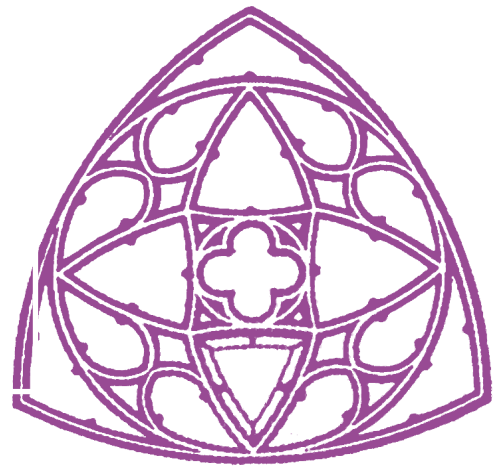


The Solemnity of the  
Most Holy Trinity Sunday  
June 15, 2025

## St. James Synodal Catholic Community in Midtown

Small enough to know your name

Join us for Mass every Sunday at 10:00 am



### St. James Catholic Church 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.



*"Everything that the Father has is mine; for this reason, I told you that he will take from what is mine and declare it to you."*

### Sacramental Preparation Information

**Sacramental Minister:** Fr. Garry Richmeier

C.P.P.S: [GarryCPPS@gmail.com](mailto:GarryCPPS@gmail.com)

For information on preparation for the Sacraments of **Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation**, please contact Bonnie Haghirian, our Faith Formation Coordinator at [FaithFormation@StJKC.org](mailto:FaithFormation@StJKC.org).

**Rite of Christian Initiation** in the Catholic Church (Adult Baptism, Eucharist, Reconciliation and Confirmation) will take place as needed. Contact Bonnie Haghirian at [FaithFormation@StJKC.org](mailto:FaithFormation@StJKC.org).

Considering **Marriage**? Contact Phyllis McCarty, Marriage Coordinator at [PhyllisAMcCarty@gmail.com](mailto:PhyllisAMcCarty@gmail.com) at least 9 months prior to the wedding date.

**Confessions** arranged upon request. Email Fr. Don Farnan [FrDon@StJKC.org](mailto:FrDon@StJKC.org) or Fr. Garry Richmeier [GarryCPPS@gmail.com](mailto:GarryCPPS@gmail.com).

**Bulletin Deadline: 10 pm  
Mondays. Email items to  
[Bulletin@StJKC.org](mailto:Bulletin@StJKC.org).**

**For information to be  
posted on the St. James website, email  
your items to: [website@StJKC.org](mailto:website@StJKC.org).**



## ST. JAMES CONTACT INFORMATION

**Pastor:** Fr. Don Farnan, FrDon@StJKC.org

**Parish Office Phone:** 816-561-8512

**Office Hours:** 10:00A-3:00P, Monday, Wednesday & Friday (Staffed by volunteers. Call for an appointment.)

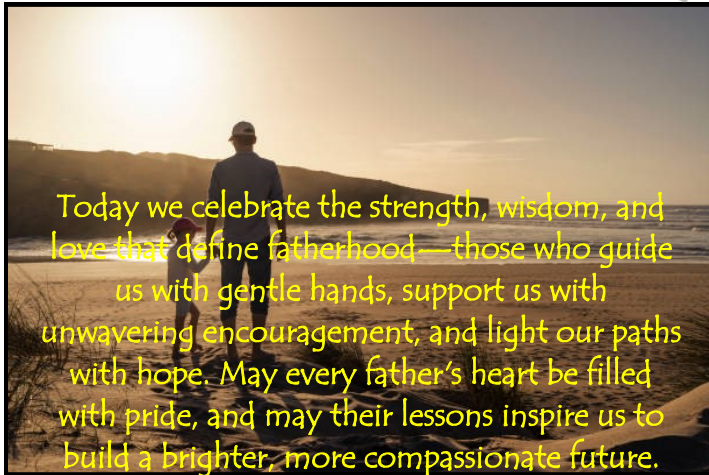
**Email:** ParishStaff@StJKC.org

**Website:** www.StJKC.org

**Mailing Address:** P.O. Box 30388, Kansas City, MO 64112

**St James Facebook Public Page:** Only St James admin team can post to- <https://www.facebook.com/stjamesmidtown>

## Happy Father's Day



## ST. JAMES COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### 6/15 Father's Day

#### 6/15 Parish-wide Synod Meeting after Mass

6/15 Celebration of 1st Reconciliation in Marian Hall

6/15 First Communion Class (Change of date)

6/15 Brief practice and review for First Communion

6/16 Parish Leadership Ministry meeting—6:30pm

6/17 Knitting/Crocheting, 6:30 pm in Rectory

6/22 First Communion Sunday, reception following Mass

6/29 Fifth Sunday Luncheon after Mass—All are invited

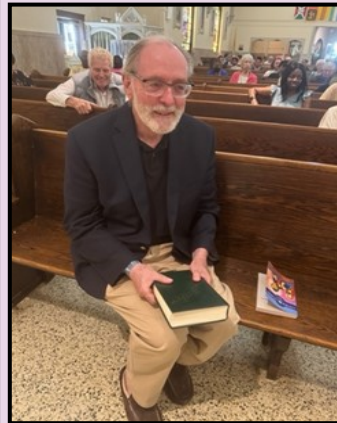
6/29 Sign-ups for children seeking the sacraments

#### 7/20 Parish-wide Synod Meeting after Mass

8/17 Sign-ups for family-based "Seeking God" program

9/14 First session for "Seeking God" families

## OUR PARISH SYNODAL DIRECTOR HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED!!!!!!



**The Transition Team is pleased to announce that our recommendation for the Synodal Parish Director is Pat Marrin.** Pat has been a member of St. James for over 24 years and is very familiar with what a Synodal Parish should look like. Besides being a member of the Transition Team, he has taught

theology at all levels of education and has extensive pastoral experience.

After affirming our decision during a meeting with the diocesan HR representative, Pat is finishing up some onboarding requirements and plans to begin serving us on a part-time basis (average 29 hours a week or less) in mid-June. We are conducting discussions about hiring another part-time person to assist Pat in his duties.

**We plan to have Pat speak at the Synod Meeting on June 15, outlining his vision for St. James and the role of parishioners in that vision.** At the conclusion of his presentation to the community, we will have a discernment and confirmation by the synod.

**The Transition Team wants to thank St. James for your prayers, patience and support through this process. We are excited about our next steps in the process of becoming a more synodal parish. Please continue to pray for our parish.**

## BOOK STUDY WITH FR. GARRY

We will explore Richard Rohr's book "The Tears of Things: Prophetic Wisdom for an Age of Outrage"

**Tuesdays: June 17—August 5, 6:30 pm—8 pm, in person and livestream.**

Fr. Garry Richmeier will lead this book discussion. In his latest book, Richard

Rohr finds a crucial path forward in the writings of the Jewish prophets, on living compassionately in a time of violence and despair. Go to: <https://www.pbrenewalcenter.org/>

or call 816-415-3745 to register. Precious Blood Renewal Center 2120 St. Gaspar Way Liberty, MO 64068





## FAITH FORMATION

**June 15, we will be celebrating First Reconciliation** in Marian Hall, followed by a session on Eucharist and practice receiving Communion. We will finish the banners if needed.

**June 22: First Communion Sunday** - It is very important that our candidates for First Reconciliation and First Communion attend Mass on June 22 and the sessions on June 8 and 15 after Mass.

**June 29: Sign-ups for parishioners who want to prepare their family members for Baptism, First Reconciliation, and First Communion.** Classes begin in August.

**For information about any of the offerings above, contact Bonnie Haghirian at [FaithFormation@StJKC.org](mailto:FaithFormation@StJKC.org).**

## WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER



Cindy McKay Basolo, Ross Beaudoin, Rick Cordaro, Paul DeMerchant, Michael Heringer, Theresa Maly, Caroline Martin, Amie Miller, Denise Simeone, Eric Sitterley, Sean Shaughnessy, and Steve Wallace  
**If you or someone you know needs prayers, please send their names to [Bulletin@StJKC.org](mailto:Bulletin@StJKC.org).**

## ST. JAMES NEEDS VOLUNTEERS



**Faith Formation needs adults who would like to work with our children in grades 2, 3, and 4 for an intermediate Children's Liturgy of the Word at the beginning of Mass.**

All materials will be provided, and sessions will occur during the first part of Mass in Marian Hall. Please contact Bonnie Haghirian at [FaithFormation@StJKC.org](mailto:FaithFormation@StJKC.org) if you would like to participate in this ministry.

**ST. JAMES IS SEEKING ONE OR TWO INDIVIDUALS TO ASSUME THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF COMPOSING AND DESIGNING THE PARISH BULLETIN AND FRIDAY EMAIL.**



If you have questions or are interested, please contact Bill Cordaro at [Bulletin@StJKC.org](mailto:Bulletin@StJKC.org).

O Lord, our God, how wonderful  
your name in all the earth!

## SHORT PARISHWIDE SYNODAL COMMUNITY MEETING AFTER MASS, SUNDAY, JUNE 15.

**ALL ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND!**

**THE ONLY TOPIC IS AN INTRODUCTION  
AND CONFIRMATION OF PAT MARRIN AS  
OUR PARISH SYNODAL DIRECTOR.**

## READINGS FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST, SUNDAY, JUNE 22, 2025.

**First Reading - Genesis 14:18-20:** In this passage, Melchizedek—king of Salem and priest of God Most High—brings forth bread and wine, blesses Abram by acknowledging the sovereignty of God as the creator and deliverer, and receives a tithe from Abram as a sign of reverence and gratitude.

**Reflection Question:** How does Abram's willingness to offer a tenth of his possessions in response to Melchizedek's blessing challenge us to consider our own responses to recognizing and honoring divine grace?

**Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 11:23-26:** In this passage, Paul recounts how Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper—using bread and wine as symbols of His body and blood—to serve as a sacred memorial of His sacrificial love and a proclamation of hope until His return.

**Reflection Question:** How does your personal participation in the Lord's Supper deepen your understanding of Christ's sacrifice and inspire you to live out that love and hope in your everyday relationships?

**Gospel - Luke 9:11b-17:** Jesus demonstrated the abundance and provision of God's Kingdom by healing the people and miraculously feeding five thousand with only five loaves and two fish, leaving behind a surplus that testified to divine generosity.

**Reflection Question:** In moments when resources seem scarce, how can we deepen our faith to recognize and trust in the unexpected ways that God provides for us?

Tithing helps to make visible the  
Kingdom that is already among us.

## CINNAMON ROLL EXTRAVAGANZA

The Cinnamon Roll Fundraiser was a success! We are delighted to report a profit of over \$2,500 for our final fundraiser for the fiscal year.



I thank: Mike and Linda Art, Katie and Kelly Mastenwell, Jill and Oliver Clements, Phyllis Erickson, Florence Kain, Ann Carlson, Dan Nash, Renee Roosa, Ben and Jo Babaran, Bonnie Hagharian, Chris Zaroor, Denise Simeone, Bob Anderson, Phyllis McCarty, Sister Rose, Sister Fran and Jeff Scurlock. These folks are the volunteer HEART and cinnamon roll SOUL of St. James. We also thank St. James Liberty, Bishop Sullivan Center and Troost 39 Thrift Store for their support. We are grateful for everyone who purchased the rolls. We will see you in the fall. **THANK YOU,**  
Mary Pickett Vincent, Fundraising Chair



Bill Cordaro of the Transition Team introduces Trinidad Molina who was our June 8 Faith Formation speaker. Trinidad is from AIRR, (Advocates for Immigrants' Rights and Reconciliation) He

shared how people can assist immigrants who are being approached by ICE, Border Patrol or other governmental agency to deport them. To find out more about the good work of AIRR is doing in the KC area, go to [AIRRKC.org](http://AIRRKC.org).



**Father Garry blesses John and Diane Bach on their 60th anniversary of marriage.**

### Note from Liturgy Ministry

Thanks to all who were able to stay after mass on June 1st and help take down the crown of thorns and hang the flames for Pentecost.

**Thanks to all who shared their native or acquired languages in our Pentecost celebration last Sunday:** Patricia Nwachukwu - Ibo, Jo Barbaran - Tagalog, Marcus Liddel - German, Edouard Nzambimana - Swahili, Roshan Paiva - Tamil, Bill Moylan - Gaelic, Sharon Wallace - American Sign Language, and Antonio Ruiz - Spanish. **Your sharing really enriched our celebration and reminded us of the worldwide Church.**



## GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS, SEPTEMBER 28

The celebration includes those couples whose 50th Wedding Anniversary falls between January 1, 2025 and December 31, 2025. Please complete the form here by September 15: <https://forms.office.com/r/EjvxEJnux0>.



Bishop Johnston will celebrate the Mass at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at 11:00 a.m. **If you and your spouse are celebrating your Golden Anniversary this year, please let St. James know by emailing [Bulletin@StJKC.org](mailto:Bulletin@StJKC.org).**

## NEW PARISHIONERS

**All are welcome at St. James.** We are an inclusive community of faith following the gospel of Jesus who never excluded anyone and who lived justly. If you want to learn more about St. James Community, please get in touch with staff ([ParishStaff@StJKC.org](mailto:ParishStaff@StJKC.org)) or visit our website at [www.StJKC.org](http://www.StJKC.org) to complete a registration form.

**We are excited to have you as part of our faith journey!**

## VIRTUS TRAINING

**Anyone who is involved with children** (Religious Ed., Children's Liturgy of the Word, Sacramental Preparation) **or vulnerable adults** (Communion to the homebound) **must participate in the Diocesan Virtus Training.** Contact Chris Dewberry, [chdewbe@gmail.com](mailto:chdewbe@gmail.com), for more information. **Thank you for your involvement in our ministries.**

**The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting 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 800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age), and
  2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
- If the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee, or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, report the suspected abuse to the Diocesan Ombudsman at 816-213-6024 or [ombudsman@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:ombudsman@diocesekcsj.org). The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 816-714-2357 ext. 516 or [victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.