September 3rd, 2018   Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: pgs. 567-570
Ordinary of the Mass: pg. 850 Kyriale Simplex Mass I (5pm and 8am);
   pg. 879 Missa Orbis Factor (11am)
Prayer of St. Thomas Aquinas: pg. 1000
Entrance Hymn: At the Name of Jesus #98
Entrance Antiphon (@5pm and 8am): You are just...(pg. 942 #133); Iustus es @11am
Responsorial Psalm: Praise the Lord, my soul!
Creed: Credo III (only sung at 11am) pg. 899
Offertory Hymn: There's a Wideness in God's Mercy #122
Communio: I am the Light of the world...; Vovete @11
Communion Hymn: Godhead Here in Hiding #103
Marian Antiphon: Salve Regina #124
Recessional Hymn: Rejoice, the Lord is King #138
**Saturday September 8th**
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass - (Jim & Wanda LeMay+)

**Sunday September 9th** Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30am - Confessions
8:00am - Mass - (St. Mary's Parishioners)
10:30am - Confessions
11:00am - Mass - (Amparo Aguilera+)
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass - (Norman Leete+)

**Monday September 10th**
11:30am - Confessions
12:00pm - Mass - (Bernie Meyer)

**Tuesday September 11th** Patriot Day
11:30am - Confessions
12:00pm - Mass - (John Truman)
5:30 pm - Vespers (C)
6:30 pm - Choir practice (C)
6:30pm - Scouts (FH)
Adoration  After Noon Mass today until 6:00pm

**Wednesday September 12th** The Most Holy Name of Mary
11:30am - Confessions
12:00pm - Mass - (Intentions of Sister Regina)
10:00am - Scripture Study (MC) *Adoration after noon Mass today through Thursday evening at 6pm
6:30pm - Scripture Study (MC)

**Thursday September 13th** St. John Chrysostom
10:00am - Secular Franciscans (MC)
11:30am - Confessions
12:00pm - Mass - (Pat Stone)
5:30pm - Vespers (C)
8:00pm - Venture Scouts (FH)

**Friday September 14th** The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
5:30pm - Confessions
6:00pm - Mass - Ex. Form - (Dixie Altman)
Adoration 6:00pm - 10:00am Saturday (please sign up in So. Vestibule)

**Saturday September 15th** Our Lady of Sorrows
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass - (Larry Martinez+)

**Sunday September 16th** Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30am - Confessions
8:00am - Mass - (St. Mary Parishioners)
10:30am - Confessions
11:00am - Mass - (Jessica Maloney)
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass - (Margarita Magalski)
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 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.

PLEASE REMEMBER THESE PARISHIONERS and FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:
Patty Rittel, Jeffery Klenklen, Joyce Klenklen, Betty Underwood, Annie Moran, David Barrett, Mary Pappas, Jim Rittel, Anthony Rizzi, Bob Trusty, KE Hun Ngo, Bob DeSchepper, Frances Gabbard, Vincent Brice, Mary Brice, Roberta Vargas, Will Carlson, Gertrude Amato, Kathleen Gilbert, Tonya Huey, Brodie Gorbet

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 Pontalion)
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)

Readings for the Week of September 9, 2018

Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37
Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5, 5-6, 7, 12 [9]/Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4]/Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17 [11]/Lk 6:20-26
Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24 [24b]/Lk 6:27-38
Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22/Ps 116:12-13, 17-18 [17]/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Next Sunday: Is 50:5-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35

Collection: 9/2/2018: 5,259
Year to date total: 166,954
Keeping all these things in our hearts….By Sister M. Regina

In his letter to all the faithful of August 21, 2018, our Bishop James V. Johnston, Jr., asked us to pray and to fast in response to the recent revelation of the most grievous sins committed by bishops and priests. Bishop Johnston said that “this is ultimately also a spiritual crisis which must be met with a spiritual response, one in which every member of the Body of Christ is needed.”

His Excellency has asked us to pray with particular fervor in reparation for sins during these weeks, concluding with the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, this coming Friday. The Cross is exalted because the Cross has won the victory over all sin. The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross is a source of hope for us: No matter how dark the present may appear, Christ has won the victory. All sin has been forgiven—we need only repent.

The Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross is followed by the Feast of the Seven Sorrows of Our Lady. With the exception of the third sorrow, that of losing the Child Jesus, the other sorrows Our Lady suffers are caused by sin. Sin is the cause of her sorrow. She grieves because of sin and its eternal consequence of eternal death. It is most fitting for us to keep company with Our Lady in her sorrows. Let us grieve for sins committed, because they cause sorrow, not only to those affected by the sins, but also to the Hearts of Jesus and Mary.

These past weeks, we have heard about the most grievous sins and scandals caused by priests and bishops. The sin seems overwhelming. What can we do? What good can our prayers do? We—each of us—can do immense good! Most likely, we will not see this good, but it is no less real. Repenting for our own sins and making good and frequent confessions gives joy to the Heart of Jesus and causes grace to flow more freely through the Mystical Body of Christ. Who knows but that the good confession of one person causes many to receive grace in its wake. Our sacrifices, even if they be small and hidden, likewise cause an increase of grace. Our prayers, our spending time in adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, causes an increase of grace. The grace affects not only us, but it has effect on other souls. In heaven—What delight!—we will marvel to see the workings of grace! By becoming saints, we help the Church in the most effective way.

On the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows, we Sisters have a particular joy, namely, that of welcoming a postulant who will be invested with the Miraculous Medal at the conclusion of the 10 A.M. Mass. Her total gift of self to the One whom she loves and Who has called her brings grace to the Mystical Body of Christ, just as every “yes” to Jesus is a source of grace. Thanks be to God!

This week, devotional cards for the Seven Sorrows of Our Lady are available at the doors of the church. Please take some of the cards, use them, and share them with others.

Also available in the South Vestibule are some Sisters-made cord Rosaries of Our Lady of Sorrows, together instructions for praying the Rosary, blessed by Father Matthew Bartulica. Supplies are limited, but you are welcome to take a Rosary. A free-will offering is gladly accepted for the Rosaries.

Ave Crucis, spes unica! Hail the Cross, our only hope! Our Lady of Sorrows, pray for us!

Father John A. Hardon, S.J. Basic Catholic Catechism Study Group
The study group for the Basic Catholic Catechism Course begins on Sunday, September 16th, at 9 A.M. Please prepare for the first meeting by reading lesson one and responding to the questions about the lesson in the workbook.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.
The Knights of Columbus and the Altar & Rosary Society present ‘BINGO’ on Saturday, September 15th at 6:00pm in Fitzgerald Hall

$7 Per Person ($4 - Kids 12 & Under)
1 Free Bingo Card Included Per Person
(3 Games Included - Kids 12 & Under)
5 Bingo Games / $1 per Extra Cards - ALL Games 50-50 Cash Payout Prizes!
3 Shortened Kids Games (Included - Kids 12 & Under) Door Prizes / 50 – 50 Cash Raffle
Hot Dogs / Chili / Chili Dogs + Kids Menu / Assorted Beverages / Free Will Cash Bar
Proceeds to Benefit Fitzgerald Hall Renovation Fund

General Altar & Rosary meeting & Circle meetings
The General A&R meeting will be held Thursday, Sept 13th at 6:30pm, in the Ministry Center.
The Guild meeting will be held on Wednesday, Sept 19th at 1:00pm, in the Ministry Center.
Circle 6 will meet on Wednesday, Sept 26th at 6:30pm in the Ministry Center.
Please note the new start times for the evening meetings. These meetings will now be held beginning at 6:30 pm.

September is our annual membership drive. If you are not a member and have wondered what A&R is all about, we invite you to join in at the General meeting on September 13th. Come learn about the Altar & Rosary Society and fellowship with us.

Saturday, September 29th, 6:00pm, Fitzgerald Hall
Calling all Bunco players and non-Bunco players to our monthly Bunco game. You do not need to know how to play to join in. Easy to learn and a lot of fun! Cost is $5.00 per person. Please bring a treat to share. Sandwiches will be provided.

Blood Drive: Seeking a disciple/disciples to be in charge of the annual blood drive. If you are interested in heading up the blood drive beginning in 2019 or would like more information, please contact Cathy Anderson, 718-6547 or catherineanderson2@comcast.net. Please be sure to put in the subject line “blood drive”.

Did you know… By supporting our various fundraisers and purchasing candles for devotions, this helps to support our endeavors of supplying St. Mary’s with the needed items of wine, altar breads and candles (both for devotions and altar use). The stipend for devotional candles is $3.00 for the large candles and $1.00 for the small candle. Money can be placed in the cash box located in between the candle holders, by the statue of Mary.

Our fiscal year end expenses for these items closed out as follows:
Altar & Rosary Expenses : July 2017-June 2018
Altar Breads $501.17  Candles $5,814.74  Wine ~ $297.92

Thank you to ALL who volunteered their time during Santa-Cali-Gon to man the parking lots! Your help was very much appreciated. The church raised $3,000 from this fundraiser! Thank you all!