



FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

August 6, 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.



The Transfiguration

James Tissot (1836–1902)

Mass Schedule

Sunday **10:00 am**

Confessions

By appointment only

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Bulletin Deadline:

Mondays

"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."

~ Matthew 17:5

~ *St. James Parish Updates* ~

• **SECOND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH WITH FR. DON**

All are invited to a meeting with Fr. Don next Sunday after Mass at Troost39 Thrift Store.

• **ST. JAMES COMMUNITY GARDEN**

The rain and cooler temperature this week is making conditions ideal for planting a Fall Garden. Kale, lettuce, arugula, beets, mustard, and turnips are being planted. Meanwhile come pick the following:

South Garden

Beds 8 and 9: Peppers Bed 10: Eggplant
 Beds 11 - 13: Tomatoes Bed 12: Tomatillos
 Bed 16: Swiss Chard Beds 17 and 18: Kale
 Raspberries

• **117th ANNIVERSARY VOLUNTEER SIGN UP**

Help is needed to make our 117th Founding Anniversary on August 26, 2023 a celebration to remember. Starting this Sunday, volunteer sign up sheets are available in the back of the church.

• **117th ANNIVERSARY RAFFLE TICKETS**

Raffle tickets for the St. James 117th Anniversary are now for sale in the back of the 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

"Sensory adaptation" is the tendency of the brain to get used to a constant sound, sight, smell, or some other stimulus, so it doesn't drown out other things we need to pay attention to. For example, we get used to the sound of a ceiling fan or the sound of air conditioning, and we no longer notice it as we focus on other things. That prompts us to interpret those constant stimuli as unimportant compared to other things. But of course, on a hot day, that ceiling fan or air conditioning is very important, even if we don't pay attention to it.

The same thing tends to happen with our routines. Things we do and see everyday -- like doing dishes, or driving to work, or drinking coffee with our spouse in the morning -- tend to fade into "ordinariness" and seem unimportant. But in reality, every moment, every experience is new, unique, and will never be repeated. And each activity, each conversation, each view on the way to work is a gift from God. As such, we have the ability to perceive God's presence in each moment if we are awake to it.

We celebrate the feast of the Transfiguration this Sunday. Jesus takes Peter, James, and John up a high mountain, and there they get a peek of the extraordinary presence of God which they had previously missed because they were used to seeing Jesus as ordinary. The Transfiguration can be a reminder to us to treat each moment, each activity, each encounter with another person, as an extraordinary opportunity to experience God's loving presence. With this awareness, there is no such thing as an ordinary, unimportant moment in our day.

Peace,
Fr. Garry

~ Financial Report ~

| | FISCAL YEAR 2022—2023 | | | FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 BUDGET |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Ordinary Budget | 2022-2023 Fiscal Budget | 2022-2023 Fiscal Actual | 2023-2024 Fiscal Budget | |
| INCOME | | | | |
| Weekly Collections | \$ 224,000 | \$ 215,491 | \$ 233,000 | |
| Gifts from St. James Friends | \$ 10,000 | \$ 8,474 | \$ 14,000 | |
| Other Income | | | | |
| >Diocesan ministry grant | \$ 10,000 | \$ 10,000 | \$ 10,000 | |
| >Facility donations | \$ 10,000 | \$ 8,186 | \$ 12,000 | |
| >Fundraisers | \$ 8,000 | \$ 7,899 | \$ 12,000 | |
| >Religious Education Income | \$ 500 | \$ 450 | \$ 500 | |
| TOTAL INCOME | \$ 262,500 | \$ 250,500 | \$ 281,500 | |
| EXPENSES | | | | |
| Personnel | \$ 116,150 | \$ 113,940 | \$ 123,000 | |
| Facilities & Maintenance | \$ 35,400 | \$ 35,560 | \$ 40,000 | |
| Operational | \$ 12,200 | \$ 10,826 | \$ 16,000 | |
| Insurance | \$ 71,300 | \$ 71,300 | \$ 73,400 | |
| Diocesan assessment | \$ 21,600 | \$ 21,600 | \$ 21,900 | |
| Ministries | | | | |
| >Prayer & Worship | \$ 1,250 | \$ 1,511 | \$ 2,000 | |
| >Religious Education | \$ 1,500 | \$ 555 | \$ 1,800 | |
| >Pastoral Ministry | \$ 3,100 | \$ 2,687 | \$ 3,400 | |
| Extraordinary Expenses | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | \$ 262,500 | \$ 257,979 | \$ 281,500 | |
| NET PROFIT (LOSS) | \$ - | \$ -7,479 | \$ - | |

~ Stewardship ~

Week 07/23—07/30: \$1,716
 Needed each week: \$4,481
 Percent of Weekly Budget: 38%
 Actual this Fiscal YTD: \$19,760
 Budgeted this Fiscal YTD: \$22,405
 Percent of Budget to Date: 88%

~ We Hold in Prayer ~

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| • Ed Pailer | • Patricia Cann |
| • Amie Miller | • Beverly Johnson |
| • Artice Cann | • Bill Pickett |
| • Matthew Cann, Jr. | • Michael Becker |
| • Steven Cann, Sr. | • Joni Dugan |
| • Sarita Cann | |

~ Next Sunday's Readings ~

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN OT
 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a
 Rom 9:1-5
 Mt 14:22-33

~ Mass Attendance ~

In-person Attendance
 07/30, 17th Sunday in OT 231

Livestream Attendance
 07/30, 17th Sunday in OT 9