



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 26, 2023

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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The Resurrection of Lazarus

Léon Bonnat (1833–1922)

So Jesus, perturbed again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay across it. Jesus said,

“Take away the stone.”

~ John 11:38-39

Bulletin Deadline:

Mondays

~ St. James Parish Updates ~

- **HOLY WEEK MINISTRY SIGN UP**

There are sign-up sheets in the back of church for Palm Sunday and Holy Week Services. Please sign up for one of the ministries at a service you're planning on attending.

- **ST. JAMES HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

- April 2 - **Passion Sunday** **10:00 A.M.** Please gather at 9:45am in Glead Park for the Ecumenical Blessing & Exchange of Palms - Process to church
- April 6 - **Holy Thursday** **7:00 P.M.** Mass of the Lord's Supper - Washing of the Feet
- April 7 - **Good Friday** **12:00 P.M.** Walking the Stations of the Cross on Troost
- April 7 - **Good Friday** **7:00 P.M.** The Lord's Passion - Veneration of the Cross
- April 8 - **Holy Saturday** **8:00 P.M.** Easter Vigil - Lighting of the Easter Fire
- April 9 - **Easter Sunday** **10:00 A.M.** Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord

- **LEADERSHIP TEAM (LT)**

The LT is being reorganized. Please let Ben know by sending him an email at bbabaran@stjkc.org if you are interested in becoming an LT member or send him your recommendations for team members. We are looking for parishioners who have the vision for St. James, not only at 39th and Troost, but in Midtown KC.

- **PAINTINGS**

Please see attached or insert for SR. THEA BOWMAN'S biography. You may also watch her address to the U.S. Bishops by clicking on this link: [SR. THEA'S ADDRESS TO U.S. BISHOPS](#)



<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 style="text-align: center;">SUNDAYS AT ST. JAMES</p> <p>1st Sunday - TROOST39 OPEN W/ HOSPITALITY</p> <p>2nd Sunday - FAITH FORMATION SUNDAY</p> <p>3rd Sunday - HOSPITALITY SUNDAY</p> <p>4th Sunday - PANTRY SUNDAY</p> <p>5th Sunday - 5th SUNDAY CELEBRATION</p>
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Reflection from Fr. Don Farnan

CARRY ON WAYWARD SON

In Robert Services' famous poem, "[Carry On](#)," he encourages human engagement in every aspect of life, from the youthful energy of overzealous adolescents to the struggled breathing of those in their final days on earth. He ends with these words: "Carry on! Carry on! Fight the good fight and be true; believe in your mission, greet life with a cheer; There's big work to do, and that's why you are here. Carry on! Carry on! Let the world be the better for you; and at last, when you die, let this be your cry: Carry on, my soul, carry on!"

"Carry on" is a wonderful mantra for the Lenten season, as are lyrics from the 70's rock band, Kansas. Their hit song, "[Dust in the Wind](#)" paraphrases Biblical Wisdom literature from Ecclesiastes: "I reflected on everything accomplished by man on earth and I concluded that everything he has accomplished is futile: like chasing the wind." We began the springtime ecclesial season with the ritual mark of ashes with a proclamation to remember that dust is our earthly origin and destination. Deeper than most Top-40 hits, the song delves into that mark and declares that life is fleeting and there is little to hold onto: we close our eyes for a moment and the moment's gone...we're just a drop of water in an endless sea...nothing lasts forever but the earth and sky. In this, some people are left with meaninglessness, but for people of faith it points to meaning and purpose—for we are part of something far greater than ourselves. If we refuse to see, all that we do crumbles to the ground in our demise, like dust in the wind. But if we see, it shall raise us beyond earthen realms.

In "[Carry On Wayward Son](#)," the band's other big hit, the singers remind us that our spiritual sojourn involves much more than chasing futile dust. Like Max Ehrmann's "[Desiderata](#)," it speaks of rising above the noise and confusion to catch a glimpse beyond this illusion. Like our annual scriptural trek with Jesus from the desert to the mountaintop, we are beckoned to soar ever higher. They croon: "On a stormy sea of moving emotion, tossed about, I'm like a ship on the Ocean...I set a course for winds of fortune...for surely heaven waits." Though we descend from the mountains of glory and grace to sail the stormy waters of life, we find encouragement through companionship, knowing that it is, at least in part, otherworldly or even divine. Not unlike Christ's disciples who realized that He calms the seas if we carry on in our search for truth and meaning, we realize that there will be peace when we are done, when we complete the human pilgrimage. Wayward wandering lurks, even for the most obedient and docile souls among us.

Kansas' account of our spiritual odyssey mirrors the inspiration that Robert Service offers through difficult times, beyond personal feelings of insignificance and emptiness. We should carry on, even if we are wayward sons and daughters, because there is something beautiful on the other side of the drudgery of human limitation and struggle. When we surrender ourselves to a mission far past that which is human or earthen, we can embrace a higher meaning and greater purpose and will carry on to a better end.

*Peace,
Fr. Don*

~ Around Kansas City ~

STATIONS OF THE CROSS ALONG TROOST AVE

From KC Board of Education to St. James Catholic Church

GOOD FRIDAY 2023

APRIL 7, 2023, 12PM

Gather at KC Board of Education



For more information
Call St. James Catholic Church at 816-561-8512
Or email at parish@stjkc.org

~ We Hold in Prayer ~

~ Stewardship ~

Week 03/13—03/19: \$3,858

Needed each week: \$4,308

Percent of Weekly Budget: 89%

Actual this Fiscal YTD: \$151,046

Budgeted this Fiscal YTD: \$159,396

Percent of Budget to Date: 95%

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| • Ed Pailer | • Punch Tuggle |
| • Amie Miller | • Carmen Shelby |
| • Oscar Shelby | • TaJuan Cann |
| • Beverly Johnson | • Jermonica Cann |
| • Leonard Cann | • Jermont Cann, Sr. |
| • Nancy Moylan | • Patricia Cann |
| • Bill Moylan | • Steven Cann, Sr. |
| • Artice Cann | • Mark Cann |
| • Matthew Cann, Jr. | • Dwayne Cann |
| • Mae Ransom | • Regina Cann |
| • Ross Beaudoin | • Daniel Cann |
| • John Cole | |

~ Mass Attendance ~

In-person Attendance

03/19, 4th Sunday of Lent 137

Livestream Attendance

03/19, 4th Sunday of Lent 10

~ Readings ~

PALM SUNDAY

Is 50:4-7

Phil 2:6-11

Mt 26:14—27:66