



# Saint John Francis Regis Parish

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Fr. Emmanuel Lopez, Parochial Vicar

April 16, 2023

## Come Home to Communion

### Weekend Masses

*Saturday:* 3:00PM

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

### Daily Mass

*Tuesday - Friday:* 8:30AM

### Confessions

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

### Eucharistic Adoration

*Wednesday:* 6:00-7:00PM

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

Parish Office (816) 761-1608

Emergencies 761-1608

School Office 763-5837

Religious Education 761-1608

FAX 966-1350

### Parish Staff

Fr. Emmanuel Lopez Ext. 302

Deacon Ken Albers

Deacon Robert Falke

Deacon Richard Gross

Robin Fisher, Principal

Diane Banks, Music Ministry

Roger Cashman, Maintenance

Luke Donahue, DRE & Faith Formation

Esmeralda Lopez, Hispanic Ministry

Colleen Melchior, Office Manager

Maeghan Miller, Director of Operations

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Victim Advocate (816) 392-0011

### Parish Council

Deanna Perry	Ora Reyes
Frankline Musongwe	Dcn. Robert Falke
Gonzalo Villalobos	Mike Apprill
Robin Fisher	Fr. Emmanuel Lopez



## 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER

(DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)

Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." - Jn 20:26-27

## DIVINE MERCY POTLUCK BRUNCH

The feast of Divine Mercy falls on the 2nd Sunday of Easter - **April 16**. All are invited to prepare for the Celebration by praying the Novena which began on Good Friday. Pamphlets on how to say the Novena are available in the Gathering Space. The celebration will conclude on **Sunday, April 16**, with a Pot Luck Brunch in the Parish Hall. Please bring a dish in the category that corresponds to the first letter of your last name.

A-H - fruit/juice

I-P - egg casserole

Q-Z - muffin, donuts, sweet rolls, or tea bread

## CROSS CATHOLIC OUTREACH

Fr. John Fischer of Cross Catholic Outreach will be visiting our parish next weekend at all the Masses on behalf of the poor in developing countries. This ministry was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America.

## OUR LADY OF FATIMA STATUE

Our Lady of Fatima statue is visiting homes. She is still making her rounds to all the families who signed up. Between her other Diocesan obligations, Our Lady has been visiting one family each week for the past several months. If you are on the list, she will get to you. If you are not yet signed up and would like our beautiful statue of Our Lady of Fatima to spend a week at your house, call Luke Donahue in the Parish office, or Glenn Earmann or Connie Wood.

## Parish Support March 27-April 2, 2023

<u>Contribution Income</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Weekly Offertory	\$ 6,358
Plate	\$ 1,906
Online Giving	\$ 3,352
Total	\$ 11,616

## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

The early days of the first Christian community were not easy by any measurement. Jesus had been executed, and his disciples had to be discreet so as not to meet a similar fate. Jesus was now risen, but the truth of his resurrection was not accepted by all. However, the depiction of that early community in Acts 2:42-47 would lead someone to believe it was the opposite situation. We are told of community life where people lean on each other and share great joy. They ate and prayed together, and many wonders and signs were occurring to lift the community and bear witness to the power of Jesus Christ. They were disciples living out their faith, and it was their strong sense of stewardship that made all this possible in the face of threatening Roman and Jewish powers.

Today, we find the Church in a new turmoil. Increasing secularism, abuse scandals, and a lack of true fidelity place us once again in a time that is not easy. A friend of mine likes to say that any challenge of sin we encounter in the Church has its origin in a lack or misunderstanding of the stewardship way of life. We create our burdens by not using our gifts wisely and by turning inward selfishly.

Could we use the story in Acts of the early Church to help us today? If we begin with the decision to give of ourselves completely to God and His people, will we become agents of change? There is only one way to find out. — *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPI*

## FEED YOUR FAITH

**Feed Your Faith** will be celebrating Divine Mercy Sunday for the next 5 weeks by showing **Divine Mercy: The 2<sup>nd</sup> Greatest Story Ever Told**. In this powerful DVD Series, Fr. Michael Gaitley weaves a tapestry of wonder and beauty from the threads of the dramatic history of Poland, the transformative message of St. Faustina Kowalska, the prophetic apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima, the powerful witness of St. Maximilian Kolbe, and the world-changing papacy of St. John Paul II. But this is more than just a masterful telling of **"The Second Greatest Story Ever Told."** In this brilliantly done series, we actually experience the amazing back story of God's plan unfolding in our contemporary history. You will never see Divine Mercy the same after seeing this series. This series will put it all together for you. Tomorrow night, April 17, we begin with **Episode 1: "God's School of Trust"** and **Episode 2: "Behold This Heart"**. Join us for dinner in the Parish Hall at 5:30 p.m., or join on-line at 6:00 p.m.

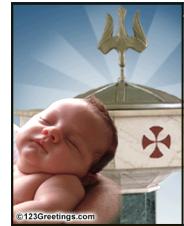
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### BAPTISMS

Welcome to the newest members born to new life in Christ through the Holy Waters of Baptism. **Giovanni Contreras Diaz**, son of Luis and Nubia and **Angelica Guadalupe Xalamihua Diaz**, daughter of Gustavo and Norma were baptized last weekend. May they be blessed throughout their lives and be guided by the Holy Spirit.



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.

Theresa Van Pelt –in memory of Kenny Van Pelt; Frank & Daisy Sadecki; Kenneth & Bernice Van Pelt  
Mike & Mary Sonderman –in memory of deceased members of Rodriguez & Sonderman Families  
Jim & Louise Kuchinski –in memory of Morris & Aletha Manley; Jim & Lola Martin; Dan Kuchinski  
John & Martha Aquino –in memory of the Aquino & Bell Families  
Teresa King –in memory of William & Frances Schmitz; Wayne & Mary Ann Thielbar;  
David, Linda Grace, & Loretta Marian Schmitz; Denny King  
John & Virginia Reyes  
Donald & Sandra Bradley  
Glen & Mary Ernstmann  
Kelly Metz – in memory of Herman, Helen & Carl Metz  
Otto & Joanne Hill –in memory of Osborne & Mamie Hill; Laurie Bomar  
Homer & Katie Radford –in memory of Homer & Myrtle Radford; Ralph & Mattie Lee Burnes  
Katherine Camacho –in memory of Duane & Josephine Bollenbock;  
Florentino & Maria de los Angels Camacho; Florentino Camacho, Jr.  
Pamela Singleton  
—Continued next week



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**Luau Tickets now on sale!**

Ticket Prices:  
Single ticket: \$50  
Couple Tickets: \$80  
Small Table (8): \$300  
Large Table (10): \$380

Scan the QR code to go directly to the ticket purchasing website.

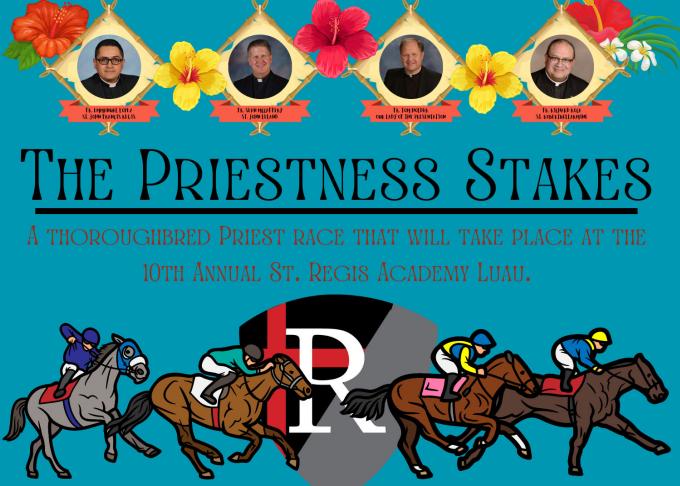
To buy tickets, find out more information and for other ways to support the Luau, visit [www.regisacademy.org/luau](http://www.regisacademy.org/luau)

10th Annual St. Regis Academy Luau  
Saturday, April 29th  
St. Michael the Archangel High School  
5:30 - 10:30



**THE PRIESTNESS STAKES**

A THOROUGHBRED PRIEST RACE THAT WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE 10TH ANNUAL ST. REGIS ACADEMY LUAU.



DON'T LET YOUR FAVORITE PRIEST GET LEFT IN THE DUST!  
SUPPORT THEM BY VISITING [WWW.REGISACADEMY.ORG/LUAU](http://WWW.REGISACADEMY.ORG/LUAU)



75% OF THE PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT THE ST. REGIS LUAU. THE OTHER 25% WILL BE SPLIT BETWEEN THE WINNING PRIEST'S PARISH AND ONE OF HIS LUCKY SUPPORTERS!

READ THE RULES AND FIND OUT HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT YOUR FAVORITE PRIEST AND TO FIND LUAU TICKETING INFORMATION, VISIT [WWW.REGISACADEMY.ORG/LUAU](http://WWW.REGISACADEMY.ORG/LUAU).

**St. Regis**  
ACADEMY Catholic Liberal Arts Education

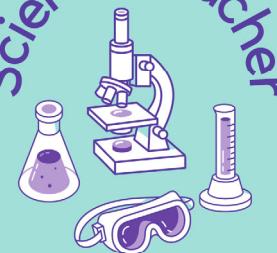
**Enroll Now for 2023-2024!**



St. Regis Academy is now enrolling PK - 8th grade for next school year.  
Anyone interested in the Academy should visit our website [www.regisacademy.org/enrollment](http://www.regisacademy.org/enrollment) to schedule a tour, access enrollment information, and to find out about financial aid.  
You can also call the school Monday - Friday at 816-763-5837.

**NOW HIRING!**

**Science Teacher**



St. Regis Academy is growing its leadership team! If you are an experienced science educator looking to keep a foot in the classroom, but also make school-wide impact with program development and teacher mentorship, this is your opportunity. For more information reach out to Robin Fisher at [rfisher@regisacademy.org](mailto:rfisher@regisacademy.org) or Apply online at <https://recruiting.paylocity.com/recruiting/jobs/Apply/1519280/Available-Positions/Science-Teacher>

**Join the Academy for**  
**May Crowning**



As the Scholars honor our Blessed Mother  
Before the 8:15 am Mass  
Thursday, May 4th 2023  
St. Regis Catholic Church

There will be reserved seating for the scholars and pictures will be available on our website after the event.



Schedule for the day:

- 9:45 AM - Meet by Rosary Garden to collect supplies
- 10 AM - Begin Clean Up
- 11 AM - Return to Campus for sack lunch picnic prepared by Ms. Sue

Clean Up Locations:

- St. Regis fields, playground and ECC building
- James A. Reed Park
- 79th Street to Bannister Park
- Robandee Shopping Center
- 87th Street to 107th Street

If you are interested in volunteering to help, please call the school office (816-763-5837) or email Mrs. Fisher (rfisher@regisacademy.org) no later than April 16th.

All volunteers must be Protecting God's Children certified prior to working with the scholars. Please let the school office know if you need to receive this training.

## MAYORDOMIA DIARIA

Los primeros días de la primera comunidad cristiana no fueron fáciles desde el punto de vista de ninguna medida. Jesús había sido ejecutado, y sus discípulos tuvieron que ser discretos para no encontrar un destino similar. Jesús había resucitado, pero la verdad de su resurrección no fue aceptada por todos. Sin embargo, la descripción de esa comunidad primitiva en Hechos 2:42-47 llevaría a alguien a creer que era la situación opuesta. Se nos habla de la vida comunitaria donde las personas se apoyan unas en otras y comparten una gran alegría. Comieron y oraron juntos, y muchas maravillas y señales estaban ocurriendo para elevar a la comunidad y dar testimonio del poder de Jesucristo. Eran discípulos que vivían su fe, y fue su fuerte sentido de mayordomía lo que hizo todo esto posible frente a los amenazantes poderes romanos y judíos.

Hoy, encontramos a la Iglesia en una nueva agitación. El creciente secularismo, los escándalos de abuso y la falta de verdadera fidelidad nos colocan una vez más en un momento que no es fácil. A un amigo mío le gusta decir que cualquier desafío de pecado que encontramos en la Iglesia tiene su origen en una falta o malentendido de la forma de vida de mayordomía. Creamos nuestras cargas al no usar nuestros dones sabiamente y al volvemos hacia adentro egoístamente.

¿Podríamos usar la historia de Hechos de la Iglesia primitiva para ayudarnos hoy? Si comenzamos con la decisión de entregarnos completamente a Dios y a su pueblo, ¿nos convertiremos en agentes de cambio? Solo hay una forma de averiguarlo. —Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

## BRUNCH POTLUCK DE LA DIVINA MISERICORDIA

La fiesta de la Divina Misericordia cae el 2º domingo de Pascua - 16 de abril. Todos están invitados a prepararse para la celebración rezando la Novena que comenzó el Viernes Santo. Los folletos sobre cómo decir la Novena están disponibles en el Espacio de Reunión. La celebración concluirá el **domingo 16 de abril** con un Pot Luck Brunch en el Salón Parroquial. Por favor, traiga un plato en la categoría que corresponde a la primera letra de su apellido.

A-H - fruta/zumo

I-P - cazuela de huevos

Q-Z - muffin, donas, panecillos dulces o pan de té

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**MIDWEST MARCH FOR LIFE**  
Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph  
Bus Trip to Jefferson City, MO  
**ONLY \$30**  
April 26, 2023  
Registration and Itinerary Available Now  
[respectlifekcsj.org/2023-midwest-march-for-life.html](http://respectlifekcsj.org/2023-midwest-march-for-life.html)

## 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](mailto: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](mailto:true.francis@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.

## SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

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

## APRIL PRAYER INTENTIONS

Pope Francis: We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

Bishop Johnston: For those who work to protect children from abuse, neglect, and trafficking.

## FREE WIGS

I have 5 wigs that were worn by my wife who was a Cancer patient. They are light gray and light brown. If you are interested please call Richard at 816-356-8312.

## CATECHESIS FOR ADULTS & YOUNG PEOPLE

Today we are faced with many challenges. Even our faith sometimes is challenged. Our parish is offering a series of meetings that will help us deepen our faith and learn to live more contently. A team of missionary catechists will be with us to lead a catechesis for adults and young people. These hourly meetings are every Tuesday and Friday at 7pm. Come and Listen.

## EUCARISTIC ADORATION WITH CONFESSIONS

Join us for Adoration and Confessions  
**every Wednesday 6:00-7:00pm.**

**Please Remember In Your Prayers:** David Berg, Dennis Wadle, Aidan Jones, Joanne Whitehurst, Denise Kopke, Margie Strobl, Dolores Dick, McCartney Weist, Teresa Foster, Joseph Gregory, Margaret Kelly, Gregory Richard, Phil Hoffman, John Hoffman, Mary Hunter, Teefey Family, Hanger Family, Daniel & Jeneth Hunter, John Stadler, Genevieve Thieme, Pat Filley, JR Lillig, John Minton, Ben Rosenblum, Georgiana Smith, Mary Jill Reid, Rosie Murphy, Vickie Young, Lou & Terrie Ramsey, Bobby Washington, Ben Cotter, Andres Foncha, Tom Fournier, Jim Rouchka, Ken Stewart, Stephanie Eads, Robert Harvey, Tom Smith, Rick Martin, Julie Boisen, Kathy Gross, Marek Family, Hodge Family, Ernesto Gamboa, Sylvia Mooney, Jerry Crowley, Paul Roder, Jane Marzano, Kenny Thornton, Mary Ann Gensler, Michael Sheehan, Nathan Livingston, Mike & Pat Gallagher and the many parishioners who are experiencing situational and financial hardships.

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

## Liturgical Roles

### April 22 & 23

#### Lectors

3:00pm Marvin Chaney & Melissa Wiehn  
 8:30am Katie Radford & Joan Sack  
 10:30am Virginia Reyes & Ora Reyes

#### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

3:00pm Alex Pope, Melissa Wiehn, Dorothy Quinn  
 Marvin Chaney  
 8:30am Maxine Rodriguez, Betty Roder, Paul Roder  
 Jane Marzano  
 10:30am Teresa Mahnke, Mary Kimbrell, Diane Pacheco  
 Yajaira Miranda

#### Servers

3:00pm Jayla Tolson & Riley Smith  
 8:30am Miguel Martinez  
 10:30am Tyler Divis, Myliya Musongwe & Malyk Musongwe

#### Greeters

3:00pm Manuel Botello & Mary Ann Warren  
 8:30am Sue Quanty Smith & Kathleen Robb  
 10:30am Ken Glasbrenner & Martin Gomez

## Mass Intentions

#### Tuesday, April 18

†Bob Sack by Joan Sack

#### Wednesday, April 19

†Ricardo Reyes Rodriguez by Family

#### Thursday, April 20

†Ricardo Reyes Rodriguez by Family

#### Friday, April 21

†Eliseo & Clara Hernandez by Family

#### Saturday, April 22

3:00pm People of St. John Francis Regis Parish

#### Sunday, April 23

8:30am †Jesse & Ruth Rodriguez by Family  
 10:30am †Earl & Lisa Cowher by the Lickteig Family  
 5:00pm For the Intentions of Evelyn Lopez by Family

## Schedule of Events

#### Sunday, April 16

8:30am Mass  
 10:30am Mass  
 11:30am Divine Mercy Chaplet  
 2:00pm Mass/Spanish  
 Food Collection

#### Monday, April 17

Soup Kitchen  
 Meatloaf Monday  
 5:00pm Culver's Night  
 5:30pm Bible Class/Sp  
 5:45pm Feed Your Faith

#### Tuesday, April 18

8:30am Mass  
 9:30am Faith Enrichment  
 6:00pm Bible Class/Eng  
 6:30pm Rosary  
 7:00pm Bible Class/Sp  
 7:00pm Neocatechumenal Way

#### Wednesday, April 19

8:30am Mass  
 4:00pm Kindergarten Screening  
 6:00pm Adoration & Confessions  
 6:00pm School of Religion  
 6:00pm Pre & Confirmation  
 6:00pm Bible Class/Sp

#### Thursday, April 20

8:30am Mass  
 9:30am Scripture Sharing  
 5:30pm Bible Class/Sp  
 6:00pm Praise Choir Rehearsal  
 6:00pm Bible Class/Eng  
 7:00pm Boy Scouts  
 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

#### Friday, April 21

8:30am Mass  
 9:30am Holy Donuts  
 6:30pm Bible Class/Eng  
 7:00pm Bible Class/Sp

#### Saturday, April 22

2:00pm Confessions  
 3:00pm Mass

#### Sunday, April 23

8:30am Mass  
 10:30am Mass  
 5:00pm Mass/Spanish

## 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