



NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 7, 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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“Gird your loins and light your lamps and be like servants who await their master’s return from a wedding, ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks.”

~ Luke 12:35-36

Bulletin Deadline: Mondays

~ St. James Parish Updates ~

• **SR. DONNA RYAN, RSM**

Sr. Donna’s wake and funeral services will be at the Mercy Villa in Omaha, NE. Her wake will be on Monday, August 8 at 6:30PM while her funeral will be on Tuesday, August 9 at 10AM. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, August 13 at 11AM in St. James.

• **ST. THERESE LITTLE FLOWER PROJECT**

The deadline for donations of shoes for St. Therese will be on Sunday, August 14.

• **SUNDAYS OF AUGUST 2022 MASS CELEBRANTS**

August 7—Fr. Gerry Waris

August 21—Fr. Don Farnan

August 14—Fr. William Smith, CSSp

August 28—Fr. Mark Miller, C.PP.S

• **MISSION APPEAL**

As part of the Diocesan Missionary Cooperation Plan, Fr. William Smith, CSSp, will visit St. James on August 14 to speak about the missionary work of the Church and in particular that of the Spiritans (Congregation of the Holy Spirit). To learn more about the Spiritans, please visit: www.spiritans.org.

• **ST. JAMES COMMUNITY GARDEN**

Peppers, tomatoes, and eggplant are slow setting on this year. Keep your eyes open as you walk by the East Garden for a prize. The following produce is ready this week to be harvested:

South Garden

Bed 1: Ground Cherries and Swiss Chard

Beds 8 and 9: Kale

Bed 4 and 5: Kohlrabi

Bed 20: Collards

Troost39

East Garden

Plastic Tubs: Basil

Tomatoes, Peppers, and Eggplant

• **FAITH FORMATION SUNDAY**

There will be a Faith Formation session on Sunday, August 21 after Mass. More2 will present the issue of Local Control of the Police Department.

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.

SUNDAYS AT ST. JAMES

1st Sunday - TROOST39
OPEN W/ HOSPITALITY

2nd Sunday - HOSPITALITY
& NAME TAG SUNDAY

3rd Sunday - FAITH
FORMATION SUNDAY

4th Sunday - PANTRY
SUNDAY

5th Sunday - 5th SUNDAY
CELEBRATION



Reflection from Fr. Garry Richmeier

We seem to spend a lot of our time waiting. We long for things to get better, or we dread the thought of things getting worse. Whether we are an optimist or a pessimist, our attention is often on the future.

In the gospel for this Sunday, Jesus sounds like he is endorsing this kind of attention with his followers. He talks about servants looking forward to their master's return at some point. He talks about knowing when a thief might break in. But the point is not really about knowing or predicting or creating the future. The point is about being ready now, in the present. In that sense, the future really has nothing to do with treating the "menservants and maidservants" well. One can only do that in the present. Jesus was saying "Don't wait! Love now!"

Sometimes our focus on the future gets in the way of our living well now. Fear of making a mistake is often paralyzing to us. We know the philosophy of "playing it safe." This is often a way of not taking the risks involved in doing what is most just, respectful, compassionate, or loving. We want to control how the future turns out, so we often base our actions on the illusion of that control, rather than basing our actions on what is most loving at the moment.

Living in the "now" (rather than the future) requires trust and faith that God will be lovingly involved in what happens from here on. No one can prove that to us. That is why it's called faith. But we can look at the past and see that God has gotten us to this point somehow, and will probably get us into the future somehow also. That is why we read the scriptures – to remind ourselves of how God has been present to us in the past, and to trust he will continue that love into the future.

So as the Star Trek theme suggests, let us "Boldly go where no one has gone before," trusting that God is already there in our future, just as God is present now, and was present from the very beginning.

Peace,
Fr. Garry

~ Around Kansas City ~



August NATURE EVENTS

<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday · August 3</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Movie Under the Stars</p> <p>MDC and the KC Police Department will partner to offer a free movie experience at the Discovery Center. The family friendly movie will start at sunset with movie snacks available.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Sat. · Aug. 6 & 20</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Little Acorns</p> <p>Join this volunteer naturalist led wildlife themed story program ideal for preschool - kindergarten children.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Saturday · August 6</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Orienteering</p> <p>Navigate through nature, learn to read a map and how to use a compass. Compasses will then be used to navigate through a challenge course on the Discovery Center property.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Saturday · Aug. 13</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Hummingbirds 101!</p> <p>Learn about the native plants, sweet nectar and insects loved by this tiny creature. Make and take a feeder home.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Saturday · August 27</p> <p style="text-align: center;">We Wish We Were Fishing</p> <p>Learn how to make a cool t-shirt practicing the ancient Japanese art of gyotaku using plastic molded fish, fabric ink and recycled t-shirts.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Learn more about these programs at: https://short.mdc.mo.gov/Zr7</p>	



4750 Troost Ave., Kansas City, MO 64110
816-759-7300
mdc.mo.gov/discoverycenter



Celebrate the Journey

JOURNEY TO NEW LIFE
3120 TROOST AVENUE
KANSAS CITY, MO 64109

Please RSVP at www.jtnl.org

You're invited!

ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

Vox Theatre
1405 Southwest Boulevard
Kansas City, KS 66103

August 11, 2022
5:30 - 9:30 pm
Program begins at 7:00 pm

We can't wait to see you.
We have so much to celebrate
and catch up on!

FOR INQUIRIES REGARDING
SPONSORSHIP, DONATIONS, AND SILENT AUCTION:
816-648-3501 or INFO@JTNL.ORG

~ Readings ~

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JER 38:4-6, 8-10
HEB 12:1-4
LK 12:49-53

- ~ We Hold in Prayer ~
- Chuck Dymmer
 - Ed Pailer
 - Amie Miller
 - Oscar Shelby
 - Patricia Cann
 - Beverly Johnson
 - Mary Koch
 - Leonard Caan
 - Steve Wallace

~ Stewardship ~

Week 7/25—7/31: \$3,971
Needed each week: TBD
Percent of Weekly Budget: TBD
Actual this Fiscal YTD: \$20,567
Budgeted this Fiscal YTD: TBD
Percent of Budget to Date: TBD

~ Mass Attendance ~

In-person Attendance	
7/31, 18th Sunday in OT	126
Livestream Attendance	
7/31, 18th Sunday in OT	10