



FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

March 6, 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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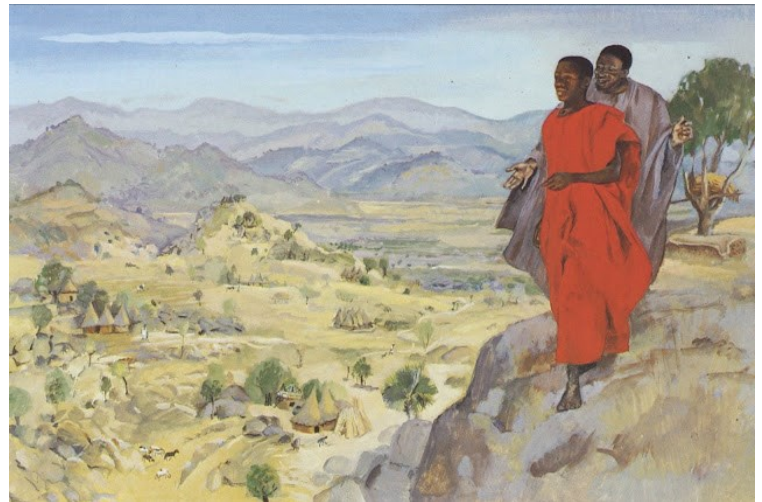
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Fr. Mike Roach Ben Babaran

Michael Waldeck Andrew Shepard

Anne Carlson



Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days.

~ Luke 4:1

Bulletin Deadline: Mondays

~ St. James Parish Updates ~

- **HOSPITALITY SUNDAY at TROOST39**

St. James will celebrate Hospitality Sunday at the Troost39 Thrift Store after Mass today.

- **PANTRY SUNDAY**

St. James will resume PANTRY SUNDAY next Sunday. Hygiene products are needed: toilet paper, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, shampoo, razors, shaving creme, feminine products—NO FOOD! Please place your items on the tables in the back of the church. We are not ready for the offertory procession of the items.

- **SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION**

St. James has baptisms scheduled for the Sundays of Easter. There are twelve children being prepared for First Eucharist & First Reconciliation. There are three RCIA and four RCIC candidates who will be receiving the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. If you or you know somebody who has a child or children needing any of the Sacraments of Initiation, please call or email the parish office. Refer to the front cover of the bulletin for contact information.



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

When I was little, my mom would sometimes bake a pie. Since I was the oldest boy, I was the first to pick which piece of the pie I wanted. It was pretty much impossible for mom to cut a pie into the exact same-size pieces, so there were usually a couple pieces which were bigger than the others. Naturally, I would take the biggest piece. This would often cause much resentment and discontent among my younger brothers, which my mother would have to deal with. But I clearly remember the day that the pie came out of the oven, and we boys were arguing over which piece we would each get, and I said I'd take the smaller piece to save an argument. My mom used it as a teaching moment, and told us all that that was an example of what it means to grow up.

Taking the biggest piece of the "pie" is the source of much of our suffering and many of our conflicts as adults. The huge gap between the rich and the poor in this country is an example. Developed countries use an inordinate amount of the world's resources while developing countries do without. Right now, Russian leaders want a bigger piece of the pie and are taking over Ukraine, causing much death and suffering.

Self-denial is a traditional practice during Lent for us. Fasting and abstinence are the two most familiar forms of this. Self-denial can be considered simply rules you should follow as a Catholic, but it can have a deeper meaning if we let it. It can be a way that we remind ourselves that what God has given is given to all of us. It can also be a way of consciously following the teaching "live simply so that others can simply live."

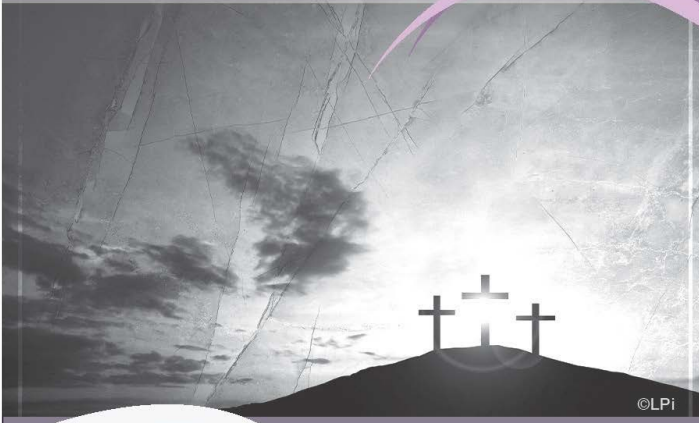
Lent is a good time to take stock of what we really need to live, and what we don't need. It's also a good time to remember how God has always provided, even when we thought we didn't have what we needed. Lent is a time of Spiritually "growing up" a little bit more.

~ Peace,

Fr. Garry

~ Around Kansas City ~


Lenten Organ Recital
 "Death and Resurrection"



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Join us for a concert of music for the organ focusing on death and resurrection as we journey the path of Lent together. Dr. Hofeling will present music from Mendelssohn, Escaich, Sowerby, Bach, Buxtehude, and Langlais on the newly dedicated Rodgers Infinity Organ.

Dr. Jacob Hofeling, organ
 Wednesday, March 9th, 2022
 7:00 pm
 St. Mark Catholic Church
 3736 S. Lee's Summit Rd
 Independence, MO 64055



St. Patrick's Day
**PARADE
 PARKING**
 Our Lady of Perpetual Help
 (Redemptorist)



Where: Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Redemptorist) Church, 3333 Broadway, KCMO

When: Thursday, March 17 at 11 a.m. More details at <https://www.kcirishtparade.com/>

Parking rates: Front row (south lot along the parade route) parking + tailgating at \$30; extra large corner spot \$40. RESERVATIONS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED. All remaining spots (south lot and the lot behind the rectory) \$20 each in advance or on the day of the parade.

For reservations, contact: (816) 561-3771

~ Readings ~

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
 GN 15:5-12, 17-18
 PHIL 3:17—4:1
 LK 9:28B-36

~ Stewardship ~

Week 2/21—2/27: \$4,226

Needed each week: \$3,877

Percent of Weekly Budget: 109%

Actual this Fiscal YTD: \$134,373

Budgeted this Fiscal YTD: \$136,238

Percent of Budget to Date: 99%

~ We Hold in Prayer ~

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

~ Mass Attendance ~

In-person Attendance
 2/27, 8th Sunday in OT 118

Livestream Attendance
 2/27, 8th Sunday in OT 15