



MATER DEI PARISH

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 16, 2022

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3

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**Thy Kingdom Come
Spring Semester
Bullet Points for Weekly Bulletin**

ATTENTION MEN OF MATER DEI PARISH

Are you looking to deepen your relationship with God? Be a better husband? Become a more loving father? Build friendships with other like-minded men? And seek to be the best man you can be?

Then Come Join...

That Man is You!

Wednesday Mornings

Starting on January 26, 2022

6:00 am – 7:30 am, Parish Hall

Contact Info Kyle Mead, 438-9131

"As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another." – Proverbs 27:17

Week 14 - Resilience and Perseverance

- Speaker: Mark Hartfiel
- TMIY Session From Space
- Your Mission: Where Will Your Soul Land?
- The Seven Deadly Sins
- Daily, Monthly, and Yearly Spiritual Plan
- "My Kingship is not of this world."
- Entering Into the Fruits of the Spirit

Evangelization Committee

Come join us on the Mater Dei Parish Evangelization Committee. New members and new ideas are welcome and encouraged. Help us to bring Jesus's mission for all of us to our parish family, to our local area and the country. To take a look for yourself either come to a meeting on the **3rd Monday of the month** (6:00 pm in the school basement) or contact one of our members: Gabe Hillebert, Theresa Wicker, Ann Leiker, Deacon Bob or Diana Ortiz, Justin McLuckie, Terry Marlin, Kevin or Karen Mead and Andrea Hillebert.



OUR RCIA PROGRAM MEETS WEEKLY and is a great opportunity to learn more about our Catholic Faith. There is no obligation to attend every week, but you may be interested in the different subjects discussed.

Classes are Wednesday from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Following is the upcoming schedule:

Jan. 19 – Baptism

Jan 26 – Confirmation



Prep Classes are held the 3rd Monday of each month, 7:00 p.m., Parish Meeting Room.

Baptisms are held the 4th Sunday of month after the 10:30 a.m. Call the Parish Office, 785-232-7744, to schedule Baptismal Prep Classes and/or Baptisms.



MATER DEI PARISH MASS TIMES

DAILY MASS

Mater Dei Holy Name
Monday, Wednesday & Friday - 8:00 am

St. Matthew's
Tuesday & Thursday – 8:05 am

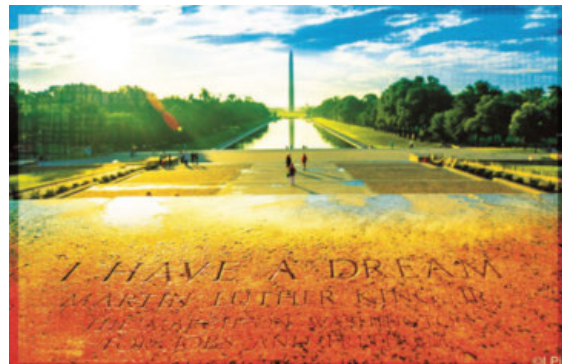
Mater Dei Assumption
Monday – Friday, 12:00 pm

WEEKEND MASS

Mater Dei Holy Name
Saturday - 5:00 pm
Sunday - 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 5:00 pm

RECONCILIATION

Mater Dei Holy Name
Saturday – 3:30 pm



The Parish Office and Mater Dei School will be closed on Monday, January 17th in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

The Child Care Center will be open on January 17th.

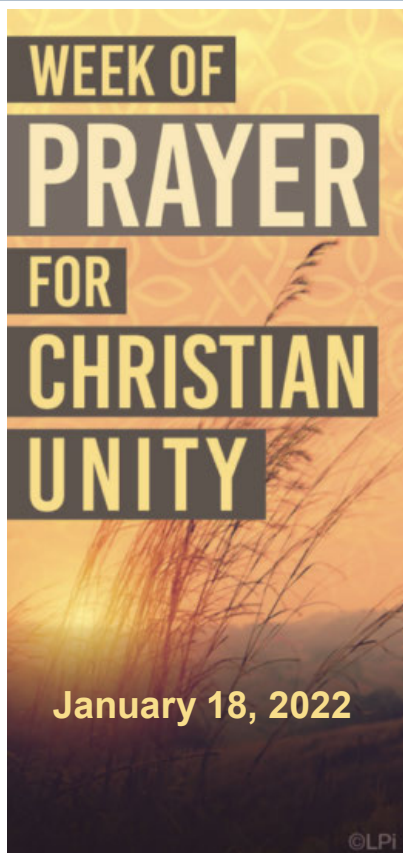
January 22, 2022

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children





If you had to identify the most important priorities for the Son of God, Savior of Mankind, to accomplish during his earthly mission, saving a wedding feast by turning water into wine probably wouldn't be at the top of the list. So what is Jesus doing in today's Gospel? Among other things, he's demonstrating that love responds to earthly and everyday needs. It doesn't just look for the big gestures or the grandiose displays—it looks for concrete opportunities. If love is true love, its focus isn't self-aggrandizement, but actually serving the good of the other—like Christ does through something seemingly as mundane as providing good refreshment for the guests at a wedding. We're called to love like Jesus does: by responding to the concrete needs of our community. Contributing to our Archbishop's Call to Share appeal might not be glamorous or grandiose—but you'll be helping meet the everyday needs of your parish when you do. Ask Jesus to show you how He wants you to love in this way and see where it leads you!



ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

RETREAT OPPORTUNITY – FEBRUARY 2022

Finding Peace of Soul

Christ's Peace House of Prayer

22131 Meager Road - Easton, KS,

Friday, February 4th at 5:30pm – Sunday, February 6th at 4:30pm

Peace of soul comes through a life of prayer, personal reform and renewal. Living in this way confronts modern culture with the tough-minded resilience of inner truth. One of the most important works of Catholic spirituality, "The Spiritual Combat: Treatise on Peace of Soul" by Dom Lorenzo Scupoli will be used as a guide to discover how to live an interior life for and with God. There will be conferences, Eucharistic Adoration, Mass, Confession and time for private prayer, reflection and walking. The suggested donation is \$170/Single or \$250/Couples for the Cabins and Courtyard Rooms or \$100 for the Single Guest Rooms (Meals Included). To attend, sign-up at christspeace.com, send an email to: info@christspeace.com or call 913.773.8255.

9 DAYS FOR LIFE NOVENA - PRAY TO PROTECT HUMAN LIFE! JANUARY 19-27, 2022

9 Days for Life is a novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Please visit www.respectlife.org/9-days-for-life to join the novena (either via text or email) and for additional information.

"Coping with Life Alone" - Peer-To-Peer Grief Support – Beginning Experience of Greater Kansas City ministers with persons who are suffering from the loss of a marriage relationship. Our programs help those suffering these losses through the grieving process, enabling them to look to the future with renewed hope and deepened faith.

Beginning Experience of Kansas City is hosting a 10-week, online session to help divorced and widowed persons deal with grief and pain. "Coping With Life Alone," begins February 7, 6:30 to 8:30. \$50. Via Zoom. For more information, please visit www.beginningexperiencekc.org or call Maria at 913-314-9844.

HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT - Are you looking for a way to go deeper? Join students across the Archdiocese on **February 5th** (Location TBD) in Topeka for "SEEK: Recognizing a Need for God."

This retreat was originally scheduled for Jan 7-8 but was postponed due to COVID.

Please go to www.archkckyouth.org to register under Seek: Recognizing a Need for God. Cost is \$10 and includes lunch.

RECOVERY SPEAKER-ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL - The St. Michael Recovery Committee is hosting a Recovery Speaker Event on event on **Wednesday, January 19, 7:00 P.M.** in the parish hall. This presentation is intended for adults.

Topics include How to help someone who is misusing drugs or alcohol & When substance use becomes misuse.

To learn more, visit www.stmichaelcp.org/addiction-resources.

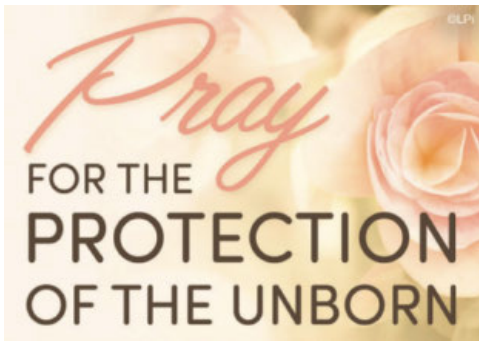
PRO-LIFE BANQUETS - Upcoming Pro-Life Banquets - Please support two local organizations doing great work to support and protect preborn children and their mothers.


Tuesday, Feb 15 – Kansans for Life Banquet with keynote speakers Actor Jim Caviezel and Survivor Melissa Ohden. For more information and to register, visit www.kfkcbanquet.com.

Tuesday, March 1 – Kansas City Pregnancy Center's first banquet at Sporting Park with Chief's Kicker Harrison Butker and prayer and comments by Archbishop Naumann. For information and to register, visit www.kcpregnancyclinic.org/banquet.

JR HIGH YOUTH RALLY-SAVE THE DATE - Save the Date, Jr. High Rally Feb 27, 2022 Registration opens Friday.

Cost is \$35, and bus transportation is available for rural parishes for \$15/person.



 Knights of Columbus
Breakfast following 8:00 am
Mass on Sunday, January
16th in the Parish Hall.

COLD AND FLU SEASON



With the winter months upon us, we would encourage the use of common sense and basic hygiene at

all times and especially while in Church. Be assured that priests and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion are washing their hands before Mass and will use sanitizer during Mass before distributing Holy Communion. No one is ever under an obligation to shake hands during the sign of peace; a bow or other gesture is always appropriate in place of shaking hands. If you are not feeling well, please stay home to avoid passing on the cold, flu or COVID to the other parishioners.

IGNITE | **YOUTH RALLY AND MASS FOR LIFE**
Come Holy Spirit, set our hearts aflame to defend life!

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TOPEKA PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
JANUARY 25, 2022

- 8:30AM DOORS OPEN
- 9:00AM SPEAKER PROGRAM
- 10:30AM MASS WITH THE BISHOPS OF KANSAS
- 12:00 PM MARCH TO CAPITOL FOR KANSANS FOR LIFE RALLY
- 1:00 PM EUCHARISTIC ADORATION. MATER DEI PARISH, 10TH & CLAY

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KEYNOTE: KRISTAN HAWKINS
President of Students for Life of America



MASS WITH THE BISHOPS OF KANSAS



MUSIC BY ALL THINGS I AM


PRO LIFE OFFICE
Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas

FOR INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER VISIT:
ARCHKCK.ORG/IGNITE

This free event is intended for youth, but all are welcome!

Christian Widow and Widowers Organization (open to all faiths) will have a Potluck Dinner in the Culhane Room at Most Pure Heart at **1:00 pm on Sunday, January 16**. Bring a covered dish or dessert. Dime Bingo will be played after dinner. For more information, call Joann at 233-7350 or Doris at 273-2673.



MONDAY NIGHT BINGO AT HAYDEN SPONSORED BY OUR PARISH - Come and play Bingo. It is a fun, inexpensive night of entertainment. You may even win some money while supporting our parish. Bring your family and friends. The more people participating, the more it benefits our Parish. Early Bird starts at 6:30 pm with Regular Bingo starting at 7:00 pm.

Thank you to those who have volunteered one Monday a month. We are still in need of a few more consistent volunteers. If you are interested please contact Corey Everett at 785-414-0946 or corey715@gmail.com. You can also sign up online at www.materdeischool.org and click on the "Bingo Volunteer" link. Thank you for giving your time to this essential parish fundraiser.

Daughters of Isabella - Little Flower Circle

The next meeting will be held on **January 23, 2022 at 12:40 PM** in Yadrich Hall at Christ the King Parish, 5972 SW 25th St. A Rosary will be followed by the business meeting and social time. Masks are strongly encouraged. If anyone knows of a member or family member of Daughters of Isabella in need of the Circle's prayers call Diana Ortiz at 785-554-4256.



OBSERVANCE FOR THE WEEK OF January 16, 2022

Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: Martin Luther King Day, St. Anthony, Abbot
Tuesday: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
Thursday: St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr
Friday: St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr
Saturday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin

**Topeka IrishFest 2022
Change in Location**



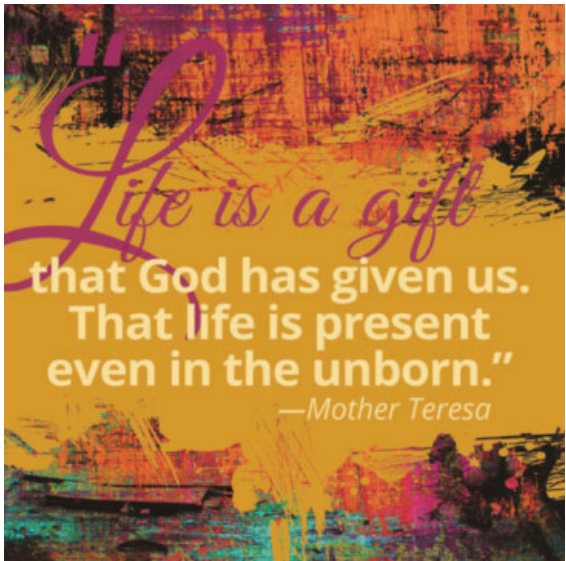
We invite all Mater Dei parishioners and their families to join us on Saturday, March 12, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. for the annual Mater Dei Topeka IrishFest. This year, we'll be in a new location at Every Plaza in downtown Topeka at 630 S. Kansas Ave. We'll start off with our popular 5K fun run at 10 a.m. and continue the fun with Irish Food (including our popular Patty's Pockets), a beer garden, games, and live music. The Topeka St. Patrick's Day Parade will start at noon in the downtown area.

We Invite You to Volunteer for IrishFest

We are in need of volunteers for IrishFest and hope you'll sign up for a shift. Sign up sheets are available after all Masses in the church foyer on the weekend of January 22/23.

For more information, and to register for the FunRun, visit www.TopekaIrishFest.com.

The Topeka IrishFest is a major fundraiser for Mater Dei Parish so we hope you'll invite family and friends to join you at the festival. See you there!



Jan. 16th – RCIA, 9:00am – 10:30 am, MDS
 Jan. 16th – K of C 4th Breakfast, after 8:00 Mass
 Jan. 17th – Martin Luther King Day - Parish Office & Mater Dei School Closed
 Jan. 17th – Evangelization Meeting – 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm, Parish Meeting Room
 Jan 18th – St. Benedict Circle – 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm, Parish hall
 Jan 19th – RCIA, 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm, Parish Hall
 Jan 20th – Light of the World, 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm, Parish Hall
 Jan 20th – Child Care Center Board Meeting, 5:15pm – 5:45 pm, CCC

Mater Dei
Knights of Columbus

Pro-Life Baby Shower

Sunday, January 23rd and 30th

Please bring your **donations for Mary's Choices** next weekend or the following weekend. A box will be placed in the vestibule of Church to receive your donations.

Suggested items to bring include:

- Diapers
- Wet Wipes
- Baby Blankets
- Baby Clothes
- Socks
- Baby Rattles
- Baby Shampoo
- Cash

All proceeds will be donated to Mary's Choices

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Pro-Life Committee



Schuyler Baum - Navy
Jacob Crawshaw - Air Force
Ethan Figgs - Navy
Ryan France - Navy
Christopher Jones - Army
Joseph Immenschuh - Army
Mike Liotta - National Guard
Mark Lojewski - Army
Eddie Lyons - Navy

Jared Koopman - Army
Clayton Mettleton - Air Force
Benjamin Metzger - Army
Peter Oberle - Navy
Mason Pakerson - Air National Guard
Isaac Schreiner - Navy
Dylan Treadwell - Army
Garrett Wilson - Navy
Tyler J. Wilson - Air Force



Keith Adams	Ora Lee Gish	Daniel Osborn
Marge Barr	Joyce Green	Karla Rodehorst
Kenny Bennett	Pat Hanrahan	Celia Rodriquez
Rick Bloomquist	Kathy Hestand	Nellie Rodriguez
Marlene Gatesman Boboige	Scott Holmes	Josulynd Salsbury
Bill Bond	Erin Hutton	James Shirey
Marcy Bowen	Delina Jones	Troy Slusser
Toni Brown	Larry Johnson	Del Smith
Robin Burns	Michaela Lake	Susie
Mindy Darling	Kathe Langer	Mellanie J Sutphen Strafford
Mark Dechand	Adriana Luna	Tracie K. Sutphen Thornton
Mary Denise Dexter	Jesus Luna	Ren Valdivia
Becky Boboige Egan	Omelia Luna	Austin Vail
Jackie Erwin	Tim McCarthy	Deborah Weaver
Kent Evans	Melinda Mitchiner	Vena Willingham
Joe Frederick	Lindsay Miller	Bev Wunder
Jeremy Frey	Royce Muller	
Janice Gill	Cheryl Ness	

COLLECTION REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2021 TO JUNE 30, 2022		
Receipts for Dec. 18 to Dec. 23, 2021		Fiscal Year to Date
White Envelopes	\$10,281.00	\$205,251.37
Banking	\$6,405.00	\$124,962.78
Plate	\$943.40	\$20,296.62
Total Collections	\$17,629.40	\$350,510.77
Amount Budgeted for Collections	\$15,000.00	\$375,000.00
Income Over/-Under Budget	\$2,629.40	-\$24,489.23

Job Opportunities

Mater Dei Child Care Center is looking for a Full-time Toddler Teach Float. Send resume to materdeiccc@materdeischool.org or call Ms. Virginia, 232-1603.

Mater Dei Parish has a part-time janitorial position. The position is a minimum of 15 hours per week with the possibility of 25 hours. For more information, please contact the Parish Property Coordinators at 785-380-8777.

St. Matthew Catholic School is having its first annual fundraising event, "**Sharing Our Blessings.**" All proceeds will be going to remodel the restrooms on the top and bottom floors of our school. The "**Sharing Our Blessings**" evening will consist of beautiful 360-degree views of Topeka, cocktails, a five-course meal, and a short program. It will be held at Townsite 16 (formerly known as Top of the Tower) on **February 6, 2022**, beginning at 5:30 P.M. Tickets can be purchased online at saintmatthews.org/school under the Sharing Our Blessings tab or by mailing your check payable to St. Matthew Catholic School to the school at **1000 SE 28th St., Topeka, KS 66605**. Any questions please contact Theresa Lein, Principal at 785-235-2188.

PARISH RESOURCES

COUNCILS, COMMITTEES & ORGANIZATIONS

Finance Council
 Kevin Schmidt, Chairperson.....232-7744

School Business Team
 Deacon Bob Ortiz, Chairperson
ortizdiogm@gmail.com

Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)
 Candice Schulz, President.....554-7104
 or candice.d.schulz@gmail.com

Knights of Columbus
 Doug Holmes, Grand Knight.....817-6936

Altar Society
 Merrill Befort, President.....232-7744

PARISH PRAYER CHAIN
 Erin Storrer.....224-6163
 Gail Johnson.....286-1350

Funeral Dinners
 Doris Estes224-8537
 Mary Simnitt608-8192(c) or 234-6115(h)

Event Coordinators
 Candice Schulz or Darian Hillebert380-8777
 or email events@materdeiparish.org

URGENT LIFE RESOURCES

Pregnant? Need Help?
Gabriel Project.....913-602-0306
 or gabrielproject.com

Abortion Pill Reversal Hotline.....877-558-0333
 or AbortionPillReversal.com

Post-Abortive Help – Project Rachel & Project Joseph: Archkck.org/prolife-end-of-life-care

National Catholic Bioethics Hotline:
 215-977-2660

Suicide Hotline.....800-273-8255 | 913-602-0030
 | suicidepreventionlife.org

Domestic Violence:
 YMCA.....785-233-1750
 Warm Line.....800-922-8189
 Valeo.....785-233-1730
 Family Service & Guidance Center.....785-232-5005
 Christ First Counseling.....785-272-0788



Mass Intentions

Monday, January 17, 2022

8:00 am Merle Jennings †
12:00 pm Betty Glettig †

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

8:05 am Mass at St. Matthew
12:00 pm Genevieve Schreiner

Wednesday, January 19, 2022

8:00 am # Isabel Gonzales †
12:00 pm Kathe Langer

Thursday, January 20, 2022

8:05 am Mass at St. Matthew
12:00 pm William Berberick †

Friday, January 21, 2022

8:00 am # Helen Marx †
12:00 pm Vena Willingham †

Saturday, January 22, 2022

5:00 pm Deceased Members of the Cina Family †

Sunday, January 23, 2022

8:00 am Mater Dei Parishioners
10:30 am Steve & Irene Redman ††
5:00 pm Darlene Helton †

† Deceased

All School Mass



Parish Directory

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Deacon Chris Seago.....232-7744
Deacon Bob Ortiz.....232-7744

PARISH OFFICE.....232-7744
Bookkeeper.....Amanda Kincaid
Receptionist.....Gail Munoz

SCHOOL.....233-1727
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Secretary.....Monika McCaffrey

CHILD CARE CENTER.....232-1603
Director.....Virginia Cardenas

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Directory of Religious Education.....Ethan Gentry
 gentrye@materdeischool.org
Liturgy Coordinator.....Kathy Woods
Adoration Coordinator.....Karen Mead
 785-266-7573

Sick & Homebound Ministry.....Call Parish Office
Eucharistic Adoration.....Call Parish Office

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 or gail@materdeiparish.org

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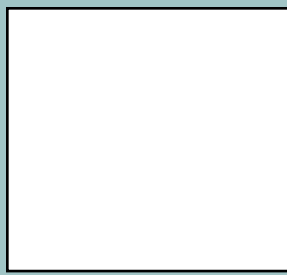
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