

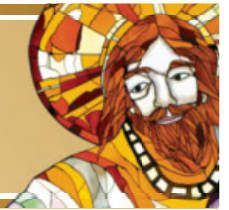


OUR **MISSION** IS TO PROVIDE A WELCOMING, INCLUSIVE, AND LOVING COMMUNITY BY PROCLAIMING AND LIVING GOD'S WORD THROUGH WORSHIP, EDUCATION, AND SOCIAL JUSTICE.

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## BULLETIN ONLINE

this and last week's at stmkc.com

### PUBLIC MASSES

WEEKDAY: Mon-Fri 6:15am & 8:15am,  
Sat 8:15am.

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

MASS ONLINE CONTINUES

## RECONCILIATION (IN THE CHAPEL)

Individual Confessions:

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

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5-6pm

## OUR CLERGY

Father Justin Hoyer, Pastor

Father Kendall Ketterlin, Parochial Vicar

Father Andrew Kleine, Parochial Vicar

Deacon Benjamin Fenlon, Transitional Deacon

## AT THE PARISH OFFICE

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## SAFE ENVIRONMENT

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

- Complete an application (if new in ministry)
- Attend a Protecting God's Children workshop
- 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.

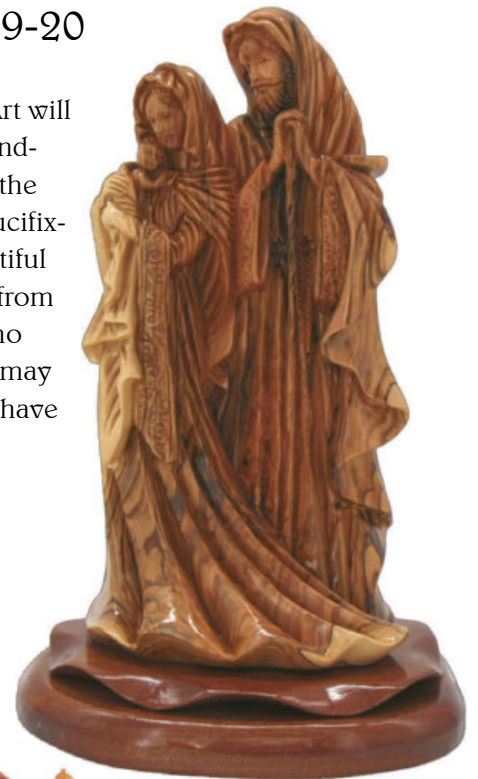
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## Carmelite series

with Fr. Kendall Ketterlin

SATURDAY, MARCH 19, 2022  
IN THE CHURCH 8:15AM MASS — 10AM

*“Coming to the Font:  
The Counsels  
of Perfection - Chastity”*





## THE PASTOR'S PEN

Faithful People of Saint Thomas More,

Next weekend, Blest Art will be with us for the first time since 2016. For those unfamiliar with them, Blest Art works to maintain the Christian presence in the Holy Land, by taking the olive-wood crafts made there and making them available for purchase in the US. For many Christians in the Holy Land who depend on the pilgrim and tourist trade, disruptive forces (e.g., pandemics) jeopardize their ability to keep their families in the land where Jesus lived and ministered. We've timed their arrival to take the place of the annual Saint Joseph Table, which was canceled this year due to safety concerns.

Blest Art will have their items available for both perusal and sale in the narthex this weekend.

This upcoming week will mark the two year anniversary of the 2020 shut-down brought about by the pandemic. Next week in my column I'll give an overview of how we've responded to those realities here at STM, lingering impacts from the pandemic (e.g., the annual Saint Joseph Table), and plans for our continued response moving forward.

Father Justin

P.S. Spring Break began this Friday for our school community, so for those traveling - or simply laying low for a week-and-a-half - may this stretch be safe and renewing!

P.P.S. For those reading this ahead of Sunday, don't forget that clocks "spring forward" an hour before going to bed Saturday night.

## Come Home to Communion



### Regular Mass Schedule

**Monday-Friday**, 6:15am & 8:15am

**Saturday**, 8:15am;  
4pm vigil Mass

**Sunday**, 7:30am, 9am & 11am  
Masks are available. The chapel, cry room and narthex remain

open for social distancing. Masses are recorded daily and posted to [stmkc.com](http://stmkc.com) and [youtube.stmkc.com](http://youtube.stmkc.com).

### The Light is On for You

**Confessions are offered in the reconciliation room:**

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

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 5-6pm

### Eucharistic Exposition at STM

**Sundays, Noon-9pm**

### Church Hours for Private Prayer

Monday-Friday, 6am-6pm\*

Saturdays: 7am-5pm; Sundays: 7am-9pm

**\*The church is closed on Wednesdays and Thursdays, 2-3pm when school is in session, for school Masses.**

### Pray the Rosary with Others

**Sundays (through Lent)**

All are invited to pray with the Knights of Columbus after 9am Mass.

### Fresh Fire

**Fridays (Mar. 18, Apr. 1), 7-9pm**

Participate in praise and worship and Eucharistic Adoration and experience the power of Jesus' healing presence. "I have come to set the earth on fire, and wish it were already blazing!" Luke 12:49.

### Stations of the Cross - Outdoors & Indoors

Pray the Stations through Lent, around the track behind the school (when school is not in session) or in the church. In the church, prayers are on the walls with the Stations and booklets are available. Pray the Stations alone, with the family or with a few friends.

Stations of the Cross will also be led by different STM ministry groups on Fridays in Lent, at 5:30pm in the church. **Plan to join the SPRED group on March 11.**

## Irish Blessing

May the road rise up to meet you.  
May the wind always be at your back.  
May the sun shine warm upon your face,  
and rains fall soft upon your fields.  
And until we meet again,  
may God hold you in the palm of his hand.  
...and may you have a safe and happy  
Saint Patrick's Day.

## School of Love - Family Daily Prayer

Visit [schoolofloveusa.com](http://schoolofloveusa.com) to sign up for "Pier" daily prayer assistance. The Blog is a resource designed to help parents lead the family daily prayer easily, successfully, & continually. Subscribers get prayer delivered daily via email. Or you may choose the Podcast, a jumping-off point designed to help your family build the daily habit of family prayer. Subscribe through your preferred podcast service to get prayer daily. (The School of Love began in the KCKS Archdiocese and has recently gone national.)

## Weekly Lent Reflections

Each week, reflections on the Psalms are posted on [catholiccharities-kcsj.org/lent2022/](http://catholiccharities-kcsj.org/lent2022/).

## 24 Hours for the Lord

### Friday, March 25, 10am to Saturday, March 26, 10am

Holy Cross Parish, located at 5106 St John Ave, KCMO 64123, is hosting this year's event in Kansas City. Sponsored by the Office of Divine Worship, the event includes 24 hours of Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions. For details, contact Lorie Sage at 816-756-1850 x242 or [sage@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:sage@diocesekcsj.org).

## Knights of Malta: Mass for the Sick

### Saturday, March 26, 10am at Cure of Ars Parish

Archbishop Naumann and Bishop Johnston will con-

celebrate Mass including a ritual blessing of the sick in the manner done at Lourdes, France. Reconciliation will be offered 9-9:45am.

Individuals who are sick, suffering or chronically ill--and their caregivers--are encouraged to attend. Everyone who attends will receive prayer cards and Lourdes water to take home. A short reception will be held after Mass.

Those who wish to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick are asked to please email their name to [maltakansascity@gmail.com](mailto:maltakansascity@gmail.com) or call Doug at 913-620-1759.

## Care & Support

### Prayer for Peace in Ukraine

O Prince of Peace, once more we hear the guns of war, once more we see the faces of frightened children. We pray for the people of Ukraine, that they may be granted peace; we pray for the people of Russia, that they may demand peace; we pray for our country, that we may be a positive part of peacemaking in this world. O Prince of Peace, lead us from this dark time to a deeper understanding of the global human family, so all may break bread together in the secure embrace of peace. Amen

~ Jane Deren, Ph.D.

## Please hold in prayer

CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE, [BULLETIN@STMKC.COM](mailto: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:

David Baska  
Seth Gulsby

John Hylander  
Steve Janner

Sarah Katz  
Bobby Murphy

Brian Owara  
Alycia Pouch

Nathan Pouch  
John P. Sullivan

### ...our parishioners who are sick:

Karen Kennaley Byrnes  
Helen Cooke  
Andrea Donigan  
Dee Giedinghagen  
Carol Gretencord

Lola Jacobs  
Bernard Janner  
Jim Karl  
Sue Karl  
Michael Kennaley

Michele Kerwin  
Patricia Lillis  
Dennis McKee  
Jackie Nelson

Monica Nelson  
Mike O'Conner  
Lenny Passantino  
Anita Schroeder

Ed Thomas  
Anita Wagner  
Butch Wagner

### ...our family and friends who are sick:

Michael Carollo  
Patrick Caskey  
Nancy Dycus  
Mark Guyut

Renee Herman  
Jerry Hornbeck  
Bob Kennaley  
Jerry Kuenzel

Greg Larm  
Rosa Marsh  
Denise Adams Mehlo  
Jenn Miller

Bill Newell  
Beth O'Connor  
Al Safady  
Rex Suman

Peter Thompson  
Tony Torchia  
Vicki Dugas Walton

### ...our family and friends who are hospitalized:

**Village Shalom:** Bill Mauer

### ...our family and friends who have died:

Mike Maskill; Marvin Mertes, father of Greg Mertes

## Relief for the People of Ukraine

The dreadful war in Ukraine is causing untold suffering. Mindful of the Lord's commission to care for those who are hurting, our local Church is directing those who wish to help to Catholic Relief Services (CRS), the international assistance agency of the USCCB. Visit the CRS website at [crs.org/](http://crs.org/) for information on how to help.

## Grief Support Group

### Saturday, March 19, after 8am Mass

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

## Funeral Lunch Help Needed

Lunches are provided after many of the funerals held at STM. The luncheon team in charge of the 4th week of each month needs more people to help set up, cook and serve the food, and clean up afterwards. Total time commitment for each lunch is usually 2-3 hours. For more information, contact David at the parish office, 816-942-2492 x210 or [dbutel@stmkc.com](mailto:dbutel@stmkc.com).

## Beginning Experience (BE) Weekend

### April 29-May 1 (Friday-Sunday)

BE Weekend is for divorced and widowed persons, helping those suffering these losses through the grieving process, enabling them to look to the future with renewed hope and deepened faith. For more information or to register, call Maria at 913-314-9844. or visit [beginningexperiencekc.org](http://beginningexperiencekc.org).

## Solace House

Solace House is a grief counseling center specifically designed to be a nurturing place to guide children, adults, and families through the difficult time following the death of a loved one. Programs provide opportunities to share, listen, learn and heal. For more information, visit [kchospice.org/solace-house/](http://kchospice.org/solace-house/) and click on the Our Programs link.

## Turning Point Programs for People with Serious Illness

Turning Point educates and supports individuals, families and friends facing a wide variety of chronic physical illnesses such as cancer, chronic heart failure, Parkinson's disease, MS, ALS and diabetes. Through classes, activities and education, it helps participants increase resilience so they may live life to the fullest, even while experiencing chronic disease. Brochures for March-April 2022 that list their upcoming programs can be found in the magazine rack at the north end of the narthex.

## Fish Fry Fridays are back!

### Fridays of Lent (March 11, 25; April 1, 8), 5-7pm

Are you ready to dine in? Do you prefer a to-go meal? Both are available, so plan to enjoy a delicious meal prepared by the Boy Scout parents. The menu includes baked and fried fish, fried shrimp, potatoes, corn, green beans, cole slaw, french fries and rolls. Cheese pizza is also available for the kids. The cost is \$10/senior, \$12/adult, free/child 0-5, \$5/child 6-12 and \$35/family.

Girl Scouts have great desserts available for \$1 each and, new this year, the Knights offer beer and wine, \$5/drink.

## Big Fish Musical

### March 10-12 (Thurs.-Sat.), 7pm and Sat. at 2pm

The Culture House School of Theater is performing this whimsical and fun musical at the Goppert Theater at Avila University. Rehearsing since Thanksgiving, this musical promises to be a well-performed, family-friendly show with a large cast, including four of Tom Bauer's grandchildren, the two oldest with the male leads.

The Goppert Theater is located on the west side of the Avila campus, off Wornall Road. Tickets can be purchased at [culturehouse.getmytix.net](http://culturehouse.getmytix.net). Reserved seats are \$13.04/adult (including taxes and fees) and \$10.85/child 18 and under. What a great way to experience the new Avila theater while supporting young actors!

## Saint Joseph Day: Saturday, March 19

The committee members and Chair have agreed to cancel the event, for everyone's safety. If anyone would like to contribute a monetary donation in Saint Joseph's honor, for those in need, contact Angie DiFidi 816-885-9027.

## Blest Art

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# Memorials & Celebrations

Memorial gifts offer a wonderful way to remember deceased family and friends.

Honor gifts provide a meaningful way to honor living family members and friends and/or to celebrate special occasions such as anniversaries, graduations, etc.

Anyone who wishes to honor the memory of a departed loved one or an individual for a significant event may send a gift at any time to Saint Thomas More Parish in their name. Those who are honored will be notified of the tax-deductible contribution.

The following is a list of memorials for June-December 2021. We have made every attempt to make this list as complete as possible, but there is also a chance that we have missed someone. If we have, please notify Mary Begnaud at 816-942-2492 and we will correct our records and add the name to the next publication of this list.

## **Marge Coleman**

Cindy Barry

## **Phillip Elder**

Knights of Columbus

## **Madeline Saladino**

Joe & Maris Haster

## **Hildie Fowler**

Mark & Rebecca McCaughey

Jay and Kathryn Peterson

Rita Rost

Brandon & Sarah LaSala

Lisa Wright

Randall Fowler

Joanne Verebelyi

Parents, families & friends

Michael & Diana Brady

Kim & Kathy Smith

## **Barbara Eufinger**

Joe & Maris Haster

Katie & Andrew Killen

Angie Schieferecke

Greg Eufinger Jr

Norm & Linda Hageman

Mary Thomas

## **Philip Muellner**

Vicki Muellner

## **Michelina Yarnevich**

Mize CPAs Inc

Sharon Rellihan

Deborah Bauman

Michael & Linda Aleksaites

Vickie Fiorella

Linda Lipari

Gloria Pizzichino

## **Bernice Birzer**

Robert & Marilyn Bajorin

Vic & Evelyn Hoffman

Arlene Kutina

Richard, Peggy & Don Birzer

Bridget Bauer

Brian & Bernadett Hoffman

Norm & Linda Hageman

## **Miriam Keen**

Stephen & Claudia Gosoroski

## **Noreen Denney**

Colleen Weems

## **Eileen Hill**

Angela & Charles Ford

## **Marie Bauer**

Norm & Linda Hageman

## **Alta Feuerborn**

Elizabeth & W. J. Dumortier

Dana & Duncan Beagle

Robert & Karen Hibbard

Rose & Jeff Groce

Floyd & Josephine Hastings

Whitney Meiners

Randy & Dee Turner

Jerry Feuerborn

Teresa Anson

Alice Schill

Charles Rogers

Wayne Feuerborn

David & Judy Fairchild

David & Mary Koncak

Patricia Gretencord

Cathy Kratzberg

## **Irene Dierks**

Jacqueline Dierks

## **Debra Baltzell**

Richard & Louise Agnew

## **Peggy Tabor**

Larry & Joan Ward

## **Nancy King**

E. T. Kratty

## **Michael Mulligan**

Gail & James Cianciolo

John & Diane Frey

Tim & Susanne Dugan

Mary & Richard Markey

James & Kathy Finnegan

## **Janet Powell**

Patricia Walsh

Paul & Erin Stucky

Susan Gndfkow

Bijin Salon & Spa

Dennis & Suzanne Cummings

Greg & Brooke Moore

Pauline O'Keefe

Joanne & Dennis Sweeney

Thomas & Margaret Beck

Louis & Maureen Holman

Paul Grisafe

Rebecca Ziegler

John & Laura Warrington

Amy W. Ringsdorf

Karen & David Mayer

Marilyn Severino

Patrick Stegmaier

Christine Robinson

Kathleen Hartman

L. Lou Bond

Josh & Tatia Batz

Gregory & Mary Bridget Kratofil

## Comforter Drive for Journey/Peace Houses

The Women of STM are sponsoring a drive to collect thirty twin bed comforters for Journey House and Peace House, and we invite YOU to help.

Journey House and Peace House are located in Kansas City and serve women who have recently been released from prison. They provide a safe and loving home for the women as they undergo counseling, find jobs, and rebuild their lives after prison. Most of the women are mothers, were in prison on drug charges, and are highly motivated to turn their lives around and reconnect with their children.

There are two options if you want to help:

- You can donate a NEW twin comforter set (comforter and sham). Nice sets can be purchased in the \$35-\$40 range, or even less on sale; or
- You can make a financial donation in any amount.

If you would like to participate, please contact Linda at (nhageman@msn.com or 816-896-3129).

Please visit [journeytonewlife.org/what-we-do/](http://journeytonewlife.org/what-we-do/) for more information on Journey to New Life and Journey and Peace Houses.

Thank you for your consideration and generosity.

## \$20 for Lent

The Faith in Action Team once again invites Saint Thomas More parishioners to participate in our annual \$20 for Lent campaign. This year, the funds collected will go to support the following agencies:

- **Project Cure/The Mission Warehouse Project** in cooperation with the Sisters of St. Francis of the Holy Eucharist in Independence, MO. They ship medical supplies to clinics in developing countries.
- **Synergy Services** which provides resources for youth who may be homeless or may not have a stable home life.
- **Alexandra's House** that ministers to families with babies or unborn children with severe medical issues.

Please consider donating \$20 toward this effort. Place your contribution in the envelopes located in the card holders in the pews. You can then put your donation in the Sunday collection or bring it to the parish office.

## Green Team Upcoming Events

### Project Blue River Rescue: Saturday, April 2, 9am

Join in the 32nd annual event to pick up trash along the Blue River. We will join a group led by Kathy LaFrensen to clean up the portion of Blue River Road from Red Bridge Road south to Blue Ridge Blvd. We will meet at Children International parking lot. Children must be accompanied by a parent. **RSVP by Tuesday, March 29**, to David Butel at [dbutel@stmkc.com](mailto:dbutel@stmkc.com) or 816-942-2492 x210. Please include t-shirt size.

## Prescription Pill Bottle Collection: April 23-24

Save your prescription pill bottles (and lids) for our next collection. Bottles will be donated to pet shelters to be used for prescriptions for pets. We are only asking for prescription pill bottles. Other pill bottles like those for aspirin and pain relievers can be recycled. This event is sponsored by the parish Green Team. For more information, contact David Butel at the parish office, 816-942-2492 x210 or [dbutel@stmkc.com](mailto:dbutel@stmkc.com).

## February Financials

Regular - \$210,504.76	Plate - \$1,745.37
Facilities - \$2,150.30	School - \$2,720.55
Education Fund - \$1,272.50	
Catholic Charities Emergency Assistance - \$3,314.00	
Catholic Home Missions - \$2,790.38	

**Thank you** for your contributions!



## More Friends (for parishioners 55+)

### 2022 Membership

A \$10 check, payable to STM More Friends, with "Membership 2022" in the memo line can be dropped off at the parish office. It can also be mailed or dropped in the collection basket at weekend Mass. Please include name(s) and a phone number! For additional information, please email MaryAnn who is heading up membership: [masmithkc44@gmail.com](mailto:masmithkc44@gmail.com).

### St. Patrick's Day Party: Monday, March 14, 5:30pm

Make a reservation today to enjoy an evening with More Friends! To RSVP, call Joan at 816-260-5086 and drop off checks (\$10/person, payable to More Friends) at the parish office or in the weekend Mass collection basket. Please use a separate envelope and write "St. Patrick" in the memo line. Over thirty people have already reserved a spot. You need not be a member to attend the party and walk-ins are welcome.

## Discernment of Spirits Series

### Tuesday, March 15, 7-8pm in More Hall

*The Basic Principles of Discernment* - God is speaking to us in every moment and is attentive to even the smallest details of our life. Once we turn our attention toward the discernment of spirits, we quickly find that almost everything we've been taught and have done in discernment is wrong. The first part in re-shifting our attention is to recall the key ingredients: identifying consolations and desolations; using and being guided by virtue, discerning along the way through God's blessings and our companions; and being confident

that God is speaking in every moment.

Videos of this series may also be found on the parish website: [stmkc.com](http://stmkc.com). Click on Adult Formation. Questions? Please contact Father Ketterlin at 816-942-2492 or [frketterlin@stmkc.com](mailto:frketterlin@stmkc.com).

## RCIA/Catholic Update

**Thursdays, 7-8:30pm;** Mar. 10-Church; Mar. 17-

**March 17, Session 24: Sacraments of Healing and Union** - We will learn of the work of healing as the purpose of the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick. We will also explore how in receiving Holy Communion, we have the physical union with Christ.

Contact Father Ketterlin if you or a friend are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or joining the Church: [frketterlin@stmkc.com](mailto:frketterlin@stmkc.com) or 816-756-6570.

## Individuals receiving Sacraments on Easter Vigil

Please remember the STM catechumens and candidates in your prayers on Saturday and through Lent: Dave & Renee Bednarczyk, Philip Dauma, Tamira Espinoza and children (Alana, Anthony, Annalicia), Claudia Merino-Olano, and Susan Soloducha.

## Carmelite Spirituality: Coming to the Font

**Website: [stmkc.com](http://stmkc.com), Click on Faith Formation**

Father Kendall begins each session with 8:15am Mass, followed by a brief period of Adoration and a presentation. Each session stands alone, so feel free to jump in any time!

**Saturday, March 19, 8:15am Mass-10am**

**Topic: The Counsels of Perfection-Chastity**

To love chastely is to love as God loves and this is the Way of Perfection. On this feast of Saint Joseph, we turn toward Joseph most chaste as one who is the exemplar of chaste love in the life of a family. Following the 8:15am Mass, we will have Adoration with Benediction at 9:15 and then join together for some refreshments and a short conference. In honor of this feast day, we will have some extra goodies to celebrate our spiritual father and the Protector of the Order.

## Women of STM "Blingo"

**Thursday, March 24, 6:30pm in More Hall**

The Women of STM leaders are excited to offer a combined social/service event for all women of the parish!

**SOCIAL:** Play Blingo—a jewelry/bingo game. The entry fee is a piece of jewelry (or several if you like) that was once loved, but you now are ready to part with. The jewelry becomes the prizes for bingo. You may bring wine, tea, soda, or snacks to share if desired.

**SERVICE:** A group of STM women have been partnering with Journey House for the past several years. We are planning to host a shower for Journey House and Peace House, residential homes for women transitioning into community life after prison. If you would like

to make a donation to Journey House, here are some items that you can bring on March 24: deodorant, loofahs, hangers, hair brushes, shampoo/conditioner, body wash, household cleaning products, toothpaste/floss.

If you have questions, or would like to receive the Women of STM emails, email [wstm@stmkc.com](mailto:wstm@stmkc.com).

## "An Encounter with GRACE"

**A Lenten Simple Supper for ALL Parishioners**

**Wednesday, March 30, 5:30-7pm in More Hall**

Are you searching for how God is calling you to His grace? As we prepare for Easter, come join fellow parishioners for a powerful evening exploring An Encounter with GRACE. We will hear a great talk from Bishop Barron and then a powerful story of a personal encounter with grace from Bill and Jody Craig. There will be beautiful music, prayer and discussion around the theme of GRACE. A simple supper will be served at 5:30pm.

Please **RSVP by Monday, March 28**, to to Mary at 816-942-2492 or to Marla at [mjbyrne0926@swbell.net](mailto:mjbyrne0926@swbell.net).

## Men's Retreat

**Saturday, March 26, 8:30am-2:30pm at Saint Regis**

Are you looking to connect a life of virtue, prayer, sacraments to your mission in everyday life? We are called to be men who live for truth and goodness, to protect our faith, family, and friends.

The speaker, Dave DiNuzzo, founded TrueManhood in 2008 as a way to help men dive into what it truly means to be authentically masculine. What we hope you find here is a source of inspiration to live as a True Man, as well as some formation and education to help you overcome your weaknesses and live virtue!

To register, send your name and a \$15 check, payable to St. John Francis Regis, 8941 James A. Reed Rd., KCMO. Visit [stregischurch.com](http://stregischurch.com) and click on Learn>Adult-Faith-Formation>Mens-Retreat for details or to register online. Lunch is included. For questions or scholarship assistance, contact Glen Ernstmann at 816-204-7267 or [glenn.ernstmann@comcast.net](mailto:glenn.ernstmann@comcast.net).

## Haunted by God: Life of Dorothy Day

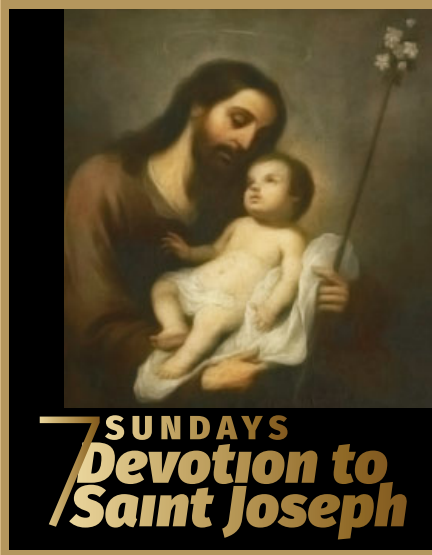
**Saturday, March 26, 7-9pm**

This one-woman play portrays the life of Dorothy Day follows her life from her days as a Greenwich Village free spirit to her later years as a champion of social justice. It will be held at Visitation Parish, 5141 Main. It is a fundraiser for Journey to New Life. Admission is free, however, donations are encouraged.

# Seven Sundays Devotion

7TH SUNDAY - MARCH 13

SORROW AT THE LOSS OF THE CHILD JESUS AND JOY IN FINDING JESUS IN THE TEMPLE



*Weekly prayers and a short video reflection by one of our clergy are posted on the STM website, [stmkc.com](http://stmkc.com).*

*When praying the Seven Sundays devotion, it is customary to pray **for a specific intention**, asking Saint Joseph's powerful intercession for your needs.*

## Introductory Prayer

O glorious Saint Joseph, pattern of all holiness, when you lost the child Jesus, you sought him sorrowing for the space of three days, until with great joy you found him again in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors. By this sorrow and this joy, we ask you, with our hearts upon our lips, to keep us from ever having the misfortune of losing Jesus through mortal sin. Grant also that we always may seek him with unceasing sorrow, when we commit a serious sin, until we find him again, ready to show us his great mercy in the sacrament of Reconciliation.

## Gospel Reading | Luke 2:41-50

Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up according to custom; and when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it, but, supposing him to be in the company,

they went a day's journey, and they sought him among their kinsfolk and acquaintances; and when they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, seeking him. After three days they found him in the Temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions; and all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. And when they saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us so? Behold, your father and I have been looking for you anxiously."

And he said to them, "How is it that you sought me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" And they did not understand the saying which he spoke to them.

## Conclude

...with the Litany to Saint Joseph and the short video reflection on the parish website: [stmkc.com](http://stmkc.com).

**Note:** Hard copies of the Litany are available in the narthex.

## Parish Calendar of Events

Thurs., Mar. 10 - Sacramental Prep, 6:30-7:30, The Peak RCIA, 7-8:30pm, Church  
Knights of Columbus mtg., 7:15pm, More Hall  
Fri., Mar. 11 - No STM School; Spring Break begins  
Scout Fish Fry, 5-7pm, More Hall  
Stations of the Cross, 5:30pm  
Mon., Mar. 14 - More Friends St. Patrick's party, 5:30pm

Living Waters, 7-9:30pm  
Tue., Mar. 15 - Discernment of Spirits, 7-8pm  
Wed., Mar. 16 - Uplift Cooking, 1-3pm  
Thurs., Mar. 17 - RCIA, 7-8:30pm, More Hall  
Fri., Mar. 18 - No Fish Fry  
Fresh Fire, 7-9pm, Church  
Sat., Mar. 19 - Feast of Saint Joseph  
Carmelite Series, 8:15am Mass-10am  
Sat./Sun., Mar. 19-20 - Blest Art in the Narthex



# STM School

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## 2022-23 STM School Registration

**New student** registration has begun! Documents needed for new students include:

- A parish tithing pledge for 2022 must be on file, if an STM parishioner
- Up-to-date immunization records
- Birth certificate
- Baptismal certificate, if baptized
- Request for transcripts from previous schools, if applicable

Families may register at the school on:

- Thursday, March 10, 9-10:30am
- Wednesday, March 23, 9-10:30am
- Wednesday, March 23, 4-5:30pm
- Thursday, March 24, 9-10:30am
- Wednesday, March 30, 9-10:30am
- Thursday, March 31, 9-10:30am

## Congratulations & Blessings on Future Games!

Last weekend five of our basketball teams played in the City Championships at Saint Pius High School. Congratulations to 6th "A" boys (Waris) on finishing second. Congratulations to 6th girls (Nickle), 5th girls (Robert) 5th boys (Lenihan), and 8th "B" boys (Struby) for winning their divisions!

## 8th Grade: Project Cure's Kits for Kids Program

Kits for Kids works through the Franciscan Mission Warehouse to provide personal hygiene and basic medicine cabinet items to parents in developing countries. Volunteer health professionals take the kits on clinic trips and do extensive health education with parents on the appropriate use of the supplies and preventive care in general. These basic supplies can mean the difference between life and death for kids around the world.

If you would like to help the 8th grade collect items, they are getting band-aids, combs, ace bandages, toothbrushes, toothpaste, travel-size tissues, blunt ended scissors, tweezers, nail clippers bars of soap, face masks...and contributions for shipping.

These items may be dropped off at the school or parish office. The 8th grade students will assemble the bags during Holy Week.

## Safe Environment Update

For anyone who has had an account on [virtus.org](http://virtus.org) for 5+ years, there were some changes on January 31. If you did not receive an email, please check your spam, clutter and/or junk folders or just log in to your account. Anything that needs to be done will be noted.

**Volunteers have through March to complete the additional tasks and once again become Virtus compliant.** Questions? Contact Joan Sandford or Meredith Blair (see contact info on page 10).

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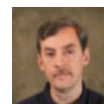
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Office Hours: M,W,F 8:45-1pm; T-Th 8:45-5pm



### Diocesan Ombudsman

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## 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](mailto: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](mailto:victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org) or 816-392-0011 for more information.

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**, contact:

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**Meredith Blair**, School Safe Environment Coordinator, [blair\\_meredith@stmcyclones.org](mailto:blair_meredith@stmcyclones.org) or 942-5581.

## Mass Intentions

- Mon: **6:15AM Mary Kate Hughes<sup>†</sup>**  
 3/14 8:15AM Bob & Frances Kleine<sup>†</sup>
- Tues: **6:15AM Tina Porras<sup>†</sup>**  
 3/15 8:15AM Mary Gettino<sup>†</sup>
- Wed: **6:15AM Medical Technicians**  
 3/16 8:15AM Carl & Linda Fiorella<sup>†</sup>
- Thur: **6:15AM Alice Turner<sup>†</sup>**  
 3/17 8:15AM Mary Schwartz<sup>†</sup>
- Fri: **6:15AM EMTs**  
 3/18 8:15AM Nancy Brogan<sup>†</sup>
- Sat: **8:15AM Bob Atchity<sup>†</sup>**  
 3/19 4:00AM Pat Klein<sup>†</sup>
- Sun: **7:30AM Joan Hughes<sup>†</sup>**  
 3/20 9:00AM Mike Mulligan<sup>†</sup>  
**11:00AM Parishioners of Saint Thomas More**

<sup>†</sup> Deceased

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

For the daily readings, visit [usccb.org/bible/reading](http://usccb.org/bible/reading). Have the readings sent to your email each day, hear the readings read to you, or watch a video with a reflection based on the readings.




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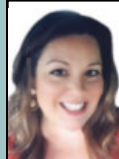
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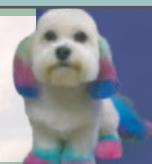
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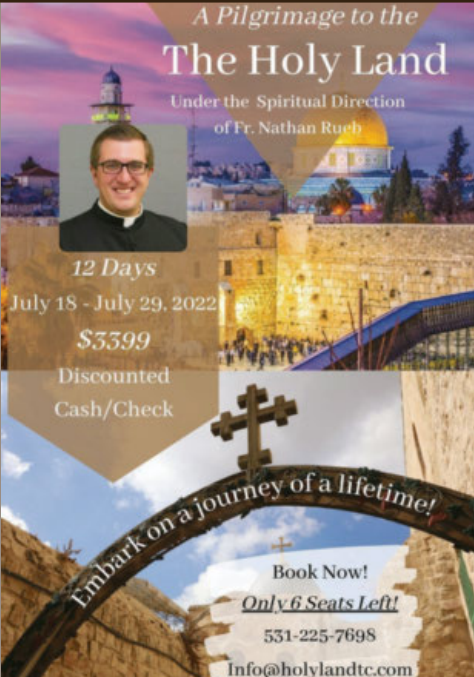
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