



THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

June 4, 2023

St. James Catholic Church

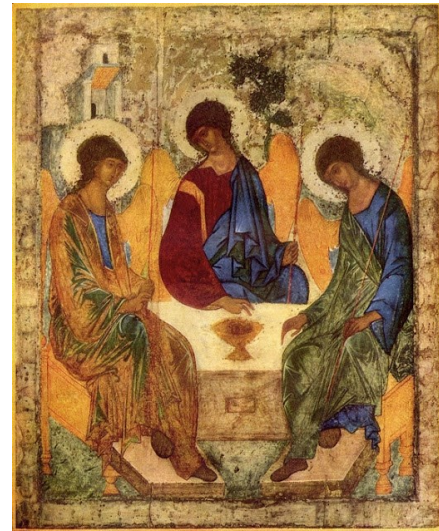
*3909 Harrison * Kansas City, Missouri 64110*

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.



Holy Trinity

Andreï Rublev (d. ca. 1430)

Mass Schedule

Sunday **10:00 am**

Confessions

By appointment only

Parish Office

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Bulletin Deadline:

Mondays

For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

~ John 3:17

~ St. James Parish Updates ~

- **THANK YOU!**

Thanks to our parishioners who shared their languages with us as we celebrated Pentecost last Sunday. Edouard Nzambimana for Swahili; Presley Silbanuz for Micronesian; Marcus Liddel for German; Patricia Nwachukwu for Ibo; Bill Moylan for Gallic; Marialuna Schreiner Cintron for Spanish; Ben Babaran for Ibanag; Sharon Wallace for American Sign Language; and Andre Maurice Fontcha for the 2nd reading in French.

- **ST. JAMES HARVESTERS VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

Our regular Harvesters volunteer day this month is Tuesday, June 6, from 6-8 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. Consider bringing 1 canned or other non-perishable food item. Please contact/text Barbara Schepers at 816-810-8809 if you plan to attend.

- **ST. JAMES COMMUNITY GARDEN**

Blackberry blossoms and green berries are promises of sweet things to come. This week the garden has the following for picking:

South Garden

Beds 14 and 15: Green Onions Bed 16: Swiss Chard Beds 17 and 18: Kale

- **PARISH-WIDE MEETING WITH FR. DON**

All are invited to a meeting with Fr. Don right after Mass next Sunday, June 11, in church.



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 - FAITH
FORMATION SUNDAY

3rd Sunday - HOSPITALITY
SUNDAY

4th Sunday - PANTRY
SUNDAY

5th Sunday - 5th SUNDAY
CELEBRATION



Reflection from Fr. Garry Richmeier

Is it more important to be right or to be in relationship? This seems to be a question that is very much defining us as a society these days. More and more, people are seeing this an either-or choice, and are choosing being right at the expense of being in relationship. The problem is that all of us see ourselves as "right." Why would anyone hold an opinion or viewpoint which they believed to be wrong? So if I'm willing to sacrifice relationship in favor of asserting my "rightness," I may easily sever my relationship with anyone who thinks differently. We see that happening in our polarized society. The trouble is that the very existence of a society depends upon maintaining relationships among its members. Relationship must somehow take precedence over "being right" if we want to continue to exist as a viable society.

Jesus was able to balance relationship with speaking what he believed. He disagreed with some Scribes and Pharisees, but instead of writing them off or avoiding them, he continued to have discussions with them, even while they were planning to execute him. He didn't agree with the life-styles of the sinners he encountered. But instead of demonizing, marginalizing, or excommunicating them, he trusted that his relationship with them, his caring for them, would help them change their lives. Jesus was able to look beyond the differences and disagreements and see what was the same among everyone -- that each was a beloved child of God. That enabled him to place relationship above being right.

As Christians, our call is to love (which is relationship) rather than to convince others that we are right. Like Jesus, we have to see something deeper in others, not just their appearance, political party, opinions, or viewpoints. If we can do the challenging work of recognizing others as beloved children of God, and treat them as such, maybe our example can invite others to do the same. This could go a long way in healing some of the divisions in our society.

*Peace,
Fr. Garry*

~ Around Kansas City ~

PRIDE MONTH—June 2023



UPCOMING MISSOURI ELECTION

Kansas City General Municipal Election

Tuesday, June 20, 2023

~ Stewardship ~

Week 05/22—05/28: \$3,102
 Needed each week: \$4,308
 Percent of Weekly Budget: 72%
 Actual this Fiscal YTD: \$183,640
 Budgeted this Fiscal YTD: \$198,168
 Percent of Budget to Date: 93%

~ We Hold in Prayer ~

- Ed Pailer
- Amie Miller
- Artice Cann
- Matthew Cann, Jr.
- Marion Shaw
- Sarita Cann
- Patricia Cann
- Beverly Johnson

~ Readings ~

SOLEMNITY OF THE BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST
 Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a
 1 Cor 10:16-17
 Jn 6:51-58

~ Mass Attendance ~

In-person Attendance	
05/28, Pentecost Sunday	146
Livestream Attendance	
05/28, Pentecost Sunday	12