relationship with God. Join Biblical scholar Dr. Mark Giszczak as he takes you on a fascinating look deep into the Book of Leviticus where you'll learn about Love, charity, remission of sin, grace, as well as gain new insights into the Old Testament and see pointers to the New Testament.

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.



Gospel Reflection by Dr. Scott Hahn

Today's Gospel casts Jesus in a prophetic light as one having authority to interpret God's law.

Jesus' quotation from Isaiah today is ironic (see [Isaiah 29:13](#)). In observing the law, the Pharisees honor God by ensuring that nothing unclean passes their lips. In this, however, they've turned the law inside out, making it a matter of simply performing certain external actions. The gift of the law, which we hear God giving to Israel in today's First Reading, is fulfilled in Jesus' Gospel, which shows us the law's true meaning and purpose (see [Matthew 5:17](#)).

The law, fulfilled in the Gospel, is meant to form our hearts, to make us pure, able to live in the Lord's presence. The law was given that we might live and enter into the inheritance promised to us—the kingdom of God, eternal life.

Israel, by its observance of the law, was meant to be an example to surrounding nations. As James tells us in today's Epistle, the Gospel was given to us that we might have new birth by the Word of truth. By living the Word we've received, we're to be examples of God's wisdom to those around us, the "first fruits" of a new humanity.

This means we must be "doers" of the Word, not merely hearers of it. As we sing in today's Psalm and hear again in today's Epistle, we must work for justice, taking care of our brothers and sisters and living by the truth God has placed in our hearts.

The Word given to us is a perfect gift. We should not add to it through vain and needless devotions. Nor should we subtract from it by picking and choosing which of His laws to honor.

"Hear me," Jesus says in today's Gospel. Today, we're called to examine our relationship to God's law.

Is the practice of our religion a pure listening to Jesus, a humble welcoming of the Word planted in us and able to save our souls? Or are we only paying lip service?

Weekly Contribution Income August 22	Annual Contribution Income
Envelopes: \$ 4389.00	August Actual: \$ 20,477.00
Plate: \$ 440.00	August Budget: \$
Online: \$ 1197.50	
Total Contributions: \$ 1017.50	Year-to-Date Actual: \$ 39,454.00
	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.



DIOCESE OF KANSAS CITY-ST. JOSEPH

3rd Annual "In His Real Presence"
Eucharistic Congress

SEPTEMBER 10TH & 11TH, 2021



St. Thomas More Parish
11822 Holmes Rd, Kansas City, MO 64131

Friday Family Night:	FREE, registration required Register at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/STM10
Saturday:	\$15.00 before Aug. 15; \$20.00 after Aug. 15 (incl. lunch) Register at: https://kcsj catholic.org/Eucharistic-Congress
* Priest & Religious are Free:	Registration required via email to "sage@diocesekcsj.org"
Or, mail-in registration to:	Office of Divine Worship, 20 W Ninth Street KC, MO 64105

Highlights:
* Relic Room
* Exposition, Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction w/ Bishop Johnston on Sat.

Hosted by: Office of Divine Worship
816-714-2324

Lace up your sneakers to hit the ground running at Outpace Poverty 2021 on *Saturday, September 18, 2021*. This year's 5k Run / Walk will be an in-person event at Frank A. Theis Park. Proceeds from Outpace Poverty benefit the programs and services of Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph. This event is geared toward family teams, corporate team building, running clubs or simply anyone looking to support Catholic Charities' efforts to eliminate poverty. There are several ways to participate, including as a corporate sponsor, donor, participant, or volunteer. For more information, visit OutpacePoverty.org or reach out to Brooke Hilst, Major Gifts Manager, at BHilst@ccharities.com or 816-659-8274.

