



TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 4, 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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"Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion?"

~ Luke 14:28

Bulletin Deadline: Mondays

~ St. James Parish Updates ~

• **TROOST39 THRIFT STORE**

The Troost39 Thrift Store will be open right after Mass this Sunday.

• **PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**

In observance of the Labor Day Holiday, the parish office of St. James will be closed on Monday, September 5.

• **116th ANNIVERSARY**

Congratulations to the 116th Anniversary Raffle winners:

- Cooper Olter (\$100 Price Chopper Gift Card)
- Ann Bode Rodriguez (\$100 Costco Gift Card)

Thanks to everyone who bought a ticket. The party made over \$1,200!

• **ST. JAMES HARVESTERS VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

St. James' **September** Harvesters volunteer opportunity is **Tuesday, September 6th**, from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. Harvesters is located at 3801 Topping Ave. Volunteers must be 8 years old or older. All volunteers 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.

• **ST. JAMES COMMUNITY GARDEN**

Thank you to everyone who visited the garden table last Saturday at the 116th Anniversary celebration. We welcome you to come back and pick some produce. The following produce is ready this week for harvest:

South Garden

Bed 1: Ground Cherries and Swiss Chard

East Garden

Tomatoes, Peppers, and Eggplant

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West Side: Raspberries

<p>Office of Child and Youth Protection</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"> 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 <i>sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult</i> 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. <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 Victim Assistance Coordinator at 816.392.0011 or true.francis@diocesekcsj.org for more information.</p>	<p align="center">SUNDAYS AT ST. JAMES</p> <p>1st Sunday - TROOST39 OPEN W/ HOSPITALITY</p> <p>2nd Sunday - HOSPITALITY & 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. Garry Richmeier

Every year I try to do a hermitage retreat. I usually go out to Great Bend, KS to the Dominican Sister's place called "Heartland Farm." There I reduce the number of things to do or that I have to pay attention to. It is basically just "being" rather than doing. I always find myself getting antsy the first day or two, looking for things to do. But after I settle in, I get used to the sitting, the meditating, the aimless walking, and being with nature. But after a few days, I get the feeling that I need to get back to being "productive."

I think it is difficult for most of us to just "be." We are programmed to measure our worth by what we do, how much we produce, and what we accomplish. Doing nothing is often seen as laziness or lack of motivation. That thinking easily becomes part of our Spirituality also. We think that we have to be doing God's work (however we define that) in order to be good in God's eyes. Of course we are good no matter what, because we are made in the image and likeness of God. Sometimes our actions don't reflect that, but it is still true.

I would recommend "doing nothing" sometimes as a Spiritual practice. It removes all the usual reasons we think God loves us, and we are left with only the one true reason: Because God chooses to.

*Blessings,
Fr. Garry*

~ Around Kansas City ~

FIFTH ANNUAL KANSAS CITY AREA-WIDE

GREEN MASS

for all those who work in environmental sustainability
and anyone who cares for "Our Common Home"



ALL ARE WELCOME!

Sunday, September 25th, 2022
10:30 AM

St. Francis Xavier Church

1001 East 52nd St. Kansas City, MO 64110

Event Info and Livestream: www.SFX-KC.org

~ Readings ~

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

EX 32:7-11, 13-14

1 TM 1:12-17

LK 15:1-32

~ We Hold in Prayer ~

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

~ Stewardship ~

Week 8/22—8/28: \$4,096

Needed each week: TBD

Percent of Weekly Budget: TBD

Actual this Fiscal YTD: \$36,679

Budgeted this Fiscal YTD: TBD

Percent of Budget to Date: TBD

~ Mass Attendance ~

In-person Attendance	
8/28, 22nd Sunday in OT	141
Livestream Attendance	
8/28, 22nd Sunday in OT	11