



SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 20, 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

Email parish@stjkc.org

Website stjkc.org

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Anne Carlson

"Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you."

~ Lk. 6:27

Bulletin Deadline: Mondays

~ St. James Parish Updates ~

- **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.

- **INITIAL DRAFT PLAN RESPONSE—DEADLINE EXTENDED**

Please send to Ben via email by February 25 your response to the initial draft plan and your written stories why St. James is your connection to church or Catholic identity.

Here is the definition of CLUSTER: Two or more parishes with a shared pastor, their own churches, finances, councils, and staffs. There can be additional collaboration in personnel, ministries, and resources.



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

As we celebrate Black History Month, we as Catholics are proud that in 2019, Pope Francis issued a decree advancing the cause for sainthood for Augustus Tolton. Father Tolton, who is now Venerable Augustus Tolton, has been recognized for his heroic virtue, persevering through slavery and contending with racism inside and outside of the Church. Despite the enormous challenges, Father Tolton discerned his vocation and ultimately provided for the spiritual and physical needs of many Black Catholics in Illinois.

In Luke's Gospel, we encounter images of society in disarray. Jesus spoke of the social realities of injustice and abuse. He gave his followers multiple challenging commands such as 'love your enemies, be good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you and pray for those who mistreat you'.

Jesus opposed people and systems which created poverty and oppression, and at the same time he responded to the needs of the world with love and mercy. He told his disciples, "be merciful, just as your Father is merciful".

We can imitate how Father Tolton faced discrimination and hate - "to love, bless, give, and forgive." He forgave and prayed for his oppressors. But he did not let racist policies have the last word. Instead, he took on Jesus' challenges as his own; he looked inward and outward and found ways to love and serve that will create a just society.

May that be our call as we continue to live out the kingdom of God, and call upon the holy men and women who have gone before us, like Augustus Tolton, to intercede for us here on earth.

*~ Peace,
Fr. Mike*

~ Around Kansas City ~



St. Therese Little Flower Mardi Gras 2022

Friday, February 25, 2022

Drexel Hall

3301 Baltimore, Kansas City, MO 64111

Doors Open 5:30pm

Silent Auction, Drawings

Dinner Served 6:30 – 7:30 pm

Individual Tickets - \$20 Reserved Table for 8 - \$200

(Includes Entertainment, Dancing, Dinner,
Non- Alcoholic Drinks & Fun until 10:30 pm)

(Wine and Beer Available)

MASKS FOR HEALTH AND SAFETY REQUIRED!

GET YOUR TICKETS NOW!

Individual Tickets and Table Sponsor Tickets available online at www.stfkf.org.

Click on the 'Give' tab at the top of the page.

Select Tickets, Table or Donation and enter the appropriate amount
for your purchase.

Select 'Continue' button to nav.



~ Readings ~

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SIR 27:4-7

1 COR 15:54-58

LK 6:39-45

~ We Hold in Prayer ~

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

~ Stewardship ~

Week 2/07—2/13: \$3,799

Needed each week: \$3,877

Percent of Weekly Budget: 98%

Actual this Fiscal YTD: \$126,386

Budgeted this Fiscal YTD: \$128,484

Percent of Budget to Date: 98%

~ Mass Attendance ~

In-person Attendance	
2/13, 6th Sunday in OT	107
Livestream Attendance	
2/13, 6th Sunday in OT	18