



Saint John Francis Regis Parish

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www.stregischurch.com

Fr. Emmanuel Lopez, Parochial Administrator

November 3, 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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School Office 763-5837

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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE LORD

OUR GOD IS LORD ALONE.

— MARK 12:29 —



FEED YOUR FAITH

Feed Your Faith has become Fearless, met the challenges of stepping Into the Breach, and reviewed the history of Christendom. We are now ready to meet some of the incredible Saints who were *fearless in the breach of Christendom*, lighting the way for us to imitate them today. Join us from now until Christmas for our series on Saints. Tomorrow night, November 4, we begin with a 20 minute film about a boy from a farm in Kansas who became a priest and modern-day martyr. Join **Feed Your Faith** for a Tail Gating Chiefs dinner in the MEC building at 5:30, prayers to *The Sacred Heart of Jesus*, then watch: **“An Ordinary Martyr: The Life and Death of Blessed Stanley Rother”**. Our meeting will end by 6:45 p.m. giving us plenty of time to get home for **Monday Night Football at 7:15 – Go Chiefs!!**

NAME TAG SUNDAY

This Sunday, **November 2 & 3** the Feed Your Faith 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.

WHAT PLANNED GIVING OPTION IS BEST FOR YOU?

A planned gift acknowledges that we are simply stewards of all that God has given us. What planned giving options are available? Are there any tax advantages for making a planned gift? To find out the answers to these questions and find the best planned giving option for you, attend one of the sessions after the 3pm, 8:30am and 10:30am Masses on **November 9th and 10th**.

Parish Support October 21-27, 2024

<u>Contribution Income</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Weekly Offertory	\$ 6,409
Plate	\$ 1,393
Online Giving	\$ <u>2,584</u>
Total	\$ 10,386

THOUGHTS FROM FR. EMMANUEL

Friends,

In this Sunday Gospel, Christ summarized the Ten Commandments into two. With the same words used by Moses, He repeated the same call in our first reading: *“Hear, O Israel! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul.”* Then, he amplified it by adding: *“You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”* Very important!

Without downplaying or denying the first commandment’s priority, I think that the second is more challenging to fulfill humanly speaking. If we can obey the second, then we can, and have indeed observed the first. This is because God lives in our neighbor. Unfortunately, due to the natural human instinct of self-preservation, pride, and selfishness (the “ego” or “I”), it seems practically impossible to love neither God nor our neighbor. However, Christ is not asking us to do what He could not do.

The good news is that Christ knows it is possible. To love God and our neighbor as ourselves is a “debt,” we owe and must pay (Rom 13: 8). It is the sacrifice of the new covenant, which the new people of God, and indeed, every “born again” child of God must offer. So let us love God and one another as Christ has taught us.

Finally, remember this week is National Vocation Awareness, I invite you to pray and promote vocations to religious life and priesthood. Intentionally pray for our own seminarians in the diocese, especially Luis Haro, who is a seminarian from our St Regis Parish.

In Christ,

Fr. Emmanuel Lopez

NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

National Vocation Awareness Week will be celebrated in our country from **November 3-9, 2024**. Please ask Our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God’s gift of vocations. Find out about upcoming vocations events, ways to discover God’s will, and more at www.dcpriest.org

MONICA’S MOMS

Monica’s Moms will meet for the Rosary at 9am this **Thursday, November 7**, followed by a support groups meeting in St. Joseph’s Room at 9:30am.



ST. REGIS CHIEFS TAILGATE 2024

Sunday, November 24th, 11:30am
in the Parish Hall

Tickets: \$12 Single, \$30 Family

All are invited and bring a friend or two.

Chili, Hotdogs and sides provided. Desserts available for a donation. Door Prizes each Quarter. Halftime Heads & Tails Game.

We are seeking new or slightly used donations for door prizes and raffle baskets. Anyone who would like to donate items, volunteer to help at this event or have questions, please contact Randy Seever at seevrj@gmail.com or call 248-404-0939.

United in *Christ* - Equipped for Mission

Thank you to all parishioners who have completed and submitted your Commitment Card to the church. For those parishioners who have not yet had the opportunity to submit their card, a final letter will be mailed to you with a personalized Commitment Card. We invite all faithful parishioners to complete a card as our parish goal is 100% participation! You may return your card by:

- mailing it to the church using the pre-addressed envelope included with the letter.
- or bringing it to Mass next Sunday.
- Or you may visit our parish website at www.stregischurch.com and complete an electronic Commitment Card.

All cards need to be returned to the parish by Sunday, November 10.

As a friendly reminder, electronic giving is an **easy, safe** and **secure** way to support St. John Francis Regis Church and Academy. To se-up a recurring weekly or monthly gift or to make a one-time donation directly from you bank account or credit card, please visit our website and follow the instructions. **We are grateful for your support!**

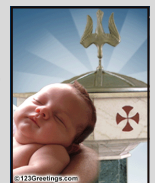
JOB OPENING

St. John Francis Regis Parish is seeking a dedicated and passionate Director of Faith Formation to support the pastor in leading the staff and lay volunteers in strengthening the Catholic faith of our community. The Director will oversee the development and implementation of faith formation programs for youth, young adults, and adults, ensuring that all members of the parish grow in their faith journey. For more information go to: <https://recruiting.paylocity.com/Recruiting/Jobs/Details/2807375>

BAPTISMS

Welcome to the newest members born to new life in Christ through the Holy Waters of Baptism.

Maximiliano Jesus Hernandez Duarte, son of Diana and **Erik Alejandro Mayora Guardado**, son of Abraham and Vilma who were baptized last weekend. May they be blessed throughout their lives and be guided by the Holy Spirit.



Joy To The World!

Help us fill St. Regis with joyful music on Christmas Eve & Christmas Day! You and your family are invited to join the choir to sing beloved Christmas hymns.
Rehearsals are Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. beginning on November 7th.
All ages and voices are welcome.
No prior music knowledge required.

Contact Info:
Jennifer Hampton (816)767-8366
Diane Banks dbanks@regischurch.org (816)765-9464

Mass Times
Christmas Eve- 3pm & 5pm
Christmas Day- 10:30 am (Bilingual)



St. Regis
ACADEMY Catholic Liberal Arts Education

Academy Corner

Playground Renovations Happening Soon!



We're excited to kick off our playground renovations this month! The project will include replacing outdated equipment, updating the siding, and refreshing the ground cover. Here's what you need to know:

1. Starting **November 9th**, the playground will be closed until renovations are completed on November 24th.
1. **Volunteers Needed:** We'd love your help! If you're available to assist with the removal of old equipment on November 9th or the installation of new equipment on November 23rd, please sign up using the QR code or link provided.

Scan QR code to volunteer or use this link:

<https://tinyurl.com/Playground-Volunteer>



Thank you for supporting this exciting upgrade for our scholars!

VETERANS DAY

All veterans and active service men and women, St. Regis Academy wants to honor you on **Monday, November 11th**. Please join us for a Communion Service at 8:30am. We would appreciate an RSVP to the school office, so that we can plan efficiently. We look forward to honoring you on your special day!

POINSETTIA SALE

The 8th grade is selling poinsettias this year as a fundraiser for their class. The red poinsettias are \$12 each. Please fill out the order form found in the Gathering Space and turn it in after the 3pm & 8:30am Masses, to the Academy or the Parish Office by **Friday, November 22**. Pick up will be between Friday, December 5th and Sunday, December 7th.



With gratitude you are invited

THANKFUL FEAST

Presented by the St. Regis Academy 8th Grade Class

Thursday, November 14th
11:00am
Parish Hall

Please RSVP in the Gathering Space.

PENSAMIENTOS DEL P. EMMANUEL

Amigos

En este Evangelio dominical, Cristo resumió los Diez Mandamientos en dos. Con las mismas palabras usadas por Moisés, repitió la misma llamada en nuestra primera lectura:

"¡Escucha, oh Israel! Amarás al Señor tu Dios con todo tu corazón, con toda tu alma". Luego, lo amplió añadiendo: "Amarás a tu prójimo como a ti mismo". ¡Muy importante!

Sin restar importancia o negar la prioridad del primer mandamiento, creo que el segundo es más difícil de cumplir humanamente hablando. Si podemos obedecer a la segunda, entonces podemos, y de hecho hemos observado la primera. Esto se debe a que Dios vive en nuestro prójimo. Desafortunadamente, debido al instinto humano natural de autoconservación, orgullo y egoísmo (el "ego" o "yo"), parece prácticamente imposible no amar ni a Dios ni al prójimo. Sin embargo, Cristo no nos está pidiendo que hagamos lo que Él no pudo hacer.

La buena noticia es que Cristo sabe que es posible. Amar a Dios y al prójimo como a nosotros mismos es una "deuda" que debemos y debemos pagar (Rm 13, 8). Es el sacrificio del nuevo pacto, que el nuevo pueblo de Dios, y de hecho, todo hijo de Dios "nacido de nuevo" debe ofrecer. Así que amemos a Dios y amemos a los demás como Cristo nos ha enseñado.

Finalmente, recuerden que esta semana es de Concientización Vocacional Nacional, los invito a orar y promover las vocaciones a la vida religiosa y al sacerdocio. Oremos intencionalmente por nuestros propios seminaristas en la diócesis, especialmente por Luis Haro, quien es un seminarista de nuestra parroquia de St Regis.

En Cristo,

P. Emmanuel López

SEMANA NACIONAL DE CONCIENTIZACION VOCACIONAL

La Semana Nacional de Sensibilización Vocacional se celebrará en nuestro país del 3 al **9 de noviembre de 2024**. Por favor, pídele a Nuestro Señor más sacerdotes, diáconos y hombres y mujeres consagrados y dedicados y santos. Que sean inspirados por Jesucristo, apoyados por nuestra comunidad de fe, y respondan generosamente al don de Dios de las vocaciones. Infórmese sobre los próximos eventos vocacionales, formas de descubrir la voluntad de Dios y más en www.dcpriest.org

Unidos en *Cristo* - Equipados para la Misión

Gracias a todos los feligreses que han completado y enviado su Tarjeta de Compromiso a la iglesia. Para aquellos feligreses que aún no han tenido la oportunidad de presentar su tarjeta, se les enviará una carta final con una Tarjeta de Compromiso personalizada. ¡Invitamos a todos los feligreses fieles a completar una tarjeta ya que nuestro objetivo parroquial es el 100% de participación! Puede devolver su tarjeta de la siguiente manera:

- enviándola por correo a la iglesia utilizando el sobre con la dirección impresa que se incluye con la carta.
- o llevarlo a misa el próximo domingo.
- O puede visitar nuestro sitio web parroquial en www.stregischurch.com y completar una Tarjeta de Compromiso electrónica.

Todas las tarjetas deben devolverse a la parroquia antes del domingo 10 de noviembre.

Como recordatorio amistoso, las donaciones electrónicas son una forma **fácil y segura** de apoyar a la Iglesia y Academia St. John Francis Regis. Para obtener un regalo semanal o mensual recurrente o para hacer una donación única directamente desde su cuenta bancaria o tarjeta de crédito, visite nuestro sitio web y siga las instrucciones. **¡Estamos agradecidos por su apoyo!**



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TAILGATING DE LOS JEFES DE ST. REGIS 2024

Domingo 24 de noviembre, 11:30am
en el Salón Parroquial
Boletos: \$12 sencillo, \$30 familiar

Todos están invitados y traen a uno o dos amigos.

Chili, perros calientes y acompañamientos. Postres disponibles por donación. Premios de puerta cada trimestre. Juego de Cara y Cruz en el medio tiempo.

Estamos buscando donaciones nuevas o poco usadas para premios y canastas de rifas. Cualquier persona que desee donar artículos, ofrecerse como voluntario para ayudar en este evento o tenga preguntas, comuníquese con Randy Seever al seevrj@gmail.com o llame al 248-404-0939.

DID YOU KNOW...

...that by supporting our sister community, Ita Maura, in El Salvador, is a corporal work of mercy?

You can support the Ita Maura Sister Community Scholarship Fund by using your monthly Ita Maura envelope, donating on our parish website, stregischurch.com, and with your prayers.

SAVE THE DATE

The Ladies Auxiliary of St. Regis is hosting a pilgrimage to Conception Abbey and the Sisters of Perpetual Adoration in Clyde, Missouri on **March 1, 2025**. Everyone is welcome. Please contact Debbie Umstead at 816-806-5541 for information and to reserve your spot on the bus.

MENTAL HEALTH TIP

Sometimes, we don't need to add new activities to get more pleasure. We just need to soak up the joy in the ones we've already got. Trying to be optimistic doesn't mean ignoring the uglier sides of life. It just means focusing on the positive as much as possible.

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@ombudsmankesj.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: 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, Tammy Fayard, Jennifer Buddemeyer & family, Dianne Greene, Phoebe Reitingner, 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, Milt Bryant, Ellen Newman, Evelyn Crews 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 & Troy Fraser

Little Sisters of the Poor

SPAGHETTI

Dinner Fundraiser

JEANNE JUGAN CENTER
8745 James A. Reed Rd
Kansas City, MO 64138
12:00 - 5:00 PM

November 3
SUNDAY

ADULTS \$15 | KIDS [3-10 yrs] \$8

Enjoy delicious homemade spaghetti and meatballs, salad, bread, dessert, and a drink. Eat here, take it to go, or drive thru and pick it up.

Credit Cards Accepted!

While you're here, browse our bake sale and craft sale, then try your luck with our Raffle for some great prizes. All proceeds benefit our home for the elderly.

*Sorry, No gluten-free dinner options will be available.

www.littlesistersofthepoorkansascity.org

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION WITH CONFESSIONS

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

Liturgical Roles

November 9 & 10

Lectors

- 3:00pm Marvin Chaney & Makenzie Hinrichs
- 8:30am Joan Sack & Dianne Schmidt
- 10:30am Dennis Reilly & Frankline Musongwe

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

- 3:00pm Marvin Chaney & Jim Filley
- 8:30am Joan Sack & Sue Quanty Smith
- 10:30am Dennis Reilly & Theresa Van Pelt

Servers

- 3:00pm Isaac Minton & Neylly Gonzalez
- 8:30am Sam Loulos, Ezequiel Ramirez & Genesis Ramirez
- 10:30am Isabell Vazquez, Jose Vazquez, Maribel Vazquez
Jared Villalobos & Yami Villalobos

Greeters

- 3:00pm Don Wolff & Cliff Miller
- 8:30am Carrie Stribling & Ela Wilczynska
- 10:30am Julie Schmidt & Elaine Allee

Mass Coordinator

- 3:00pm Alex Pope
- 8:30am John Wood
- 10:30am Frankline Musongwe

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, November 5

- 8:30am For the Intentions of John Johnson Family
by Rick & Terri Martin
- 7:00pm For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, November 6

†Florentino Camacho, Jr. by Katherine Camacho

Thursday, November 7

For the Intentions of the Surber Family

Friday, November 8

†Terry Block by Milt Bryant

Saturday, November 9

3:00pm †Margaret Underwood by Mary Martin

Sunday, November 10

- 8:30am †Barbara Artman by Family
- 10:30am †Ruby Turner by John & Connie Wood
- 5:00pm People of St. John Francis Regis Parish

Schedule of Events

Sunday, November 3

- Name Tag Sunday
- 8:30am Mass
- 9:30am Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary
- 10:30am Mass
- 11:30am Reception for El Salvador Students
- 5:00pm Mass/Spanish

Monday, November 4

- 5:30pm Feed Your Faith
- 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal/Sp
- 7:00pm Stewardship Council
- No School

Tuesday, November 5

- 8:30am Mass
- 9:30am Militia Immaculata
- 6:30pm Rosary
- 7:00pm Bible Class/Eng
- 7:00pm Mass/Spanish

Wednesday, November 6

- 8:30am Mass
- 6:00pm Adoration & Confessions
- 6:00pm Religious Ed.
- 7:00pm Bible Class/Eng

Thursday, November 7

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

Friday, November 8

- 8:30am Mass

Saturday, November 9

- 6:15am That Man is You
- 2:00pm Confessions
- 3:00pm Mass

Sunday, November 10

- 8:30am Mass
- 10:30am Mass
- 11:00am Retreat/Sp
- 12:30pm Mass/Bilingual
- 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