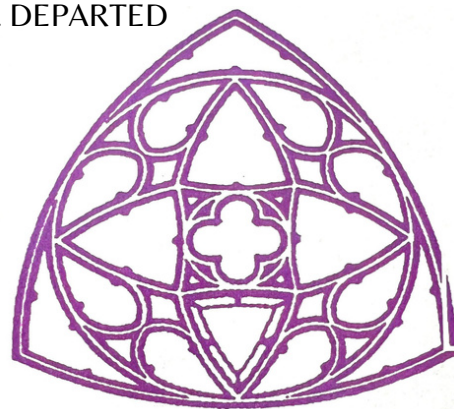


THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

# ST. JAMES

## SYNODAL CATHOLIC

## COMMUNITY MIDTOWN



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



## All Souls Day

[Keep] with joyous affection the memory of all the faithful departed who have lived from the beginning of the world until the end.”

- Abbot Odilo of Cluny

### 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,  
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.



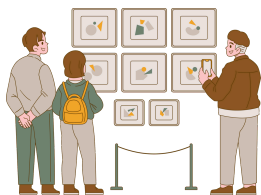
## Table of Remembrance

This Sunday, Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>, our Table of Remembrance will be up. You are invited to bring prayer cards, photos, or remembrances of your family members or friends who have passed away. The Table will be up for the first 4 Sundays of November.

## Faith Formation at the Art Museum

The Faith Formation offering on November 23<sup>rd</sup> is a Nelson Atkins tour of the art focusing on the Saints, beginning with Caravaggio's "John the Baptist." We have a sign up sheet at the back of church for those wishing to attend. You can also sign up online by emailing [faithformation@stjkc.org](mailto:faithformation@stjkc.org)

Final sign ups on Sunday, November 9.



## 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](mailto:ParishStaff@StJKC.org), or head to [www.StJKC.org](http://www.StJKC.org) to fill out a registration form. We can't wait to walk this faith journey with you!



## Advent Adventure

All families with children, ages preK-12 are invited to an "Advent (prepping) Adventure" on Sunday, November 9 after Mass. Everyone is invited to come for snacks and Advent related craft projects in Marian Hall after Mass.

There is a sign up sheet at the back of church. Please sign up so we can plan effectively.



## Teen Volunteers

St. James teens volunteered at Ronald McDonald House for Trunk or Treat last Sunday. (Honore, Katherine, Luci, and Mary)

It was damp and cold but they willingly and with good spirits passed out candy to approximately 500 trick or treaters.

A big thanks to all who donated Halloween candy for our Trunk or Treat event! Our very dedicated teens remained cheerful and kind while the rain sprinkled on us for several hours. The St. James tradition continues!

Thank you to Chris Dewberry and Martha Belker for helping.

## Seeking God Families Homecoming Reunion

On November 9<sup>th</sup> we are having a Homecoming Reunion for our "Seeking God" families after Mass in Marian Hall. There will be treats and snacks! This is for returning families and new families, K-6.

## READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2025, THE THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES



**First Reading -Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12:** The passage describes a life-giving river flowing from the Temple, bringing healing and abundance wherever it goes. Everything it touches flourishes.

**Reflection Question:** How can I allow God's life-giving presence to flow through me and bring healing and renewal to others?

**Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17:** we are God's building and temple, founded on Christ, and we must care for this sacred dwelling of God's Spirit.

**Reflection Question:** How am I nurturing and protecting the "temple" of God's presence within myself and in my community?

**Gospel -John 2:13-22:** Jesus cleanses the Temple, driving out merchants to restore it as God's house, and revealing that His body is the true Temple that will be raised after three days.

**Reflection Question:** What "clutter" in my life might I need to clear away to make more room for God's presence within me?

### Lector Workbooks 11/9

After mass on Sunday, Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>, Sr. Angela will meet with lectors in the back of church. You can pick up your workbook for the next Liturgical Year (Nov. 30, 2025 – Nov. 22, 2026). She will also share some tips and hints on the many things provided by the workbooks.

### Keep the Tomb Dry

Last week St James began a challenge to raise \$10,830 to repair the roof above the 14<sup>th</sup> Station of the Cross. Grab a flyer and envelope for more info and to donate funds.

A generous parishioner has pledged a \$5,000 matching gift so every dollar you give in Oct. and Nov. is doubled!

Join the challenge today.

- Place a check in the offertory basket or mail it to:  
P.O. Box 30388,  
Kansas City, MO 64112-4388  
(memo: Keep the Tomb Dry)
- Use the special fund envelopes available in the back of the church
- Give online at the St. James Giving Portal → Facility Fund - Maintenance



## ST. JAMES COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### NOVEMBER

11/01 All Saints Day  
11/2 Pantry Sunday  
11/8 Hike for Reconciliation - [rs3101.org/events](https://rs3101.org/events)  
11/9 Hospitality Sunday  
11/9 Seeking God Families Homecoming Reunion  
11/9: Welcoming Maria's daughter to be baptized!  
11/9: Advent Adventure for families after Mass

### NOVEMBER

11/16 Parish Wide Synodal Meeting After Mass  
11/23 Faith Formation Offering at  
The Nelson Art Gallery  
11/27 Thanksgiving Day  
11/30 First Day of Advent  
12/14: Family Fun Day in Marian Hall: games, projects, lunch! Learning about Advent.



## Mass of Joy

This Sunday we are introducing the “Mass of Joy” which we will begin using next Sunday in the Mass parts for our worship. This past summer, Connie and Bob Anderson went to North Carolina to visit her sister. At Mass, they were using this music, and they really liked it. Bob contacted the music director of St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church to ask how we could get a copy of the music to bring to St. James. Andrew Witchger, the music director, sent copies of the Mass which he composed. It hasn’t been published yet, but he graciously gave us permission to use it.



## WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER

Cindy McKay Basolo, Barb Doak, Tom Dux, 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](mailto:Bulletin@StJKC.org)



## Volunteers for Angel Garden Visitors

Pat Marrin, Mary Vincent, and Diane Etzel-Wise are in search of volunteer teams of 2-3 people to help at the Parish House one afternoon a week OR as scheduled. Please contact them at the Parish House at 816-561-8512.

## ST. JAMES CONTACT INFORMATION

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[garrycpps@gmail.com](mailto:garrycpps@gmail.com)

**Synodal Parish Director:**  
Patrick Marrin,  
[parishstaff@stjkc.org](mailto:parishstaff@stjkc.org)

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Hours: 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM  
Monday-Friday  
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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](mailto: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](mailto:victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.