

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

**October 3, 2021: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
19th 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 October 2

First Saturday

Feast of The Holy Guardian Angels

Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-35,

36-37 [34]/Mt 18:1-5, 10

4:30pm - Confessions

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

Sunday October 3

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gn 2:18-24/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6

[cf. 5]/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or

10:2-12

7:30am - Confessions

8:00am - Mass - (Parishioners)

10:30am - Confessions

11:00am - Mass - (Colleen

Diamond)

4:30pm - Confessions

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

Shanahan)

Monday October 4

St. Francis of Assisi

Jon 1:1—2:2, 11/Jon 2:3, 4, 5, 8/

Lk 10:25-37

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (Eugene &

Colleen Diamond)

Tuesday October 5

Jon 3:1-10/Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4ab,

7-8 [3]/Lk 10:38-42

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (Julia Hicks &

Family)

Wednesday October 6

Jon 4:1-11/Ps 86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10

[15]/Lk 11:1-4

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Julia

Hicks & Family)

Thursday October 7

Our Lady of the Rosary

Mal 3:13-20b/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6

[Ps 40:5a]/Lk 11:5-13

5:30pm - Confessions

6:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Sandi

Miller)

Friday October 8

Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Ps 9:2-3, 6 and

16, 8-9 [9]/Lk 11:15-26

11:30pm - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Jessica

Swarm)

Saturday October 9

Jl 4:12-21/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12

[12a]/Lk 11:27-28

4:30pm - Confessions

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

Next Sunday October 10

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 7:7-11/Ps 90:12-13, 14-15,

16-17 [14]/Heb 4:12-13/Mk

10:17-30 or 10:17-2

7:30am - Confessions

8:00am - Mass - (Herbert J

Klenklen+)

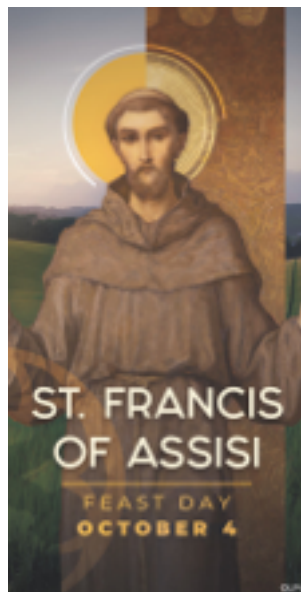
10:30am - Confessions

11:00am - Mass - (Parishioners)

4:30pm - Confessions

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

Wethington+)



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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, David Barrett, Jeffrey Derk, Joan
Ishmael, Bill Janner, Teresa Janacaro, Frances
Janacaro, Donald Kemps, Jeffrey Klenklen, Joyce
Klenklen, Sharel Mawby, Harold Mitchell, Deborah
Monaco, Annie Moran, Ke Hun Ngo, Eric Palmer,
Eric Parvin, Michelle Rohaus, 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)



Resource Health serves nearly 3,000 men and women annually facing an unplanned pregnancy. Our professional staff helps them navigate their options through the parenting or adopting decision. With our numerous services and programs, families find the help they are looking for to equip them for healthier futures. We are proud to serve the Kansas City Metro at our four locations.

You can impact your community by sponsoring a family for just \$575 to complete their Resource Health programs.

Visit resourcehealthpartners.org to make a difference in your neighborhood!

St. Mary's Gift Shop

(Located in the South Vestibule)

Stop by after any Mass on the weekends to view our selection of Catholic books, Bibles, Rosaries, Wall Crucifixes, Prayer books, Children's books, Gifts, and much more.

Over 35 bibles to choose from.

A nice selection of Rosaries, Crucifix and Medallion Necklaces, Missals for Ordinary Masses and Extraordinary Masses, Gifts for anniversaries, Birthdays, First Communion, etc.

Books for children of all ages, from birth to teens, Books for adults, Apologetics, Fiction, Saints Lives, & New releases

MASS CANCELLED TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY

THERE WILL BE NO MASS ON
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5 AND
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6. FATHER
BARTULICA WILL BE ATTENDING A
PRIEST ASSEMBLIES DAY DIOCESAN
RETREAT. PLEASE KEEP ALL OF OUR
PRIESTS IN YOUR PRAYERS!





Gospel Reflection by Dr. Scott Hahn

In today's Gospel, the Pharisees try to trap Jesus with a trick question. The "lawfulness" of divorce in Israel was never an issue. Moses had long ago allowed it (see [Deuteronomy 24:1–4](#)). But Jesus points His enemies back before Moses, to "the beginning," interpreting the text we hear in today's First Reading.

Divorce violates the order of creation, He says. Moses permitted it only as a concession to the people's "hardness of heart"—their inability to live by God's covenant Law. But Jesus comes to fulfill the Law, to reveal its true meaning and purpose, and to give people the grace to keep God's commands.

Marriage, He reveals, is a sacrament, a divine, life-giving sign. Through the union of husband and wife, God intended to bestow His blessings on the human family—making it fruitful, multiplying it until it filled the earth (see [Genesis 1:28](#)).

That's why today's Gospel moves so easily from a debate about marriage to Jesus' blessing of children. Children are blessings the Father bestows on couples who walk in His ways, as we sing in today's Psalm.

Marriage also is a sign of God's new covenant. As today's Epistle hints, Jesus is the new Adam—made a little lower than the angels, born of a human family (see [Romans 5:14](#); [Psalm 8:5–7](#)). The Church is the new Eve, the "woman" born of Christ's pierced side as He hung in the sleep of death on the Cross (see [John 19:34](#); [Revelation 12:1–17](#)).

Through the union of Christ and the Church as "one flesh," God's plan for the world is fulfilled (see [Ephesians 5:21–32](#)). Eve was "mother of all the living" (see [Genesis 3:20](#)). And in Baptism, we are made sons and daughters of the Church, children of the Father, heirs of the eternal glory He intended for the human family in the beginning.

The challenge for us is to live as children of the kingdom, growing up ever more faithful in our love and devotion to the ways of Christ and the teachings of His Church.

Weekly Contribution Income
September 26

Annual Contribution Income

Envelopes: \$ 3031.00
Plate: \$ 306.00
Online: \$ 1142.50

September Actual: \$ 18,975.25
September Budget: \$

Total Contributions: \$ 4479.50 Year-to-Date Actual: \$ 62,174.75
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.

Stop Most Extreme Abortion Bill Ever NOW

Congress is about to vote on **the most radical abortion bill of all time.**

The ongoing push to force taxpayer-funded abortion in the budget process is terrible. ***The so-called "Women's Health Protection Act" is much worse.***

In addition to forcing taxpayer dollars to fund abortion, this bill would mean...

- **Abortion on demand at any stage of pregnancy** would be imposed nationwide, even in states that don't want it.
- **Pro-life laws would be on the chopping block at every level of government** (federal, state, and local). This includes laws on parental notification for minor girls, informed consent, and health or safety protections for abortion facilities.
- Health care professionals like doctors and nurses would likely be **forced to perform, assist in, and/or refer for abortion against their deeply-held beliefs.**
- Employers and insurers would be forced to cover or pay for abortion.

We need to tell the House of Representatives that **this horrible bill must never be enacted.**

Please - can you spare just a moment to email Congress now?

<https://www.votervoice.net/USCCB/Campaigns/88288/Respond>



**— Future Guardians —
YOU ARE INVITED!
OPEN HOUSE
OCTOBER 23 | 10AM-2PM**

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Register at smacatholic.org/open-house/

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St Mary's Altar & Rosary

Please join us for a General Altar & Rosary meeting, Thursday, October 14th, 6:30pm, in the Ministry Center. Several topics of discussion, plus, looking for new ideas for this new session. Looking forward to seeing you there!