

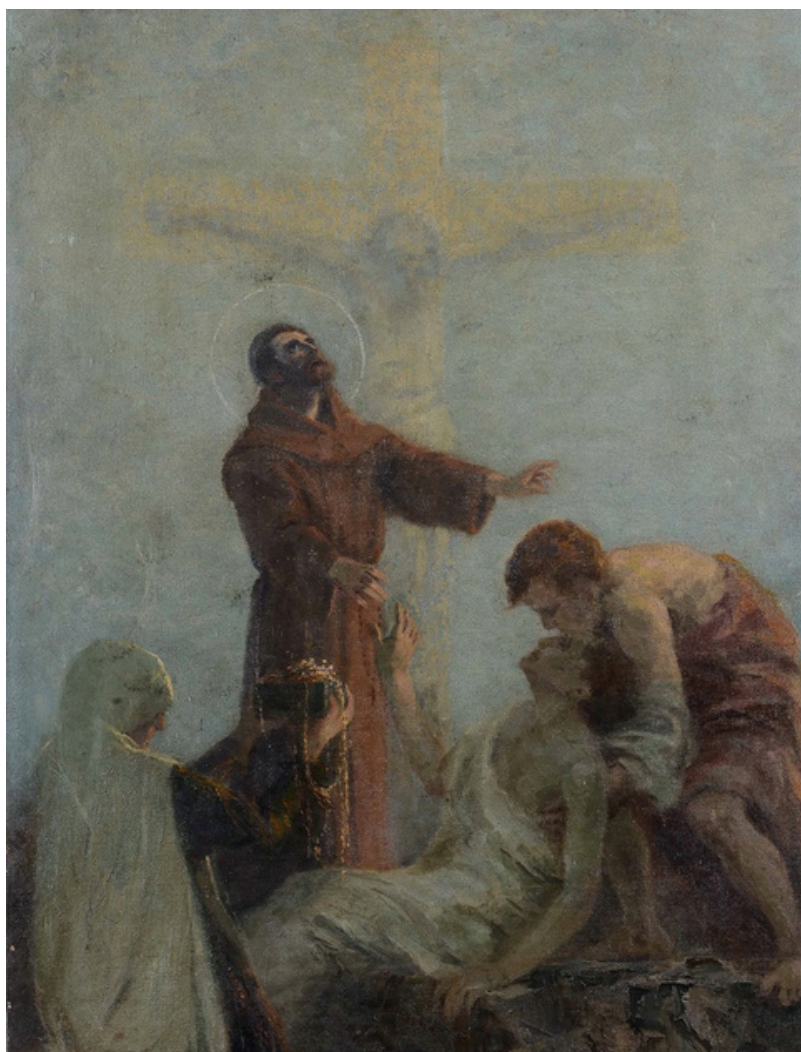
THE TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIMES

ST. JAMES

SYNODAL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY MIDTOWN



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



Faith, Hope and Charity

Gaetano Previati (Italian, 1852 - 1920)

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.

Sacrament of the Sick

The Anointing of the Sick or Sacrament of the Sick will be offered on Sunday, October 12th at St. James. Anyone who is ill, has a chronic illness, or is elderly is invited to come forward and receive the anointing. The sacrament asks God to give us healing in body and/or mind. We pray for this in ourselves and in the other members of our community.

October Is Respect Life Month

In October, we encourage parishes and schools to highlight topics such as:

Abortion
Adoption
Contraception/Birth Control
Death Penalty
Euthanasia/Assisted Suicide
Fetal Development
Mental Health
Non-Violence
Post-Abortion Healing
Reproductive Technology
Stem Cell Research/Human Cloning

Find resources on all of these topics and more at www.lifeandjusticekcsj.org/

Parishes and schools can find resources at Respectlife.org/respect-life-month



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!

Children's Liturgy Leaders Needed

We are looking for adults to assist with our Children's Liturgy of the Word. All materials are supplied for you. There are assistant roles and lead roles available. Please consider this opportunity to teach faith to our children.

First Communion & Confirmation Sessions start after Christmas to prepare children. We also need adults to assist with these sessions.

Please contact Bonnie at faithformation@stjkc.org

Our New Furnace

Below is a photo of the newly installed south choir loft furnace. This project was made possible through a generous gift from the estate of Doris Dahlstrom, beloved mother of Mike Art and mother-in-law of Linda Art.



Not long ago, when we shared how the north choir loft furnace needed replacement, two anonymous parishioners quietly stepped forward and covered the full cost. We are truly blessed with such a faithful and committed community here at St. James. This is a beautiful example of what it means to be a Synodal Church. Each person contributing in their own way for the good of all.

Thank you, St. James family, for your generosity and dedication!



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2025, TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES



First Reading -2 Kings 5:14-17: Naaman humbly obeyed Elisha by washing in the Jordan, was healed of leprosy, confessed Israel's God as the one true God, & pledged devotion to God alone.

Reflection Question: How does Naaman's humility and response to God's healing challenge me to trust and obey God, even when His instructions seem simple or unexpected?

Second Reading - 2 Timothy 2:8-13: Paul reminds Timothy to remember Jesus Christ and to endure suffering for the gospel, assuring him that though Paul is chained, God's word is not, and affirming that if believers die with Christ they will live with Christ.

Reflection Question: In light of Paul's reminder that Christ remains faithful even when we struggle, how can I grow in endurance and loyalty to Him during times of hardship?

Gospel -Luke 17:11-19: On route to Jerusalem, Jesus heals ten lepers who cry out for mercy, but only one—a Samaritan—returns to thank Him. Jesus declares that his faith has made him well.

Reflection Question: When God answers my prayers or shows me mercy, am I more like the nine who forgot to give thanks, or the one who returned to glorify Him with gratitude?

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.



Goldenberg Duo Tonight

Tonight at St. James is the benefit concert performed by the Goldenberg Duo. Proceeds go to the parish.

October 5 from 7-8 pm

Suggested Donation \$15

Reception to Follow



ST. JAMES COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

10/5 Parish Pantry Sunday
 10/5 Youth Sign Up for Trunk or Treat with RMDH
 10/5 Parent/Family Sign Up for the Seeking God Program
 10/5 Goldenberg Duo Concert and Reception 7 pm
 10/6 Leadership Meeting at 6:30pm
 10/8 Bus Stop Ministry at 1:45pm
 10/12 Sacrament of the Sick
 10/12 Hospitality Sunday

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER

10/12 Where We Stand with Miracle of Innocence
 10/19 Parish-wide Synod Meeting after Mass
 10/22 Legacy of Faith Grandparents' Seminar at St Peter's Church
 10/26 Youth Trunk or Treat Event at RMDH after Mass
 11/01 All Saints Day
 11/23 Faith Formation Offering at The Nelson Art Gallery

Join the St. James Security & Outreach Task Force

St. James Parish is forming a dedicated task force to thoughtfully address our long-term security needs while staying true to our mission of compassion and outreach. This is more than a committee—it's a call to action. Your voice, experience, and perspective are essential. By joining this effort, you'll help shape a balanced approach to protect our community and preserve the spirit of welcome that defines St. James.

If interested, please reach out to Bill Cordaro at 816-797-1114 or LT@StJKC.org.

Let's work side by side to ensure St. James Parish remains not only a safe haven, but also a beacon of hope for all.

**SIGN
UP**




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

KANSAS CITY CATHOLICS ADDRESSING RACISM



Continuing the Conversation about
RACISM AND OUR FAITH

Thursday, October 16th

St. Monica Catholic Church
1616 The Paseo, KCMO 64108

6:30 p.m. Gathering with music from the St. Monica Choir

7:00 p.m. Program

R.S.V.P. (requested)

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Small text: Ebony Reed, co-author of *Fifteen Cents on the Dollar: How Americans Made the Black-White Wealth Gap*, will lead a workshop on redlining and economic inequality, and guide participants in discussing action steps to address racism in Kansas City.

Small image of book cover: *FIFTEEN CENTS ON THE DOLLAR* by LOUISE STORY and EBONY REED

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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.