

THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES

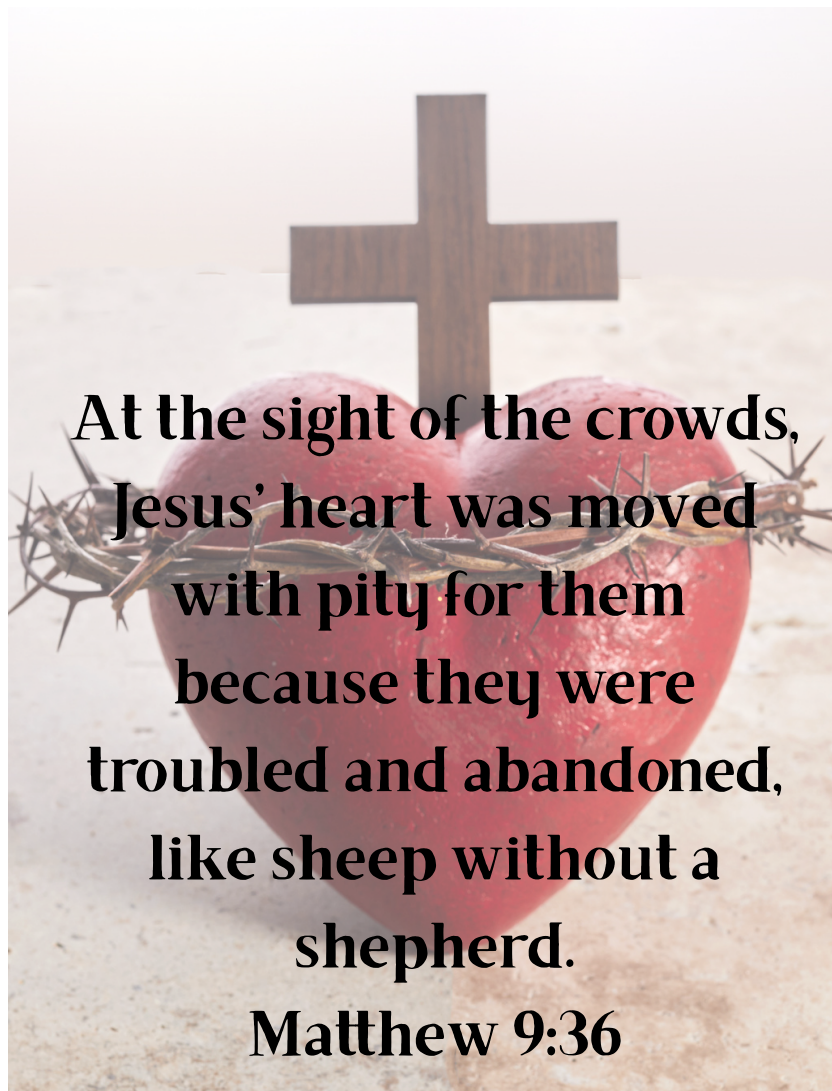
ST. JAMES

SYNODAL CATHOLIC

COMMUNITY MIDTOWN



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



**At the sight of the crowds,
Jesus' heart was moved
with pity for them
because they were
troubled and abandoned,
like sheep without a
shepherd.
Matthew 9:36**

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

Eucharist to the Home-Bound:

Contact Marcus Liddell
816-832-2478 (cell)

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

Looking to Fall

Do you know someone who would like to know more about the Catholic faith? Do you know someone who might consider converting to Catholicism? If you do, consider this :

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) has had a slight name change. It's now OCIA (Order instead of Rite). Sessions usually begin in September and conclude with the Easter Vigil which will be March 27, 2027.

Or, maybe you've always been a Catholic, but the last time you sat with others and talked about the faith was when you prepared for your First Eucharist or Confirmation. RCIA/OCIA can be a wonderful journey for renewal, too. Or, you may be someone who has friends who "use to be Catholic." We can learn a lot together. Please let Bonnie know so we can start forming a group. Email Bonnie at faithformation@stjkc.org or check in with her at St. James before or after Mass.



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!

Thank You!

Thank you to all of our families who brought their children to Family Funday Sunday! Next time, we hope it doesn't rain, but we had so much fun in Marian Hall!

Special thanks to Fr. Garry for serving up the "dogs" rain or shine! Thanks to everyone who helped to clean up Marian Hall and who contributed relish trays, cookies and snacks! It takes a village - or a parish!



Our Sympathy

The parish offers prayers and sympathy to Diane Etzel-Wise and her family on the death of her younger sister Cindy (Etzel) Swoboda on June 5, 2026. Please remember Diane and her family in your prayers.



Help Needed

Please consider helping with Children's Liturgy of the Word, starting again in August. There is an online program for teacher certification and a background check. We supply the materials every week. Please let Bonnie know if you would like more information.

faithformation@stjkc.org

READINGS FOR SUNDAY, June 21, 2026, THE TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES



Jeremiah 20:10–13 Despite facing betrayal and persecution, Jeremiah trusts that God is with him, protects him, and will ultimately bring justice.

Reflection Question: How can you place your trust in God when you feel opposed or misunderstood by others?

Romans 5:12–15 Through Adam sin and death entered the world, but through Christ God's grace and the gift of salvation are offered abundantly to all.

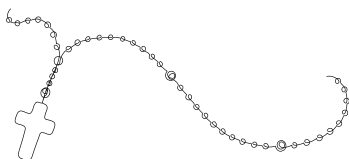
Reflection Question: How does recognizing Christ's gift of grace shape the way you view your relationship with God?

Matthew 10:26–33 Jesus encourages his disciples to live courageously, trusting in God's loving care and openly acknowledging their faith.

Reflection Question: What fears might be keeping you from openly living out or sharing your faith?

Parish Faith Formation

Renee' Roosa will share her experiences as a Benedictine Oblate with us on Sunday, June 28, after Mass. Please come and see how her spirituality shapes her day to day life!



Peace Prayer

Join us for Wednesday evening's Peace Prayer on Zoom at 6:30 pm. We take turns leading prayers and reflection. A link will be provided via email from parishstaff@stjkc.org.



Knitting & Crocheting Group Meets June 16th

If you enjoy fiber crafts, join us in the rectory Tuesday 6/16 at 6:30 pm. 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.



ST. JAMES COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MAY/JUNE

6/14 Hospitality Sunday
6/14 Parish Wide Synod Meeting after Mass
6/16 Knitting and Crocheting Ministry at 6:30pm
6/21 St. Pius X Mass to Honor Our Blessed Mother and Our Lady of Fatima at 3pm
6/28 Faith Formation after Mass with Renee Roosa

JULY

7/5 Pantry Sunday
7/7 Harvesters Volunteer Day
7/12 Hospitality Sunday
7/19 Parish Wide Synod Meeting after Mass
~Every Saturday at 10 AM: Communal Garden Gang

St. Pius X News

Join us at St. Pius X to Honor Our Blessed Mother and Our Lady of Fatima.

Sunday, June 21st

3-4:15 pm

**St. Pius X Parish
5500 Woodson Ave
Mission, KS 66202**

We will pray the Joyful, Sorrowful, and Glorious mysteries of the Holy Rosary followed by Benediction and the opportunity for attendees to enroll in the Brown Scapular. For driving instructions or future dates for the Kansas City monthly Holy Rosary rallies, please visit www.rosaryrallieskc.org

MEETING

PARISH-WIDE SYNOD MEETING TODAY, JUNE 14TH, AFTER MASS

Please join us after Mass for our monthly Synod Meeting. Your voice matters to our parish.



WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER

Cindy McKay Basolo, Reanna Broyle, Barb Doak, Tom Dux, Steven Hardie, Michael Heringer, June Johnson, Ric Kocher and family, Theresa Maly, Caroline Martin, Noella Cole, Amie Miller, Mary O'Leary, Judith Reed, Eric Sitterley, Sean Shaughnessy, Karen Snedden, & Steve Wallace.

We pray also for the family and soul of Cindy (Etsel) Swoboda, sister to Diane Etsel-Wise

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

ST. JAMES WEEKLY BULLETIN

If you have parish news, you can submit items for the bulletin to Lauren Clinton at the bulletin email below.

Bulletin@STJKC.org

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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.