



Saint John Francis Regis Parish

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Fr. Emmanuel Lopez, Parochial Vicar

April 7, 2024

Come Home to Communion

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 3:00PM

Sunday: 8:30AM, 10:30AM & 5:00PM In Spanish

Daily Mass

Tuesday - Friday: 8:30AM

Tuesday - 7:00PM In Spanish

Confessions

Sat: 2:00PM & *Wed:* 6:00PM

& by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday: 6:00-7:00PM

Parish Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8AM-3PM

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Easter Vigil 2024



NAME TAG SUNDAY

This weekend, **April 6 & 7** the Feed Your Faith coordinators will host “Name Tag Sunday.” To help parishioners with fellowship. Mass attendees will be asked to wear name tags. Refreshments will be served after all the Masses. Please stop and meet the Feed Your Faith members after Mass and learn about their ministry. If your group/council would like to volunteer please call the Parish Office, 816-761-1608.

Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph invites you to hear more about our mission! St. Regis Parishioner and Catholic Charities Board Member, Patty Sack, will be opening her home in Lee’s Summit on **April 9** from 6-8 PM. We welcome parishioners interested in getting more involved in Catholic Charities to join us for cocktails, appetizers, and inspirational stories from our ministry. RSVP by April 3 to LStellhorn@ccharities.com for the address and more details.

WOMEN’S RETREAT

SAVE THE DATE - Sunday, May 19, 9:30am in the Parish Hall. This retreat is open to all women. The speaker will be Deby Sansone Schlappizzi. As a nationally acclaimed Catholic speaker, Deby shares her faith and encourages others to embrace love, peace and freedom through their relationship with God. She is also a passionate pro-life activist, advocating for the sanctity of life and the dignity of every human being. The cost is \$20. Food will be provided. Details and registration is coming soon. For any questions, contact Diane Pacheco, Connie Wood or Mary Warren.

**Parish Support
March 18-31, 2024**

<u>Contribution Income</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Weekly Offertory	\$ 10,026
Plate	\$ 5,450
Online Giving	\$ 5,474
Total	\$ 20,950

THOUGHTS FROM FR. EMMANUEL

Friends,

Today is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it. Today is Divine Mercy Sunday, the 8th day of the Feast of Easter in which Blessed Pope John Paul II said that we receive the Easter Gift.

And what is this very special Easter Gift? It is the special gift of the total forgiveness of all sins and punishment that the Catholic Church offers in the form of a plenary indulgence today. But, why today? What sets this day apart from any other day? Today is the Octave Day of Easter, the last day of the world’s greatest feast. And shouldn’t the world’s greatest feast offer the world’s greatest gift; the total forgiveness of all sins and punishment, or in other words, “a straight ticket to Heaven” if we should die today in this perfect state of sanctifying grace?

So, what is Divine Mercy? The word “Divine” means “given by God” or “like God”. The word “Mercy” means “the refraining from harming or punishing offenders”. So simply put, Divine Mercy is “God refraining from harming or punishing offenders”. God’s love given to us to set us free.

Next weekend we have first communion Mass at 12:30pm, please pray for all who are going to receive Jesus in the Eucharist for the first time in their lives. Thanks to all our catechists, Deacon Richard, and our faith formation director Luke Donahue for making our catechesis program possible.

May the Mercy of God be with us always,

Fr Emmanuel Lopez

FEED YOUR FAITH

Jesus and the Eucharist is a beautiful new series developed by the USCCB for American Catholics in this Year of the Eucharist. **Feed Your Faith** will be showing Session #3, Am I Saved? tomorrow night, April 8, at 6:15 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Everyone is welcome to join us for dinner at 5:30, followed by *Devotion to the Sacred Heart* prayers, too. Salvation isn’t just about avoiding hell; it is about living in a relationship with the God who loves us. He gives us a tiny taste of being with Him in Heaven with every Eucharist we consume. It is time we uncover the true power of grace and embrace the freedom God created us to enjoy. Join us tomorrow night for this powerful video series.

MARIAN CONSECRATION

To *consecrate* means “to set aside for a particular purpose”. What does it mean, exactly, when the term is applied to our relationship with Mary? Put simply, Marian consecration is an entrustment of oneself to Our Lady. But if that “simple” idea still sounds vague and mystical, know that consecration involves the following concrete steps:

1. A substantial period of prayerful preparation (typically 33 days) either in a group or by oneself. This **begins on April 10** at St. Regis this year.
2. A final prayer - the Act of Consecration itself - to be said on the day of the consecration (May 13 at St. Regis - the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima).
3. A persistent spirit of trust in Mary’s motherly care and intercession, to endure for the rest of your life.

As Catholics. We recognize that when, from the Cross, Jesus gave Mary to the disciple John, and John, in turn, to Mary, Jesus made her our spiritual mother. As such, Mary is equipped in a special way, over and above all the other saints in heaven, to lead us to holiness.

CONSECRATION TO JESUS THROUGH MARY

If you have never read *33 Days to Morning Glory* before, plan to pick up a copy at all the weekend Masses **April 6 & 7**. There will be a short talk after each Mass explaining how this do-it-yourself retreat will deepen your relationship to Mary with the help of St. Louis de Montfort, St. Pope John Paul II, St. Fr. Maximillian Kolbe and St. Mother Theresa of Calcutta.

COME TO THE BABY SHOWER!

Thank you for participating over the last nine months in the Ladies Auxiliary’s Spiritual Adoption program, in which you “adopted” and prayed for the unborn. We are asking for your help in celebrating their birth by collecting money and baby items, which will be delivered to various pregnancy resource centers. The shower will occur the weekends of **April 13/14 and April 20/21**. Look for the baby playpen in the Gathering Space, where your gifts will be collected. Thank you.



MARIAN CONSECRATION RETREAT

St. Regis is hosting a 1/2 day Marian Consecration Retreat on **April 21st**. It is open to all ages. Please sign up in the Gathering Space.

2024 Luau Parish Matching Tracker

Goal Reached: \$50,000

\$40,000

\$30,000

\$20,000

\$10,000

April 7th Update
 We raised \$31,139 during Lent! If you haven't had a chance, please contribute by April 21st to help us reach our \$50,000 goal! You can give online or by using the Regis Strong envelopes found on the Luau Table in the gathering space.

2024 ST. REGIS ACADEMY LUAU

SATURDAY APRIL 27, 2024
 FROM 5:00 - 10:30

AT ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL HIGH SCHOOL
 2901 NW LEE'S SUMMIT RD
 LEE'S SUMMIT, MO 64064

THE LUAU IS ST. REGIS ACADEMY'S LARGEST FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR! ALL OF THE MONEY RAISED GOES DIRECTLY TOWARDS SCHOLAR SUPPORTS AND FINANCIAL AID. PLEASE HELP US MAKE THE 2024 EVENT THE BEST ONE YET!

TO BUY TICKETS, CONTRIBUTE TO OUR \$50K MATCHING FUND, OR TO DONATE, VISIT OUR WEBSITE OR SCAN THE QR CODE!

WWW.REGISACADEMY.ORG/LUAU



Academy Corner



2024 Luau



Just a few of the items:

The Luau is only 3 weeks away!

Chocolate Lab Puppy!

Chiefs Package including tickets, a Travis Kelce Jersey, and a costume made Taylor Swift Jersey!

Luau at your house with entertainment from The Burnt Ends and a full smoked pig curtesy of the Farmhouse Restaurant!

Be sure to purchase your tickets before they're all gone by visiting our website or using the QR Code below!



Follow our Facebook page for more items and Luau updates at facebook.com/stregiskc

www.regisacademy.org/Luau

The Art and Environment Committee is grateful to those who made donations to the flower fund for the Easter season.

Please remember their friends and relatives in prayer.

Rex & Karen Bland – in memory of Joe & Marie Gribbin; Ellison & Grace Bland

David Orozco

Jeri Mulloy

Glen & Mary Ernstmann

Juan Godoy & Claudia Rivera

Mary Ann Gensler

Debra Ramsey

Jim & Pat Filley

Pat Hanson –in memory of Harold & Peggy Hanson

Otto & Joanne Hill – in memory of Mary Gordon & Mamie Hill

John & Martha Aquino –in memory of the Aquino & Bell Families

James & Louise Kuchinski –in memory of Morris & Aletha Manley; Jim & Lola Martin; Dan Kuchinski

Bill & Gay Heydon –in memory of Bill & Loretta Heydon; Joe & Wilma Ryan

Mary Ann Kimbrell –in memory of Kevin Kimbrell; Martin & Charlotte Gruettemeyer; William & Katherine Kimbrell

Don & Kathy Wolff –in memory of Edgar & Olive Mehl; Ted & Anne Wolff

Julie Schneider –in memory of Max & Betty Schneider

Luis & Maria Lopez –in honor of Grandma Lorezo

Homer & Katie Radford –in memory of Homer & Myrtle Radford; Ralph & Mattie Lee Burnes

Gloria Hoedl –in memory of Ray Hoedl

—To be continued next week

PENSAMIENTOS DEL P. EMMANUEL

Amigos

Hoyes el día que el Señor ha hecho, regocijémonos y alegrémonos en él. Hoy es el Domingo de la Divina Misericordia, el octavo día de la Fiesta de Pascua en la que el Beato Papa Juan Pablo II dijo que recibimos el Don de Pascua.

¿Y cuál es este regalo de Pascua tan especial? Es el don especial del perdón total de todos los pecados y castigos que la Iglesia Católica ofrece hoy en forma de indulgencia plenaria. Pero, ¿por qué hoy? ¿Qué diferencia a este día de cualquier otro? Hoy es la octava de Pascua, el último día de la fiesta más grande del mundo. ¿Y no debería la fiesta más grande del mundo ofrecer el regalo más grande del mundo? el perdón total de todos los pecados y el castigo, o en otras palabras, "un boleto directo al Cielo" si murieramos hoy en este estado perfecto de gracia santificante?

Entonces, ¿qué es la Divina Misericordia? La palabra "Divino" significa "dado por Dios" o "como Dios". La palabra "Misericordia" significa "abstenerse de dañar o castigar a los ofensores". En pocas palabras, la Divina Misericordia es "Dios absteniéndose de dañar o castigar a los ofensores". El amor de Dios nos ha sido dado para liberarnos.

El próximo fin de semana tenemos la Misa de Primera Comunión a las 12:30 pm, por favor oren por todos los que van a recibir a Jesús en la Eucaristía por primera vez en sus vidas. Gracias a todos nuestros catequistas, al diácono Richard y a nuestro director de formación en la fe, Luke Donahue, por hacer posible nuestro programa de catequesis.

Que la Misericordia de Dios esté siempre con nosotros,

P. Emmanuel López

RECOGIDA DE ALIMENTOS

El próximo fin de semana, **13 y 14 de abril**, es nuestra colecta mensual de alimentos. Sus productos enlatados y otras donaciones de alimentos no perecederos ayudan a mantener abastecida la despensa de alimentos. Lo que más necesitamos es Chicken Helper, maíz enlatado, cereales y jarabe. Sus alimentos donados son muy apreciados. Gracias por su continuo apoyo a este ministerio.

RETIRO DE MUJERES

RESERVE LA FECHA - Domingo, 19 de mayo, 9:30 a.m. en el Salón Parroquial. Este retiro está abierto a todas las mujeres. El ponente será Deby Sansone Schlapprizzi. Como oradora católica aclamada a nivel nacional, Deby comparte su fe y anima a otros a abrazar el amor, la paz y la libertad a través de su relación con Dios. También es una apasionada activista pro-vida, que aboga por la santidad de la vida y la dignidad de cada ser humano. El costo es de \$20. Se proporcionará comida. Los detalles y el registro llegarán pronto. Para cualquier duda, póngase en contacto con Diane Pacheco, Connie Wood o Mary Warren.

CONSAGRACION A JESUS A TRAVES DE MARIA

Si nunca antes ha leído *33 Days to Morning Glory*, planea recoger una copia en todas las misas de fin de semana del **6 y 7 de abril**. Habrá una breve charla después de cada Misa explicando cómo este retiro de bricolaje profundizará su relación con María con la ayuda de San Luis de Montfort, San Papa Juan Pablo II, San Padre Maximiliano Kolbe y Santa Madre Teresa de Calcuta.

CONSAGRACION MARIANA

Consagrar significa "apartar para un fin determinado". ¿Qué significa, exactamente, cuando el término se aplica a nuestra relación con María? En pocas palabras, la consagración mariana es una entrega de uno mismo a la Virgen. Pero si esa idea "simple" todavía suena vaga y mística, sepa que la consagración implica los siguientes pasos concretos:

1. Un período sustancial de preparación para la oración (típicamente 33 días), ya sea en grupo o por uno mismo. Esto **comienza el 10 de abril** de este año en St. Regis.
2. Una oración final - el Acto de Consagración en sí mismo - que se dirá el día de la consagración (13 de mayo en St. Regis - la Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Fátima).
3. Un espíritu persistente de confianza en el cuidado y la intercesión materna de María, para que perdure por el resto de su vida.

Como católicos. Reconocemos que cuando, desde la Cruz, Jesús entregó a María al discípulo Juan, y Juan, a su vez, a María, Jesús la hizo nuestra madre espiritual. Como tal, María está equipada de una manera especial, por encima de todos los demás santos en el cielo, para guiarnos a la santidad.

MENTAL HEALTH TIP

Feeling anxious? Take a trip down memory lane and do some coloring for about 20 minutes to help you clear your mind. Pick a design that's geometric and a little complicated for the best effect.



Spiritual Adaption

Month 8: Now I am just gaining weight and I am probably starting to make my mother uncomfortable with my size. In a short time I will be born. On behalf of mom and me, thank you for your prayers for the past eight months. They have given her the grace she needed to make the right choices.

“The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law; but thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not in vain in the Lord.” Cor. 15:56-58

FOOD COLLECTION

Next weekend, **April 13 & 14** is our monthly food collection. Your canned goods and other non-perishable food donations help keep the food pantry stocked. We are most in need of Chicken Helper, canned corn, cereal and syrup. Your donated food items are greatly appreciated. Thanks for your continued support of this ministry.



ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

We would like to thank those who answered our plea to contribute to the Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) that supports the Diocese and the Parish. Our commitment to ACA is \$21,381, to date we have received pledges/donations of \$17,197 or 80% of our assessment. We thank everyone who has contributed and encourage everyone to prayerfully consider a contribution. Pledge envelopes can be found in the gathering space or you can contact the parish office.

DIOCESAN NEWS

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you *observe or suspect* sexual abuse: Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-392-3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18); 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 816-812-2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. 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, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 816-392-0011 or true.francis@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

Please Remember In Your Prayers: Dennis Wadle, Aidan Jones, Joanne Whitehorse, Denise Kopek, Dolores Dick, McCartney Weist, Teresa Foster, Joseph Gregory, Margaret Kelly, Gregory Richard, Phil Hoffman, John Hoffman, Teefey Family, Hanger Family, Daniel & Jeneth Hunter, John Stadler, Genevieve Thieme, JR Lillig, John Minton, Ben Rosenblum, Georgiana Smith, Mary Jill Reid, Rosie Murphy, Vickie Young, Lou & Terrie Ramsey, Bobby Washington, Andres Foncha, Tom Fournier, Ken Stewart, Stephanie Eads, Robert Harvey, Rick Martin, Julie Boisen, Kathy Gross, Marek Family, Hodge Family, Sylvia Mooney, Jerry Crowley, Jane Marzano, Kenny Thornton, Michael Sheehan, Nathan Livingston, Mike & Pat Gallagher, Tammy Fayard, Jennifer Buddemeyer & family, Dianne Greene, Phoebe Reitingler, Jerry Anselmo, Jack Deuschle, Mary Hunter, Martha Aquino, John Reyes, Sr., Lupita Sharkey, Yair Arvizu and the many parishioners who are experiencing situational and financial hardships.

Please Pray for the Soul of:

Ann Kliem, mother of Marcey Reilly

Please Pray for our parishioners' family members serving in the military: Tyler Griggs, Buck Roberts, Cathy Roberts & Troy Fraser

BULLETIN DEADLINE

The deadline to put announcements in the bulletin is 8am on Tuesday prior to the following Sunday. Send announcements to cmelchior@regischurch.org

Liturgical Roles

April 13 & 14

Lectors

- 3:00pm Becky Smith & Jake Smith
- 8:30am Dianne Schmidt & Katie Radford
- 10:30am Mark McGee & Dennis Reilly

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

- 3:00pm Alex Pope & Dorothy Quinn
- 8:30am Jane Marzano & Regina Ozbun
- 10:30am Dennis Reilly & Prisca Tizimbune

Servers

- 3:00pm Riley Winder
- 8:30am Miguel Martinez
- 10:30am Tyler Divis, Kia Townsend, Malyk Musongwe
Maliya Musongwe & Makayla Musongwe

Greeters

- 3:00pm Marvin Chaney & Don Wolff
- 8:30am Sue Quanty Smith & Maxine Rodriguez
- 10:30am Ken Glasbrenner & Martin Gomez

Mass Coordinator

- 3:00pm Becky Smith
- 8:30am Connie Wood
- 10:30am Frankline Musongwe

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, April 9

- 8:30am †Pat Filley by Teresa King
- 7:00pm †Pat Filley

Wednesday, April 10

†Rev. Michael Rice

Thursday, April 11

For the Intentiosn of the Vogelsang Family

Friday, April 12

†John Weaver by George & Teri Weiter

Saturday, April 13

- 3:00pm †Pat Filley by Mary Ann Tatman

Sunday, April 14

- 8:30am †Maria Aldana
- 10:30am †Maria Reyes
- 5:00pm People of St. John Francis Regis Parish

Sunday, April 7—Name Tag Sunday

- 8:30am Mass
- 9:30am Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary
- 10:30am Mass
- 11:30am Parish Forum
- 5:00pm Mass/Spanish

Monday, April 8

- 5:30pm Feed Your Faith
- 6:30pm Bible Class/Sp
- 7:00pm Bible Class/Eng
- 7:00pm Social Service Ministry Council
- No School

Tuesday, April 9

- 8:30am Mass
- 9:30am Faith Enrichment
- 6:00pm Bible Class/Eng
- 6:00pm Faith Formation
- 6:30pm Rosary
- 7:00pm Mass/Spanish
- 7:00pm Neo. Way
- 7:30pm Bible Class/Sp

Wednesday, April 10

- 8:30am Mass
- 6:00pm Adoration/Confessions
- 6:00pm Religious Ed. & Parent Bible Study
- 7:00pm Bible Study/Sp
- 7:00pm Knights of Columbus

Thursday, April 11

- 8:30am Mass
- 9:30am Scripture Sharing
- 6:00pm Bible Study/Sp
- 6:00pm Bible Study/Eng
- 6:00pm Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00pm RCIA
- 6:00pm Confirmation/Sp
- 6:30pm Exhibitio

Friday, April 12

- 8:30am Mass
- 6:00pm Bible Study/Sp
- 6:00pm Choir Rehearsal/Sp
- No School

Saturday, April 13—Food Collection

- 6:15am That Man Is You
- 8:00am 1st Communion Retreat
- 2:00pm Confessions
- 3:00pm Mass

Sunday, April 14—Food Collection

- 8:00am Retreat/Sp
- 8:30am Mass
- 10:30am Mass
- 12:00pm 1st Communion Mass
- 5:00pm Mass/Spanish

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