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

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
Office directory at stmkc.com and p.9

AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE

Linda Crosthwait Principal
Meredith Blair Assistant Principal
Office hours: Mon.-Thurs., 8am-3:45pm;
Fri., 8:30am-3:30pm

School Office 816-942-5581
School fax 816-941-2450
School email directory at stmkcschool.org

SCHOOL TOURS: contact Principal Linda Crosthwait at 816-942-5581 or crosthwait_linda@stmcyclones.org

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

All employees and volunteers working with minors are required to:

- Create an account at virtus.org
- Attend a Protecting God's Children workshop
- Complete 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.

EARTH DAY APRIL 22



JOIN THE TEAM.

stmkc.com/stewardship/green-team/

STM GREEN TEAM Caring for our common home



ANNUAL DAY OF ATONEMENT AND HEALING FOR THOSE HARMED BY SEXUAL ABUSE

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

See page 4



THE PASTOR'S PEN

Faithful People of Saint Thomas More,

Thank you to our 2nd grade teachers (Spiller, Anwander and Gallic) along with our Jesus Day volunteers who helped prepare our STM students for last weekend's First Communion. I also want to thank Susan Duerr who oversaw our sacramental preparation for our First Communion students in this year's School of Religion.

A word of welcome to those from the former Saint Catherine of Siena community who are gathering this weekend for something of a reunion. We're approaching the one year mark since the closure of Saint Catherine's, and former denizens are gathering Saturday night for worship (here at STM) and a meal at the Knights' O'Hara Council Hall. I appreciate both the openness of so many from Saint Catherine's to find new rhythms of faith here at STM, and to those here who have worked to welcome them.

Two fun Friday events...which also raise funds for our ministries and charities...occur over the next two weeks: The Knights' Texas Hold 'em tournament in More Hall (April 21st) and the Men of STM's Annual Golf Tournament (May 3rd). Please consider joining either (or both) of these gatherings that strengthen our community and its mission. (See sign-up info on pages 6 and 7.)

A reminder that there is **no 4PM Mass on Saturday, May 4th**, as the diocese and archdiocese co-host "Behold" (Devotions, Confessions, Adoration and Mass) at the north lawn of the Liberty Memorial. (Saturday evening Masses are canceled that evening throughout the county.) I hope many from the STM community will gather for the 80th anniversary of the first Eucharistic Congress in KC. (More information on page 8.) **If you would like to carpool with others**, contact Mary at the front desk, mary@stmkc.com or 816-942-2492. She will take names. Please specify if you are able to drive.

Father Justin

World Day of Prayer for Vocations: April 21

This day of prayer invites us to reflect on the precious gift of the Lord's call to each of us. As members of His faithful pilgrim people, we are called to participate in His loving plan and embody the beauty of the Gospel in different states of life.

Pope Francis emphasizes that hearing this divine call is not an imposed duty but the surest way to fulfill our deepest desire for happiness. Our lives find fulfillment when we discover who we are, our gifts, where we can make them bear fruit, and the path we can follow to become signs and instruments of love, acceptance, beauty, and peace.

On this day, we recall with gratitude the efforts of those who have responded to their call. We appreciate those who have accepted God's call to the ordained priesthood, breaking open their lives like the Eucharistic bread, sowing seeds of hope, and revealing the beauty of God's kingdom. We honor consecrated men and women who offer their lives to the Lord through prayer and apostolic activity, serving those around them.

We think of mothers and fathers shaping their lives through love, commitment to their children, and growth in maturity. We recognize those who work cooperatively for the common good, striving to build a more just world and a more humane society.

To young people, especially those uncertain about the Church, Pope Francis encourages exploration. Let Jesus draw you to Himself, read the Gospels, and let Him challenge you. Jesus respects our freedom; He proposes rather than imposes. Make room for Him, find happiness by following Him, and give yourself completely if He asks it of you.

~ USCCB Website

Actions to consider

- Pray for Vocations from STM, especially to the priesthood, in this time of need.
- Sign up at stmkc.com/vocations to take a Vocations crucifix home for a week, praying for Vocations.
- Express appreciation and encouragement to those around you who are living out their vocations.

A Prayer for Vocations

I glorify you, God, in all that I do.
In mind, body, and spirit, I give my best to you.
Help me to follow your will no matter the call:
Sister, brother, or priest, I promise my all.
If you call me to marriage, I promise to love and to teach my own children to seek grace from above.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

~ Serra International

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 Vigil, 4pm (**not May 4**)
 Sunday, 7:30am, 9am & 11am

Sign Interpreted services:

2nd Sundays at 11am

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

Year of Prayer

Pope Francis has asked that 2024 be marked as a Year of Prayer in preparation for the 2025 Jubilee. This is not a Year marked with particular initiatives; rather, it's a privileged time in which to rediscover the value of prayer, the need for daily prayer in the Christian life; a time to discover how to pray, and above all how to educate the people of today in prayer, in this age of digital culture, so that prayer can be effective and fruitful.

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 or the Fatima devotions with others on first Saturdays, after the 8:15am Mass.

The Light is on for You

Confessions are offered in the reconciliation room.

Tuesday, 5-6pm
 Saturday, 3-3:45pm
 and by appointment

Thursday, 5-6pm
 First Saturday, 7:15-8am

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.

Go out of your way. How can you make Adoration a regular part of your weekly rhythm of prayer? It may mean sacrificing other things, such as time online or watching TV. Start searching for more opportunities to sacrifice other things for that prayer time with Jesus-- and watch how he blesses you.

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

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

Donna Johnson
 Mary Robinson

Charlotte Scanlon
 Debbie Siemieniewski

Cathy Terwelp
 Karen Tritt

Leonardo Viril
 Bill Young

...our family and friends who are sick:

Emma Beaver
 Scott Carson
 Michael Dierks

Chris Frantze
 Geoff Hanover
 Donna Kempster

Cynthia Kirkendoll
 Denise Adams Mehlo
 Noel Mehlo

Linda Moore
 Sean Pinkerton
 Peter Szumigala

John Webb
 Agnes Welliver

...our family and friends who are hospitalized:

Select Specialty Hospital: Larry LeFebvre

...our family and friends who have died:

Judy Rechterman, sister of Peggy Collins; Mark Schrimps;
 Scott Charbonneau; Jane Keller

Praying for Vocations

Join the STM Vocations Committee to pray for Vocations from STM. Vocations crucifixes are sent out with parishioners at each weekend Mass (up to Pentecost) for special prayers. To sign up to take a crucifix home for a week, visit stmkc.com/vocations. And ALL parishioners are asked to join them in prayer for vocations.



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.

April Prayer Intentions

Pope Francis: We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

Bishop Johnston: For the safety of all children and the healing of all children who have been abused.

Fresh Fire Fridays

April 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.



Eucharistic Pilgrimage Passport

If you have collected a sticker from at least five of the eight stops along the pilgrimage route, plan to bring your passport to the BEHOLD KC event on May 4, 2024 for a free commemorative gift blessed by Bishop James Johnston.



Volunteer to help at BEHOLD KC

Friday and/or Saturday, May 3-4

To help with set-up or the event, please sign up at forms.gle/NNb6PUrFrXyggdMV6 or contact Carmina Bernal at 816-714-2328 or bernal@diocesekcsj.org.

Care & Support

Grief Peer Support Group

1st Wed. (May 1), 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.

Mass with Prayers for Healing

Thursday, April 18, 7:30pm at Cure' of Ars

The Charismatic prayer groups are hosting the Mass in the Father Burak room at Cure' of Ars, 9405 Mission Rd, Leawood, KS. For more information, call 913-649-2026.

Grief Support Meeting

Saturday, April 20, after 8am Mass at Cure' of Ars

The Bereavement ministry at Cure' of Ars, 9405 Mission Rd, Leawood, KS will host the meeting in the Father Burak room. For information, call 913-649-2026.

Safe Environment

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month!

National Child Abuse Prevention Month recognizes the importance of families and communities working together to prevent child abuse and neglect. The Diocesan Office of Child and Youth Protection (OCYP) invites you to join them in prayer throughout the month of April in honor of the survivors of child sexual abuse and their courageous journey of healing. For more information on steps taken by our diocese and resources available, visit kcsjatholic.org and scroll down to the bottom to "Child and Youth Protection."

Day of Atonement

for those harmed by sexual abuse

Friday, April 26; Mass at 12:15pm

Each year since 2017, the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph sets aside one day during Child Abuse Prevention Month devoted to prayer in atonement for those harmed by sexual abuse in the Catholic Church. This started with the Service of Lament in 2016, where Bishop James Johnston made five commitments to the people of the diocese which included naming April 26 as an Annual Day of Prayer.

Bishop Johnston will celebrate Mass at 12:15pm at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception (416 W 12th St, KCMO 64105) to which the entire community is invited.



A Celebration of Hope: Catholic Charities Ball

Sat., April 27; 5pm Cocktails; 6pm Dinner/Program

Catholic Charities changes life for generations as the cycle of poverty is broken and hope is restored. This year, a new tradition begins: high school juniors and seniors who have demonstrated a commitment to acts of charity will be recognized. Purchase your tickets at catholiccharitiesgala.org/ today to join Bishop Johnston and Rita & Lamar Hunt, Jr. The event will be held at the Muehlebach Hotel. Cost is \$250/person or \$2500/table of ten.

American Sign Language (ASL) Course

Tuesday/Thursday, 6-8:30pm

We are seeing how much interest we would have for a three week course, starting with Tuesday, April 30, and finishing Thursday, May 16. Call or text Rhonda at 816-562-2154 or email rscott@ccharities.com.

Book & Gift Fair

Apr. 30-May 1 (Tue., 7:30-4; Wed. 7:30-3)

St. Joseph's Volunteer Services is hosting this event in the lower level of the atrium at St. Joseph's Medical Center, 1000 Carondelet Dr., KCMO 64114. There will be a variety of products you'll love, at great savings! Proceeds will be donated to Catholic Charities and their ministries. Call Fred O'Dwyer at 816-812-1198 for more details.



Green Team

Prescription Pill Bottle Collection

April 20-21 (Sat.-Sun.), Narthex

Parishioners are invited to bring prescription (not over-the-counter) pill bottles to be taken to the pet shelters.

Please remove labels (by heating with a hair dryer if needed). Please don't leave pill bottles in the narthex after the April 20-21 weekend; bottles will be taken to the shelters April 22. Questions? Contact Peggy Lucas at 816-942-2492 x210 or peggy@stmkc.com.

Do you have eclipse glasses?

Give them a second life. There are several local options to help keep them out of the landfills. They are being collected to donate to Astronomers Without Borders and Eclipse Glasses USA where they will get donated to children for future eclipse events.

ScrapsKC, 3269 Roanoke Rd., KCMO (donations ac-

cepted through April 30)

Warby Parker, 4565 W. 119th St., Leawood, KS

The cardboard frames can be recycled at home through with your curbside recycling as long as you remove the lenses.

~ Greenabilitymagazine.com

March Financials

Regular - \$261,212.15 Plate - \$5,572.67
 Facilities - \$1,051.00
 Education Fund - \$616.00 School - \$1,024.40
 Catholic Relief Service - \$4,041.00
 Holy Land Collection - \$1,559.00

Thank you for your continued contributions!

Former parishioners of St. Catherine of Siena Reunion

Saturday, April 20; 4pm Mass at STM, dinner after

Bring a side dish, veggie, or dessert for the potluck dinner at the O'Hara Council Knights' Hall at 5:30pm. Pulled pork and smoked turkey will be provided. You are invited to bring a canned good for the Catholic Charities pantry if you are able and a prize for the bingo table if you would like to play! Questions? Contact Kathy V at kserveaek@gmail.com or 816-509-0368.



SPRED Class

Monday, April 22, 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.

Mystagogy Sessions

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

Sessions for those newly welcomed into the Church this Easter continue, exploring the ways in which the Catholic faith is lived out in our parishes and world. Open to all. Questions? Contact Father Justin, 816-942-2492 x204 or frjhoye@stmkc.com.

April 23: Catholic Social Teaching

More Friends (Parishioners 55+ years)

Have you paid your 2024 dues? It's not too late to join! \$10/person. Call/Text Beth at 816-547-5541.

Attracting Pollinators to Your Garden

Monday, April 22, 11am in More Hall

Michele Livergood, a Certified Master Gardener with the Master Gardeners of Greater Kansas City, will speak and answer questions about your garden. This free program includes a light lunch. To RSVP, call or text Beth at 816-547-5541. All members invited!

Future More Friends Events

Saturday, May 11, 8am - Bird Migration (off-trail) walk in Minor Park

Friday, June 14, 5pm - Potluck and patriotic presentation in More Hall

Knights of Columbus Texas Hold 'Em Tournament

Friday, April 26; 7pm Registration, More Hall

Poker begins at 7:30pm. ALL are welcome.

Proceeds benefit Knights' charities.

Cash Prizes - 1st \$300 - 2nd \$200 - 3rd \$100

Buy-In: \$30 Pre-Registered - \$35 Walk-In

To pre-register, email kcmarkus@sbcglobal.net or call 816-213-9375.



Women of STM Retreat

Thursday, May 9, 2-5pm

Join other women in the parish for a retreat with Father Don Farnan. The location will be at his residence or at Avila University, depending on the number of registrants. You can make a free will donation at the retreat with cash, check, or Venmo. If you would like to attend, please email wstm@stmkc.com **by Monday, April 29.**

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.

Men of STM Charity Golf Tournament

Friday, May 3; Noon Check-in, 1pm Shotgun Start

Join other men of the parish to spend a beautiful day playing golf. Dinner at the course will follow the tournament. The cost is \$140 per player, \$200 for hole sponsorship or \$20 for dinner only. All players will receive a shirt, 18 holes of golf (with cart), practice balls, drinks on the course, and dinner with drinks. Questions? Contact Liam at LiamPGA@sbcglobal.net or 913-558-9835. Online registrations is available at menofstm.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.

New COAH Advancement Director: Dr. Luke Murray

After spending time in the seminary and in higher education, Dr. Luke Murray worked in young adult ministry (at KU) and then in education (founding Headmaster for a new Catholic High School in the area). He is excited to bring his love of ministry, education, and development together to help COAH flourish and grow.

Guatemala Trivia Night - Wednesday, May 29, 7-9pm

Support your Guatemala missionaries in a fun evening of trivia! Cost is \$30 per person, and you can sign up as an individual or in teams of 6-8 people. Held at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, 3934 Washington St, KCMO 64111.

Parish Calendar of Events

Thu., Apr. 18 - Women of STM Paint & Sip, 6-9pm

Fri., Apr. 19 - Fresh Fire, 7pm, Church

Sat.-Sun., April 20-21 - Pill Bottle Collection, Narthex

Sun., Apr. 21 - World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Mon., Apr. 22 - More Friends event, 11am, More Hall

SPRED Class, 6:30-8:30pm

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

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

Tue., Apr. 23 - G.I.F.T., 9-10:30am, Bauman Room

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

Wed., Apr. 24 - School of Religion, 6:15-7:30pm

Reach More, 6:30-8pm, Parish Office

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

Fri., Apr. 26 - Day of Prayer in atonement for those harmed by sexual abuse

Texas Hold 'Em, 7-11pm, More Hall

Mon., Apr. 29 - Living Waters, 7-10pm, Church & hall

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

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

Wed., May 1 - Grief Peer Support, 4-5pm, More Hall

Reach More, 6:30-8pm, Parish Office

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

April 28 Bulletin Deadline

Announcements are due by 9am on Monday, April 22. Please send to bulletin@stmkc.com.

MEN OF STM CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2024

1:00pm Shotgun Start (12:00pm check-in, 4-Man Scramble)
Dinner immediately following Tournament at Eagle's Landing

EAGLES LANDING GOLF COURSE ♦ 4200 BONG AVENUE ♦ BELTON, MO ♦ (816) 318-0004



\$200 Hole Sponsorship
 \$140 per Player
 \$20 Dinner only
 Mulligans \$5 each or
 5 for \$20.

SIGN UP AT MENOFTM.ORG

OR...PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION AND RETURN THE BOTTOM OF THIS FORM TO THE ADDRESS LISTED BELOW:

Hole Sponsorship_____ \$200

Team Captain_____ Email:_____ \$140

Contact me about: Volunteering Raffle / Door Prize Donations

Player 2:_____ Email:_____

Phone:(_____)_____ \$140

Player 3:_____ Email:_____

Phone:(_____)_____ \$140

Player 4:_____ Email:_____

Phone:(_____)_____ \$140

All players will receive shirt, 18 holes of golf with cart, practice range balls, drinks on the golf course, dinner and drinks after the event.

**SIGNUP AT MENOFTM.ORG
 OR SEND THIS FORM
 (WITH CHECK MADE PAYABLE TO STM) TO:**

*Men Of STM Golf Tournament
 c/o Liam Cahill 12108 Madison Ct, KC MO 64145*

QUESTIONS:

*Call 913-558-9835
 or email: LiamPGA@sbcglobal.net*



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for the event!

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2024 | 4 - 9:30 PM

WHO WILL BE THERE?

- Bishop Johnston from the Diocese of Kansas City - St. Joseph
- Archbishop Naumann from the Archdiocese of Kansas City in KS
- Many priests and deacons you already know, and more!

WHAT CAN I EXPECT?

- Praise, worship, and music from both local and national talent
- The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)
- Rosary led by women religious of the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas
- Celebration of Holy Mass
- Eucharistic Adoration



The North lawn of the
National World War I Memorial.

WHEN IS THE EVENT?

Saturday, May 4, 2024
From 4 - 9:30 pm

WHERE IS THE EVENT?

The National World War I Memorial
North lawn - the side facing Union Station
2 Memorial Dr, Kansas City, MO 64108



The first Eucharistic Congress held in Kansas City at the
National World War I Memorial in 1941.

WHY SHOULD I ATTEND?

- It's been **over 80 years** since a public outdoor Eucharistic Adoration of this size has occurred in Kansas City!
- Boldly praise and worship Jesus present in the Eucharist.
- Gather with Catholics and non-Catholics in a collective expression of love for Jesus.
- Satisfy your weekend Mass obligation in a whole new way.



THIS EVENT IS BEING CO-HOSTED BY

The Diocese of Kansas City - St. Joseph

The Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas



For more information, please visit our website: BEHOLDKC.org

STM School

Linda Crothswait, Principal

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Office Hours

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

A Vision for Our Future

STM School has initiated a strategic planning process we are calling "A Vision for our Future." The goal of this process is to ensure the longstanding tradition of excellence in Catholic education for all STM students. This plan will outline our goals and objectives for the next three to four years, guiding our efforts towards a vibrant and successful future.

YOUR input is invaluable to the success of this endeavour. To gather community perspective we have partnered with NB Consulting LLC to conduct a brief survey. This weekend, a survey will be sent to a random sampling of parishioners. Your responses will be anonymous and will be used by our STM strategic planning team to develop a blueprint for progress that reflects the priorities of our entire parish and school community. Please check your email and respond ASAP.

The final version of the strategic plan will be shared with the entire community once completed. If you would like to complete the survey, but are not randomly selected, please email nanbone45@gmail.com and the survey will be sent to you. Thank you for taking the time to help us build A Vision for our Future.

Sincerely,
Linda Crothswait and the Strategic Planning Team

STM School Dates to Note

- Sat., Apr. 20 - STM-for-All hosts Trivia Night
- Tue., Apr. 23 - Preschool Art Show, 5-6pm
Band Concert, 6:30pm, Flanagan Hall
- Wed., Apr. 24 - Music Concert, 6:30pm, Flanagan
- Fri., Apr. 26 - No School; Staff Retreat Day
- Thu., May 2 - Bingo for Books, 6:30-8:30pm

2nd Annual STM BINGO for Books!

Thursday, May 2, 6:30-8:30pm, Flanagan Hall

Come and go anytime during the event! \$20 for a family, \$5 for extra cards. BYOB and a dessert or snack to share!

Vacation Bible School

June 24-28, 9am-Noon at STM School

The week is on the calendar, the time is now set! To volunteer, contact Hayley Shaver at 816-942-2492 x223 or hayley@stmkc.com. Sign-ups coming soon for children who completed grades K-5!

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Parish Office Hours (until further notice)

Office Hours: M-W 8:45am-3:30pm; T-Th 8:45am-5pm
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

A good time to join the choir

The Celebration Choir will be singing at Masses April 13 through Pentecost on May 19. This short stretch before the summer break is an excellent opportunity to share the joy.

Contact Music Director Bob Sandford for details.
bob@stmkc.com, 816-552-5321

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

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Mass Intentions

Mon: 4/22	8:15AM Gregory Larm [†]
Tues: 4/23	6:15AM Ann Verhulst[†] 8:15AM Trevor Weinrich [†]
Wed: 4/24	6:15AM Norman & Jean Ott[†] **8:15AM Maria Trinh[†]
Thur: 4/25	6:15AM Tom Cummings[†] 8:15AM Gloria Thompson [†]
Fri: 4/26	8:15AM Bill & Helen Krause[†]
Sat: 4/27	4:00PM Thomas Fahey [†]
Sun: 4/28	7:30AM Jack Looney[†] 9:00AM Mary Margaret Tarwater [†] 11:00AM Our Parishioners

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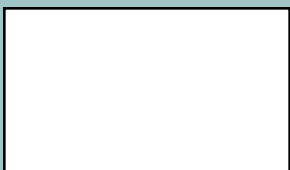
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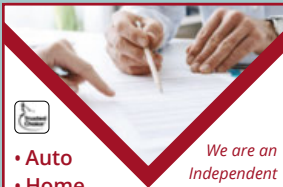
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