

Saint Mary's Catholic Church



August 19th , 2018 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: pgs. 535-537

Ordinary of the Mass: pg. 850 *Kyrie Simplex Mass I* (5pm and 8am);
pg. 879 *Missa Orbis Factor* (11am)

Prayer of St. Thomas Aquinas: pg. 1000

Entrance Hymn: O Worship the King! #91

Entrance Antiphon (@5pm and 8am): *Turn your eyes...(pg. 941 #129); Protector noster @11am*

Responsorial Psalm: *Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.*

Creed: Credo III (only sung at 11am) pg. 899

Offertory Hymn: Father, We Thank Thee Who Has Planted #131

Communio: *Whoever eats my flesh...(pg. 958 #192); Qui manducat @11*

Communion Hymn: Ave verum corpus #132

Communion Motet (@11): *Tantum Ergo*-Anton Bruckner

Marian Antiphon: Salve Regina #124

Recessional Hymn: Now Thank We All Our God #115

Saturday August 18th

4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass - **(Wanda LeMay+)**
6:00pm - A & R Ladies Bunko Night (FH)

Sunday August 19th **Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30am - Confessions
8:00am - Mass - **(Nick Robinson+)**
10:30am - Confessions
11:00am - Mass~ **(Larry Martinez+)**
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass - **(St. Mary Parishioners)**

Monday August 20th Saint Bernard, Abbott & Dr. of the Church

11:30am - Confessions
12:00pm - Mass - **(Holy Souls in Purgatory)**
6:30pm - Scout Committee mtg. (FH)

Tuesday August 21st **Saint Pius X, Pope**

11:30am - Confessions
12:00pm - Mass- **(Living & deceased members of the Schrewsbury Family)**
5:30 pm - Vespers (C)
6:30 pm - Choir practice (C)
6:30pm - Scouts (FH) **Adoration After Noon Mass today until 6:00pm**

Wednesday August 22nd **Immaculate Heart of the Blessed**

11:30am - Confessions **Virgin Mary**
12:00pm - Mass ~ **(Robert Barrett Sr. +)**

***** Adoration after noon Mass today through Thursday evening at 6pm**

Thursday August 23rd **Saint Rose of Lima**

10:00am - Secular Franciscans (MC)
11:30am - Confessions
12:00pm - Mass - **(Rev. Ambrose Karels+)**
5:30pm - Vespers (C)
8:00pm - Venture Scouts (FH)

Friday August 24th **Saint Bartholomew**

11:30am - Confessions
12:00pm - Mass~Ex. Form- **(Michelle Boyer)**

Saturday August 25th **Sts. Louis and Joseph Calasanz**

4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass - **(Wanda LeMay+)**

Sunday August 26th Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am - Confessions
8:00am - Mass - **(Kenny Gilbert)**
10:30am - Confessions
11:00am - Mass~ **(Bob Trusty)**
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass - **(St. Mary Parishioners)**

PARISH OFFICE

600 N.Liberty St. Independence, Mo.
HOURS: MONDAY - THURSDAY
8:00AM - 4:00PM
816-252-0121

www.saintmarysparish.org
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St. Mary's Outreach Agency:
Food, Clothing and Prescription
Medication Assistance
Hours of Operation:

Wednesday & Thursday
9:00am - 3:00pm (816)252-8649
(Please call for an appointment)

***Donations of food & clothing may be brought to the Ministry Center (Monday - Thursday)**

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Aug. 18th & 19th 2018
3rd Week

Altar Servers:

5:00pm - Volunteers

8:00am - T & T Spooner,
W Pappas

11:00am - A Talato,
N Smith, E Diamond

Lectors:

5:00pm - T Douglas

8:00am - M Pontalio

11:00am - E. Holder

Aug. 25 & 26, 2018
4th Week

Altar Servers:

5:00pm - Volunteers

8:00am - A Holloway, A
Rincon

11:00am - A Talato,
N Smith, E Diamond

Lectors:

5:00pm - S. Leete

8:00am - D. Gilbert

11:00am - E. Ball

PLEASE REMEMBER THESE PARISHIONERS and
FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

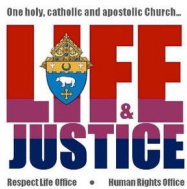
Patty Rittel, Jeffery Klenklen, Joyce Klenklen, Betty Underwood, Annie Moran, David Barrett, Mary Pappas, Rick Gard, Jim Rittel, Anthony Rizzi, Bob Trusty, Patty Vasquez, KE Hun Ngo, Bob DeSchepper, Frances Gabbard, Vincent Brice, Roberta Vargas, Will Carlson, Gertrude Amato, Kathleen Gilbert

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)
Cpl Trevor Melton - Camp Pendleton, CA (Grandson of Marilyn Pontalio)
Rev. Joseph Reardon - Bahrain (Persian Gulf) Command Chaplain
SSGT Christopher Wood - Cherry Point, NC (Grandson of Jean Wilcox)
ICSN Josiah Smith - San Diego, CA. (Grandson of Mary Smith) & **IC3 Christina Smith** - Virginia (wife of Josiah)

Collection: 8/12/2018
Year to date total:

4,865
150,561



SECOND COLLECTION TODAY

Annual Life & Justice Campaign supports local organizations dedicated to defending the dignity of the person and the sanctity of human life. To learn

more, go to www.lifeandjusticekcsj.org

All those who currently serve as Ushers at Mass or wish to become Ushers - there will be an usher training led by Father Bartulica NEXT Saturday, August 25th at 10am - for questions or details contact Father after Mass or Eric Ball.

Readings for the Week of August 19, 2018

Sunday: Prv 9:1-6/Ps 34:2-3, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 [9a]/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58

Monday: Ez 24:15-24/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21 [cf. 18a]/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab [39c]/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Ez 36:23-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 [Ez 36:25]/Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Jn 1:45-51

Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 10b]/Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 [9a]/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69

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, Jenifer Valenti, at 816.812.2500 or JeniferValenti@att.net, 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.

+J.M.J.+

Throw yourself into the breach!
The amazing life and death of Blessed James Kern Part II of II

By Sister Joanna Marie, L.M.

Continuation of the story of Blessed James Kern. (See last week's bulletin for Part I)

During his seminary days and time of religious formation, James often prayed, “Dear God, let me live to offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at least once.” His deep and persistent longing would soon be fulfilled. On July 23, 1922, he was ordained to the Holy Priesthood. The prayer of his mother Anna was answered! On August 1, 1922, James had the joy of offering his first Holy Mass. He did so at the convent of a group of sisters who had provided hospitality to him during his time as a soldier-seminarian. The sisters, and indeed all the people from the surrounding village, were overjoyed. Dressed in traditional folk costumes, the villagers gathered in church to celebrate and pray with the new priest. James recounted in his writings: “My first Mass was filled with jubilation. It was like Palm Sunday and Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem. Now I am entering my Holy Week.”

As a young priest, Father James poured himself out tirelessly for the people of the small villages in which he ministered. His sermons drew more and more of the faithful. People were struck by his strong faith and could tell that he spoke from his heart. Many sinners were inspired to be reconciled with God through the Sacrament of Penance. Father James rejoiced every time he was able to bring one of God’s prodigal children back to Him by absolving their sins in the confessional.

The sick and suffering were very dear to him. It never mattered to him if he was called at an inconvenient hour or had to travel a far distance to minister to them. He would travel quickly, praying as he went and encouraging those accompanying him to do so as well. He showed the same compassion for children and young people by teaching them religion and organizing groups and associations to help them grow strong in their faith. He often prayed: “Lord, You may take everything else from me, but give me souls.” As Our Lord thirsted while hanging on the cross, Blessed James was consumed—body and soul—by this thirst after souls. His already fragile health was rapidly declining.

Things came to a crisis on August 10, 1923. Father James had to be taken to the hospital due to hemorrhaging blood and a recurrence of the infection in his chest wound. Because his heart was so weak, he had to undergo surgery without anesthesia. The pain he endured is unimaginable. Initially the surgeon removed three ribs, but soon discovered removing a fourth rib was necessary. Father James made a joke about it, saying he was sorry to be so much trouble! It is reported that he bit through a towel as he silently suffered through horrendous surgery.

During his time in the hospital, Father James edified everyone around him, especially the doctors and nurses who cared for him. He was constantly cheerful, never complained, and showed deep gratitude, despite his intense suffering. His room was next-door to the chapel and he wrote in a letter at that time that having “the Savior for a neighbor is the crowning of all that is good and beautiful. It is a glorious compensation for the little suffering that I bear.” It took months, but he finally recovered enough to return to the Abbey of Geras.

Only a few months of life remained for the faithful priest of God. He gave his final sermon on July 20, 1924. He preached on the importance of loyalty to the Bishops and the Church—the very thing he had given his entire life for. He had only to crown this glorious witness by his death. That day would soon arrive. In September, his health collapsed. He underwent another surgery in which four more ribs were removed. Yet another surgery would be required after he built up his strength. This was not to be, however, and the 27-year-old priest knew it. He foretold that he would not live through this final surgery.

October 20, 1924 was the date scheduled for the operation. Amazingly, this was also the day the young Norbertine was supposed to make his final profession of vows in his religious Order. The evening before the surgery, a sister caring for Father James was preparing a small altar from which he would receive Holy Communion before the operation. He asked her to please prepare everything as beautifully as possible because “the last Communion should be celebrated as solemnly as the first.” He also said: “Tomorrow I will receive my last Communion and celebrate my solemn profession in heaven.” And that is indeed what happened. The priest of the atonement died on the operating table as the Angelus bells chimed at noon.

James Kern was beatified by Pope John Paul II on June 21, 1998. In his homily the Pope said of Blessed James: “Out of love for Christ he did not selfishly cling to life, but consciously offered it for the good of others.” May we all follow his example of sacrifice. Let us confidently ask his intercession in our needs. He is just one step away from canonization. His prayers must bring about miracles in order for him to be canonized a Saint. God wants us to ask the Saints for their prayers. ***Blessed James Kern, pray for us!***

Basic Catholic Catechism Course

The *Labor Mariae* Sisters will be offering a study group for the *Basic Catholic Catechism Course* of the Servant of God Father John A. Hardon, S.J., each Sunday during the time of the Parish School of Religion classes, i.e., from 9 A.M., until 10:30 A.M. Sign up sheet for the course are available at the entrances to the church. The set of books needed for the course may be purchased online at the following address: <https://mariancatechist.com/product/basic-catholic-catechism-course/>.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

2018 SURVIVORS NFL FOOTBALL POOL

PROCEEDS TO SUPPORT SEMINARIANS

The Knights are sponsoring NFL Survivors Football to promote interest in the 2018 season and benefit seminarians. Players select an NFL team each week. Winners move on to the next week. Losers are out. One-half of pool will benefit seminarians the remaining half to be paid to remaining players at end of season. \$20.00 to play. See brochures at door ways for information or call John McEvoy at 254-7179.

A new Bible study, titled **James: Pearls for Wise Living** will be offered this September. It will be an 11 part DVD series offered by Jeff Cavins. The letter of James is one of the most practical books of the Bible. Like Proverbs, it is a book of wisdom, a collection of teachings on issues faced by ordinary Christians in everyday life. These teachings speak to those of us who feel torn between the competing demands of this world and our faith. This study offers "pearls for wise living" by applying the wisdom of James to the present. For anyone who struggles to live a truly Christian life, James offers a wealth of practical solutions for handling and even sanctifying everyday circumstances.

Classes will be offered in the Ministry Center Conference Room on Wednesdays, beginning September 5th, both in the morning at 10 AM and in the evening at 6:30 PM. There is no charge, but you will need a Bible. A study guide is also helpful and highly recommended but not required.

If you would like the study guide, cost is \$20. Please contact Tony Douglas at 252-0121, ext 101 or email tony@saintmarysparish.org to sign up, or sign up on the sheets at the entries to the church. If you would like a study guide, please contact Tony Douglas (or designate that on the sign up sheets) **before August 20th**.

ST. MARY'S PSR

**Parish School of Religion
Registration is now open
for the 2018-2019 school
year. Catechesis will be
held each Sunday from
9:00 A.M., until 10:30**

**A.M., beginning on
September 16th. The
Sisters will be teaching at
the Parish School of
Religion this year.**

**Registration forms are
available at the entrances
to the church. Please feel
free to submit registration
forms by bringing them to
the office or by simply
placing them in the mailbox
at the Ministry Center.**

A New Beginning..... By Sister M. Regina

Recently, two women began their postulancy as religious Sisters with the Contemplatives of Saint Joseph in San Francisco, California. The community of men of the Contemplatives of Saint Joseph is already well-established in the Archdiocese of San Francisco, but these women are the first postulants of a branch of Sisters.

On their website the Contemplatives of Saint Joseph describe their way of life as follows:

The COSJ, a Catholic religious order of men, women and third order lay and regulars, was founded recently within the Archdiocese of San Francisco. The priests, brothers, and sisters of the COSJ lead a life of deep contemplative prayer and serve in an active apostolate within the Archdiocese of San Francisco and surrounding Bay Area dioceses. We are a Public Clerical Association of the Christian Faithful as decreed by Most Reverend Salvatore Cordileone, Archbishop of San Francisco.

The priests, brothers and sisters, immersing themselves in a life of contemplative prayer, desire to enter into the kingdom of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. With St. Joseph, they bear about them a prayerful interior silence which aids in deepening the life of prayer, and sharing the Light of God's love with the souls within our Archdiocese and the Church as a whole.

In order for young women to begin a community of religious Sisters, they need formation in the religious life, either by having someone who is already a religious Sister live with them and form them, or by going to another monastery or convent to obtain such formation. The postulants of the Contemplatives of Saint Joseph need formation, and they will be living with us *Labor Mariae* Sisters for a year for that reason. The new postulant Sisters will arrive toward the end of August. Just as our *Labor Mariae* Sisters did when they were postulants, we will call them "Sister" but use their baptismal names. The names of the Sisters are Sister Hau and Sister Annie. The Sisters will be sharing our *Labor Mariae* everyday life of prayer, apostolate, meals and recreation, so you will see them with us regularly. We are pleased to be able to have the two Sisters with us! Please pray for Sister Hau and Sister Annie, and for their community of the Contemplatives of Saint Joseph Sisters.