

SAIN JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC CHURCH

April 24, 2022



*Congratulations to the youth of our parish who are receiving
the Lord in the Eucharist for the first time!*

Ellie Allen	Grayson Jiles	Hunter O'Neil
Calvin Baker	Liam Johnson	Quinn Pickert
Rylan Betzen	Declan Joswara	Gavin Pittel
Hayla Deets	Kendrick Karumwa	Shay Rawley
Hope Deets	Luke Kimmi	Bernadette Reimer
Simon Downey	Kennedy Klobe	Brett Rhoades
Carter Eisenmenger	Eli Long	Chloe Ritter
Cambridge Fitzpatrick	Emma Long	Ava Samuelson
Jason Gauthier	Layla McEvoy	Derika Schmidt
Emmett Goldsby	Luke Mohwinkle	Kenison Strathman
Stella Hawk	Olivia Newell	Sylvia Sund
Bryson Herndon	Reid Nickloy	Ava VanCamp
Madelyn Hunt	Amani Njunge	Nolan Varady
Maeli Hutchins	Griffin Novacek	Even Wecker
	Colter O'Neil	Alivia Wibbenmeyer

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday Vigil

4:00 PM

Sunday

7:30 AM, 9:00 AM &

11:00 AM

WEEKDAY MASS

Tuesday-Wednesday

5:30 PM

Thursday-Friday

7:00 AM

CONFESSION

Located in Cry Room

Saturday

3:00-3:45 PM

Wednesday

6:00-7:00 PM

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Thank you parents - the first teachers of the faith - for supporting them in their journey. Thank you to Fr. Farrar, our Catholic Youth Formation catechists - Michelle Betzen, Genia Deets, Joanna Gauthier, Jessica Newell, and Drew Stanley - and our Catholic School teachers who all participated in their formation.

Saint John Paul II Catholic Church is called to open doors to Jesus Christ through authentic witness in the home, joyful hope in worship, and fruitful service to our neighbors, offering the opportunity not to have more but to be more.

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**Divine Mercy
Holy Hour**

Sunday, April 24
beginning at 3 p.m.

Exposition with Benediction
Divine Mercy Chaplet
Confession

**DIVINE
MERCY**
Sunday

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Please keep these RCIA Candidates in your prayers as they continue their faith journey toward reception into the Catholic Church on Sunday, May 1:

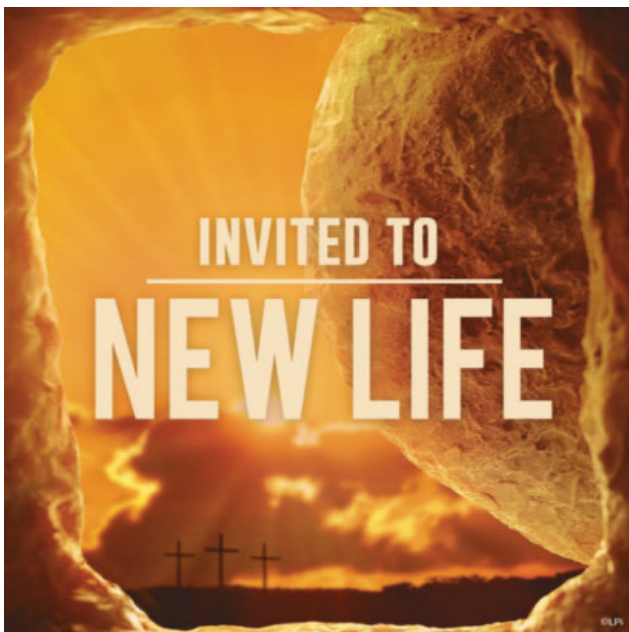
Sheri Langdon
Lauren Longbine
Dustin Schurr

CONFIRMATION

Please keep the 45 youth of our parish in your prayers as they continue their preparation to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on

Thursday, May 12 at 7 p.m.

Archbishop Naumann will be with us to celebrate.



INVITED TO
NEW LIFE

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Christ's Peace House of Prayer

An Archdiocesan Retreat Center - 22131 Meagher Road - Easton, KS

Sunday, May 15, 2022

10am Mass with Archbishop Joseph Naumann

Blessing of Seeds and Soil

Procession to Saint Isidore and Maria Shrine

Followed by lunch and fellowship.

Feast
of
Saint
Isidore
*Patron
Saint
of
Farmers*



To you, O Lord, we cry and pray; bless this sprouting seed, strengthen it in the gentle movement of soft winds, refresh it with the dew of heaven, and let it grow to full maturity for the good of body and soul.

RSVP: 913-773-8255 or info@christspeace.com



"WE ARE
THE EASTER
PEOPLE AND
hallelujah IS
OUR SONG."

ST. JOHN PAUL II

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Saturday, April 23

Saturday within the Octave of Easter
Vigil Divine Mercy Sunday
 4:00 pm The People of the Parish

Sunday, April 24

Divine Mercy Sunday
 7:30 am For the intentions of Fr. James Porter
 9:00 am † Julius & Eileen Stuhlsatz
 11:00 am † Pauline Klinker

Monday, April 25

Monday within the Octave of Easter
 NO Mass

Tuesday, April 26

Second Tuesday of Easter
 5:30 pm † John Wheeler

Wednesday, April 27

Second Wednesday of Easter
Day of Prayer in Atonement of & for the Healing of all harmed by Sexual Abuse
 5:30 pm Victims of Abuse

Thursday, April 28

St. Peter Chanel, Priest & Martyr; St. Louis Grignon de Montfort, Priest
 7:00 am Success of the Open Wide the Doors to Christ
 Capital Campaign

Friday, April 29

St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the Church
 7:00 am † Julius Stuhlsatz

Saturday, April 30

St. Pius V, Pope
Vigil Third Sunday of Easter
 4:00 pm Increase of Vocations

Sunday, May 1

Third Sunday of Easter
 7:30 am † Marvin Rall
 9:00 am People of the Parish
 11:00 am † Bob Wheeler

Sunday, April 24

10:00a RCIA, Conference Room
 11:00a First Communion
 11:30a CYF class, grade 1
 3:00p Divine Mercy Holy Hour
 6:00p CYF class, grades 7 & 8

Monday, April 25

7:00p Women of JP, Social Hall

Tuesday, April 26

6:00p Marian Mantle, Conference Room
 7:00p RCIA

Wednesday, April 27

6:00p Adoration & Benediction
 6:00p CYF class, grades 7 & 8

Thursday, April 28

7:00p Young Adult Group

Sunday, May 1

Value Them Both Action Cards at all Masses
 11:00a RCIA Confirmation
 11:30a CYF class, grade 1 & 2
 6:00p CYF class, grades 7 & 8

Looking ahead...

May 8: Confirmation Practice
May 12: Confirmation
May 14: Confirmation retreat to Prairie Star Ranch
May 15: Donuts & Coffee
May 15: Discipleship Presentation
May 21: George Rhodes Transitional Diaconate ordination
May 21: Pietra Fitness
May 22: Dcn. George Rhodes Reception
May 27: St. Mary's Food Kitchen
June 14: Value Them Both speaker/presentation, 7p

Easter Flower Memorials

Thank you to all who contributed to the Easter Flower Memorials. A memorial for James Duggan was received after the bulletin insert was published.

It's time to return your Rice Bowl!

Please contain your Rice Bowl in a zip lock sandwich bag and return to the church office or in the collection basket.

Thank you!



"There is a real danger that with enormous progress in mastering the outer world we abandon the essential fabric of our inner world. We ourselves can become the objects of gross, often imperceptible manipulation - through social organization, systems of production and the public media."

— John Paul II

Taken from "On Our Pilgrimage to Eternity,
 99 Sayings by John Paul II"



VALUE THEM BOTH

Join the *Memorare Army* for the passage of the Value Them Both Amendment!

The most important action we can take to help pass the Value Them Both Amendment is to turn to prayer, and asking Our Mother to intercede for us is effective and powerful. Mother Teresa formed the first “*Memorare Army*” years ago, and Archbishop Naumann and Benedictine College have both been longtime fans of this prayer campaign.

There are 100 days between Divine Mercy Sunday and the Value Them Both vote. If 1,000 Kansans commit to praying 10 Memorares each day from April 25th to August 2nd, 1 million Memorares will be prayed for the successful passage of the amendment. If you would like to join this powerful prayer campaign, please register at www.archkck.org/VTBMemorareArmy before April 25th.

Thank you for your support!
The Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen

**Value Them Both action cards in pews
April 30 - May 1! The action card is your way of requesting a yard sign, bumper sticker, and also your chance to volunteer with the Value Them Both initiative! Our parish will host a Value Them Both speaker in June. More details to come!**



IMAGINE ASKING YOUR SON WHAT HE WANTS TO BE WHEN HE GROWS UP, AND HE ANSWERS, “I WANT TO BE A PRIEST!” What would your reaction be? Would you be worried or elated - or somewhere in between? The truth is that God has a plan for each of your children; he wants them to be happy even more than you do! And their true happiness is found in discovering God’s plan for their lives - their vocation - and following it wholeheartedly. So if you’re truly concerned about your children’s well-being, it makes sense to help them discern their vocations, whether to marriage, priesthood, or religious life. Here are some simple ways to foster openness to God’s call.

- 1. READ A STORY.** Add some books about famous saints to your bedtime reading. There are dozens of fascinating, age-appropriate stories of saints who were priests and religious. There’s even a comic book about St. John Paul II as a child!
- 2. WATCH A BETTER MOVIE.** When it’s time for family movie night, take a pass on *Spy Kids 4* and check out *A Mission to Love* (the life of St. John Bosco). There are tons of other Catholic films that depict heroic and interesting priests and religious. The conversation afterwards is far more meaningful than which explosion was the biggest!
- 3. SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT.** Media depictions of dating and sexuality are often opposed to authentic love. So when a TV show sends the wrong message, set the record straight about what leads to real happiness. Especially around teens, defend the sacrament of marriage.
- 4. PLAY DRESS UP!** Just as children “play house” and pretend to be moms and dads, help them imagine the life of a priest, brother, or sister. A sheet or towel can serve as a sister’s habit. A Ritz cracker makes a good host for Mass.
- 5. PRAY FROM THE HEART.** In your family prayers, pray for more priests and religious. Let your kids hear you praying for their futures. “Lord, watch over my child today and give them the grace to grow up to be a strong person of faith. Keep them close to You, always in Your perfect will.”
- 6. TALK ABOUT VOCATIONS.** Speak openly about vocations to marriage, priesthood, and religious life. From the earliest age, make it clear that happiness in life is following God’s plan.
- 7. BEFRIEND PRIESTS & RELIGIOUS.** Invite a priest, sister, or brother to dinner at your home. Personal relationships are key. When kids are comfortable around priests/sisters, they’re far more likely to be comfortable with the idea of a priestly or religious vocation when they grow older.

Taken from <https://worlddayofprayerforvocations.com/parents/>

Even Thomas struggles to remove his boulder! Being very pragmatic and determined, he wants to see the risen Christ for himself! Thomas's boulder is heavy with mistrust. Many of ours are too. A certain amount of skepticism is good, as it can save us from being duped or misled. But we can become so skeptical of things that it erodes our ability to trust anything we see or hear. Skepticism can actually be a well-disguised defense mechanism that we use to prevent us from being hurt or perceived as a fool. Having too much ego protection is a real risk. Thomas, because of the boulder blocking his vision, could not even trust the word of his friends.

Boulders are hard to move. It's difficult to seek change or take a risk, especially when we are so afraid to be vulnerable or reluctant to trust another's word. When we are closed minded, overly pragmatic, unwilling to see things in a different way, stubborn or defensive, it is difficult to be surprised by God and stretched. We need to be less guarded, self-assured, and self-absorbed. God cannot break into the ordinary moments of our lives and inspire us when we cling to doubt. If we are going to discover resurrection faith, we have to believe that what the witnesses say is true, especially when they are credible. We also have to trust that the risen Christ is alive in us, too!

While the first witnesses to the resurrection have faded into history, there are many others who have come after them. They continue to inspire by walking the talk of faith. They are the martyrs who offer their lives for the Gospel, the simple holy people in our communities who cling so steadfastly to their faith, those who have touched despair and found new hope and the ones who, even in spite of ridicule, still pursue their hunger and thirst for God. They are our friends, acquaintances, biblical heroes, and saints, and many others who are convinced that they have seen the Lord! The risen Christ may not surprise us with the same kind of visit as he did the first disciples, but God finds other ways. All we have to do is open our eyes, remove whatever is preventing us from seeing and believing and exclaim: "My Lord and my God!"

FINISH FAITHFUL Conference

All things pre-planning for your legacy and preparing for end of life

Saturday, May 14, 2022

9 am - 1 pm | Check-in 8:30 am

Holy Spirit Parish | Overland Park, Kansas

Boxed Lunch courtesy of Catholic Cemeteries of Northeast Kansas

Four Engaging Speakers



Joe Heschmeyer
Keynote Speaker
"The Gift of Everlasting Life"



Fr. Anthony Williams
"Catholic Guide for End of Life and Establishing Advanced Healthcare Directives"



Jon Stanfield
"Catholic Estate and Gift Planning with Wills and Trusts"



Bryan Alonzo
"Why Do People Choose to Pre-plan their Final Arrangements?"

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Queen of the Holy Rosary Catholic School - Wea (a National Blue Ribbon School) is hosting **Kindergarten Round Up!** visits for children entering Kindergarten. Visits are by appointment only. Please call 913-533-2462 to schedule a visit for your child.

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Thank you for your commitment to St. John Paul II Parish. Our parish operations are sustained by your generosity. In order to maintain stability and fulfill our parish's mission, we need your consistent financial support. St. John Paul II Parish offers the following giving options:

- Automatic Bank Withdrawal (ACH) - the form to sign up is found at JP2KC.org under the Give menu.
- Online Giving via checking/savings account or credit card - these donations can be recurring or one-time.
- USPS Mail to the Parish Office (18335 W. 168th Terrace, Olathe, KS 66062).
- Text-to-give (833-979-1388) Normal text message rates from your carrier may apply.
- Visit GIVE at JP2KC.org for complete details on all of these giving options. Thank you for your commitment to our parish!

April 04 - April 10, 2022

Operations	\$14,846.41
Capital Campaign	\$21,860.50
Angel Fund	\$220.00
Catholic Charities	\$65.00
Easter Flower Memorials	\$340.00
Faith Formation	\$45.00
Holy Land	\$45.00
Holy Thursday	\$20.00
Memorial Capital Campaign Contributions	\$850.00
Priesthood Present & Future	\$120.00
Rice Bowl	\$125.00
St. Mary's Food Kitchen	\$150.00

April 11 - April 17, 2022

Operations	\$29,782.88
Capital Campaign	\$12,387.01
Angel Fund	\$170.00
Catholic Charities	\$50.00
Easter Flower Memorials	\$20.00
Faith Formation	\$45.00
Holy Land	\$705.00
Holy Thursday	\$613.00
Mass Intentions	\$20.00
Priesthood Present & Future	\$50.00
Rice Bowl	\$100.00
St. Mary's Food Kitchen	\$175.00
The Leaven	\$46.00

UPDATE TO FAMILY INFORMATION?


Have you recently had a baby, moved to a new address, got a new phone number or email address? These changes may be made through our website at jp2kc.org. See "Update Parishioner Information" under the **Connect** tab.

Women of JP2

All women of the parish are invited to the next Women of JP2 meeting on Monday, April 25 at 7 p.m. in the Social Hall. Join us for fellowship and to learn about ways to become involved with our parish.

Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction
 every Wednesday
 from 6 - 7 p.m.


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How many times does not Holy Mother Church tell us that our life on this earth is a journey? This earth is not our lasting home. God created us for a higher, a much more perfect home, our home in heaven with the joy of God. –Servant of God Emil Kapaun

The Father Kapaun Pilgrimage

Walking the Path to Heaven, June 1-5, 2022



Are you a weary servant? Do you feel burdened, broken or in a spiritual rut? Let's go on a journey together. Will it be hard? YES, but rewarding. Daily Mass, reconciliation and a time to grow in your Love for Jesus.


Cost: \$35.00 Registration Opens March 15, 2022

Register at www.archkck.org/youth-ministry/father-kapaun-pilgrimage

We will travel June 1 to Church of the Magdalen to stay overnight in preparation for the first day.

Start: Church of the Magdalen, 12626 E. 21st St. N, Wichita, KS 67206, on Thursday.
 Pilgrimage begins with Mass at 6 am.
 First Day: 22 Miles to McNeil farm, 2 miles north of Whitewater.
 Second Day: 14 Miles to Peabody Park
 Third Day: 16 Miles to Kroupa Farm, US-56 and Remington Road
 Fourth Day: 8 Miles to Pilsen, Father Kapaun Day Mass at 11:00 am

Pilgrimage: a journey, often into an unknown or foreign place, where a person goes in search of new or expanded meaning about self, others and God.




FAMILY DAY

RETURNS

MAY 7TH

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Prairie Star Ranch is offering you the chance to step away and enter into a day of prayer, adventure, outdoor activities, and a time to reconnect. Families, friends, and communities are invited to join us on Saturday, May 7th from 9am to 5pm! Opportunities include Horseback Riding, Canoeing, Ropes Activities, and time for prayer. The experience will culminate with the celebration of a Saturday Vigil Mass in our beautiful St. Kateri Chapel. All ages are welcome to this come-and-go as you please event! Register online now or contact the Team at Prairie Star Ranch.
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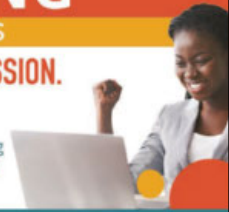
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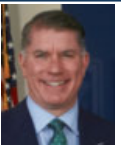
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