



THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 2, 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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## Parish Staff

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## Parish Leadership Team

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## Parish Finance Council

Finance@stjkc.org

Ben Babaran Michael Waldeck

Andrew Shepard Anne Carlson

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## Carrying the Cross of Christ

Mosaic in St. Mary's Cathedral, Aberdeen, Great Britain

Gabriel Loire (1904-1996)

"Whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me ."

~ Matthew 10:38

**Bulletin Deadline:**

**Mondays**

~ *St. James Parish Updates* ~

• **CONTRIBUTIONS FALLING SHORT**

The contributions collected (Online Giving plus Sunday collections) in the past two weekends fell short of the weekly budget needed. The amount for the past two Sundays combined did total \$4,308, the amount needed for just one week. The saving grace was a surprise donation from the Diocese of Wichita.

• **TROOST39 THRIFT STORE**

The Troost39 Thrift Store will be open right after Mass this Sunday, July 2.

• **THIS SUNDAY, JULY 2—NO MASS LIVESTREAMING**

The Mass this Sunday will NOT be livestreamed. We apologize for any inconvenience this will have on those who attend Mass via the livestream.

• **ST. JAMES COMMUNITY GARDEN**

Thanks to all that helped with the Garlic and Onions last Sunday. Despite the heat, the following are ready to be harvested:

**South Garden**

Bed 16: Swiss Chard                      Beds 17 and 18: Kale

• **PARISH OFFICE CLOSED ON JULY 3 & 4**

In observance of the Independence Day Holiday, the parish office will be CLOSED on Monday and Tuesday.

• **SAVE THE DATE**

Preparations for this year’s Anniversary of St. James are being planned. Please save the date: August 26, 2023 for the celebration of the 117th Founding Anniversary.

• **GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

The Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on Sunday, August 27, at 11:00 AM Cathedral Mass. If you are celebrating your golden wedding anniversary this year, please let the parish office know if you would like to attend the aforementioned Mass.

<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 - 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. Garry Richmeier*

We've all probably heard something like "She's looking at life through rose colored glasses." It means the person sees everything as rosy and positive, and may ignore the down side of life. In a similar way, all of us start to create our own unique color of "glasses" soon after we are born. We develop certain ways of seeing the world as a result of the teaching of our parents, the culture we come from, the religion we are born into, the many life experiences we accumulate, etc. Everything we observe and experience takes on the tint of whatever color of lenses we have acquired. A simple example of this is whether a person is an optimist (sees things in a positive light) or a pessimist (sees things in a negative light). We cannot "not" have our personal set of lenses through which we view the world.

This is not a problem unless we are unaware that we are wearing tinted glasses. It's like looking through red colored glasses at a white sheet of paper. The paper looks red, and we assume we are seeing accurately. Another person wearing green colored glasses may assume the paper is green. Neither person is seeing the paper objectively, but they may still get into an argument/fight about the color of the paper.

In order to have a more accurate view of the world, and to avoid many disagreements, we need to first of all be humble enough to admit that our view is necessarily tinted by our life experiences. Then we need to learn how our experiences generally skew our perceptions and attitudes (learn what color glasses we're looking through). This can happen by interaction with others, listening to their views, and adjusting our judgments accordingly. Each of us has a unique view of the world, but none of us has a completely accurate view of the world. That is why we must take into account each person's view if we want the full picture.

*Peace,*  
*Fr. Garry*

~ Around Kansas City ~



**Everything You Need to Know About the Fourth of July in Kansas City**

**Please click this link to visit the webpage: [VISIT KC](#)**

*~ Stewardship ~*

Week 06/19—06/25: \$1,387  
 Needed each week: \$4,308  
 Percent of Weekly Budget: 32%  
 Actual this Fiscal YTD: \$196,271  
 Budgeted this Fiscal YTD: \$215,400  
 Percent of Budget to Date: 91%

*~ We Hold in Prayer ~*

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| • Ed Pailer         | • Patricia Cann   |
| • Amie Miller       | • Beverly Johnson |
| • Artice Cann       | • Bill Pickett    |
| • Matthew Cann, Jr. |                   |
| • Marion Shaw       |                   |
| • Sarita Cann       |                   |

*~ Next Sunday's Readings ~*

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN OT  
 Zec 9:9-10  
 Rom 8:9, 11-13  
 Mt 11:25-30

*~ Mass Attendance ~*

In-person Attendance	
06/25, 12th Sunday in OT	113
Livestream Attendance	
06/25, 12th Sunday in OT	13