



TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 19, 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.



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## 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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## Parish Staff

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**Bulletin Deadline: Mondays**

“Whoever receives one child such as this  
in my name, receives me; and whoever  
receives me, receives not me but the  
One who sent me.”

~ Mark 9:37

## *~ St. James Parish Updates ~*

- **HARVESTERS**

St. James' September Harvesters volunteer opportunity has been rescheduled for Tuesday, September 21st, from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. Harvesters is located at 3801 Topping Ave. Volunteers must be 16 or older and are required to wear closed toed shoes and masks. Consider bringing 1 canned or other non-perishable food item.

Please contact Sarah Hirsch at 816-728-6115 if you plan to attend.

- **SAVE THE DATE**

The Goldenberg Duo will perform at St. James Catholic Church on Friday, October 15, 2021, 7 PM.

- **BUS STOP MINISTRY**

If you have hats, scarves or gloves for distribution at Bus Stop, there is a donation basket in the back of the church. The blessing of those items is scheduled for Sunday, October 17th. Thank you!

- **ST. JAMES COMMUNITY GARDEN**

St. James Communal Garden pickers include parishioners and their family members, neighbors, T39 customers, and those supplementing their meals at One City Cafe. If you are not a SJCG picker, come check out what we have this week ready for picking:

**Troost39 Backdoor**

-Center Bed: Basil (Thai and Sweet), Rosemary and Parsley

-Center West Bed: Tomatillos

**South Garden**

-Beds 2: Arugula

-Beds 4 - 7: Butternut Squash

-Bed 12: Kale

-Beds 14 and 15: Peppers (Hot and Sweet)

-Beds 16 - 18: Tomatoes

-Bed 20: Eggplant

-Trellises at the end of 15, 18, and 20: Long Beans

**East Garden**

- Kale, Collards, Swiss Chard, and Sweet Potato Leaves





## *Reflection from Fr. Mike Roach*

This weekend the Scriptures remind us of what is really important in life. As the disciples were discussing who among them was the greatest, Jesus challenged them to realize what brings importance in life. If anyone wishes to be first, that person shall be the last of all and the 'servant of all.' Then he brought a child in their midst, embraced him/her and challenged them to welcome the child. "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me."

Why a child? A child is one who lacks things: experience, command of the language, knowledge, power or legal rights. Children as we so unfortunately know in the Church are easily victimized. In order to grow, a child needs to trust in the care and tenderness of others. We also realize there are so many who have the same needs as children— the poor, the homeless, the elderly, the voiceless, those victimized because of race, age or gender. What is our response to them?

As Christians, followers of Jesus, we have a responsibility to be a source of care and love.

*~ Peace,  
Fr. Mike*

~ Around Kansas City ~

THE OGLESBY HOTEL APARTMENTS



~ Readings ~

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN OT  
NM 11:25-29  
JAS 5:1-6  
MK 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

~ Stewardship ~

Week 9/06—9/12: \$3,802

Needed each week: \$3,877

Percent of Weekly Budget: 98%

Actual this Fiscal YTD: \$42,486

Budgeted this Fiscal YTD: \$43,190

Percent of Budget to Date: 98%

~ We Hold in Prayer ~

- + Bette Tate-Beaver
- Connie Anderson
- Ed Pailer
- Amie Miller
- Oscar Shelby
- Cann and Shelby Families

~ Mass Attendance ~

In-person Attendance  
9/12, 24th Sunday in OT 109

Livestream Attendance  
9/12, 24th Sunday in OT 21

## Office of Child and Youth Protection

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating 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 **Independent Ombudsman, Joe Crayon**, at 816-812-2500, 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, the **Victim Assistance Coordinator** at 816.392.0011 or [true.francis@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:true.francis@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.