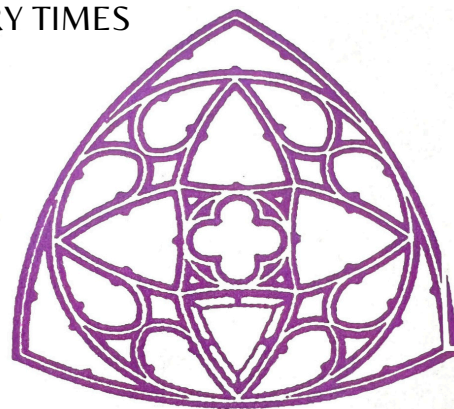


THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES

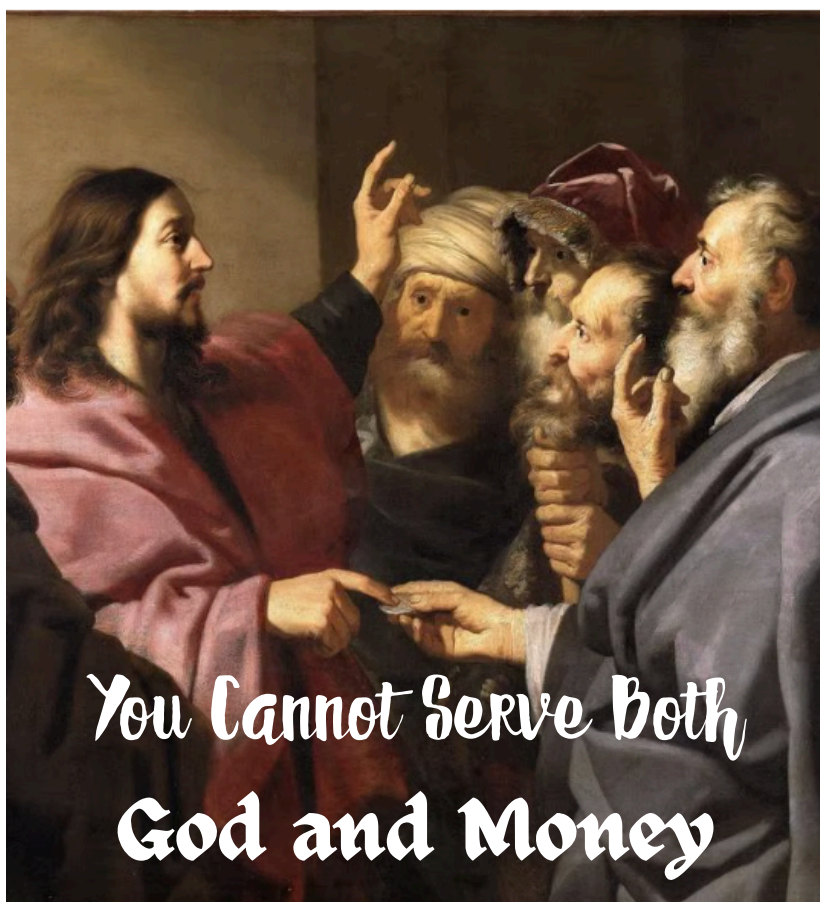
ST. JAMES

SYNODAL CATHOLIC

COMMUNITY MIDTOWN



Small enough to know your name | Big enough to make a difference



"THE TRIBUTE MONEY" BY JACOB ADRIAENSZ BACKER

"No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money."

Join Us for Mass

Every Sunday at 10 AM

Sacraments

Sacramental Minister:

Fr. Garry Richmeier C.P.P.S.
garrycpps@gmail.com

Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Eucharist & Confirmation:

Contact Bonnie Haghirian,
Faith Formation Coordinator
faithformation@stjkc.org

Rite of Christian Initiation in the Catholic Church:

(Adult Baptism, Eucharist, Reconciliation & Confirmation) takes place as needed.
Contact Bonnie Haghirian at
faithformation@stjkc.org.

Marriage:

Contact Phyllis McCarty,
Marriage Coordinator
phyllisamccarty@gmail.com
(at least 9 months prior to wedding date)

Confession: Upon request

Email Fr. Don Farnan - FrDon@stjkc.org
OR Fr. Garry Richmeier -
garrycpps@gmail.com

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.

Fall Celebration Today

Don't miss the chance to join us at the fall celebration and fundraiser today, September 21, from 6-9 PM, at the Farnan Spirituality Center 301 East Santa Fe Trail, Kansas City, Missouri 64145

The evening begins with Mass at 6 p.m. in the FSC backyard area. Then, enjoy the social gathering which includes game day food (hamburgers, hot dogs, and sides), cocktails, and the Chiefs Game shown live. Feel free to bring a folding game seat.

All proceeds benefit Father Don Farnan's Angel Fund, which brings hope to our neighbors in need and critical assistance to the urban ministries under his care: St. Francis Xavier, St. Therese Little Flower, and St. James Midtown.



Welcome to St. James

We are a warm, inviting community rooted in the inclusive love of Jesus—who broke down barriers, showed compassion, and invited everyone to the table. Here you'll find open hearts, meaningful worship, and opportunities to live out justice and kindness.

Reach out to our friendly staff at ParishStaff@StJKC.org, or head to www.StJKC.org to fill out a registration form. We can't wait to walk this faith journey with you!



Catholic Grandparents' Seminar

St. Peter's Catholic Church is hosting an Intentional Catholic Grandparenting Seminar on October 22nd, 1-4 pm, put on by Legacy of Faith. Registration is required, but it is free. See the Friday email for further info or visit Legacyoffaith.org

STOP The Execution of Lance Shockley

There are significant concerns about the guilt of Mr. Shockley which are detailed further in the Friday Email. Lance's conviction and subsequent appeals have raised significant concerns regarding the integrity of the trial process and the effectiveness of his legal representation.

The State of Missouri has set Tuesday, Oct 14, to execute Lance Shockley.

1. Please call Gov. Kehoe at 573-751-3222 and demand his exoneration. Call frequently between now and Oct 14.

2. Join our rally Oct 14, 5:00-6:00 PM on the corner of 39th and Troost, standing for Lance Shockley's exoneration and for an end to the death penalty in Missouri.

**Weekly Bulletin Deadline is
Mondays by 10 PM**

Email: Bulletin@StJKC.org
Send website info to
website@StJKC.org.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2025, TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES



First Reading - Amos 6:1a, 4-7: Amos condemns Israel's wealthy leaders for their careless luxury and disregard for their nation's downfall, warning that they will be the first taken into exile and their revelry will end.

Reflection Question: Am I ever tempted to live in comfort and self-indulgence while ignoring the struggles, injustice, or suffering around me? How is God calling me to respond differently?

Second Reading - 1 Timothy 6:11-16: Paul urges Timothy to flee from greed and sin, and instead pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, and gentleness.

Reflection Question: What would it look like in my daily life to "fight the good fight of faith" by pursuing righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, and gentleness?

Gospel - Luke 16:19-31: Jesus tells a parable about a rich man who lived in luxury and a poor beggar named Lazarus who suffered outside his gate. When they both died, Lazarus was comforted in heaven, while the rich man was tormented in Hell.

Reflection Question: In what ways might I be overlooking the needs of others around me, and how can I respond now, while I still have the chance?

Furnace Update at St. James

Thanks to a generous gift from the estate of Doris Dahlstrom—mother to Mike Art and mother-in-law to Linda Art—work began Friday to replace one of our six church furnaces.

It should be completed in just a few days. Their kindness reflects the heart of our parish community.



Help Us Prepare for Winter

A second furnace still needs replaced before the cold of winter. If you'd like to sponsor this \$5,000 project, please reach out to:

- Dan Nash (Finance Ministry): Finance@StJKC.org
- Bill Cordaro (Parish Leadership Ministry): LT@StJKC.org

Your support keeps St. James warm—literally and spiritually!



ST. JAMES COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

9/21 Celebration of Catechetical Sunday
 9/21 Parish-wide Synod after Mass
 9/21 Fall Celebration Fundraiser @ 6pm
 (Located at the Farnan Spirituality Center)
 9/22 Leadership Meeting at 6:30pm
 9/28 Parish Wide Faith Formation Event

OCTOBER

10/5 Parish Pantry Sunday
 10/5 Goldenberg Duo Concert and Reception 7 pm
 10/6 Leadership Meeting at 6:30pm
 10/12 Sacrament of the Sick
 10/12 Hospitality Sunday
 10/19 Parish-wide Synod Meeting after Mass
 10/22 Legacy of Faith Grandparents' Seminar at St Peter's



WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER

Ross Beaudoin, Cindy McKay Basolo, Barb Doak, Cindy Etzel Swoboda, Michael Heringer, Theresa Maly, Caroline Martin, Amie Miller, Judith Reed, Eric Sitterley, Sean Shaughnessy, & Steve Wallace.

If you or someone you know needs prayers please send their names to

Bulletin@StJKC.org

The Goldenburg Duo October 5th at 7pm

The Goldenburg Duo (below), Susie-violin and Bill-piano, have performed together for over 45 years. Each one has pursued an individual career in music performance as well. They are in concert at St. James Sunday, October 5th at 7 p.m. This is a benefit concert for the ministries of St. James that the duo performs each fall. Some of the selections for this concert include pieces by Handel, Shostakovich, Scott Joplin, Ravel, and Dvorak. There will be a reception following their performance.

A donation of \$15.00 (or more) is suggested.



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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 a minor), 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. 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 for more information.