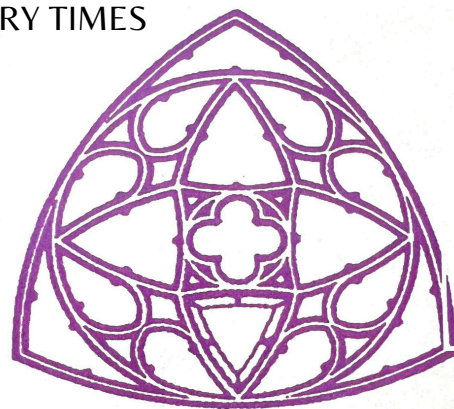


THE TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES

ST. JAMES

SYNODAL CATHOLIC

COMMUNITY MIDTOWN



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



Christ Healing the Sick By Frank Mason

Sacrament of the Sick Mass

Today during Mass will be the anointing of the sick. If you would like to receive a blessing and be anointed, feel welcome to come forward during the sacrament. Father will anoint and pray for anyone suffering from illness, injury, pain, mental illness, etc.

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.

Hike for Reconciliation

On November 8th at 10 a.m. join Kansas Citians of all ages and backgrounds to celebrate community, connection, and resilience!

This is a self-led hike that will guide you through Troost Avenue, Troost Park, and the east side of Kansas City. Along the way, you'll encounter reflection stations that highlight both the lasting impacts of racial segregation, discrimination, and disinvestment — and the incredible resilience and strength of our neighbors.

After your hike, the celebration continues with a family-friendly block party right in front of Reconciliation Services! Troost Avenue will come alive with music, games, bounce houses, and hands-on activities for all ages. Explore the Mobile Leadership & Arts Building (mLab) from Urban Neighborhood Initiative, dance along with a live DJ, and savor delicious food from Thelma's Kitchen.

**"HEAL ME, LORD,
THAT I MAY BE HEALED;
SAVE ME,
THAT I MAY BE SAVED,
FOR YOU ARE MY PRAISE."**

JEREMIAH 17:14



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!



St. James Angel Is Repaired!

Thanks to Bob Ferron for repairing the angel statue in the rose garden and to this strong team for remounting it on a larger base. Fr Garry presided over the statue's blessing after Mass on Oct 5th.

Back row: Bob Ferron, Dan Nash, Patrick Kastor, Marcus Liddell, Patrick Mitchel, Kenyon Ware
Front row: Fr. Garry Richmeier, Mike Art



Citizen Recognition of B.J. Atkinson

"On October 2nd, Bishop Johnston presented B.J. Atkinson with the 2025 Missouri Catholic Conference Citizen Recognition Award. He paid a special visit to" (our sister church) "St. Therese to make the presentation.

What a beautiful and well-deserved honor! B.J.'s faithful service, humble spirit, and unwavering commitment to St. Therese and the wider community have not gone unnoticed.

She leads with her heart, touching lives and reflecting Christ's love in everything she does. We are so proud of her and grateful to walk this journey of faith alongside her. May this recognition be a reminder of the light she shines and the difference she continues to make in the lives of so many."

Quoted from St. Therese Little Flower
Announcement

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2025, TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES



First Reading - Exodus 17:8-13: Israel defeats the Amalekites as Moses, with Aaron and Hur's support, Moses keeps his hands raised in prayer, ensuring victory through God's power.

Reflection Question: When have you needed the support of others to help you stay strong in faith during a difficult battle?

Second Reading - 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2: Paul urges Timothy to remain steadfast in the Scriptures and to preach God's Word faithfully, guiding others with patience and truth.

Reflection Question: How can you stay rooted in God's Word and share its truth faithfully, even when it's unpopular or challenging to do so?

Gospel - Luke 18:1-8: Jesus teaches the parable of the persistent widow to show the importance of continual, faithful prayer and trusting that God will bring justice.

Reflection Question: How persistent are you in prayer when answers seem delayed or uncertain?

October Basket Raffle

This is our final basket raffle for the year!

The baskets for October are:

- bird house basket
- baking basket
- beautiful fall decor basket



Tickets are \$1.00 and available before and after Mass. Drawing is the last Sunday of October.

Hospitality Sunday

Today is Hospitality Sunday! After Mass, please grab a treat at the back of church and say hello to someone you haven't met or take some time to catch up with a friend.

To help make snacks for Hospitality Sundays, contact Denise Simeone for more info.

denisesimeone@hotmail.com
816-686-3612.



ST. JAMES COMMUNITY CALENDAR

OCTOBER

10/12 Sacrament of the Sick
10/12 Hospitality Sunday
10/12 Where We Stand with Miracle of Innocence
10/14 Bus Stop Ministry at 9 am
10/19 Parish-wide Synod Meeting after Mass
10/21 Knitting/Crocheting Group at 6:30 pm in the rectory
10/22 Legacy of Faith Grandparents' Seminar at St Peter's Church

NOVEMBER

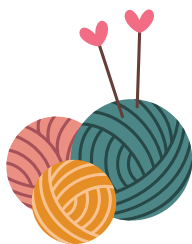
10/24 Bus Stop Ministry at 1 pm
10/26 Youth Trunk or Treat Event at RMDH after Mass
10/28 Bus Stop Ministry at 10 am
11/01 All Saints Day
11/2 Pantry Sunday
11/8 Hike for Reconciliation
11/9 Hospitality Sunday
11/23 Faith Formation Offering at The Nelson Art Gallery

Bishop Sullivan Center Needs Your Help

St. James has the opportunity to help Bishop Sullivan Center and our neighbors in mid-town.

- On the 4th Wednesday of every month, 2-3 parishioners help prep lunch at One City Cafe from 9:30-11:00 a.m.
- On the second Tuesday of each month, 4-5 parishioners help serve dinner to our neighbors from 3:45-6:15 p.m.

Contact Mary Vincent at busstop@stjkc.org for more information.



Knitting & Crocheting Group Meets 10/21

If you enjoy fiber crafts, join us in the rectory Tuesday 10/21 at 6:30pm. Parishioners create warm hats & scarves for those in need during the cold months of Kansas City. Help others, learn a new skill, or resurrect an old skill with good conversation and community.



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



MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

**PARISH-WIDE SYNOD
MEETING AFTER
MASS NEXT WEEK
OCTOBER 19TH!**

**WE HOPE TO SEE
YOU THERE.**

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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 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

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 ombudsman@ombudsmankcsj.org or 816-213-6024.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Victim Advocate at 816-714-2357 or victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org for more information.