



Saint John Francis Regis Parish

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Fr. Emmanuel Lopez, Parochial Administrator

December 29, 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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Emergencies	761-1608
School Office	763-5837
Religious Education	761-1608
FAX	966-1350

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Deacon Richard Gross	
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Roger Cashman, Maintenance	Ext. 307
Esmeralda Lopez, Hispanic Ministry	Ext. 303
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Deacon Ken Albers	Geri Haile
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Glen Ernstmann	Deanna Perry
Robin Fisher	Randy Seever



THE HOLY FAMILY

He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man.

- Lk 2:51-52



The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses for the Solemnity of Mary are on **Tuesday December 31st** at 5pm in English, 7pm in Spanish and on **Wednesday, January 1st** at 10:30am/ Bilingual.

SIGN UP FOR NEW YEAR'S MASS

Greeters, Lectors, Communion Ministers, Mass Coordinator, Sacristan and Servers are invited to sign up for the 5pm Mass on New Year's Eve and 10:30am Mass on New Year's Day. Please sign up in the Gathering Space.

2025 CALENDARS

Please be sure to pick up the 2025 St. Regis Calendar available at each entrance of church. The calendar has a religious art theme. Our calendar is made possible through the generosity of Dave Vorbeck, principal attorney of Vorbeck Associates. Be sure to thank Dave for his generosity.

THANK YOU

Fr. Emmanuel and the Parish Staff would like to thank everyone who supplied us goodies during the Christmas season and the warm holiday wishes expressed in your cards. We appreciate all of your kindness. God bless you in this New Year!

Parish Support December 9-15, 2024

<u>Contribution Income</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Weekly Offertory	\$ 7,195
Plate	\$ 2,467
Online Giving	\$ 3,156
Total	\$ 12,818

THOUGHTS FROM FR. EMMANUEL

Friends,

On Thursday, May 9, on the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, Pope Francis officially proclaimed the Ordinary Jubilee of 2025 with the public reading and delivery of *Spes Non Confundit*, the Bull of Indiction for the Holy Year, in Saint Peter's Basilica at the Vatican. Thus in celebration of the 2,025th anniversary of the Incarnation of our Lord.

Pope Francis says: "We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and far-sighted vision. The forthcoming Jubilee can contribute greatly to restoring a climate of hope and trust as a prelude to the renewal and rebirth that we so urgently desire..."

The Jubilee Year will offer the faithful opportunities to participate in various jubilee events at the Vatican and in their own dioceses. The great tradition of opening the Holy Door, and this jubilee will begin when Pope Francis opens the Holy Door of St. Peter's Basilica on December 24, 2024. Other holy doors will be opened at the Rome basilicas of St. John Lateran, St. Mary Major and St. Paul Outside the Walls. For pilgrims who cannot travel to Rome, bishops around the world are expected to designate their cathedrals or a popular Catholic shrine as special places of prayer for Holy Year pilgrims, offering opportunities for reconciliation, indulgences and other events intended to strengthen and revive faith.

This jubilee will conclude on the feast of the Epiphany of the Lord in January 2026.

Let's become pilgrims of HOPE!

Happy New Year,

Fr Emmanuel Lopez

CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERING

Please help beautify our church at Christmas by making a contribution for Christmas flowers. You may honor your family or remember deceased family members with your Christmas flower offering. Please use the designated envelope in your December packet and clearly print any names on the front. You may place your flower offering in the regular collection at Mass any time during the month of December.

Three Kings Day!
 May the joy of the discovery of Jesus by the three kings fill our hearts with love on the celebration of Three Kings Day!
 Saturday January 4 beginning with Adoration at 5pm following the Festival 6pm in the parish hall.
 Please bring a dish to share.




PARISH OFFICE SCHEDULE
 The Parish Office will be closed on **Wednesday, January 1st**. Have a safe and blessed New Year.

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE
 The Liturgical Minister Schedule for **January/February** has been emailed out to Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Servers and Greeters. A hard copy of the schedule is available on the table in the Gathering Space. If you have any questions about the schedule, please call Colleen in the Parish Office. If you have a conflict with a particular weekend you are scheduled for a ministry, we ask that you please find a substitute. Thank you for serving our parish through these ministries.

YOU'RE INVITED!
 Have you volunteered at our parish any time in the past 5 years?
 If so, please join us as we thank you for your service.

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER

January 29, 2025
 Open house from 4:30-6:00pm
 Saint Regis Parish Hall
 Chipotle Provided, but you must RSVP to eat
 RSVP at this website, or using the QR code:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/saint-regis-volunteer-appreciation-dinner-tickets-1115792177439?aff=oddtcreator>



VOCATION CHALICES
 Next Sunday, the Feast of the Epiphany, St. Regis is beginning a new opportunity for our Parish family to pray for Vocations. There will be 4 Vocation Chalices provided, one for each Mass (3:00, 8:30, 10:30, and 5:00). One family who regularly attends each of those Masses is being asked to take the Chalice for that Mass home, and follow the instructions, praying the prayers provided all week. That family then will bring the Chalice back the following week, for the next family on the list will take it home for a week. Each family is asked to return their Chalice under the TV in the Gathering Space before Mass, and the family who is taking it home for the next week is asked to pick up their Chalice in the Gathering Space under the TV after Mass. If your family would like to participate in the valuable new Ministry, please sign up on the form in the Gathering Space.”

FEED YOUR FAITH

Tomorrow night, December 30, at **Feed Your Faith** we finish out 2024 with “**The Book of Daniel**”. Daniel is taken, as a teenager, into captivity and forced to serve King Nebuchadnezzar. He rises to be one of the Kings trusted advisors, yet when forced to choose between serving the King or God, he is thrown into a den of hungry lions, and saved by God. Join us for dinner in the MEC Building at 5:30 p.m., then *Prayers to the Sacred Heart of Jesus*, and stay to watch **The Book of Daniel** with us. Anyone can also join us on-line by requesting an e-vite at conniemariewood@yahoo.com We wish you a blessed New Year.

Academy Corner

Casino Night Tickets on Sale Now!

Tickets are now available for purchase at the website below! Don't miss out on the early bird discount—purchase your tickets before January 17th to save.

Join us on March 1st for a Mardi Gras-themed evening filled with excitement, featuring:

- CASINO GAMES: BLACKJACK, ROULETTE, AND CRAPS
- MICE RACES
- A SILENT AUCTION AND RAFFLES

Plus, enjoy delicious food catered by Jazz A Louisiana Kitchen! It's sure to be a night of fun and celebration—you won't want to miss it!



WWW.REGISACADEMY.ORG/CASINO

January Happenings

January 7: Classes Resume

January 10: All School Spelling Bee

January 10: 2nd Quarter Awards

January 20: School Closed - MLK Day

January 26: All School Mass & Pancake Breakfast

January 26 - February 1: Catholic School Week!



Los Reyes Magos

Que la alegría del descubrimiento de Jesús por los Reyes Magos nos llene el corazón de amor en la celebración del Día de Reyes.

Sabado 4 de Enero 5pm cielo abierto, festival 6pm salon parroquial. Traer algo para compartir!



CALICES VOCACIONALES

El próximo domingo, la Fiesta de la Epifanía, St. Regis comienza una nueva oportunidad para que nuestra familia parroquial ore por las vocaciones. Se proporcionarán 4 calices vocacionales, uno para cada Misa (3:00, 8:30, 10:30 y 5:00). A una familia que asiste regularmente a cada una de esas Misas se le pide que lleve el Cáliz para esa Misa a casa y siga las instrucciones, rezando las oraciones proporcionadas durante toda la semana. Esa familia entonces traerá el Cáliz de vuelta la semana siguiente, porque la siguiente familia en la lista lo llevará a casa durante una semana. Se le pide a cada familia que devuelva su Cáliz debajo del televisor en el Espacio de Reunión antes de la Misa, y a la familia que lo llevará a casa para la próxima semana se le pide que recoja su Cáliz en el Espacio de Reunión debajo del televisor después de la Misa. Si su familia desea participar en el nuevo y valioso Ministerio, por favor regístrese en el formulario en el Espacio de Reunión.

PENSAMIENTOS DEL P. EMMANUEL

Amigos

El jueves 9 de mayo, en la solemnidad de la Ascensión del Señor, el Papa Francisco proclamó oficialmente el Jubileo Ordinario de 2025 con la lectura pública y la entrega de *Spes Non Confundit*, la Bula de Indicación del Año Santo, en la Basílica de San Pedro en el Vaticano. Así, en celebración del 2.025 aniversario de la Encarnación de nuestro Señor.

El Papa Francisco dice: "Debemos avivar la llama de la esperanza que se nos ha dado y ayudar a todos a ganar nueva fuerza y certeza, mirando al futuro con un espíritu abierto, un corazón confiado y una visión de futuro. El próximo jubileo puede contribuir en gran medida a restablecer un clima de esperanza y de confianza como preludeo de la renovación y del renacimiento que tanto deseamos..."

El Año Jubilar ofrecerá a los fieles la oportunidad de participar en diversos eventos jubilares en el Vaticano y en sus propias diócesis. La gran tradición de abrir la Puerta Santa, y este jubileo comenzará cuando el Papa Francisco abra la Puerta Santa de la Basílica de San Pedro el 24 de diciembre de 2024. Otras puertas santas se abrirán en las basílicas romanas de San Juan de Letrán, Santa María la Mayor y San Pablo Extramuros. Para los peregrinos que no pueden viajar a Roma, se espera que los obispos de todo el mundo designen sus catedrales o un santuario católico popular como lugares especiales de oración para los peregrinos del Año Santo, ofreciendo oportunidades para la reconciliación, indulgencias y otros eventos destinados a fortalecer y revivir la fe.

Este jubileo concluirá en la fiesta de la Epifanía del Señor en enero de 2026.

¡Convirtámonos en peregrinos de ESPERANZA!

Feliz Año Nuevo

P. Emmanuel López

2025 CALENDARS

Asegúrese de recoger el calendario St. Regis 2025 disponible en cada entrada de la iglesia. El calendario tiene un tema de arte religioso. Nuestro calendario es posible gracias a la generosidad de Dave Vorbeck, abogado principal de Vorbeck Associates. Asegúrate de agradecer a Dave por su generosidad.



HORARIO DE LA OFICINA PARROQUIAL
La Oficina Parroquial estará cerrada **el miércoles 1 de enero**. Que tengas un Año Nuevo seguro y bendecido.

SOLEMNIDAD DE MARIA HORARIO DE LA MISA

La solemnidad de María, la Santa Madre de Dios, es un día santo de precepto. Las misas para la Solemnidad de María son el **martes 31 de diciembre** a las 5 p.m. en inglés, 7 p.m. en español y el **miércoles 1 de enero** a las 10:30 a.m. / Bilingüe.

GRACIAS

El P. Emmanuel y el personal de la parroquia desean agradecer a todos los que nos proporcionaron golosinas durante la temporada navideña y los cálidos deseos navideños expresados en sus tarjetas. Agradecemos toda su amabilidad. ¡Que Dios los bendiga en este Año Nuevo!

LES INVITAMOS!

Has voluntariado en nuestra parroquia en los últimos 5 años?

Entonces, por favor acompáñanos para agradecerles por su servicio!

CENA DE AGRADECIMIENTO PARA VOLUNTARIOS

29 de Enero, 2025

Horario: 4:30-6:00pm

Saint Regis salon parroquial

Cena Chipotle, debe de reservar si quiere cenar

Reservar en este link, o usar el código QR:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/saint-regis-volunteer-appreciation-dinner-tickets-1115792177439?aff=oddtcreator>



LITURGICAL WORKSHOP

On **Wednesday, January 15** there will be a Reader Training Workshop from 6:30-8:30pm at Our Lady of the Presentation Parish in Lee's Summit, MO.

If you are interested in going to this workshop please call the Parish Office to register, 761-1608.

DID YOU KNOW...

...that by supporting young students in our sister community, Ita Maura, in El Salvador, you can help improve the quality of life in their community?

Please 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.

MENTAL HEALTH TIP

Spend some time with a furry friend. Time with animals lowers the stress hormone—cortisol, and boosts oxytocin - which sometimes stimulates feelings of happiness. If you don't have a pet, hang out with a friend who does or volunteer at a shelter.

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.

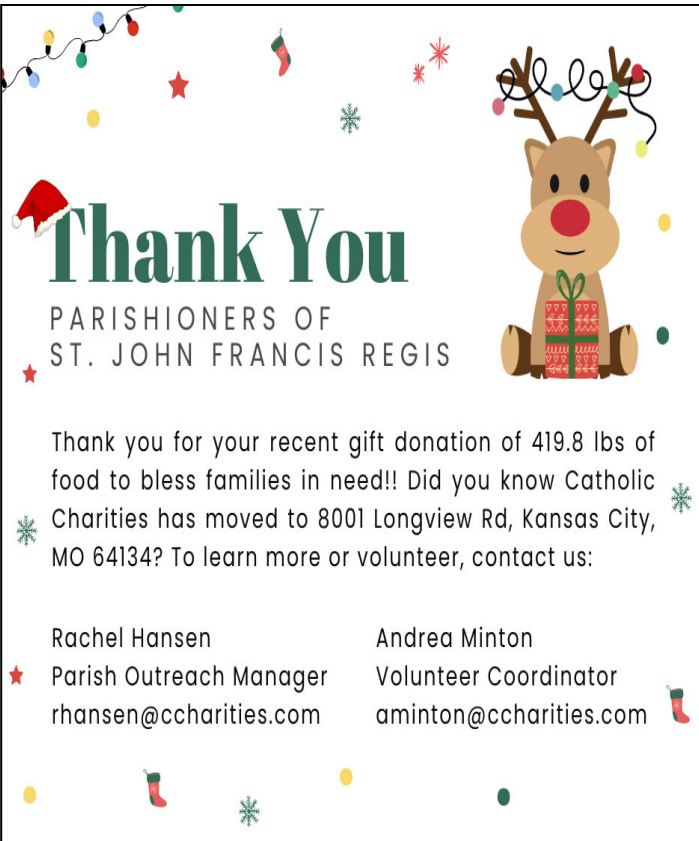
Please Remember In Your Prayers: Aidan Jones, Joanne Whitehorse, Denise Kopek, Dolores Dick, McCartney Weist, Teresa Foster, Joseph Gregory, Margaret Kelly, Gregory Richard, Phil Hoffman, John Hoffman, Teefey Family, Hanger Family, Daniel & Jeneth Hunter, John Stadler, Genevieve Thieme, John Minton, 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, Cassie Lewis, Lidia Lopez, Jerry Walker, Richard Rademacher and the many parishioners who are experiencing situational and financial hardships.

Please Pray for the Repose of the Soul of:

Rose Brown

Suzanne Eiman

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



Thank You
PARISHIONERS OF
ST. JOHN FRANCIS REGIS

Thank you for your recent gift donation of 419.8 lbs of food to bless families in need!! Did you know Catholic Charities has moved to 8001 Longview Rd, Kansas City, MO 64134? To learn more or volunteer, contact us:

Rachel Hansen	Andrea Minton
★ Parish Outreach Manager	Volunteer Coordinator
rhansen@ccharities.com	aminton@ccharities.com

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION WITH CONFESSIONS

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

Liturgical Roles

January 4 & 5

Lectors

- 3:00pm Alex Pope & Marvin Chaney
- 8:30am Joan Sack & Dianne Schmidt
- 10:30am John Reyes, Jr. & Virginia Reyes

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

- 3:00pm Alex Pope, Dorothy Quinn, Marvin Chaney
Jim Filley & Melissa Wiehn
- 8:30am Pat Hanson, Regina Ozbun, Mike Murtha
Maxine Rodriguez & Sue Quanty Smith
- 10:30am Cathy Albers, Elaine Allee, Marcia Collins,
Gwen Hull & Mary Kimbrell

Servers

- 3:00pm Ian Minton, Yared Minton & Maria Minton
- 8:30am Riley Winder, Audrey Miller & Patrick Miller
- 10:30am Jose Godoy, Rita Godoy, Christogonus Obi
Jack Hallam & Josie Hallam

Greeters

- 3:00pm Cliff Miller & Chip DeMoss
- 8:30am Margarito Cruz & Jane Marzano
- 10:30am Alfred DeSouza & Ken Glasbrenner

Mass Coordinator

- 3:00pm Jake Smith
- 8:30am Mary Ernstmann
- 10:30am Beth Divis

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, December 31

- 5:00pm †Rose Brown
- 7:00pm People of St. John Francis Regis Parish

Wednesday, January 1

- 10:30am †Clarita Bryant by Milt Bryant

Thursday, January 2

- †Rose Brown by the Albers Family

Friday, January 3

- †Roberta McNamara by Jim & Ann Julo

Saturday, January 4

- 3:00pm For the Intentions of Charlie McGrail

Sunday, January 5

- 8:30am †Jesse, Ruth & Ruth E. Rodriguez by Family
- 10:30am †Carl & Mickey Lickteig by Family
- 5:00pm People of St. John Francis Regis Parish

Schedule of Events

Sunday, December 29

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

Monday, December 30

- 5:30pm Feed Your Faith
- 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal/Sp

Tuesday, December 31

- New Year's Eve
- 9:30am Faith Enrichment
- 5:00pm Mass/English
- 6:30pm Rosary
- 7:00pm Mass/Spanish

Wednesday, January 1

- New Year's Day
- 10:30am Mass/Bilingual
- Parish Office Closed

Thursday, January 2

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

Friday, January 3

- 8:30am Mass

Saturday, January 4

- 6:15am That Man is You
- 8:30am Mass/1st Saturday
- 2:00pm Confessions
- 3:00pm Mass
- 6:00pm Three Kings Feast

Sunday, January 5

- 8:30am Mass
- 9:30am Ladies Auxiliary
- 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