



TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 22, 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 Tribute Money

Bernardo Strozzi (1581–1644)

"Then repay to Caesar
what belongs to Caesar
and to God what belongs to God."

~ Matthew 22:21

Bulletin Deadline:

Mondays

~ St. James Parish Updates ~

• **MEMORIAL ITEMS**

During the month of November, St. James remembers our beloved dead with our entrance procession of the Book of the Dead and a Remembrance table. We will begin this practice on next Sunday, Oct. 29th. If you would like to bring a photo, card, or remembrance object, you can put it on the table in the front of church by the Easter candle and the Book of the Dead. Please write the names of your family and friends who have passed in the book, especially those who passed in the last year.

• **ST. JAMES COMMUNITY GARDEN**

Garden Gang will over the next couple weeks "putting the garden to bed" for the fall. This includes digging sweet potatoes; picking the last tomatoes, peppers, eggplants, and beans; and putting the trellises and wire cages away. All are welcome to join us at 9:30 am each Saturday or contact Sarah Hirsch (816-728-6115) for other times. Meanwhile the following are ready to be picked:

South Garden

Bed 1 - Lettuce Beds 4 - 7: Sweet Potato Greens Beds 8 and 9: Peppers
 Bed 10: Eggplant Beds 11 - 13: Tomatoes Bed 16: Swiss Chard
 Beds 17 and 18: Kale Trellises: Long beans and green beans

East Garden

Turnips, Mustard, and Green Beans

• **ST. JAMES YOUTH MINISTRY TRUNK OR TREAT**

The Youth Ministry would like to invite adults and parents to join our trunk or treat celebration by decorating car trunks and passing out candies to our youth parishioners. The trunk or treat will take place on October 29th this year in the parking lot of St. James Parish after Mass. We are inviting all those who might be interested to sign up to decorate their vehicles and hand out candies.

Sign-up sheets will be available in the back of the church after Mass.

~ We Hold in Prayer ~

~ Stewardship ~

Week 10/9—10/15: **\$3,988**
 Needed each week: **\$4,481**
 Percent of Weekly Budget: **91%**
 Actual this Fiscal YTD: **\$65,716**
 Budgeted this Fiscal YTD: **\$71,696**
 Percent of Budget to Date: **92%**

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| • Ed Pailer | • Bill Pickett |
| • Amie Miller | • Bonita Shelby |
| • Artice Cann | • Pat Marrin |
| • Matthew Cann, Jr. | • Carole Gary |
| • Steven Cann, Sr. | • Carman Shelby |
| • Sarita Cann | • Punch Tuggle |
| • Patricia Cann | • Paul DeMerchant |
| • Beverly Johnson | • Gloryann David |

~ Next Sunday's Readings ~

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN OT
 Ex 22:20-26
 1 Thes 1:5c-10
 Mt 22:34-40

~ Mass Attendance ~

In-person Attendance	
10/15, 28th Sunday in OT	126
Livestream Attendance	
10/15, 28th Sunday in OT	14



Reflection from Sr. Francis Voivedich

How are you Named

This Sunday's first reading speaks through Isaiah reminding the people that they are "the chosen ones". They often forgot and acted otherwise; they were in need of a nudge to make them remember who they were. Today we still forget and still need a nudge. We like the Israelites are special named: Sons and Daughters of God, all people of God. We, must strive to act like it, not for our sakes alone, but for the world and each living thing.

Paul's Letter to the Thessalonians, reminds them/us of our giftedness and our responsibilities to carry this name, Beloved of God, by our actions and values.

The Gospel acclamation "Shine like lights in the world as you hold onto the Word of Life" reminds us even further of our beloved status, our duty to reflect the Christ light by acting as persons beloved of God; our name known by our acts of goodness and a life reflecting gospel values, even when they stand in opposition to other's views. Let the Light shine as we stand up for the rights of immigrants, people and families in dire poverty, all marginalized persons, the right to Life from beginning, throughout their days of life to natural death, etc. I do believe our actions shine in the world proclaiming this "Word of Life" and speak of our belief that we are children of our God, Beloved.

In the Gospel from Matthew, Jesus shines another light by answering well the question of the tax. Give to Caesar what is his due, but remember your rights and obligations to God. Jesus knew of their deception, yet loved his people and continued to call them to recognize their status as the chosen people, "Beloved of God".

With this privilege came/comes greater responsibility, to be true to your name in word and deed. "Beloved of God".

Peace,

Sr. Fran

~ First Quarter FY 23-24 Report ~

1st Quarter 2023 - 2024 REPORT		
Ordinary Budget	2023-2024 Fiscal Budget	2023-2024 Fiscal Actual
INCOME		
Weekly Collections	\$ 52,000	\$ 51,942
Gifts from St. James Friends	\$ 3,500	\$ 4,675
Other Income		
>Diocesan ministry grant	\$ 1,750	\$ 1,750
>Facility donations	\$ 3,400	\$ 3,300
>Fundraisers	\$ 3,700	\$ 3,270
>Religious Education Income	\$ 125	\$ 100
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 64,475	\$ 65,037
EXPENSES		
Personnel	\$ 28,100	\$ 27,529
Facilities & Maintenance	\$ 7,350	\$ 7,153
Operational	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,260
Insurance	\$ 18,350	\$ 18,350
Diocesan assessment	\$ 5,475	\$ 5,475
Ministries		
>Prayer & Worship	\$ 900	\$ 785
>Religious Education	\$ 475	\$ 360
>Pastoral Ministry	\$ 825	\$ 786
Extraordinary Expenses	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 64,475	\$ 63,698
NET PROFIT (LOSS)	\$ -	\$ 1,339

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