

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 16, 2022

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

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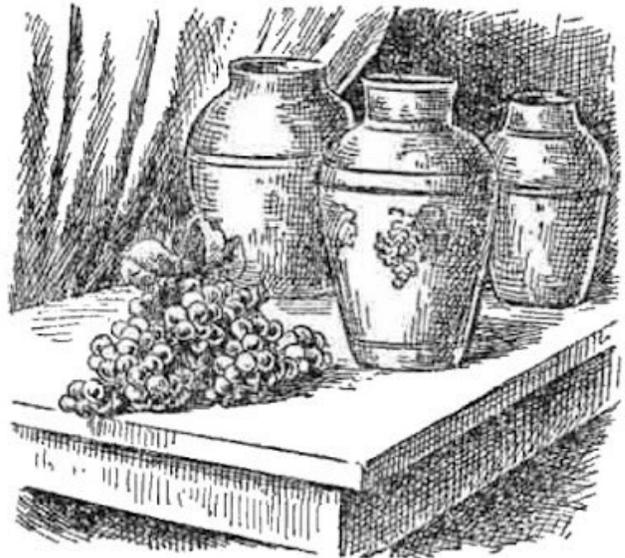
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Jesus told them,
"Fill the jars with water."

~ John 2:7

Bulletin Deadline: Mondays

~ St. James Parish Updates ~

- **THANK YOU!**

Thanks to all the parish members who were able to stay after Mass last Sunday to take down our Christmas decorations. It went very well and quickly. We have left some decorations to emphasize three areas in our church: the altar, the ambo, and the presider's chair.

- **BETWEEN THE CRACKS FUND QUARTERLY REPORT**

For the months of October, November and December 2021, St. James helped with MEDICINE, RENT and UTILITIES.

Thank you for your continuing and generous support.

- **SUPPORTING TROOST BUSINESSES**

Remember in August when it was warm? St. James celebrated its 115th Founding Anniversary. The Silent Auction items were donated by several small businesses on Troost. Now, it is cold and the Covid virus is still with us. Several of our donors are struggling financially. Please drop by one of these small businesses on Troost and order a cup of coffee, a muffin, or a \$2,000 quesadilla! (There's a story there! Watch for further details.) Let's all help take care of each other.

- **PEACEWORKS SUPPORTS NUCLEAR BAN TREATY**

On Sat., Jan. 22, PeaceWorks-KC will host an outdoor rally and car caravan marking the first anniversary of the "entry into force" of the international **Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons**. We will meet at 12:45 pm in the parking area near Main and 46th St., behind office buildings overlooking Mill Creek Park. In addition, here's a link to the Archbishop of Santa Fe's Pastoral Letter in support of the elimination of nuclear weapons—

https://www.icanw.org/archbishop_letter

This letter supports Pope Francis' stand against nuclear weapons.

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. Mike Roach

This weekend, the reading from Paul's Letter to the Corinthians reminds us of the particular gifts given to each of us and how we can use those gifts together to build the Body of Christ. As Jesus begins His public life, our Gospel from John is about the changing of water into wine at the Wedding in Cana.

I think it's interesting how we begin Ordinary Time of the Church year with a miracle. Mary and Jesus were at a wedding celebration, and like any wedding, a lot of work (and stress) had gone into this event. When Mary realizes they are running out of wine, she approaches Jesus for help. He simply says, 'How does this concern of yours affect me?'. Mary simply ignored that and told the stewards to fill the jars with water. She just expected Jesus to perform this miracle, which Jesus did. It's a very common story---at any wedding celebration we have attended, a tremendous amount of work has gone into planning the celebration. In my firsthand experience, after almost two years of COVID, I have counselled and consoled engaged couples whose wedding plans had to be drastically changed or cancelled due to the guidelines of the health mandates of not being able to gather together.

But after tons of planning and changing dates, most of them were able to proceed with the celebrations. Not quite what they had planned--but they still were able to have beautiful gatherings with family and friends. This all happened because everyone came forward sharing their own gifts which helped the engaged couple carry out their wishes.

This is the message of today --a simple message that we need to reach out and care for one another as well as take seriously our own health and safety concerns. These past almost two years have been a difficult time for many folks. But hopefully we have learned to cherish one another and realize we have a responsibility to help each other in need.

This weekend, as we remember the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., we are once again reminded to respect each other, build one another up and not let issues of race or color divide us. May we all share our own gifts to build this community of faith together.

As Mary told the stewards, do what He (Jesus) tells you.

*~ Peace,
Fr. Mike*

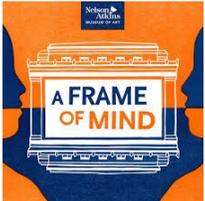
~ Around the World ~



MISSOURI JOBS WITH JUSTICE VOTER ACTION

Join us on Wednesday, January 19 at 2:00pm for a webinar to learn about the upcoming fights in this year's #moleg session.

[REGISTER FOR THE WEBINAR NOW](#)



Introducing A Frame of Mind

A new podcast taking a hard look at race in America through the lens of one art museum, hosted by Glenn North from The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art. Please click the image on the left to access a sample podcast.

8 NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS INSPIRED BY POPE FRANCIS

1. Volunteer for a local charity or non-profit.
2. Stop judging others.
3. Take Scripture to heart.
4. Take one concrete step to become more environmentally conscious. (And start now!)
5. Pray every day. Even when it is hard.
6. Let go of a grudge or two.
7. Get off Twitter.
8. Call your loved ones regularly (and truly listen to them.)

~ Readings ~

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 NEH 8:2-4A, 5-6, 8-10
 1 COR 12:12-30
 LK 1:1-4; 4:14-21

~ We Hold in Prayer ~

- Pat Rodemann
- Deacon Ross Beaudoin
- Connie Anderson
- Ed Pailer
- Amie Miller
- Oscar Shelby
- Patricia Cann

~ Stewardship ~

Week 1/03—1/09: \$3,761
 Needed each week: \$3,877
 Percent of Weekly Budget: 97%
 Actual this Fiscal YTD: \$108,398
 Budgeted this Fiscal YTD: \$109,099
 Percent of Budget to Date: 99%

~ Mass Attendance ~

In-person Attendance	
1/09, Baptism of the Lord	91
Livestream Attendance	
1/09, Baptism of the Lord	17