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A WELCOMING, INCLUSIVE,
AND LOVING COMMUNITY BY
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MASSES

WEEKDAY: Mon & Fri 8:15am,
Tues, Wed, Thu 6:15am & 8:15am
First Sat 8:15am

WEEKEND: Sat 4pm, Sun, 7:30am, 9am & 11am

MASS ONLINE CONTINUES

RECONCILIATION

Individual Confessions: by appointment and
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5-6pm
Saturdays, 3-3:45pm and
First Saturdays, 7:15-8am

OUR CLERGY

Father Justin Hoye, Pastor
In Residence: Father Paul Sappington

AT THE PARISH OFFICE

Office Hours:

Mon. & Wed. 8:45-1pm, 2-3:30pm*

Tues. & Thurs. 8:45-1pm, 2-5pm*

Friday 8:45-1pm

* lunch hour 1-2pm

Parish Office 816-942-2492

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AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE

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Principal

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School fax

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School email directory at stmkcschool.org

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816-942-5581 or crosthwait_linda@stmcydones.org

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

All volunteers working with minors or
vulnerable adults are required to:

- Attend a Protecting God's Children workshop
- Attend a mandated reporter training
- Submit to a background check
- Read the online Policy on Ethics and Integrity in Ministry

For more Safe Environment information,
including reporting and victim resources,
see page 10.

Catholic Schools Week

UNITED IN FAITH AND COMMUNITY

Sunday, January 28 - Friday, February 2, 2024

Saint Thomas More School
stmkcschool.org



Sunday: Celebrating Our Parish

Monday: Celebrating Our Community

Tuesday: Celebrating Our Students & Inclusion

Wednesday: Celebrating Our Families

Thursday: Celebrating Vocations

Friday: Celebrating Our Staff



Open House

STM School
Sunday, January 28
10:00am-1pm





THE PASTOR'S PEN

Faithful People of Saint Thomas More,

This Sunday begins Catholic Schools week, and starts with an open house of our school, and concludes with our annual auction. First, the Open House...

This Sunday morning (10AM-1PM), our school welcomes visitors into our building. The school is open to anyone who would like to tour the structure that houses our largest ministry on campus. Walk the halls, see improvements we've made in recent years, talk to teachers and parents, and have a doughnut and coffee.

Next Saturday concludes our week with the Annual STM Auction, held in Flanagan Hall. Tickets are still available for the evening, which includes a silent auction, live auction, and dinner provided by Garozzo's. In addition, our Fund-a-Need this year works toward completing our carpet replacement throughout the school, and integrating our phone system among the buildings on campus. The investment is pricey - a \$200K goal to complete both projects - but we already have 13% of our goal met, a week out from the auction.

This Sunday is also the last weekend of our "Art for Prayer" experience, being presented at the 11AM Mass. Over five dozen parishioners have already participated in this experience, and I am hopeful we will have a good showing for our last weekend.

Father Justin

P.S. There's still time to bring back your palms to be burned ahead of Ash Wednesday. Deposit old palms in the basket in the narthex.

P.P.S. Next Saturday, February 3rd, is the feast of Saint Blaise, when the Church offers the blessing of throats. We will bless throats after the 8:15AM Mass that morning.



Come Home to Communion



Daily Masses

Monday, 8:15am
Tuesday, 6:15 & 8:15am
Wednesday, 6:15 & 8:15am
Thursday, 6:15 & 8:15am
Friday, 8:15am
First Saturday, 8:15am

Weekend Masses: Saturday, 4pm vigil Mass

Sunday, 7:30am, 9am & 11am

Sign Interpreted Mass: 2nd Sundays at 11am

Masses are recorded daily; find them at stmkc.com or youtube.stmkc.com.

Pray the Rosary with Others

Sundays, after 9am Mass

Join with the Knights of Columbus in prayer.

Monday-Friday, after the 8:15am Mass, Chapel

All are welcome to pray the rosary with others on Saturdays, after the 8:15am Mass. Fatima devotion is also celebrated on First Saturdays.

The Light is on for You

Confessions are offered in the reconciliation room.

Tuesday, 5-6pm
Thursday, 5-6pm
Saturday, 3-3:45pm
First Saturday, 7:15-8am
and by appointment

Church Hours for Private Prayer

Monday, 7am-6pm
Tuesday, 6am-6pm
Wednesday, 6am-6pm
Thursday, 6am-6pm
Friday, 7am-6pm
Saturday, 9am-5pm
First Saturday, 7am-5pm
Sunday, 7am-9pm

Eucharistic Exposition at STM

Sundays, Noon-9pm in the Church

Regular time spent with the Lord in Adoration can be life changing! First Sundays, Noon-1pm, has music.

Stay practical. It might not be possible for you to get to your church whenever you feel like it. But maybe you can arrive early for Mass and spend time with Jesus. Or perhaps you could arrange your schedule so that you (and even a spouse, child, or friend with you)

can stop in as you're driving past the church. Even a few minutes can change your week for the better.

Fresh Fire Fridays

Feb. 23, Mar. 22, Apr. 19, May 10

Fresh Fire is a prayer experience crafted to open hearts to experience Jesus' real presence in the Eucharist by combining candlelit Eucharistic Adoration throughout, with praise and worship music, a speaker offering personal witness, and opportunities to come to the altar for a blessing and intercessory prayer.



January Prayer Intentions

Pope Francis: Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.

Bishop Johnston: For the homeless and those who lack adequate housing.

Please Return Palms

Bring back your palms **this month** to be burned for Ash Wednesday ashes. Baskets are in the narthex.

National Eucharistic Revival Art Competition

Creative Catholics from all over the country are invited to share their talents and spread the beauty of our faith through art, particularly exploring the Eucharistic mystery and Eucharistic themes. First place will receive a

cash prize of \$2000. Total awards will amount to over \$3000.

Selected works will be showcased at the 10th National Eucharistic Congress, exhibited in a premiere show at the Museum of Blessed Michael McGivney Center in Connecticut, and displayed at other locations as a part of the Eucharistic Sacred Art Exhibit. For more information, google National Eucharistic Art Competition.

Care & Support

Grief Peer Support Group

1st Wed. (Feb. 7), 4-5pm, Bauman Room of More Hall

3rd Wed. (Feb. 21), 6-7pm, in the Parish Office

Grief is difficult and can be experienced as a result of any kind of loss. In addition to supporting each other, we use various resources to better understand our grief. Peggy Lucas, Pastoral Associate, facilitates these groups. Attend as you are able. For more info, contact her at peggy@stmkc.com or 816-942-2492 x210.

White Mass: Blessings upon Health Care Professionals
Saturday, February 10, 10am

The White Mass, so named by the color worn by those in the healing profession of medicine, gathers health care professionals under the patronage of Saint Luke to ask God's blessing upon the doctor, nurse, and caregiver alike. Health care professionals and their families are invited to attend this special Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Peter, 409 N 15th St. KC KS 66102.

Please hold in prayer

CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE, BULLETIN@STMKC.COM OR 942-2492 X202, TO ADD OR REMOVE NAMES FROM THE PRAYER LIST. IF YOUR NAME IS DROPPED OFF AND YOU ARE IN NEED OF ADDITIONAL PRAYERS FOR HEALING, CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE. **NAMES APPEAR EVERY OTHER WEEK.**

...our family and friends in the military:

Nick Alder
Drew Belzer
J.D. Corless

Mike Dean
Logan Elrader-Effertz

TJ Francik
Luke Jokerst

Jonathan Kennaley
Zach Love

Patrick Rogers
Christopher Yates

...our parishioners who are sick:

Mary Sue Adams
Debbie Crawford
Jean Fuller

Mary LeFebvre
Betty Moore
Charles Moran

Dolores Rabuse
Mary Robinson
Debbie Siemieniewski

Cathy Terwelp
Karen Tritt

Leonardo Viril
Bill Young

...our family and friends who are sick:

Emma Beaver
Scott Carson
Chris Frantze

Mary Jane Grimaldi
Cynthia Kirkendoll
Rita Kopp

Denise Adams Mehlo
Linda Moore

Sean Pinkerton
Tony Torchia

John Webb
Agnes Welliver

...our family and friends who are hospitalized:

Select Specialty Hospital: Larry LeFebvre
St. Luke's Plaza: Mary LeFebvre

...our family and friends who have died:

Gregory Larm, brother of Becky McGovern

Gabriel Project Angel Training

Saturday, February 10, 8:30am-4pm

Gabriel Project is a shared ministry of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph Office of Life & Justice and the Archdiocese of KC KS Pro-Life Office. "Angels" are trained volunteers who listen to and support pregnant moms one-on-one. The training teaches the communication skills and what to expect as an Angel! Contact gabrielprojectkc.com/volunteer/ to indicate your interest in attending.

Caring for the Caregiver

Sunday, February 11, in the Narthex

In conjunction with World Day of the Sick on February 11, 2024, Pastoral Associate, Peggy Lucas, will provide an opportunity for parishioners to give ideas and feedback about an upcoming ministry, "Caring for the Caregiver," at Saint Thomas More. She will be welcoming ideas and feedback after the Masses on Sunday morning. Please look for the table in the narthex on February 11 so that we can better serve our community. You are also welcome to contact her directly at 816-942-2492 x210 or peggy@stmkc.com.

My House Workshop for Men - Diocesan Ministry

February 22-24 (Thursday, 7am-Saturday, 3pm)

My House is a confidential, intensive weekend for men striving to overcome and heal from unwanted sexual behaviors. It is geared to maximize your investment of time and money, as well as enhance any work you might have started or jump start your journey towards healing. The weekend will take place at Savior Pastoral Center, 12601 Parallel Pkwy, KC, KS 66109.



STM Annual Stewardship

Goal: 100% response rate! (\$3,500,000)

\$1,798,467 was pledged as of 1/24/24

548 (39%) of households returned pledge forms

Thank you to the households who have returned their pledge forms! Additional forms are available on the dresser in the narthex or you can pledge online at stmkc.com.

Diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA)

Goal: 100% response rate

As of 1/19/24 :

- 234 (17%) STM households pledged \$162,821*
- Across the diocese 4,409 households pledged \$1,839,652 toward a \$2 million goal.

* This amount has decreased due to corrections from a mis-labeled contribution.

Refugee Family Resettlement Effort

Items collected Jan. 29-Feb. 2 in The Peak, 9am-4:30

The Faith in Action Team has been asked by Della Lamb to help furnish a house for one of the refugee families arriving in Kansas City. The team will set up the house next Saturday, February 3. You can: 1. make a monetary donation at stmkc.com/givenow (choose Refugee resettlement) 2. visit stmkc.com/refugee to sign up to donate goods or funds (Please be sure that the donated items are new or in very good condition.) 3. email Phil at ppaschang1@gmail.com to volunteer to help set up the house. Need more information? Email Michele at michele.kerwin@gmail.com.

Food Drive Next Weekend

February 4-5, in the Narthex

Our monthly food drive helps people who are struggling to put food on their tables. Please bring the following items: canned tuna and meats, low-sodium canned soups and vegetables, pancake mix, syrup, sugar, dry milk, boxed meals, pasta and sauce, canned fruits, peanut butter, jelly, rice, jello, condiments, white beans, laundry soap, toiletry items, and paper goods. Monetary donations are also helpful!

Needs of the Red Bridge Food Pantry:

canned chicken, various canned beans, dry beans (garbanzos in particular), jelly, toilet paper, boxed meals (Hamburger Helper type), laundry detergent (small bottles); canned: mixed veggies, peas, tomatoes

To support Seton Center online, Visit setonkc.org and click on the donate tab.

Purchase trash bags and support our Cub Scouts!

The cost is \$13/roll and they are twice as thick as bags at stores. Call the parish office, 942-2492, or stop by.

- Blue, 55 gallon (16 bags): Great for big jobs!
- Yellow, 39 gallon (25 bags): Most popular bag.
- White, 15 gallon (65 bags): A smaller size for the kitchen or families without children.

Midwest March for Life

Wednesday, May 1, in Jefferson City

The Office of Life & Justice will once again coordinate a bus trip. Please mark your calendars and stay tuned

for news from their office on how you can participate. Questions? Contact Deb Sheppard, Director of the Office of Life & Justice, at sheppard@diocesekcsj.org or 816-714-2367.

2023 Year-end Contribution Statements

Parishioners with emails on file were emailed their 2023 statements two weeks ago (check your inbox, including spam and trash folders). For anyone without an email address on file, those were mailed last week. If you don't receive your statement or want a hard copy, please contact Becky at becky@stmkc.com or 816-942-2492 x224.

December Financials

Regular - \$386,719.02	Plate - \$2,998.40
Facilities - \$2,342.00	
Education Fund - \$2,548.00	School - \$7,936.55
Neighbors in Need - \$6,795.82	
Holy Day - \$1,662.00	Christmas - \$11,802.75
Religious Retirement - \$7,792.00	

Thank you for your continued contributions!



Green Team

Blessing of Seeds

Monday, February 5, 12:15pm Mass, at the Cathedral

Seeds represent a microcosm of all life. By our prayer, we acknowledge God's love for all creation and our responsibility to care for it. As planting season begins in late winter or early spring we the Church seek God's blessing on seeds, crops, and all creation.

Father Paul Turner will bless seeds at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 416 W 12th St, KCMO 64105. Seeds can be brought in person or sent with someone ahead of time. Especially invited are gardeners, farmers, greenhouse growers, and all who work with plants or seeds.

Green Team Tip of the Week

Winter, the perfect time to warm up with a hot drink! What is the most ecological choice? Certainly, buying herbal tea in bulk is less expensive and requires less packaging. Bulk herbal teas are more fragrant as well, because they haven't been stored as long. More and more shops are specializing in bulk regular tea and herbal tea. Give them a try.

To brew, use an infuser spoon, a tea ball or a teapot. They are reusable and easy to find. In addition to the environmental aspect, you get to enjoy a greater variety of drinks by having camomile and vanilla one night and camomile and linden the next!



Growing in Faith Together (G.I.F.T.)

Tuesdays, 9-10:30am in the Bauman Library

G.I.F.T. is a group of ladies that meets after 8:15am Mass most every Tuesday. We read the gospel and talk about its meaning in our lives. If you are interested, please call Becky Turner at 816-550-3655.

Considering becoming Catholic or want to know more?

Tuesdays, 6:15-7:30pm in More Hall A

Journey with other individuals to learn more about the Catholic Church and to discern God's invitations offered through the Catholic Church. Sessions are open to adults and children, baptized and not. Questions? Contact Father Justin, frjhoye@stmkc.com or 816-942-2492 x204.

Jan. 30: No meeting

Feb. 6: Sacraments of Healing: Anointing of the Sick

School of Religion

Wednesdays, 6:15-7:30pm in More Hall

School of Religion provides catechesis for grade school children who do not attend Catholic school. An online registration form can be found at stmkc.com/sor. Questions? Email Susan at aquiel2000@yahoo.com.

Introduction to the First Five Old Testament Books

Thursdays through February 8, 6pm in More Hall

STM parishioner Yvonne Teeple led a study on the Acts of the Apostles last semester and is leading a study of the Pentateuch, the first five books of the Bible, before Lent. For more information or to let Yvonne know you are coming, contact her at 913-271-1222. Walk-ins are welcome, too!

SPRED Class

Monday, February 5, 6:30-8:30pm in More Hall

A group for the developmentally delayed meets about every other week to share their faith. Questions? Email Becky at bturner727@yahoo.com.

Annual Saint Therese Little Flower Mardi Gras

Friday, February 9, 5:30-10:30pm

The event will be held at Drexel Hall, 3301 Baltimore, KCMO 64111. Tickets are \$20/person, \$200/table of 8, for \$200 or \$20/table of 10. Food, non-alcoholic beverages, entertainment, and silent auction are included. Tickets MUST be purchased in advance. Wine and beer will be sold. Visit stlfkc.org for tickets and more info or contact Estelle at etunley@stlfkc.org or 816-444-5406.

RED HOT NIGHTS

St. Thomas More Auction 2024

GET YOUR TICKETS NOW
FEBRUARY 3, 2024
AT [STMAUCTION.ORG](https://stmauction.org)



ENJOY A NIGHT OF FIERY FUN!

ST. THOMAS MORE AUCTION FUND-A-NEED FOR Carpets & Phones

Help us replace the 20+ year old carpet and phone system in the school!
Donate to STMAuction.org or send a check to Tim Waris for "Fund-A-Need"

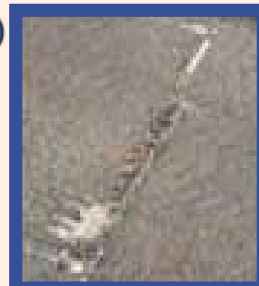
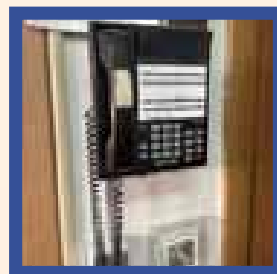
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2024 STM PARISH

ART FOR PRAYER SHOW



READ RESPONSES AT
[STMKC.COM/STMART](https://stmkc.com/stmart)

SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCE
EMAIL STMart@stmkc.com

Over 75 prints of James Tissot, depicting Jesus and his ministry, are part of the public domain and are on display in the Narthex during the weekends of January. Each weekend parishioners from a particular Mass are invited to peruse the art show and borrow a work for the week and pray with it in their own home!

Each work is 10 inches by 14 inches, in a light-weight frame, labeled, and easy to transport.

What is the Goal of This Project?

Praying with imagery is a powerful (and often under-utilized tool) available to a Christian. We can each begin the new year with a new approach to the Lord's efforts to speak to us.

How Do I Check Out a Print for the Week?

Volunteers will be in the Narthex at the select weekend Mass and will take down your name and contact info. That's it! You'll receive a reminder late in the week to return the work at the end of the week.

On Display and Available for Check Out

~~January 6-7 at 4PM Mass~~

~~January 13-14 at 7:30AM Mass~~

~~January 20-21 at 9AM Mass~~

January 27-28 at 11AM Mass

How Might I Pray With The Work?

1. Set the painting in a place where you can comfortably gaze upon it.
2. Ask the Lord to reveal: "Why was I led to this particular work?" Give yourself ample time. Linger....

3. Be mindful of what arises within as you spend time with the image. Memories? Feelings? Particular People?
4. Resist judging your "success or failure" in this experience, and instead keep inviting: "Lord, reveal what You want me to see, know, feel and recognize."
5. Conclude your time of prayer by thanking God for this time with Him, and for the ways in which Jesus continues to minister us.

What Then?

1. Return to the image throughout the week to see if new insights and revelations occur.
2. Share with others your experience and how the Lord spoke to you through the work. Did you receive a consolation or assurance? Was the Lord inviting you to take a step in an unexpected way? Were there memories, relationships or events that the image brought to your mind and, if so, how was Jesus using those to minister to you?
3. If inclined, share with us at STM! Send an email to STMart@stmkc.com and tell us about your experience. (You can remain anonymous if you wish!) We'll post shared experiences with the community.
4. Make sure to return the work at the end of the week so more parishioners can benefit from it!

GOOGLE A LITTLE DEEPER: SEARCH FOR JOHN PAUL II LETTER TO ARTISTS

Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME)

Next Date: February 16-18

This Valentine's Day give your spouse the greatest gift of all, your time and attention! A WWME will allow you the time to reconnect and reaffirm your love for each other. It is a gift that will last all the days of your lives. For information or to apply for an experience, please visit wwme4yourandme.org or contact Margaret Harris at margaretil.harris@gmail.com or call 405-206-1600.

More Friends (Parishioners 55+ years)

More Friends currently has 67 members and it's not too late to join! Call/Text Beth Sullivan at 816-547-5541.

January 2024 - Membership month! Dues are \$10/person for the year. Please contact Beth.

February - Look for a Missouri Master Gardener's presentation!

Group Leadership - Beth's last year of leading the ministry is 2024. (She will be stepping down in 2025.) In 2024, please prayerfully consider taking the helm with this group. It need not be one person to fill the role!

Eucharistic Marian Conference - Save the date!

February 16-18 (Friday-Sunday)

As Pope John Paul II said, "The holy family is the beginning of countless other holy families. The history of mankind, the history of Salvation, passes by the way of the family." Saint Mary's Catholic Church (Pastor: Father Kendall Ketterlin) will host this conference. The church is located at 600 N Liberty St, Independence MO 64050.

Please register for this event: St Mary's office at 816-252-0121 or email smoffice@saintmarysparish.org.

City On A Hill (COAH) Young Adult Events

Visit kansascityonahill.org/ for more info. Click on Get Involved to sign up for The Loop, a weekly email.

KC Underground

Thursday, February 15, 7-9pm, Coronation of Our Lady

Guatemala Trip: July 20-26 (Saturday-Friday)

Info Session: Wednesday, February 21, 6-7pm

Undivided Retreat

March 8-10 (Friday-Sunday)

Band of Brothers & Sisterhood Meet & Greet

Monday, January 29, 6:30-9pm

Connect KC Events

COAH's initiative, ConnectKC, serves to gather young adults all around Kansas City to enjoy a variety of different activities. Please RSVP for any (or all!) of them!

Email staff@kansascityonahill.org

- Saturday, January 27: Coffee Tour
- Wednesday, January 31: Happy Hour
- Tuesday, February 6: Coffee Tour
- Wednesday, February 7: Catholic Foodies
- Saturday, February 10: Super Smash Down

Catholic Challenge Sports: Kickball Registration

Games: Saturdays, March 16-May 11, 9am-noon

Safe Environment

Protecting God's Children Training:

Thu., Feb. 22; Tue., Apr. 9; Wed., Jun. 19, 6-9pm

Adults who work with minors are required to attend in-person or Zoom Protecting God's Children Workshops. Three workshops have been set up to be held in More Hall! To register for any of these, set up an account on virtus.org. Other requirements, accessed through Virtus, are listed on the front cover of this bulletin.

Parish Calendar of Events

Thu., Jan. 25 - Old Testament Intro, 6pm, More Hall

Sun., Jan. 28 - Catholic Schools Week begins

Open House, 10am-1pm, STM School

Mon., Jan. 29 - No Living Waters

Collections to Refugee Family: Drop off M-F, 9-4:30

Tue., Jan. 30 - G.I.F.T., 9-10:30am, Bauman Room

No OCIA

Wed., Jan. 17 - School of Religion, 6:15-7:30pm

Choir Rehearsal, 7-8:30pm, Choir Loft

Thu., Feb. 1 - Old Testament Intro, 6pm, Parish Office

Knights' Leader mtg., 7pm, Bauman Room

Sat., Feb. 3 - Throat Blessing after 8:15am Mass

Sat.-Sun., Feb. 3-4 - Monthly Food Drive

Mon., Feb. 5 - STM serves at One City Cafe

Living Waters, 7-10pm

Tue., Feb. 6 - G.I.F.T., 9-10:30am, Bauman Room

OCIA, 6:15-7:30pm, More Hall A

Wed., Feb. 7 - Peer Grief Support Group, 4-5pm

School of Religion, 6:15-7:30pm

Choir Rehearsal, 7-8:30pm, Choir Loft

Thu., Feb. 8 - Old Testament Intro, 6pm, More Hall

Knights of Columbus, 7:15pm, Bauman Room

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Office Hours

Mon.-Thurs., 8am-3:45pm; Fri., 8:30am-3:30pm

STM School Dates to Note

Sun., Jan. 28 - Catholic Schools Week begins

Open House, 10am-1pm

Tue., Jan. 30 - Auction mtg., 7-9pm, More Hall

Fri., Feb. 2 - 12:30pm dismissal (Auction set-up)

Sat., Feb. 3 - Auction

Mon., Feb. 5 - No School (Auction clean-up)

Thu.-Mon., Feb. 15-19 - No School

Thu., Feb. 29, 6-8pm - All School Skate at Skate City

March 8-18 - Spring Break

Catholic Schools Week 2024

Sunday, January 28th - Saturday, February 3

The Catholic Schools Week (CSW) 2023–2026 theme is "Catholic Schools: United in Faith and Community." STM has a week of fun events and activities planned for our students and community!

STM-for-All Father/Daughter Dance

Saturday, February 10, 6:30-8pm, Flanagan Hall

\$25 per father/daughter (\$10 each additional daughter). Cash or Venmo.

Summer Cyclones Summer Camp

Camp will not be held this summer.

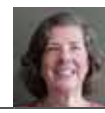
Vacation Bible School

STM will bring back Vacation Bible School this summer, the week of June 24. Plans have already begun! To volunteer, contact Hayley Shaver at hayley@stmkc.com or 816-942-2492 x223

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Parish Office Hours (until further notice)

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F 8:45am-1pm

Finance Ministry Team

Justin Hicks, Chair
Mark Meierhoffer
Bruce Gregg

Stefanie Bresette
Laura Christopherson

Parishioner volunteers serve for three-year terms.
Questions? Email FinanceCouncil@stmkc.com.



Diocesan Ombudsman

Joe Crayon crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org or
816-812-2500

To register as a member of Saint Thomas More Parish...

...go to stmkc.com/registration, contact the parish office or pick up a registration form on the Information table in the church narthex.



Annual STM Auction

Saturday, February 3, 2024
at STM School

Tickets on sale now.

Dinner provided by Garozzo's
Visit stmauction.org

Support Fund-a-Need

- New carpet throughout the entire school
- New phone system

Contributions are being accepted now!

Safe Environment Information

The Diocese of Kansas City~Saint 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:

- Call the **MO Child Abuse Hotline**, 1-800-392-3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), or **KS Protection Report Center**, 1-800-922-5330, and
- Contact your **local law enforcement agency** or call 911, and
- After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected *sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult* to the **Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon**, at crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org or 816-812-2500 if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City~Saint Joseph.

The diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Whitney True-Francis, the **Victim Advocate** at victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org or 816-392-0011 for more information.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, contact:

Joan Sandford, Parish Safe Environment Coordinator, safety@stmkc.com or 942-2492 x202, OR

Meredith Blair, School Safe Environment Coordinator, blair_meredith@stmcyclones.org or 942-5581.

Mass Intentions

Mon:	8:15AM	Patrick & Joan Hughes [†]
1/29		
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1/30	8:15AM	Mary Kate Hughes [†]
Wed:	6:15AM	Irene Dierks [†]
1/31	**8:15AM	Mel Korphage [†]
Thur:	6:15AM	Anna Naluz [†]
2/1	8:15AM	Elle Schaeffer [†]
Fri:	8:15AM	Andy, LaVonne & Pat Klein [†]
2/2		
Sat:	8:15AM	Gail Wells [†]
2/3	4:00PM	Nino Gurera [†]
Sun:	7:30AM	Our Parishioners
2/4	9:00AM	Della Potter [†]
	11:00AM	Bill Waris [†]

[†] Deceased

**School Mass

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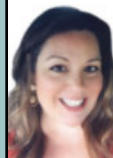
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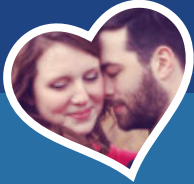


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