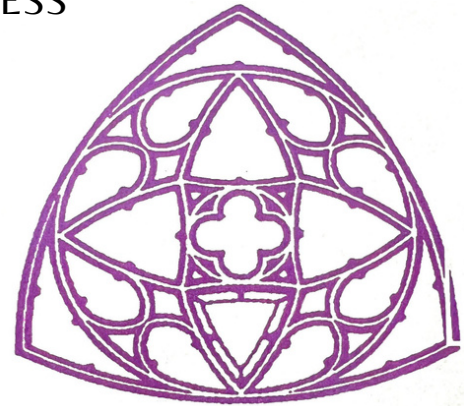


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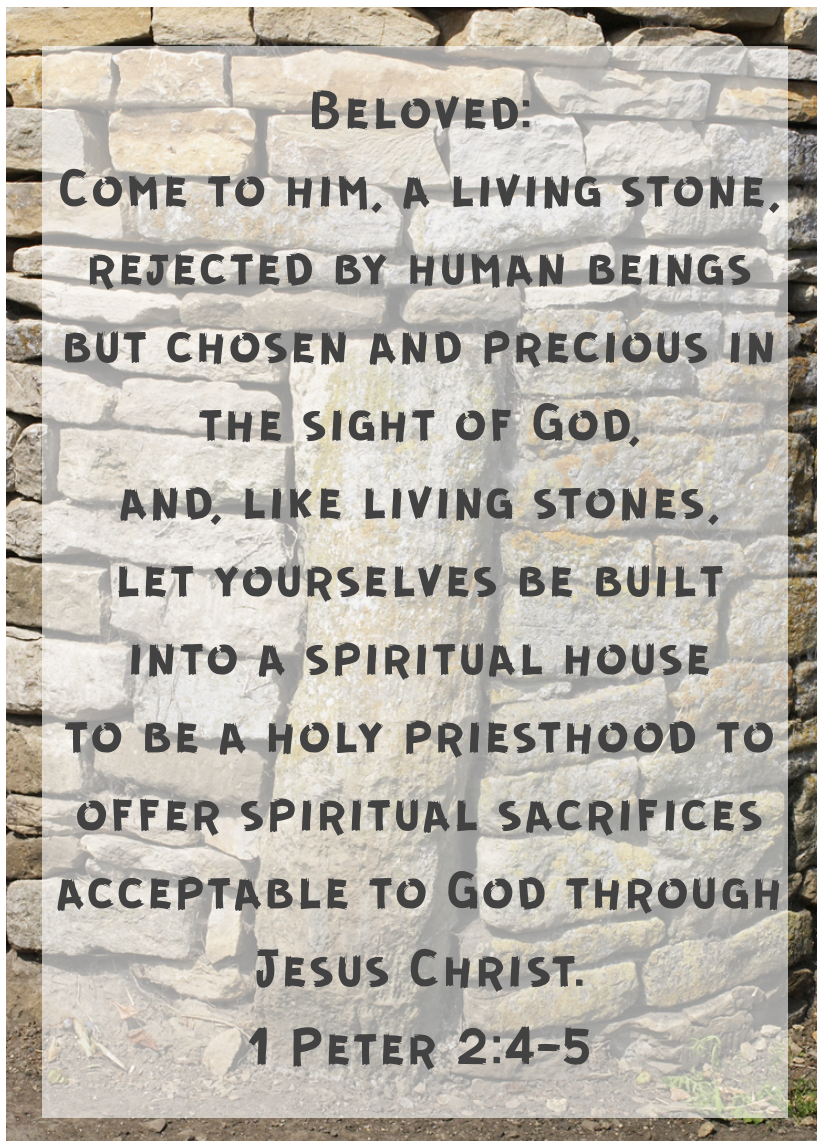
ST. JAMES

SYNODAL CATHOLIC

COMMUNITY MIDTOWN



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



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

“We are a missionary Church, a Church that builds bridges and encourages dialogue, a Church ever open to welcoming, like this [St. Peter's] Square with its open arms, all those who are in need of our charity, our presence, our readiness to dialogue and our love.” - Pope Leo XIV

Our Moral Call: Voting Rights for All!

Join us at Visitation Catholic Community on May 7th for this important event, to continue conversations about racism and our faith. The topic will be Voting Rights for All.

Our Moral Call
May 7th at 6:30 pm

Visitation Catholic Community
5141 Main St,
Kansas City MO 64112

Speakers:

- Rev. Dr. Bob Hill (Minister Emeritus of Community Christian Church)
- Melanie Busse (President of the League of Women Voters of Kansas City-Jackson, Clay, Platte Counties)
- M. Jenise Comer, LCSW (Professor Emeritus, University of Central Missouri and Volunteer)

May is Mary Month

The month of May is dedicated to Mary, our Blessed Mother. Please join Philomena Odu in the Family Room in the back of Church to pray the Rosary after Mass during the Sundays of May.



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!

Save the Date

Our "Sunday Family Funday" will be Sunday, June 7 after Mass on the South Lawn with Games, picnic lunch, scavenger hunt, duck pond, bubbles and so much more! Activities for everyone! More details coming soon.

Help Needed

We have a wonderful team of teachers and assistants for our Children's Liturgy of the Word program. We would like to have a couple more people to help us. Please let Bonnie Haghirian know if you're interested in helping minister to our children.

Welcome Children

Congratulations to Dzung and Loan on the baptism of their daughter, Nhi, who was born on March 7th! We will have a cookie reception after Mass on May 3 in the back of church, Everyone is welcome!



Baptism & First Communion Families

We are having a "family reunion" for our families who have recently celebrated the Sacraments of Baptism and First Communion today, Sunday, May 3rd. You are invited to celebrate with Dzung and Loan's family in the back of the church. Bonnie would like to have a brief "check in" with the families in the middle of church after they get their snacks.



READINGS FOR SUNDAY, May 10, 2026, SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Acts 8:5-8, 14-17 ~ Philip brings joy to Samaria by preaching Christ and performing miracles, leading the apostles to send Peter and John to pray for the new believers to receive the Holy Spirit.

Reflection Question: In what ways might you be preventing the Holy Spirit from acting fully in your life, and where do you need to seek God deeper rather than just your own human effort?

1 Peter 3:15-18 ~ Believers are called to revere Christ as Lord in their hearts, being prepared to gently and respectfully defend their hope in Him and endure possible suffering, following the example of Christ who suffered for us.

Reflection Question: How do you explain the reason for your hope in Christ to someone outside the faith?

John 14:15-21 ~ Jesus promises his disciples that if they love him and obey his commands, he will send the Holy Spirit to dwell within them, ensuring they are not left alone but are unified with Christ and the Father.

Reflection Question: When you feel abandoned or alone, how can you better recognize the presence of the Holy Spirit in your life? What times in your life have you felt the Holy Spirit comforting or guiding you?

Sympathy Cards for the Arnone Family

Please pray for the family and friends of Donna Arnone, our beloved bookkeeper, who died unexpectedly on April 17.

Those wishing to send condolences to the Arnone family can send cards to the address below.

Joe Arnone and Family
2617 SW Kristin Dr.
Lees Summit, MO 64082

Harvesters Volunteer Tuesday

Tuesday, May 5th from 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Come be part of the Harvesters team and help tackle hunger in our community.

Please bring close-toed, closed heel shoes & long pants (safety first!) and consider bringing a canned or non-perishable donation.

Contact Barbara Schepers at 816-810-8809 to save your spot!



ST. JAMES COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MAY

5/3 Pantry Sunday
5/3 Baptism Celebration After Mass
5/5 Harvesters Volunteer Tuesday
5/10 Hospitality Sunday
5/10 Mother's Day
5/17 Parish Wide Synod Meeting after Mass
5/24 Pentecost Sunday
5/31 Fifth Sunday Parish Luncheon

JUNE

6/2 Harvesters Volunteer Day
6/7 Pantry Sunday
6/14 Hospitality Sunday
6/21 Parish Wide Synod Meeting after Mass
~Every Saturday at 10 AM: Communal Garden Gang

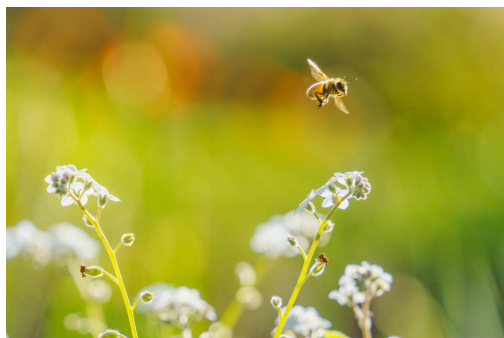


Do Not Water Plants!

Please DO NOT water the plants by the altar. They are getting overwatered and that is causing problems for them. Thank you.

No Mow May Update

Early rain and warm weather have made our grounds very overgrown. We have decided to mow the general areas and leave a large portion of the southern lot un-mown for May. This practice is great for nature (especially our pollinators) and helps our eco system flourish. More information is available at beecityusa.org



WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER

The husband and family of Martha Agnew, Cindy McKay Basolo, Barb Doak, Tom Dux, Cindy Etzel Swoboda, Steven Hardie, Michael Heringer, June Johnson, Laverne Johnson, Theresa Maly, Caroline Martin, Noella Cole, Amie Miller, John Rechtin, Judith Reed, Eric Sitterley, Sean Shaughnessy, Karen Snedden, & Steve Wallace.

The family and friends of Donna Arnone.

If you or someone you know needs prayers please send their names to Bulletin@StJKC.org



Attendance on 4/26

In person- 113

Online- 9

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stjkc.org

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.