



TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 3, 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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"Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. "

~ Mark 10:14

Bulletin Deadline: Mondays

~ St. James Parish Updates ~

- **PETITION**

Marialuna Schreiner Cintron, a parishioner and member of the Youth Group started a petition to Mayor Quinton Lucas to stand and ask for eco-friendly road salt in Kansas City. Marialuna will be in the back of the church this Sunday to get your signatures and answer your questions. Please look into the petition at <https://www.change.org/savekansascity> and sign it if you may.

- **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**

Beans come in many colors and our purple and wax (yellow) ones are ready to be picked. In addition to purple beans, the following are ready for picking:

Troost39 Backdoor

-Center Bed: Rosemary and Parsley

-Center West Bed: Tomatillos

South Garden

-Beds 2 and 3: Arugula and Lettuce

-Beds 4 - 7: Butternut Squash

-Beds 8 - 11: Beans

-Bed 12: Kale

-Bed 13: Beets

-Beds 14 and 15: Peppers

-Beds 16 - 18: Tomatoes

-Bed 20: Eggplant

-Trellises: Long Beans

East Garden

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

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 for more information.



Reflection from Fr. Garry Richmeier

The word "compassion" comes from the Latin root word "com," meaning "with," and the word "patio," which means "to suffer." Compassion therefore means to "suffer with." Someone who is compassionate has the ability to understand and be with another in their suffering.

Compassion sometimes seems to be in short supply these days. One reason is that much of our culture is centered around avoiding suffering. Our commercials all tell us that we needn't suffer doing without -- we can simply buy whatever we want. Our technological prowess has enabled us to have almost anything immediately at our fingertips, so we don't have to undergo the suffering of having to wait. The pharmaceutical industry tells us there's a pill for everything, so we don't have to suffer pain or discomfort. When much of our world is telling us that suffering is needless and we should avoid it at all costs, we can easily start questioning why we should voluntarily suffer with another person. What seems to happen too often is that people retreat into their own little sphere of comfort, insulating themselves from the suffering of others, and therefore not feeling the need to do anything about it.

No one likes suffering, but it is indispensable in making us human, and part of the human family. Someone who has suffered a divorce for example, often has a deeper understanding of, and compassion for, the pain of someone else experiencing divorce. We don't have to go looking for suffering, or find ways to suffer. Life provides that automatically. We don't get a choice about that. We do get to choose whether or not we allow another's suffering to resonate with ours and touch our hearts. When that happens, it may cost us some of our comfort, independence, and even freedom. But we gain a society, a world that is much more united, with people who are there for each other in the good times and the bad. That is probably well worth the price of suffering with others.

*~ Peace,
Fr. Garry*

~ Around Kansas City ~

ST. JAMES KC PRESENTS THE GOLDENBERG DUO

Friday, October 15, 2021 at 7:00 pm

St. James Catholic Church

3909 Harrison KCMO

Benefit performance for the ministries of St. James

SUGGESTED DONATION: \$10



~ Readings ~

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN OT

WIS 7:7-11

HEB 4:12-13

MK 10:17-30

~ We Hold in Prayer ~

+ Bette Tate-Beaver

- Connie Anderson
- Ed Pailer
- Amie Miller
- Oscar Shelby
- Cann and Shelby Families

~ Stewardship ~

Week 9/20—9/26: \$3,455

Needed each week: \$3,877

Percent of Weekly Budget: 89%

Actual this Fiscal YTD: \$50,673

Budgeted this Fiscal YTD: \$50,944

Percent of Budget to Date: 99%

~ Mass Attendance ~

In-person Attendance

9/26, 26th Sunday in OT 80

Livestream Attendance

9/26, 26th Sunday in OT 17