

# 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

September 19, 2021: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
17th 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 September 18

1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5  
[2]/Lk 8:4-15  
4:30pm - Confessions  
5:00pm - Mass - (Logan & Hannah Routh)

### Sunday September 19

#### 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8  
[6b]/Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37  
7:30am - Confessions  
8:00am - Mass - (Parishioners)  
10:30am - Confessions  
11:00am - Mass - (Terry Scholtman+)  
4:30pm - Confessions  
5:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Ann Boes)

### Monday September 20

*Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-Gon, Priest, and Paul Chong Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs*

Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Lk 8:16-18  
11:30am - Confessions  
12:00pm - Mass - (Robert McDermott+)

### Tuesday September 21

*St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist*

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5  
[5]/Mt 9:9-13  
11:30am - Confessions  
12:00pm - Mass - (Nancy Forbes)

### Wednesday September 22

Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8 [1b]/Lk 9:1-6  
11:30am - Confessions  
12:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Thomas Romano)

### Thursday September 23

*St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest*

Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a  
and 9b [cf. 4a]/Lk 9:7-9  
5:30pm - Confessions  
6:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Mildred & Michael Romano+)

### Friday September 24

Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4 [5]/Lk 9:18-22  
11:30pm - Confessions  
12:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Intentions of Angie Barrett)

### Saturday September 25

Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 [cf. 10d]/Lk 9:43b-45  
4:30pm - Confessions  
5:00pm - Mass - (Ruben Rangel+)

### Next Sunday September 26

#### 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48  
7:30am - Confessions  
8:00am - Mass - (Ruben Rangel+)  
10:30am - Confessions  
11:00am - Mass - (Parishioners)  
4:30pm - Confessions  
5:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Delbert Miller, Sr.+)



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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](mailto: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](mailto: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, 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)



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**FEATURED CD OF THE MONTH**

**Were the Gospels Anonymous:**

Were the gospels really written by Matthew, Mark, Luke and John or are the authors anonymous? Did the stories come to us through some sort of “telephone game” or by way of eye witnesses? It is vital to address the debate over anonymous gospels.

If we don’t know who wrote the gospels, then how reliable are the stories written about Jesus? Can we look at the gospels as legitimate historical sources for the life, the death and the resurrection of Jesus?

*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.*

*St. Mary's Gift Shop*

(Located in the South Vestibule)

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## Gospel Reflection by Dr. Scott Hahn

In today's First Reading, it's like we have our ears pressed to the wall and can hear the murderous grumblings of the elders, chief priests, and scribes—who last week Jesus predicted would torture and kill Him (see [Mark 8:31](#); [10:33–34](#)).

The liturgy invites us to see this passage from the Book of Wisdom as a prophecy of the Lord's Passion. We hear His enemies complain that “the Just One” has challenged their authority, reproached them for breaking the law of Moses, for betraying their training as leaders and teachers.

And we hear chilling words that foreshadow how they will mock Him as He hangs on the Cross: “For if the Just One be the Son of God, He will . . . deliver Him . . .” (compare [Matthew 27:41–43](#)).

Today's Gospel and Psalm give us the flip side of the First Reading. In both, we hear of Jesus' sufferings from His point of view. Though His enemies surround Him, He offers Himself freely in sacrifice, trusting that God will sustain Him.

But the Apostles today don't understand this second announcement of Christ's Passion. They begin arguing over issues of succession—over who among them is greatest, who will be chosen to lead after Christ is killed.

Again they are thinking not as God but as human beings (see [Mark 8:33](#)). And again Jesus teaches the Twelve—the chosen leaders of His Church—that they must lead by imitating His example of love and self-sacrifice. They must be “servants of all,” especially the weak and the helpless —symbolized by the child He embraces and places in their midst.

This is a lesson for us, too. We must have the mind of Christ, who humbled Himself to come among us (see [Philippians 2:5–11](#)). We must freely offer ourselves, making everything we do a sacrifice in praise of His name.

As James says in today's Epistle, we must seek wisdom from above, desiring humility, not glory, and in all things be gentle and full of mercy.

**Weekly Contribution Income**  
*September 12*

**Annual Contribution Income**

Envelopes: \$ 4045.00  
Plate: \$ 344.00  
Online: \$ 687.50

September Actual: \$ 8748.00  
September Budget: \$

**Total Contributions:** \$ 5076.50

Year-to-Date Actual: \$ 51,947.50  
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.

Thank you to all of our parking lot volunteers who helped collect money the weekend of SantaCaliGon. It was a great success!

**This Sunday's second offering is for the Church in Latin America**



**International Rosary, Marian & St. Joseph Procession**  
In the Year of St. Joseph

**Date:** Saturday, October 9

**Time:** 10:00am-12:00noon

**Location:** St. Patrick's Parish 1357 NE 42<sup>nd</sup> Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64116

\*All events are outdoors-in case of rain, the rosary will be prayed in the in the church, with adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

**Schedule**

**10:00am** Welcome and International Rosary

**10:30am** Marian & St. Joseph Procession to Divine Mercy Park, Chaplet of Divine Mercy

**11:45am** Balloon Rosary, send off

**12:00pm** Departure



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RCIA classes will be begin the first week of October on Thursday evenings after the 6:00pm Mass. If you know of someone that is interested in the learning more about the Catholic Faith, please have them contact the parish office to sign up.

