



TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 28, 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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## Parish Staff

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## Parish Leadership Team

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## Parish Finance Council

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Fr. Don



**The Poor Invited to the Feast**

Jesus MAFA project

“When you hold a banquet,  
invite the poor, the crippled, the  
lame, the blind .”

~ Luke 14:13

**Bulletin Deadline: Mondays**

~ St. James Parish Updates ~

• **ST. JAMES MINISTRIES/PROGRAMS**

- ◆ Children’s Liturgy of the Word will start on September 11.
- ◆ Pantry Sunday will be on 4th Sunday of the month starting on September 25.
- ◆ Preparation for 1st Communion & 1st Reconciliation—Please send the information of children needing the aforementioned sacraments to the parish office (parish@stjkc.org).
- ◆ Confirmation—If you have age-appropriate youth needing the Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact Ben at the parish office (816-561-8512).
- ◆ R.C.I.A./R.C.I.C.—If you know anybody wanting to join St. James but needs to go through the Rites of Christian Initiation, please contact Ben at the parish office (816-561-8512).
- ◆ Knitting and Crocheting—If you are interested, the group meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month starting on September 20 at 6:30PM in the rectory.

• **ST. JAMES COMMUNITY GARDEN**

Hopefully you can make it to the 116th Anniversary Celebration tomorrow and pick up some garlic, onions, and potatoes from the Garden Table. Look for these vegetables at the back of church on the Sundays to come.

The following produce is ready this week for harvest :

South Garden

Bed 1: Ground Cherries  
Bed 4 and 5: Kohlrabi

Beds 8 and 9: Kale  
Bed 20: Collards

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Plastic Tubs: Basil  
West Side: Raspberries

East Garden

Tomatoes, Peppers, and Eggplant

<p><b>Office of Child and Youth Protection</b></p> <p>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 <i>observe or suspect</i> sexual abuse:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-392-3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and</li> <li>2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and</li> <li>3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected <i>sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult</i> to the <b>Independent Ombudsman, Joe Crayon</b>, at 816-812-2500, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee, or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.</li> </ol> <p>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 <b>Victim Assistance Coordinator</b> at 816.392.0011 or true.francis@diocesekcsj.org for more information.</p>	<p align="center"><b>SUNDAYS AT ST. JAMES</b></p> <p>1st Sunday - TROOST39 OPEN W/ HOSPITALITY</p> <p>2nd Sunday - HOSPITALITY &amp; NAME TAG SUNDAY</p> <p>3rd Sunday - FAITH FORMATION SUNDAY</p> <p>4th Sunday - PANTRY SUNDAY</p> <p>5th Sunday - 5th SUNDAY CELEBRATION</p>
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## Reflection from Fr. Don Farnan

This weekend, Saint James Parish celebrates its 116<sup>th</sup> birthday and Saint Therese hosts the celebration of Saint Louis' feast day. Amid the milestones of another year, we offer gratitude for the 100 years of service and worship that Saint Louis Parish offered to our city and diocese. It did so in challenging times and bountiful times, and with deep love. As parishioners find their new spiritual home, we give thanks for the holy men and women who walked by faith through the neighborhoods of Town Fork Creek and made Kansas City a better place by their presence and because they took to heart the task of living and advancing the Gospel as God's humble children.

Last Sunday's scriptural verses told of God's plan to gather the nations, tribes, and people from all directions and bring them to His kingdom of grace. This Sunday, we are reminded to live in humility. Saint Therese once wrote about humility in these words: *"If a little flower could speak, it seems to me that it would tell us quite simply all that God has done for it without hiding any of its gifts. It would not, under the pretext of humility, say that it was not pretty or that it didn't have a sweet scent. It would also not pretend that the sun had not withered its petals or the storm had not bruised its stem. It would appear as it is in true humility and gratitude."*

Her words might be a good reminder to us for how we are to act as long as we have life and to remember that we are forever connected to those who have gone before us. As we consider those, from all directions, whom God has gathered to himself in the heavenly kingdom, those saints of the church like James, the apostle, Louis, the king, Therese, the little flower, and those friends and fellow parishioners who have been marked with the sign of faith, let us give thanks for their passing our way and leaving us a legacy to follow. Let us imitate their humility with gratitude for all that has been given to us, for that which has faded away from us, and for that which remains with us. I am very proud of our parishes that celebrate God's message of good news in our worship and in our actions that build up the City of God here on earth and here in Kansas City.

Enjoy the feast day and the birthday and keep doing what we are here to do: continue His blessed mission in humility.

*Blessings,  
Fr. Don*

~ Around Kansas City ~



# Hunger Banquet

Wednesday, August 31, 2022 6:00-8:00 pm

Xavier Hall, 5220 Troost Ave., KCMO

## September is Hunger Awareness Month.

Join us as we share a meal and learn how **Kanbe's Markets** is making a difference in the KC community by providing **fresh, affordable, healthy foods** to people living in low-income, low access food deserts.

Max Kaniger, founder of Kanbe's, will be our featured speaker. Donations will be accepted to support their good work.

Tours of the SFX Community Gardens and the Food Pantry will be available.

To RSVP, contact [Karen Miller](#) or [Sue Robb](#), or sign up [Here](#).

Sponsored by the Social Concerns Committees of Visitation and St. Francis Xavier parishes.

### ~ Readings ~

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WIS 9:13-18B

PHMN 9-10, 12-17

LK 14:25-33

### ~ Stewardship ~

Week 8/15—8/21: \$4,108

Needed each week: TBD

Percent of Weekly Budget: TBD

Actual this Fiscal YTD: \$32,583

Budgeted this Fiscal YTD: TBD

Percent of Budget to Date: TBD

### ~ We Hold in Prayer ~

- Ed Pailer
- Amie Miller
- Oscar Shelby
- Patricia Cann
- Beverly Johnson
- Jermisha Cann
- Leonard Cann

### ~ Mass Attendance ~

In-person Attendance	
8/21, 21st Sunday in OT	124
Livestream Attendance	
8/21, 21st Sunday in OT	10