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MASSSES

WEEKDAY: Mon-Fri 6:15am & 8:15am

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, 7:15-8am and 3-3:45pm

OUR CLERGY

Father Justin Hoye, Pastor

In Residence: Father Paul Sappington

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

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

Friday 8:45-1pm

* lunch hour 1-2pm

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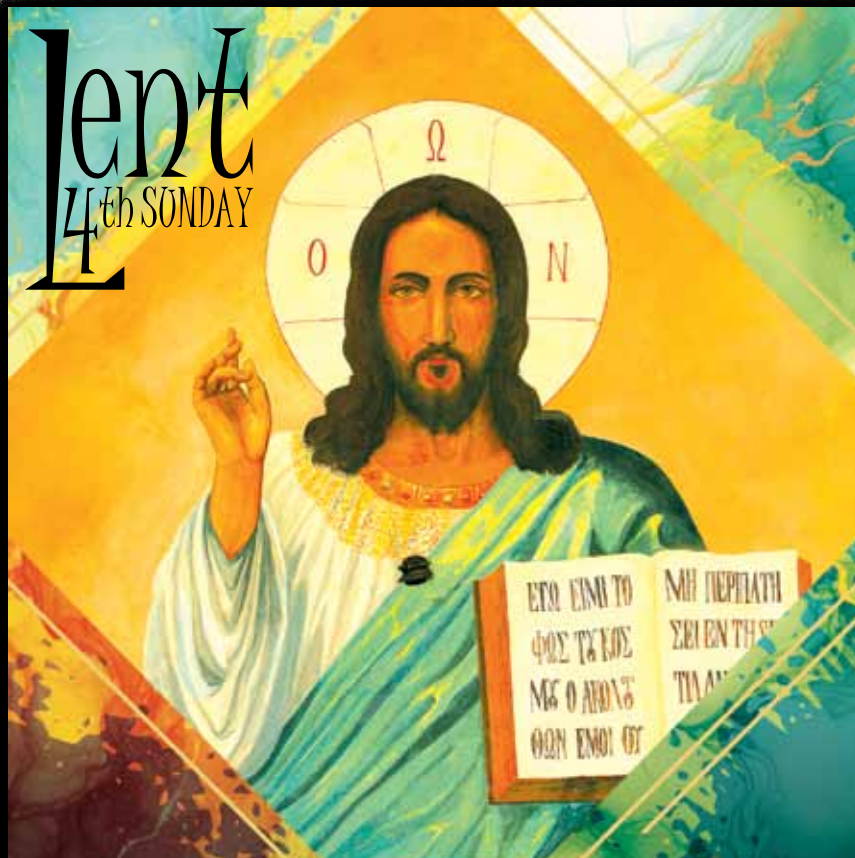
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For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him might not perish
but might have eternal life.

John 3:16

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass (2001, 1990, 1970 CCD, ©LPI)

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.



HELP Jesus IN DISGUISE

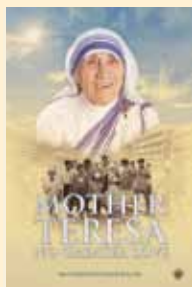
SUPPORT THE
CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES
COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

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THE PASTOR'S PEN

Faithful People of Saint Thomas More,



Our Knights of Columbus Council are treating us to a movie this Sunday afternoon (2PM) in More Hall, showcasing the life of Mother Teresa. I hope many are able to join together for this family-friendly event in More Hall.

This is the final weekend of the Minor Prophets review on Sunday mornings. I want to thank our attendees - we've had about 40 every week. Jesus fulfills the prophecies of scripture, so knowing about these prophets and their utterances help us to better appreciate the gift of the Christ. This has been an offering I've wanted to do for a very long time, so I appreciate those who've allowed me to share the insights and wisdom of the minor prophets.

Spring Break starts this weekend for our STM School Community, with classes resuming March 19th. For our families traveling over the next few days, may you remain close to the Lord during this much-anticipated respite.

Father Justin

P.S. Our re-enrollment period for STM School concluded this week as we begin preparing budgets and classroom sizes for next year. As of press time, we have five spots open for 3-year preschool and fourteen open for 4-year preschool.

What is YOUR Plan in an Emergency?

In the month of March, we're asked to review our ability to respond to an emergency while on our STM campus. New, colored maps are posted throughout our Narthex and Hall, and parishioners are encouraged to identify the locations of automated external defibrillators, fire extinguishers, phones and exit routes to downstairs or outside. Check the maps in the building, consider where you usually sit, and talk about what YOU might do in the event of an emergency in the building.



Come Home to Communion



Daily Masses for Lent

Monday-Friday, 6:15 & 8:15am
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 This Lent

Confessions are offered in the reconciliation room.

Tuesday, & Thursday (not March 21), 5-6pm
Saturday, 7:15-8am & 3-3:45pm (neither time March 30)
and by appointment

Church Hours for Private Prayer This Lent

Monday-Friday, 6am-6pm
Saturday, 7am-5pm
Sunday, 7am-9pm

Eucharistic Exposition at STM

Sundays, Noon-9pm in the Church (Not March 31)

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

Be real with yourself. Holy hours are great, but if you don't have that much time, or if you aren't used to spending that long of a time in prayer, you might need to build up to it. Start with attending for fifteen minutes at a time. The quality of time you spend with our Lord and the frequency of times are often more meaningful than the length.

Take notice, STM men!

Are you willing to be with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament a half hour per week, in addition to Mass, to pray for the sanctification of the parish and school community? If yes, you are invited to join a new endeavor,

called "STM Prayer Brotherhood." To join, please call Tom B at 816-564-1763 or Bob T at 816-322-2629.

March Prayer Intentions

Pope Francis: That those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world might imbue the Church with their courage and missionary drive.

Bishop Johnston: For the monasteries in our diocese.



Lent events and activities at STM are listed **in purple font** and scattered throughout the bulletin, under the appropriate "One Family" headings.

Lenten Art Participation Project

Through the Lenten season, the Art & Environment Committee invites people to bring twigs (no longer than six inches, please!). There is a display on the round table in the narthex where twigs may be added. The twigs are to unite your own slivers of crosses to those of Jesus'.

Stations of the Cross

March 8 - Mary Roach & friends

March 15 - Women of STM

March 22 - SPRED

Fresh Fire Fridays

Mar. 22, Apr. 19, May 10; 7-9pm

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.



2024 National Eucharistic Pilgrimage Schedule

Catholic communities across the country are invited to be part of the historic movement to set hearts ablaze along the four distinct routes that make up the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage. Organizers released an updated map highlighting the special events that correspond to the cities and dioceses punctuating each leg of this journey. Anyone who wishes to travel with our Eucharistic Lord as a day pilgrim or celebrate our shared faith with the Perpetual Pilgrims at milestones along the way may register online.

The Saint Junipero Serra Route will begin on May 19 with 11am Mass at the Cathedral in San Francisco, CA. This route will pass through the Archdiocese of KC, KS and the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph at the end of June. Stops along the way include the Golden Gate Bridge, Sacramento River, Rocky Mountains, Benedictine College and St. Louis before arriving in Indianapolis. Search "National Eucharistic Pilgrimage" for info!

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 Robinson
Charlotte Scanlon

Debbie Siemieniowski
Bob Switzer

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
Peter Szumigala

John Webb
Agnes Welliver

...our family and friends who have died:

Tinna McMahon; Pat Neal, mother of JK Neal; Betty Moore; Sam Snider

Save the date: BEHOLD KC

Sun., May 4, 4-9:30pm, Liberty Memorial North Lawn

The first major outdoor Eucharistic Adoration event in Kansas City occurred at the Liberty Memorial on May 4, 1941. As the National Eucharistic Revival closes out its Parish Year in 2024, join our Catholic community from Kansas and Missouri as we recreate the first special gathering at Liberty Memorial.

This public outdoor event is being hosted in partnership with the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph and the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas. BEHOLD KC will feature nationally-recognized live musical talent, local musicians, speakers and the largest Eucharistic Adoration opportunity in our city in more than 80 years.

Learn more at BeholdKC.org.

Care & Support

Journey to Bethany Spring Survivor Gatherings

Jennifer Prusa, jprusa@journeytobethany.org

816-683-8999, journeytobethany.org

3rd Tuesdays (March 19) through June, 6:30-8pm

Journey to Bethany hosts a monthly gathering for survivors of clergy sexual abuse and their supporters. This is a safe, welcoming space where survivors can connect with those who share similar experiences. At each gathering we present an activity and tools to help foster peace, hope and healing. Survivors are welcome any time and can invite a support person to join them. Participants share or contribute as much or as little as is comfortable for them. The March gathering will be held at Waldo Library, Meeting Room B. For additional information, visit journeytobethany.org.

Grief Peer Support Group

3rd Wed. (Mar. 20), 6-7pm, in the Parish Office

1st Wed. (Apr. 3), 4-5pm, Bauman Room of More Hall

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.

Anointing of the Sick Mass

Saturday, March 23, 10am at Cure of Ars Parish

Bishop James V. Johnston and Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann will concelebrate the Mass with a ritual blessing of the sick in the manner done at Lourdes, France, 9401 Mission Road, Leawood, KS. Mass will be preceded by the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, 9-9:45am. Anyone who is sick, suffering, chronically ill - and their caregivers - are encouraged to attend. All attending will receive prayer cards and Lourdes water

to take home. A short reception will be held after the Mass. If possible, please send the names of those who wish to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick to maltakc@yahoo.com or contact Doug Rivard at 913-620-1759.

Turning Point Programs for People with Serious Illness

Turning Point educates and supports individuals, families and friends living with a wide variety of serious or chronic physical illnesses through classes, activities and education. They help participants increase resilience so they may live life to the fullest, even while experiencing chronic disease. Brochures for March-April that list their upcoming programs can be found in the magazine rack at the north end of the narthex.

One of the programs highlighted in the current issue is Young Adult Cancer Support. Beginning in March, they will partner with Gilda's Club KC to offer monthly programs targeted to young adults (ages 21-39) living with cancer or in remission. The programs are also open to primary supporters and caregivers of young adults living with cancer. For more information, call 913-574-0900 or visit TurningPointKC.org.



\$20 for Lent: \$5,741 raised so far!

The recipient for this year's \$20 for Lent campaign is the Little Sisters of the Poor. They are an international congregation of Roman Catholic women religious, with a local center in KCMO. They were founded in 1839 by Saint Jeanne Jugan to serve the elderly poor. The last time STM took up a collection for the Little Sisters was 2018. For more information on this mission, please visit littlesistersofthepoorkansascity.org/.

Scout Fish Fry Fridays

March 8 & 22; 5-7pm, More Hall

Cost: \$10/senior (60+), \$12/adult, \$35/family, \$15/senior premium (including two drinks), \$17/adult premium (including two drinks). Desserts: \$2 each.

Menu includes baked & fried fish, potatoes, corn, green beans and rolls. Cheese pizza available for the kids. Dine out or get to go! Proceeds go to help the kids pay for summer camp.

No Fish Fry March 15

Catholic Relief Service Collection

March 9-10

For over 70 years, CRS has worked with organizations around the world to help poor and vulnerable people overcome emergencies, earn a living through agriculture, and access affordable health care. Your donations to this fund will help provide humanitarian aid, resettle displaced individuals and families, and provide legal and advocacy services for migrants. Please visit www.crs.org or www.usccb.org (search "Catholic Relief Services Collection") to learn how you make a difference.

Serve Breakfast at Morning Glory

March 11, 18 & 25, 6:30-8:30am

Ten volunteers are needed each Monday to drive/car-pool to The Catholic Center to serve breakfast to the homeless. Email Father Justin at frjhoye@stmkc.com to sign up. Thanks to last Monday's volunteers!



February Neighbors in Need Report

In February, STM helped six families with rent and utility bills through our Neighbors in Need program, totaling \$2,738.40 in assistance. One person was a single mom of two teenagers who unexpectedly had her income cut and could not pay the rent. Another two-parent family of two young children was unable to pay their gas bill despite keeping the heat at 63 degrees because of the increase in the utility charges and due to employment difficulties.

Thank you to all who contribute to the fund. STM couldn't provide assistance without your generous donations! We continue to receive numerous calls each week and it is always a great pleasure to be able to alleviate even a small bit of suffering for others in need. To contribute to this fund, send checks payable to STM with Neighbors in Need in the memo or contribute online at stmkc.com>online giving.

Help deliver Mass to shut-ins, nursing homes & more!

Our Mass recording team currently consists of six people, as others have moved to other ministries. Now would be a great time to jump in to be trained for this ministry! With summer schedules, it could be challenging, with our current team, to continue to record Masses daily. About 50 people participate in daily Masses online and nearly 100 participate in Sunday Mass. Would

you consider keeping our homebound and nursing home parishioners involved with STM Masses?

- High school teens and adults welcome!
- Computer skills helpful, but not necessary.
- Sign up monthly for the days that work in your schedule.
- Training provided, on your schedule, as long as you like. Can always work in pairs!
- Must be able to climb the steps to the choir loft.
- Masses are recorded Monday-Friday at 6:15am OR 8:15am, when both are offered; Saturday 8:15am when offered; and Saturday 4pm OR Sunday 7:30am preferred.

For more information, contact Joan Sandford at 816-942-2492 x202 or joan@stmkc.com.

Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet: Dining to Donate

Wednesday, March 20, at Jaspers Restaurant

Jasper's will donate twenty percent of all lunch & dinner sales to benefit the good works of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet. Enjoy a delicious meal with friends and family, and help the sisters at the same time. Reservations encouraged! Contact Jasper's at 816-941-6600 or jasperskc.com. For more details, visit csjsl.org.

Food Drive

Thanks to the many who continue to bring food to feed the hungry!



Green Team

Maryknoll Lenten Reflection: Caring for Creation

The Epistle today reminds us of the great love God has for us and how this has saved us. God created us for good works and to love and care for one another as God has loved and cared for us. The readings ask us to share this great gift of God's love and care with one another and make it our way of living also. So, how do we care for one another and for all of creation? In a suffering and broken world, what am I willing to offer for the sake of another? God so loved the world that he gave us his only the Son. What am I willing to give? (by Father Joseph Thaler, MM. The entire reflection can be found at maryknollogc.org).
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Questions

1. What is one way you can care for creation by caring for another person?
2. How might care for nature help another person in your life to experience a better way of life?

Green Team Tip of the Week

"And took off their chariot wheels, that they drove them heavily..." (Exodus 14:25)

After using your winter tires for many months, it is now time to change them for your summer tires. Make sure to inflate them properly and to check the air pressure regularly each month! Each day, in North America, we waste over one million litres of fuel due to inadequate air pressure in our tires which forces the engine to consume more fuel when we drive.

February Financials

Regular - \$243,276.77 Plate - \$3,239.72
Facilities - \$1,064.60
Education Fund - \$406.60 School - \$462.75
Catholic Charities Emergency Assistance - \$7,741.85

Thank you for your continued contributions!

Bulletin Board

For rent: Spacious 3 BR, 2.5 Bath, 2 car garage, walking distance from STM. Call or write Phil 816-809-6053 or ppaschang1@gmail.com



Overview of the Minor Prophets of Lent

Sunday, March 10, 10:05-10:50am

Join Father Justin in More Hall for a brief overview of the last minor prophets who appears during our Lenten Journey: **Hosea.**



Bible Study: Discover the Story of Salvation

Mondays (through Mar. 25), 6-7:30pm in More Hall

Rediscover the one story that really matters, revealed through Scripture—and your place in it! This Lenten Bible Study guides you through the big picture of salvation history. Re-encounter God's love for his people, reclaim the story of salvation as your story, and learn to share God's story with others. Sessions include videos

with Dr. Edward Sri and Curtis Martin, followed by small group discussion. Attend as you are able! Please bring a bible, a pen/pencil, and something to write on. To reserve a seat, contact Hayley Shaver at 816-942-2492 x223 or hayley@stmkc.com.



SPRED Class

Monday, March 18, 6:30-8:30pm in More Hall

A group for the developmentally delayed meets about every other week to share their faith. Questions? Call Becky T 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.

Mar. 12: No Session

Mar. 19: Walk Through the Mass

Women of STM Events

Stations of the Cross

Friday, March 15, 5pm in the Church

We will lead the prayers for the Stations of the Cross. You are invited to be a lector and help with the readings, or just participate by listening. We hope you can join us.

Blingo

Thursday, March 21, 6pm in More Hall

The Women of STM will again host the ladies from Journey House and Peace House for an evening of pizza and Bingo. Here are the details:

- Pizza, salad, dessert will be provided. To cover the cost of the food, we are asking for a \$5 donation (or \$10 if you also want to cover the cost for one of our guests as well). This will be an alcohol-free event.
- The prizes are gently used jewelry, scarves, purses, or new fun socks. Bring any items that night that you wish to donate.
- In conjunction with Blingo, we are holding a shower of personal hygiene items needed at the houses. Requested items are tampons, shampoo, conditioner, body wash (no trial sizes please), bath towels, hairbrushes, and razors. Bring your donations that night.
- Questions - Contact Linda H, nhageman@msn.com or 816-896-3129, or Kathy G, kgrier@pryor.com or 816-942-2289.
- **RSVP by Monday, March 18** to wstm@stmkc.com.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3 Overview of Minor Prophets, 10:05-10:50AM Adoration, Noon-9PM	4 Serve at Morning Glory, 6:30-8:30AM Salvation History Bible Study, 6-7:30PM	5 Lenten-themed Care Notes Are available on the north side of the narthex.	6 Lenten-themed Care Notes Are available on the north side of the narthex.	7 Lenten-themed Care Notes Are available on the north side of the narthex.	8 Stations of the Cross, 5PM Fish Fry, 5-7PM	9
10 Catholic Relief Services Collection Overview of Minor Prophets, 10:05-10:50AM Adoration, Noon-9PM Movie: Saint Teresa, 2PM	11 Serve at Morning Glory, 6:30-8:30AM Salvation History Bible Study, 6-7:30PM	12 Lighthouse Books & CDs Are available in the narthex, free of charge.	13 Lighthouse Books & CDs Are available in the narthex, free of charge.	14 Lighthouse Books & CDs Are available in the narthex, free of charge.	15 Stations of the Cross, 5PM No Fish Fry	16
17 Adoration, Noon-9PM Presentation by CEO of World Apostolate of Fatima, 2PM	18 Serve at Morning Glory, 6:30-8:30AM Salvation History Bible Study, 6-7:30PM	19	20	21 No 5pm Confessions	22 Stations of the Cross, 5PM Fish Fry, 5-7PM Fresh Fire, 7-9PM	23
24 Palm Sunday* Adoration, Noon-9PM *Sign Interpreted Masses Palm Sunday, 11AM Holy Thursday, 7PM Good Friday, 7PM	25 Serve at Morning Glory, 6:30-8:30AM Salvation History Bible Study, 6-7:30PM	26	27	28 Holy Thursday* Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7PM Adoration until 10PM	29 Good Friday* 7 Last Words of Christ, Noon Holy Land Collection Evening Service, 7PM	30 Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass, 8PM No morning or after- noon Confessions
31 Easter Sunday Masses at 7:30AM, 9AM, 11AM No Adoration	Mass Schedule for Lent Monday-Friday, 6:15AM & 8:15AM Saturday, 8:15AM & 4PM Vigil Sunday, 7:30AM, 9AM, 11AM		Confession Schedule for Lent Tuesday-Thursday, 5-6PM* Saturday, 7:15-8AM & 3-3:45PM * Not Thursday, March 21 * Not Saturday, March 30		Private Prayer Hours for Lent Monday-Friday, 6AM-6PM Saturday, 7AM-5PM Sunday, 7AM-9PM	

World Apostolate of Fatima Presentation

Sunday, March 17, 2pm in More Hall

In the early years of the Cold War, having discovered Our Lady of Fatima's message, Msgr. Harold V. Colgan partnered with John M. Haffert to create the "Blue Army of Our Lady of Fatima." Members of this "Blue Army" were the spiritual force standing against the atheistic policies of the Soviet Union and their Red Army. They pledged to offer their daily sufferings and difficulties for the conversion of sinners, to pray the Rosary daily, to wear the Brown Scapular as a sign of consecration to Mary's Immaculate Heart, and to practice the Five First Saturdays devotion.



Barb Ernster, National Co-ordinator for the World Apostolate of Fatima USA, will be giving this presentation. The Fatima devotion is celebrated on First Saturdays at STM, following the 8:15am Mass.

Lenten-themed Lighthouse Materials

The Woman at the Foot of the Cross (CD)

Family & Prayer Life During Lent (CD)

The Imitation of Christ (Book)

Lenten Care Notes Available

A Lenten Journey Through Grief

Longing for God - The Grace of Lent

40 Ways to Enrich Your Lenten Prayer

The Season of Lent: From Ashes to Easter

Lent - A Time to Pray for Others

Praying the Bible During Lent

Lenten Prayer Breakfast

Thu., March 21, 9am-Noon, Church of the Nativity

Enjoy breakfast, learn about the Ladies of Charity, and hear guest speaker Jennie Punswick. Cost is \$20 and reservations are needed by Friday, March 16. RSVP at signupforlocevents@gmail.com and pay online.

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.

Tuesdays at the Boulevard

Tue., March 19; Doors open at 5:30, Mass at 6:30pm
Sacred Heart Guadalupe Parish- 2544 Madison Ave,
KCMO 64108

Guatemala Trip

Saturday, July 20- Friday, July 26

Band of Brothers and Sisterhood

Band of Brothers and Sisterhood are men's and women's small groups!

Catholic Challenge Sports

Softball Season- Early Bird Registration Open Now!

Friday Nights, April 19-June 14

Registration \$45: March 15- April 5

Macken Park: 1002 Clark Ferguson Dr, North KCMO

Safe Environment

Protecting God's Children Training in More Hall!

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 at STM! To register, 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., Mar. 7 - Knights' Officer mtg., 7pm

Fri., Mar. 8 - Stations of the Cross, 5pm, Church
Fish Fry, 5-7pm, More Hall

Sun., Mar. 10 - 4th Sunday of Lent

OCIA: 2nd Scrutiny

Catholic Relief Service Collection

Overview of Minor Prophets, 10:05-10:50am, Hall

Movie: Saint Teresa, 2-4pm, More Hall

Mon., Mar. 11 - STM Serves at Morning Glory, 6:30-8:30am

Salvation History Study, 6-7:30pm, Hall

Green Team mtg., 6:30pm, Parish Office

Living Waters, 7-10pm, Church & More Hall

Tue., Mar. 12 - G.I.F.T., 9-10:30am, Bauman Room
No OCIA

Wed., Mar. 13 - School of Religion, 6:15-7:30pm

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

Thu., Mar. 14 - Knights of Columbus mtg., 7:15pm

Fri., Mar. 15 - Stations of the Cross, 5pm, Church
No Fish Fry

Sun., Mar. 17 - 5th Sunday of Lent

OCIA: 3rd Scrutiny

Fatima Presentation, 2pm, More Hall

Mon., Mar. 18 - STM Serves at Morning Glory, 6:30-8:30am

Salvation History Study, 6-7:30pm, Hall

SPRED Class, 6:30pm, More Hall B/D

Living Waters, 7-10pm, Church & More Hall

Tue., Mar. 19 - Feast of Saint Joseph

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

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

Wed., Mar. 20 - Uplift Casseroles, 1:30-3:30pm, Kitchen

Grief Peer Support Group, 6-7pm, Parish Office

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

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

STM School

Linda Crosthwait, Principal

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Office Hours

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

STM School Registration: Now Open!

Register before March 8 for the 2024-25 school year!

Registration Fee for 1 student - \$2,200

STM Parishioners must have a 2024 pledge on file.

Tuition for 1 student - \$7,100

Discounts are given to multiple children in the same family.

Pre-School & PreK

Registration Fee - \$330/child (ages 3 & 4)

5-day - \$7,100

3-day - \$4,850

After March 8, there is a \$200 late fee.

To complete the financial piece, you may come to the parish office Tuesday, March 5, 2-5:30pm.

MOScholars Tax Credit/Scholarships

MO residents can direct HALF of their annual state income taxes to be used for scholarships for children to attend Catholic Schools - all at NO COST to the contributing resident! Visit brightfuturesfund.org or find a brochure in the narthex to make a contribution or to see if you qualify for a scholarship.

STM School Dates to Note

Thu. Mar. 7 - School Penance Service

March 8-18 - Spring Break

Tue., Mar. 19 - Home & School mtg., 6:30pm

Thu., Mar. 28 - 12:30pm Dismissal (Holy Thursday)

Fri., Mar. 29-Mon., Apr. 1 - Easter Break

PLKC Track, Grades 4th-8th - Spring 2024

Register today at plkc.org/program/73443/plkc-track.



STM Auction Fund-a-Need continues

It's not too late to contribute!

Goal: \$200,000

Vacation Bible School

The week of June 24 at STM

Plans have already begun! To volunteer, contact Hayley Shaver at hayley@stmk.com or 816-942-2492 x223. The theme is "SCUBA: diving into friendship with God."

Parish Office Staff



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

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
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FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, contact:

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

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Mass Intentions

Mon: 3/11	6:15AM Lionel LeMarquis[†] 8:15AM Gails Wells [†]
Tues: 3/12	6:15AM Edward Christophersen 8:15AM Carl & Linda Fiorella [†]
Wed: 3/13	6:15AM Mary Kate Hughes[†] **8:15AM Maria Du[†]
Thur: 3/14	6:15AM Bill Brady[†] 8:15AM JoAnn Sturm [†]
Fri: 3/15	6:15AM Dorian Kruger[†] 8:15AM Mel Korphage [†]
Sat: 3/16	8:15AM Mike Gula[†] 4:00PM Matthew McCullough [†]
Sun: 3/17	7:30AM Our Parishioners 9:00AM Nino Gurera [†] 11:00AM Harry McLearn[†]

[†] Deceased

****School Mass**

To request a Mass intention, stop by the parish office or call 816-942-2492. Suggested donation per Mass is \$10.

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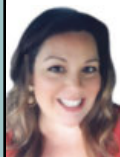
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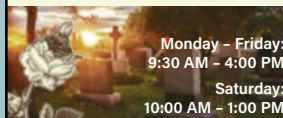
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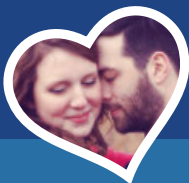
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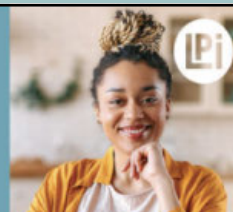
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