



# Saint John Francis Regis Parish

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[www.stregischurch.com](http://www.stregischurch.com)

Fr. Emmanuel Lopez, Parochial Administrator

September 22, 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**

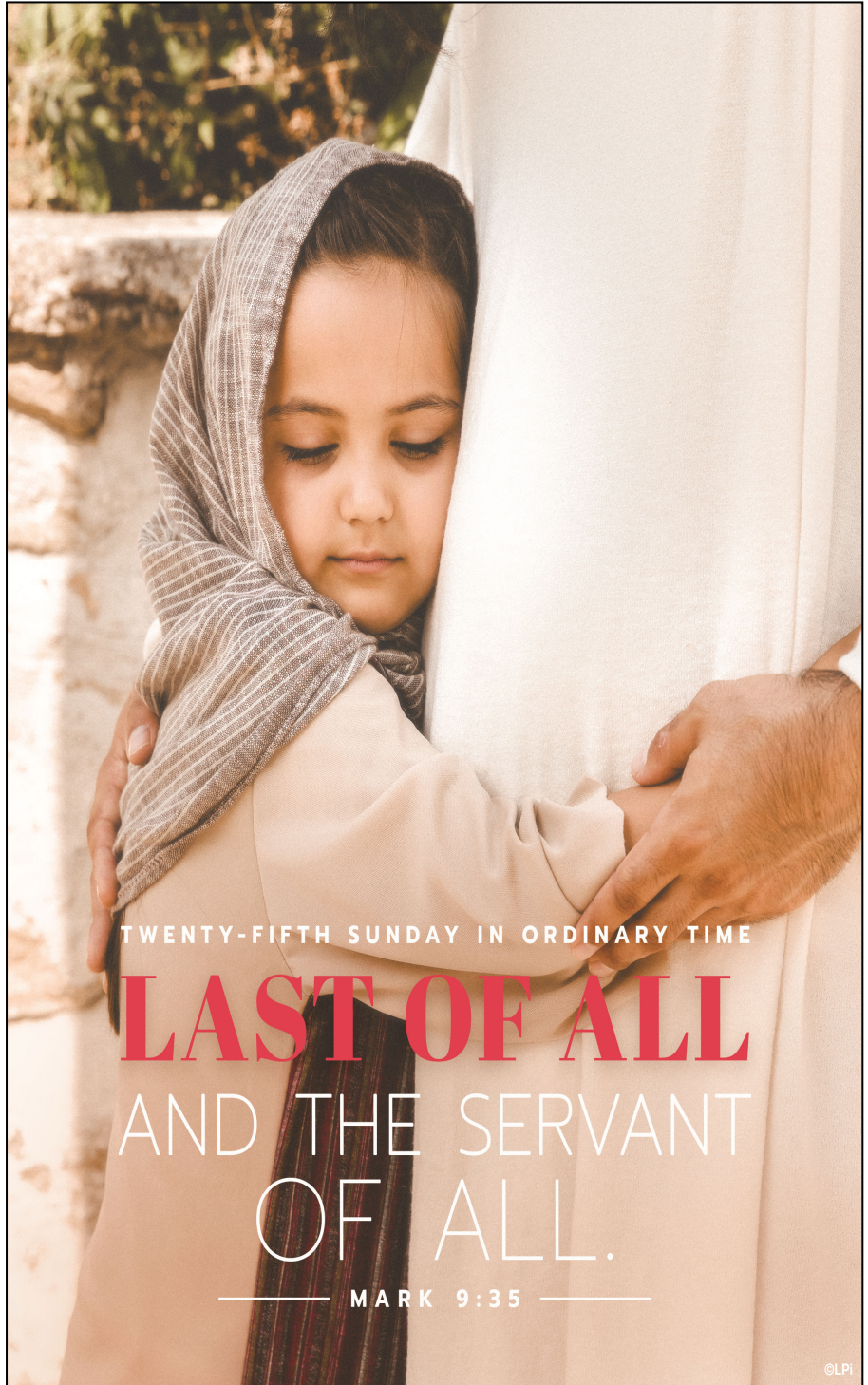
Parish Office	(816) 761-1608
Emergencies	761-1608
School Office	763-5837
Religious Education	761-1608
FAX	966-1350

### **Parish Staff**

Fr. Emmanuel Lopez	Ext. 302
Deacon Ken Albers	
Deacon Richard Gross	
Robin Fisher, Principal	Ext. 312
Diane Banks, Music Ministry	Ext. 303
Roger Cashman, Maintenance	Ext. 307
Luke Donahue, DRE & Faith Formation	Ext. 306
Esmeralda Lopez, Hispanic Ministry	Ext. 303
Colleen Melchior, Office Manager	Ext. 301
Marilyn Moore, School Secretary	Ext. 311
Eric Stice, Business Manager	Ext. 304
Missionary Sisters Servants of the Word	(816) 500-2057
Diocesan Ombudsman	(816) 812-2500
Victim Advocate	(816) 392-0011

### **Parish Council**

Deacon Ken Albers	Geri Haile
Mike Apprill	Fr. Emmanuel Lopez
Abraham Benavides	Frankline Musongwe
Glen Ernstmann	Deanna Perry
Robin Fisher	Randy Seever



TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# LAST OF ALL

# AND THE SERVANT OF ALL.

MARK 9:35

**RCIA SPONSORS NEEDED**

The St. Regis RCIA community will soon need a few individuals to serve as sponsors for those discerning to become Catholic. This year we have again been blessed with a wonderful group of inquirers who will need a sponsor to walk this faith journey with them. This ministry does not require an extraordinary amount of time, just a desire to be there for a young adult as they journey toward communion with the Church. For more information, contact Luke Donahue in the parish office (816) 761-1608 or Glen Ernstmann at (816) 204-7267.

**LATIN AMERICA COLLECTION**

Thank you for your generous support for last week's Collection for the Church in Latin America. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Visit [www.usccb.org/latin-america](http://www.usccb.org/latin-america). Your gift makes a difference.

**CHURCH CLEANING**

Church cleaning will go back the 4th Wednesday of the month. The next cleaning will be on **Wednesday, September 25th** after the morning Mass.

**LECTOR WORKBOOKS**

We will be ordering Lector workbooks soon. The cost will be \$14. If you would like to order a workbook call the Parish office at 816-761-1608.

**Parish Support  
September 9-15, 2024**

<u>Contribution Income</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Weekly Offertory	\$ 6,146
Plate	\$ 1,398
Online Giving	\$ 2,667
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 10,211</b>

**THOUGHTS FROM FR. EMMANUEL**

Friends,

**Something great is about to happen at St Regis.** I am glad to announce the beginning of a renewal process in our community of faith marked by the following theme: **“United in Christ - Equipped for Mission”**

During the following weeks we will learn the way to participate actively in this process and how to encourage others to join.

This renewal follows the Eucharistic Revival process that we just celebrated in all the States. After such a great new commitment to the Lord in the Holy Eucharist, there is no other way to go but the way of our parish renewal. The purpose of this is to be:

**UNITED IN CHRIST**, so as one family embrace every one with the love of Jesus. Putting aside any division of age, race, language and cultural background, allowing the Holy Spirit to heal us and help us to be united in Christ.

**EQUIPPED FOR MISSION**, so as a renewed and united parish community, we may contribute with a new stewardship and generous heart to the keeping and growing of our facilities and families we serve. Playfully calling upon the Holy Spirit to renew our service and giving so we may be equipped for mission.

I pray to God that we, Saint John Francis Regis community, may joyfully participate in this Parish renewal process. More information will come along the way, please join me in pray that St. Regis may be ‘United in Christ, Equipped for Mission’.

Sincerely,

Father Emmanuel Lopez

**FEED YOUR FAITH**

Dinner begins at 5:30 p.m. in the MEC building for **Feed Your Faith** tomorrow night, September 23rd. It is always a good meal with good friends. We say prayers to the *Sacred Heart of Jesus* then watch the next 2 lessons of ***Fearless***. Tomorrow night is Lesson 5, "***Fear and Spiritual Warfare with Fr. Chad Ripperger***", and Lesson 6 "***Fear of Being Canceled with Paul J. Kim***". Don't miss it.

## United in *Christ* - Equipped for Mission

## Unidos en *Cristo* - Equipados para la Misión

This week you will receive a brochure introducing our “United in Christ - Equipped for Mission” Program. I’m proud to be part of the St. John Francis Regis Church and Academy community. On Commitment Weekend, September 28 & 29, I invite each of you to participate in this important program and help us respond to God’s great gift of love. I ask that you please review this brochure and prayerfully consider how you and your family can help St. John Francis Regis Church and Academy by financially supporting our ministries, furthering our mission and reinforcing our future.

We ask that all faithful parishioners complete a Commitment Card. A card will be included in the brochure mailing for you to:

- mail to the church using the pre-addressed envelope included in this mailing.
- Or bring you card to Mass next Sunday.
- Or you may visit our parish website at [www.stregischurch.com](http://www.stregischurch.com) and complete an electronic Commitment Card.

The back of the Commitment Card has a place for you to include any prayer intentions you wish to share. If you would like to speak to a priest, please indicate so on your card and we will be in contact with you.

Our goal is 100% participation! Thank you for your generosity and support of St. John Francis Regis Church and Academy!

### PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY

Priesthood Sunday is a special day set aside to honor priesthood in the United States. It is a day to reflect upon and affirm the role of the priesthood in the life of the Church as a central one. The **29th of September**, parishioners are encouraged to offer a prayer of thanksgiving and offer support for our pastor Fr. Emmanuel Lopez and other priests who have served our parish. Consider sending Fr. Emmanuel Lopez a note or card of appreciation for his dedication and leadership for our parish. Priesthood Sunday was established in 2001 to honor Priesthood in the Church and recognize those who are called to this life of service.

### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE FALL CAMPAIGN

The Fall 2024 40 Days for Life Campaign begins September 25th, and lasts through November 3rd. During the campaign, participants are invited into a prayer vigil outside of the Center for Women’s Health (4840 College Blvd, Overland Park, KS 66211). Trained sidewalk advocates are present to offer help, hope, and love to women arriving for their abortion appointments. To access the sign-up for your parish group to hold vigil, visit [40daysforlife.com/en/overlandpark](http://40daysforlife.com/en/overlandpark).



You are also invited to join in the 40 Days for Life Kick-Off Rally on **Sunday, September 22nd**, at 4:00pm in the Advice and Aid Pregnancy Center (10901 Granada Ln, Overland Park, KS 66211). Matt Britton, 40 Days for Life Board Ex

Our St. Regis Day to Pray is **Wednesday, September 25th**. The sign-up sheet is at the feet of the St. Michael statue at the East entrance to the church.

### THANK YOU

Thank you for so graciously hosting our visit to your parish. We received a warm welcome and such kindness from everyone. We are humbled and very grateful for the generous donations totaling \$3517 from the collection at the end of July. The Little Sisters of the Poor have been caring for the elderly in Kansas City since 1882. We are only able to continue because we have the help of generous people like your parish. Thank you for helping us provide for the needs of our residents. Please be assured of our gratitude and prayers for everyone at St. Regis. May God bless you and keep you close to Himself.

— Little Sisters of the Poor

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

**2024-2025  
School year  
By the Numbers**

Total # of Scholars PK-8: 130  
Total # of Families: 106  
Total Staff: 25



***Meet Our New Staff?***



Vanessa Krabbe  
Kindergarten



Julie Schmidt  
1st Grade



Chris Sweeny  
Para Professional



Brian Hackworth  
3rd Grade



**TEDDY BEAR DRIVE**

The Missouri Knights on Bikes, in conjunction with the Missouri Ladies Auxiliary, needs everyone's help with their 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Teddy Bear Drive. Teddy Bears are bought and distributed to area children's hospitals in Missouri during the Christmas Season. St. Regis Ladies Auxiliary is reaching out to our parishioners to support this great cause. If you would like to donate, please give your monetary donations to Kathy Seever, President, Mary Ernstmann, Treasurer, or any other Auxiliary member. You may also place in the accordion folder which is now being kept immediately to the left of the door in Mary's Room (under the light switch). We will be accepting donations until **October 17, 2024**. Please make all checks payable to the Ladies Auxiliary.



**MANUAL PARA  
PROCLAMADORES DE LA PALABRA**

Pronto pediremos los manuales de Lector. El costo será de \$14. Si desea solicitar un libro de trabajo, llame a la oficina parroquial al 816-761-1608.

**DOMINGO DEL SACERDOCIO**

El Domingo del Sacerdocio es un día especial reservado para honrar el sacerdocio en los Estados Unidos. Es un día para reflexionar y afirmar el papel del sacerdocio en la vida de la Iglesia como un día central. **El 29 de septiembre**, se anima a los feligreses a ofrecer una oración de acción de gracias y ofrecer apoyo a nuestro párroco, el P. Emmanuel López, y a otros sacerdotes que han servido en nuestra parroquia. Considere enviar al P. Emmanuel López una nota o tarjeta de agradecimiento por su dedicación y liderazgo para nuestra parroquia. El Domingo del Sacerdocio se estableció en 2001 para honrar el sacerdocio en la Iglesia y reconocer a aquellos que son llamados a esta vida de servicio.

## PENSAMIENTOS DEL P. EMMANUEL

Amigos

**Algo grande está a punto de suceder en St Regis.** Me alegra anunciar el inicio de un proceso de renovación en nuestra comunidad de fe marcado por el siguiente tema: *"Unidos en Cristo - Equipados para la misión"*

Durante las siguientes semanas aprenderemos la forma de participar activamente en este proceso y cómo animar a otros a sumarse.

Esta renovación sigue el proceso de Avivamiento Eucarístico que acabamos de celebrar en todos los Estados. Después de un nuevo compromiso tan grande con el Señor en la Sagrada Eucaristía, no hay otro camino a seguir que el camino de la renovación de nuestra parroquia. El propósito de esto es ser:

**UNIDOS EN CRISTO**, para que como una sola familia abracen a todos con el amor de Jesús. Dejando a un lado cualquier división de edad, raza, idioma y trasfondo cultural, permitiendo que el Espíritu Santo nos sane y nos ayude a estar unidos en Cristo.

**EQUIPADOS PARA LA MISIÓN**, para que como una comunidad parroquial renovada y unida, podamos contribuir con una nueva mayordomía y un corazón generoso al mantenimiento y crecimiento de nuestras instalaciones y familias a las que servimos. Llamando juguetonamente al Espíritu Santo para que renueve nuestro servicio y ofrenda para que podamos estar equipados para la misión.

Rezo a Dios para que nosotros, la comunidad de San Juan Francisco Regis, podamos participar con alegría en este proceso de renovación parroquial. Más información vendrá en el camino, por favor únense a mí en oración para que St. Regis pueda estar 'Unido en Cristo, Equipado para la Misión'.

Sinceramente

Padre Emmanuel López

## United in *Christ* - Equipped for Mission

## Unidos en *Cristo* - Equipados para la Misión

Esta semana recibirá un folleto que presenta nuestro programa "Unidos en Cristo - Equipados para la Misión". Estoy orgulloso de ser parte de la comunidad de la Iglesia y Academia St. John Francis Regis. En el fin de semana de compromiso, el 28 y 29 de septiembre, invito a cada uno de ustedes a participar en este importante programa y ayudarnos a responder al gran regalo de amor de Dios. Les pido que por favor revisen este folleto y consideren en oración cómo usted y su familia pueden ayudar a la Iglesia y Academia San Juan Francisco Regis apoyando financieramente nuestros ministerios, promoviendo nuestra misión y reforzando nuestro futuro.

Pedimos que todos los feligreses fieles completen una Tarjeta de Compromiso. Se incluirá una tarjeta en el folleto que se enviará por correo a:

- Envíe por correo a la iglesia utilizando el sobre con la dirección impresa que se incluye en este envío.
- O traiga su tarjeta a la misa del próximo domingo.
- O puede visitar nuestro sitio web parroquial en [www.stregischurch.com](http://www.stregischurch.com) y completar una Tarjeta de Compromiso electrónica.

El reverso de la Tarjeta de Compromiso tiene un lugar para que incluyas cualquier intención de oración que desees compartir. Si desea hablar con un sacerdote, indíquelo en su tarjeta y nos pondremos en contacto con usted.

¡Nuestro objetivo es el 100% de participación! ¡Gracias por su generosidad y apoyo a la Iglesia y Academia St. John Francis Regis!

## ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA CON CONFESIONES

Únase a nosotros para la Adoración y las Confesiones  
**todos los miércoles de 6 a 7p.m.**

## COLECCION AMERICA LATINA

Gracias por su generoso apoyo a la Colecta para la Iglesia en América Latina de la semana pasada. Si te perdiste la colección, ¡no es demasiado tarde para regalar! Visita [www.usccb.org/latin-América](http://www.usccb.org/latin-América). Tu regalo marca la diferencia.

**Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary**  
Prayer and Adoration Conference



Featuring: Joe Heschmeyer

Featuring: Michael McGlinn

Also Featuring:  
St. Paul Street Evangelization  
Dr. Marian Thompson  
Music by Fidelium  
Deb McManimon

October 5th, 2024 7:30 am - 8:00 pm  
St. Gabriel the Archangel Church

Free Event  
Sponsored by:  
St. James',  
St. Andrew's,  
& St. Gabriel's  
Legion of Mary

Link to full Schedule 



### MENTAL HEALTH TIP

**Keep it cool for a good night's sleep.** The optimal temperature for sleep is between 60 and 67 degrees Fahrenheit.

### 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.

### LITURGICAL WORKSHOPS

On **Tuesday, September 24th** there will be an Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Workshop from 6:30 -8:30pm at Holy Spirit Parish in Lee's Summit, MO.

On **Monday, September 30th** there will be an Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Workshop from 6:30 -8:30pm at St. Thomas More in Kansas City, MO.

If you are interested in going to either of these workshops please call the Parish Office to register, 761-1608.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Live out the Gospel by helping feed families in need! Volunteer with Catholic Charities at our Serve & Lift Food Pantries at 8001 Longview Rd., KCMO. Younger volunteers are welcome if a parent is present. Volunteer shifts are flexible and range Monday-Thursday from 8am to 4pm. Duties include preparing pantry food orders, sorting, stocking, etc. Ready to bring hope? Email Parish Outreach Manager, Rachel Hansen at [rhan-sen@ccharities.com](mailto:rhan-sen@ccharities.com)

**Please Remember In Your Prayers:** 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, Robert Harvey, Rick Martin, Julie Boisen, Kathy Gross, Marek Family, Hodge Family, Sylvia Mooney, Jerry Crowley, Jane Marzano, Kenny Thornton, Michael Sheehan, Nathan Livingston, Tammy Fayard, Jennifer Buddemeyer & family, Dianne Greene, Phoebe Reiting, Jack Deuschle, Mary Hunter, Martha Aquino, John Reyes, Sr., Lupita Sharkey, Yair Arvizu, Christopher Rivera, Julie Schneider, Teresa King, Thomas Severt, Jiri Easley, Dennis Reilly, Steve Beaven, Virginia Reyes, Manuel Botello and the many parishioners who are experiencing situational and financial hardships.

#### Please Pray for the Repose of the Soul of:

Sharon Valleau

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

# Liturgical Roles

September 28 & 29

### Lectors

- 3:00pm Knights of Columbus
- 8:30am Joan Sack & Rick Janet
- 10:30am Ora Reyes & Virginia Reyes

### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

- 3:00pm Knights of Columbus
- 8:30am Jane Marzano & Mike Murtha
- 10:30am Virginia Reyes & John Reyes, Sr.

### Servers

- 3:00pm Knights of Columbus
- 8:30am Miguel Martinez
- 10:30am Jose Godoy, Rita Godoy, Kai Townsend  
Jared Villalobos & Yami Villalobos

### Greeters

- 3:00pm Knights of Columbus
- 8:30am Carrie Stribling & Ela Wilczynska
- 10:30am Alfred DeSouza & Ken Glasbrenner

### Mass Coordinator

- 3:00pm Alex Pope
- 8:30am John Wood
- 10:30am Beth Divis

# Mass Intentions

### Tuesday, September 24

- 8:30am †Mason Belarde by Family
- 7:00pm For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

### Wednesday, September 25

- †Curtis & Betty Ulschak by the Hamptons

### Thursday, September 26

- †Anthony Homer by Rick & Terri Martin

### Friday, September 27

- †Tom Brungardt by Family

### Saturday, September 28

- 3:00pm †Deceased Member s of the  
Knights of Columbus & Ladies Auxiliary

### Sunday, September 29

- 8:30am †Curtis & Betty Ulschak by the Hamptons
- 10:30am †Margaret Artman by Family
- 5:00pm People of St. John Francis Regis Parish

# Schedule of Events

### Sunday, September 22

- 8:30am Mass
- 10:30am Mass
- 11:00am Retreat/Sp
- 5:00pm Mass/Spanish

### Monday, September 23

- 3:00pm Cookie Dough Pick Up
- 5:30pm Feed Your Faith
- 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal/Sp

### Tuesday, September 24

- 8:30am Mass
- 9:30am Faith Enrichment
- 4:00pm PTO Pot Luck
- 6:30pm Rosary
- 7:00pm Mass/Spanish

### Wednesday, September 25

- 8:30am Mass
- 9:30am Church Cleaning
- 6:00pm Adoration & Confessions
- 6:00pm Religious Ed.
- 7:00pm Knights of Columbus Officers

### Thursday, September 26

- 8:30am Mass
- 9:30am Scripture Sharing
- 6:00pm Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00pm RCIA
- 7:00pm Boy Scouts

### Friday, September 27

- 8:30am Mass

### Saturday, September 28

- Commitment Weekend
- 6:15am That Man is You
- 1:00pm Retreat/Sp
- 2:00pm Confessions
- 3:00pm Mass

### Sunday, September 29

- Commitment Weekend
- 8:30am Mass
- 10:30am Mass
- 11:00am Retreat/Sp
- 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 [emelchior@regischurch.org](mailto:emelchior@regischurch.org)