



FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 4, 2021

St. James Catholic Church

3909 Harrison * Kansas City, Missouri 64110

Our Mission

We, the people of the St. James community in faith, commit ourselves to building the Reign of God for all people, serving especially our neighbors in Midtown, Kansas City.

Our Vision

St. James Parish will be a vital Catholic Christian presence at the crossroads of Kansas City, meeting the spiritual needs of our members and impacting both the midtown neighborhood and the larger community. We will be a growing and diverse community where worship and sacramental life are joyful and vibrant; where people are empowered to live the Gospel; and where, especially, the needs of the poor and disenfranchised are lovingly and humbly addressed.

Mass Schedule

Sunday **10:00 am**

Confessions

By appointment only

Parish Office **(816) 561-8512**

Office Hours: 9:00 --3:00, Monday-Friday

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“A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house.”

~ Mark 6:4

Bulletin Deadline: Mondays

~ St. James Parish Updates ~

- **BETWEEN THE CRACKS FUND**

APRIL - MAY - JUNE 2021 REPORT

There were five single parents with nine children who were helped with rent while four people were help with their medication.

- **PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**

The St. James Parish Office will be closed Monday, July 5, in observance of the 4th of July Holiday.

- **YOUTH GROUP**

The St. James Youth Group invites you to the "movies!"

Please take a few minutes to view the videos on our St. James website and comment to our teens. Go to this link: <https://stjkc.org/our-stories>. Enjoy!

- **ST. JAMES COMMUNITY GARDEN**

The garlic harvest is complete and drying in the garage. Swing by the garden between 10 and 11 on Saturdays for green garlic. Once dried, it will be available in the back of church.

The following are ready for picking:

South Garden - Beds 6, 7, 12, and 13: Beets and Beet Greens

East Garden - Large Onions, Kale, Collards, and Swiss Chard.



- **PARISH OFFICE**

- ◆ Please send us your prayer intentions. Email them to parish@stjkc.org or call 816-561-8512.
- ◆ If you have an address, phone, or email change, please contact the parish office so our records can be updated.
- ◆ If you know of parishioners who have NO access to internet/email/Facebook, please contact the parish office, so that the weekly bulletin will be mailed to them.





Reflection from Fr. Garry Richmeier

When people want to punish law-breakers, even with capital punishment, they often say they are upholding the value of justice. When people fight against common sense gun regulation (or about any other curtailment of their activities), they say they are fighting for individual freedom. When people condemn homosexuality, they say they are promoting morality (based on their interpretation of scripture).

All of us agree that justice, freedom, and morality are good things. But human beings are experts at justifying their actions (sometimes awful actions) by claiming these good values as what motivates them. People are so good at this that they can rationalize anything, even the most horrendous things. The crucifixion of Jesus is a prime example for us Christians. The Jan. 6 attack on the capitol is a more recent example.

So how are we to guard against justifying harmful behavior by wrapping it in a cloak of virtue?

It seems to me we need to cut through all the arguments and rationalizations and explanations for why we do what we do, and always ask the simple question, "Is this particular action helping or hurting this particular person?" If we ask that question, and are unsure about the answer, the other person can usually give us a clue. The farther away we get from this question, the more easily love becomes a debatable theory or idea, rather than a clear, concrete action.

~ Peace,

Fr. Garry

~ Around Kansas City and the World ~

HAPPY 4th OF JULY!

Head to Berkley Riverfront Park on Independence Day for KC RiverFest, offering one of the city's biggest and brightest fireworks displays each year. An all-day celebration, food trucks and live music fill the park in anticipation of the main event after the sun sets.



Please join with many others along Prospect Avenue from Lexington Avenue on the north end of Prospect to 81st Street on the south beginning at 6:21 pm on July 3. Let's pray for peace in our city and for all of God's people.



JOIN US

**ONE HOUR OF PRAYER
EAST SIDEWALK ON
PROSPECT AVENUE**

July 3, 2021 @ 6:21PM



Prayer from (north) Lexington to 81st street (south) on Prospect Avenue

We are calling on the Greater Kansas City metropolitan community that prayed last June 2020 north and south on Troost to be with us for an hour praying on Prospect

Over 30 Block Prayer Captains will be strategically available throughout the eighty City Blocks

ORGANIZING GROUPS

SCLC GKC - HEART OF THE FATHER INITIATIVE - HEALING PATHWAY VICTIM SERVICES - SANKOFA FOR KC - AD HOC GROUP AGAINST CRIME - CONCERNED CLERGY COALITION - HISTORIC ST. MARK CHURCH 24 / 7 PRAYER MINISTRY - CENTER FOR CONFLICT RESOLUTION - URBAN COUNCIL - URBAN SUMMIT - NBUF - NAACP - URBAN LEAGUE

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~ Readings ~

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN OT

AM 7:12-15

EPH 1:3-14 OR 1:3-10

MK 6:7-13

~ Stewardship ~

Week 6/21—6/27: \$3,257

Needed each week: \$3,877

Percent of Weekly Budget: 84%

Fiscal YTD: \$170,965

Budgeted this Fiscal YTD: \$199,340

Percent of Budget to Date: 86%

~ We Hold in Prayer ~

- Ed Pailer
- Amie Miller
- William Carson
- Cann and Shelby Families

Eternal rest unto them, O Lord!

- + Roger McCarty
- + David Roach

~ Mass Attendance ~

In-person Attendance

6/27, 13th Sunday in OT 115

Livestream Attendance

6/27, 13th Sunday in OT 15