

St. Mary's Parish

NOVEMBER 12, 2023: THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | RESUMED 5TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Mass Times

MONDAY: 12 noon (OF)

TUESDAY: No Mass

WEDNESDAY: 12 noon (OF)

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)

Confession Times

MONDAY: 11:30am

TUESDAY: No Confession

WEDNESDAY: 11:30am

THURSDAY: 5:00pm

FRIDAY: 11:30am

SATURDAY: 4:00pm

SUNDAY: 7:15am & 4:00pm

Adoration Gimes

WEDNESDAY: 1pm - 9pm

THURSDAY: 7am - 6pm

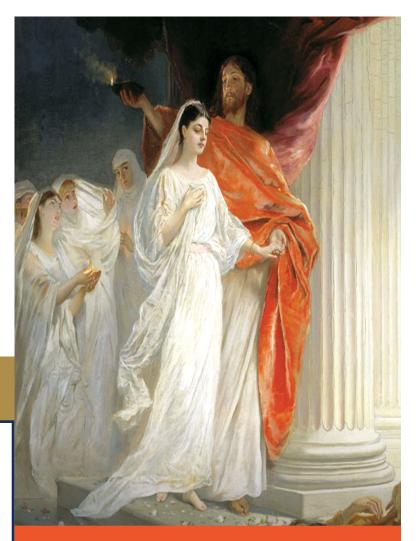
Granksgiving Dinner



NOVEMBER 18TH THANKSGIVING POTLUCK DINNER

We give thanks to God for all He has done for His people through St. Mary's and to the Blessed Virgin Mary for her protection and prayers over our parish.

Join us for <u>potluck dinner following the Vigil Mass</u> on the 18th and bring a family favorite side dish or dessert. The parish will provide the Turkey.



32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.'" - Mt 25:11-12

"'Señor, señor, ábrenos'. Pero él les respondió: 'Yo les aseguro que no las conozco'." - Mt 25, 11-12

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11 St. Martin of Tours

4:00pm Confessions **5:00pm** Mass (OF)

(+Deceased Members of Douglas/

Wurtz Families)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:15am Confessions **8:00**am Mass (OF)

(+Mr. & Mrs. Gustav Verhulst)

11:00am Mass (OF) (+Larry Fischer) 4:00pm Confessions

5:00pm Mass (Low Mass)

(Sr. Teresita)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

11:30am Confessions

Noon Mass (+Ida Altman)

6:30pm Choir Practice

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

Tuesday of the 32nd Week in OT

No Mass

4:00pm Youth Catechesis

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

St. Albert the Great

11:30am Confessions

Mass Noon (+Don Albers)

6:30pm Bible Study

9:00pm Adoration Concludes

Thursday, November 16 St. Margaret of Scotland

7:00am Adoration Begins **5:00pm** Confessions

6:00pm Mass (Low Mass)

(+David McDonald)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

St. Elizabeth of Hungary

11:30am Confessions

Mass (Low Mass)

(Martinez Family & Holy Souls)

6:00pm Vespers

Men of St. Joseph

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

Dedication of the Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul

4:00pm Confessions

5:00pm Mass (OF)

(+Don & Ruth Douglas)

6:00pm Thanksgiving Potluck

NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:15am Confessions

8:00am Mass (OF)

(Parishioners of St. Mary's and St.

Cyril's)

11:00am Mass (OF)

(+Alice Crews & Lisa Carson)

4:00pm Confessions

5:00pm Mass (High Mass)

(Sr. Teresita)

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CONTRIBUTION INCOME

November 5, 2023

WEEKLY		ANNUAL	
ENVELOPES:	\$ 2,831.00	NOVEMBER ACTUAL:	\$ 5,691.50
PLATE:	\$ 2,528.00	NOVEMBER BUDGET:	\$19,583.33
ONLINE:	\$ 332.50		
TOTAL	\$ 5,691.50	ALL SAINTS:	\$ 587.00
		ALL SOULS:	\$ 155.00
		YEAR-TO-DATE ACTUAL:	\$81,484.05
		YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET:	\$97,916.65

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

FAMILIES 21 TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS \$2,845.00 GOAL \$9,142.00 GOAL (FISCAL YEAR IS JULY 1 THROUGH JUNE 30)

PARISH REGISTRATION

New parishioners: Please fill out a parish registration form either on the parish website or by filling out a printed form near the church entrances.

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | RESUMED 5TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Readings, text of the antiphons, and Responsorial Psalm: pgs. 663-665

Mass Setting: Missa Simplex I - pg. 850

Entrance Hymn: God, Whose Almighty Word #105

Entrance Antiphon: Let my prayer come into your presence... (944 #142)

Offertory Hymn: Lead Kindly Light #106

Communion Antiphon:

Communion Hymn: The King of Love My Shepherd Is #109

Marian antiphon: Flos Carmeli

Recessional: Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise #88

UPDATE

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

The first reports are in for this year's Annual Catholic Appeal. A total of 21 <u>families</u> have contributed to the Appeal, which is about a 15% participation level for the parish. The goal is to reach 80%.

Giving for the support of our Diocese is part of the obligation to contribute to the material needs of the church according to one's ability.

To make a contribution for the operation of the Diocese, use one of the envelopes located by each of the entrances of the church.





My Parish

ADVENT BLOG & VIDEOS

Look for new additions and buttons coming in the MyParish App. To help in your Advent prayer and journey there will be two features:

Advent 2023 (Reflections) Prepare 2023 (Videos)

These will appear in the App beginning December 3rd.

HOLY HOUR FOR PRIESTS

Thursday, November 16, 2023 7-8pm

Sisters of St. Francis Chapel 2100 N. Noland Road

UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. MARY'S

Towel of Veronica Memorial Mass

Men of St. Joseph

Nov. 17

Bicentennial Thanksgiving Dinner

Food & Fellowship Sunday

Advent Catechesis Series Begins

Lessons and Carols & Silent Auction

Nov. 13

Nov. 18

Nov. 19

Advent Catechesis Series Begins

Nov. 27

Dec. 15



PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS MR. SAMUEL OUSLEY

HOME PARISH: ST. ANDREW THE APOSTLE

YEAR: COLLEGE IV

SEMINARY: ST. GREGORY THE GREAT

BIRTHDAY: JULY 19

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

OUR PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS

Mary D'Angelo, Mary Lou Larsen,
William Carlson, Mary and Bob Brice,
Clarence Maine, Kathleen Holcro, David
Barchak, Kevin and Alicia Connell,
Mark Robertson, Eva Rohrbach, Colleen
Grosvenor, Janet Howe, Emily Bagley,
Janet Howe, Rita Williams, Martin
Pope; Shelby Monaco; Mary Messina;
Jane Whiting, Phyllis Miller; Julie &
Brian Worden; Lucy Castellano,
Kenneth Gorham

OUR MILITARY MEN & WOMEN:

CPL Victor Rangel
U.S MARINE CORPS
CAMP PENDLETON, CA
Son of Phil & Julie Rangel

SFC.Christopher Kinnaman
WAINWRIGHT, AK
Grandson of Betty Kinnaman

IC3 Christina Smith wife of Josiah Smith, Grandson of Mary Smith

Sgt. John Chase Brunick;

ARMY

SOPHIA, BULGARIA

Airman Tommy Romano ARIANO, ITALY Nephew of Sr. Teresita

SSgt Christopher Wood U.S. Marine Corps Camp Pendleton, CA Grandson of Jean Wilcox

ALTAR AND ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

NUT SALES

The annual nut sales have begun. Order forms can be found at the entrances of the Church. Please place your order forms, along with payment, in an envelope marked ATTN: Altar & Rosary and place in the collection box. Orders can be picked up two weeks after you place your order. Sales will go through the first week of December.

TOWEL OF VERONICA

MEMORIAL MASS

The Towel of Veronica Apostolate is a private association of the faithful ministry of mercy for priests who have lost a loved one in the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The goal of the Apostolate is to provide an avenue for the laity to show and express compassion and support through messages of consolation and assurances of prayers, to priests who have lost a loved one.

The annual memorial mass will be on Monday, 11/13 at 6:00pm

BICENTENNIAL THANKSGIVING DINNER NOVEMBER 18TH

Dinner will begin after the vigil Mass on Saturday, November 18th.

Turkey will be provided. Please bring a family favorite side dish or dessert to fill out the meal.

ST. MARY'S GIFT SHOP

Annual St. Joseph Missals

Annual Missal Guide Guide for Christian Prayer* Guide for Liturgy of the Hours*

Orders must be placed before November 12. Order forms are available at all church entrances and can be placed in the basket or at the south vestibule of the gift shop.

St. Mary's Outreach Agency

Food, Clothing & Prescription Medication Assistance $(816)\ 252\text{-}8649$

Hours

Wednesday & Thursday 9:00am - 3:00pm **Food Items Needed:** Instant potatoes, Box Stuffing (dressing), canned fruit, chili seasoning packets, cake mixes and frosting, and large paper grocery bags.

Thanksgiving: We are providing items of food for side dishes for clients' Thanksgiving dinner of the first three items listed above.

Christmas: We are still taking Christmas applications for families with children. Be sure to look in following bulletins regarding your opportunity to participate in our Christmas Angel donation of toys for the children in the families being adopted. In addition, we will need items such as new blankets and throws, towel sets and small kitchen appliances - one item will be given to each family in addition to the Christmas food baskets.

Clothing Items Needed: Winter clothing, blankets and coats for men, women and children.

Outreach Activity

	September	October
Families Served	184	122
People Served	383	298
Homeless Served	40	258
Clothing Items	1,435	797
Coats and Blankets		27
Volunteer Hours	262	256
No. of Volunteers	30	28
Pantry Food	2,592	2,309
*USDA Comm	2,458	2,027

^{* &}quot;This institution is an equal opportunity provider."

CONFIRMED IN CHRIST

MEMORIAL MASS

With great joy we welcome Matthew Barchak into the fullness of the faith and completion of initiation, receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this Sunday.

Please keep Matthew in prayer, that the Holy Spirit be most generous and keep him always strong in his faith.

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 Whitney True-Francis, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 816.392.0011 or true.francis@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

LESSONS & CAROLS

SERVICE AND SILENT AUCTION

Mark your calendars for this year's Lessons and Carols events and silent auction: **6:00pm Friday Dec. 15th**. Following the Lessons and Carols, we will have hors d'oerves and silent auction. Included in this year's auction will be limited edition, wooden prints of the main mural of the Crowning of Mary.

FOLLOWING INVISIBLE FOOTSTEPS ADVENT CATECHESIS SERIES

The goal and end of Spiritual Contemplation is so that through union with God, we may follow His invisible footsteps.

Through discernment we learn to recognize God's presence and wear He is leading us toward. In this year's Advent Catechesis Series we will be looking at the practical rules of discernment from Diadochus, those things that help us recognize God and what clouds our ability to follow Him.

6:00pm on Mondays in Advent Begins November 27th*

BOOK OF THE DEAD

Throughout the month of November, we will be placing the Book of the Dead in the Baptistry. It is placed in the Baptistry to help us recall the source of our hope for the dead, that in baptism we die to this world so that we may also rise with Him to new life.

Please record the names of loved ones **who have died this past year.** It is intended only for the names of individuals and being kept in perpetuity, there is no need to record a name that has already been entered.

YOUTH CATECHESIS

7-10 YRS, AND 1ST COMMUNION PREP

St. Mary's 7–10-year-old Catechumens have begun learning about the foundations of our Catholic faith, such as being created to live in communion with God, and understanding the loving relationship of that union. They are also discovering the importance of opening themselves to God's gift of grace that enables them to work toward the practice of virtues, especially charity- the greatest virtue, which is essential in growing in their communion with God, and in a life of holiness. It is truly an honor and pleasure to be a part of cultivating the Faith of our young parishioners, and in that process, I am also learning and growing in my own Faith!



PASTOR'S CORNER

Reveal the Bridegroom

Many of us are familiar with the parable of the Wise and Foolish Virgins. As the 10 virgins awaited the arrival of the Bridegroom, the evening grew long and the foolish virgins began running out of oil, turned to the wise who had brought extra. The foolish turned to the wise and asked for them to share some of their excess oil, but the wise refused, lest they also run out. And then the Bridegroom came while the foolish virgins were away, buying more oil, and so were left out of the wedding banquet and were not even admitted in once they returned.

Some can look at this parable and begin to criticize the wise virgins for their lack of charity in refusing to share from their excess. Why should someone be left out of the Kingdom, simply because they did not think to bring extra oil?

This parable of the Kingdom of Heaven is not about the Virgins and who is or is not admitted to the Kingdom. We have to recollect why the virgins are waiting. They are not waiting to get in because the doors will only be opened once the Bridegroom has arrived. Rather, they are appointed to greet the Bridegroom and announce His coming. In the very same way, their lamps are not kept lit in order for them to see and find their way, but to light the way for the Bridegroom. This is also a good moment to recall Christ's other observation to the Disciples: You are the light of the world. Light does not exist for the sake of the light itself. Just as John the Baptist came to give testimony to the true light. Light does not belong under a bushel basket, but to be placed out on a stand, where it can give light for others to see and reveals the true way and path. In other words,

The virgins were not waiting for their own salvation—this is not a parable about those who are admitted into the Kingdom or not—but were called and chosen to shine the light so that others could see and recognize the Bridegroom.

The wise ones knew that this was their purpose. It was all about the Bridegroom and making sure they would be ready for His arrival, so that he could make the proper entry. Their thoughts were on him, and not on themselves. In another way, we can see that their wisdom was also an act of charity. They did not concern themselves over whether or not they should spend extra to have the extra oil, but driven by the desire to serve him, spared no expense. It is also why they did not risk sharing. Again, it was not about them being admitted into the banquet. It did not matter if there were 10 virgins to greet the Bridegroom or just 1. Rather, what was most important was that the Bridegroom himself, be lighted and recognized.

Wisdom reminds us that the most important question and task of our faith is not that we receive salvation; the task is not for me to get to heaven and earn salvation. We are to give testimony and light to the revelation of Christ. Wisdom is in ourselves finding the Way, but in shining our light, we both recognize the Bridegroom and help others to identify and welcome him also.