



FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 30, 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

Parish Office

(816) 561-8512

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

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"If I speak in human and angelic
tongues, but do not have love,
I am a resounding gong or a clashing
cymbal."

~ 1 Cor. 13:1

Bulletin Deadline: Mondays

~ St. James Parish Updates ~

- **HARVESTERS**

St. James' February Harvesters volunteer opportunities include Tuesday, February 1st, from 6:00 - 8:00 pm and Souper Bowl on Saturday, February 12 from 1:00 -3:00pm.

Harvesters is located at 3801 Topping Ave. Volunteers must be 16 or older and are required to wear closed toed shoes, long pants, 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.

- **BUS STOP MINISTRY**

Bus Stop Ministry celebrates its 15th anniversary this week. Thank you for your continued support and prayers.



- **2021 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS**

St. James Contribution Statements for the calendar year 2021 are now ready for pick up in the back of the church.

- **SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION**

If you have children who need the Sacraments of Baptism, First Eucharist, First Reconciliation or Confirmation, please call the parish office at 816-561-8512 or send an email to parish@stjkc.org. Likewise, if you know of anybody who wants to join St. James, please call or email the parish office.

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 Bro. Louis Rodemann

Last Sunday in St Paul's first Letter to the Corinthians, he shows how all of a person's body parts make one whole functioning human person, so all individual Christians, believing and acting together, make one whole Body of Christ.

This Sunday's reading follows immediately after, explaining how the only way this can happen is if Christians act out of love.

St. Paul gives a whole litany of what love is and is not. Love is described and defined in many ways. The most challenging I've found is of Dorothy Day's quoting Dostoyevsky's character, Father Zosima, in his novel, *Brothers Karamasov*: "Love in action is a harsh and dreadful thing compared to love in dreams."

Love is best understood as a verb, done deliberately and intentionally, involving our whole person, and it's often not easy nor simple.

A few personal situations we might try on:

If our focus and energy is on anti-poverty, anti-death penalty, anti-war and violence, we can love another person whose focus and energy is on anti-abortion, or vice-versa.

If we have an opinion or belief contrary to another's opinion or belief, we can love that person by listening intently and responding civilly.

If we are in an unresolved conflict with another person, we can love that person by initiating or agreeing to elicit a mediator to help with conflict resolution.

As a parish family, St. James expresses our love for many people in multiple ways; a few examples, among others, through which we can participate or contribute are:

We can love the persons needing a pair of gloves from "Bus Stop Ministry" at the corner of 39th and Troost.

We can love the mother of a family of four who needs "Between the Cracks" assistance to get her electricity turned back on.

We can love the homeless person get a hot meal at "One City Café".

We can love the person who comes to "Thrift 39" to get a change of good clothes before going to a job interview.

We can love a child in Togo, West Africa, when we provide a tuition scholarship.

We can love migrants by helping them get their green card.

We can love a family in Anapra, Mexico, with a donation to provide a winter's supply of heating oil.

God is love! God's stance toward us, everyone, at all times, is love; our love for others is a sharing in God's love.

~ Peace,

Bro. Louis

~ Around Kansas City ~



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 top to access a sample podcast.

Get free at-home COVID-19 tests

Every home in the U.S. is eligible to order 4 free at-home COVID-19 tests.

The tests are completely free. Orders will usually ship in 7-12 days.

Order your tests now so you have them when you need them.

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~ Readings ~

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
IS 6:1-2a, 3-8
1 COR 15:1-11
LK 5:1-11

~ We Hold in Prayer ~

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

~ Stewardship ~

Week 1/17—1/23: \$3,450
Needed each week: \$3,877
Percent of Weekly Budget: 89%
Actual this Fiscal YTD: \$114,988
Budgeted this Fiscal YTD: \$116,853
Percent of Budget to Date: 98%

~ Mass Attendance ~

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| In-person Attendance | |
| 1/23, 3rd Sunday in OT | 121 |
| Livestream Attendance | |
| 1/23, 23 Sunday in OT | 17 |