



Saint John Francis Regis Parish

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Fr. Emmanuel Lopez, Parochial Administrator

February 23, 2025

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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Glen Ernstmann	Deanna Perry
Robin Fisher	Randy Seever



7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Give, and gifts will be given to you.”

- Lk 6:38

SIGN UP FOR ASH WEDNESDAY MASS

Greeters, Lectors, Communion Ministers, Servers, Sacristan and a Mass Coordinator are invited to sign up for the 6:00pm Mass on **March 5**, Ash Wednesday. Please sign up in the Gathering Space.

PALMS TO ASHES

Ash Wednesday is **March 5th**. The ashes we distribute on this day come from old palms. The next few weekends there will be baskets in the Gathering Space for you to place your old palms. If you bring several palms, please fold them up and place in a plastic bag. Thank you for your assistance.

FEED YOUR FAITH

Feed Your Faith meets every Monday night at 5:30 in the MEC building for a carry-in dinner together, *Devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus*, then we watch a faith-building video. Tomorrow night, February 24, we begin preparing for Lent with a new series from **Wild Goose Media**. Fr. Dave Pivonka narrates: **Metanoia**. Episode 1, *“Who Do You Say I am,”* shows Jesus taking His disciples to Caesarea Philippi, a place riddled with images of pagan gods and idols. In this place Jesus wants to know if they know who He is, before they begin Jesus’ final journey to Jerusalem, which will end in His death. We will also see Episode 2, *“What Must I do to Inherit Eternal Life?”* This the most important question everyone needs to answer. Eternity with God is not won by just being a good person or going to church. We *have* to have a relationship with Jesus, who is THE WAY to heaven and the key to the Kingdom of God. Join us.

**Parish Support
February 10-16, 2024**

<u>Contribution Income</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Weekly Offertory	\$ 4,403
Plate	\$ 1,311
Online Giving	\$ 4,102
Total	\$ 9,816

Any parishioner who has questions regarding the parish finances can email: estice@regischurch.org

THOUGHTS FROM FR. EMMANUEL

Friends,

The teaching of the Lord in today’s gospel are precisely the way of salvation and spiritual grow for all the children of God. He says:

“Do to others what you would have done to you. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. Forgive, and you will be forgiven”

There is something inside us that explains why we treat others in the ways we do. There is something within us that reflects how we treat each other. If we struggle to show mercy to others, we usually first struggle to accept mercy in our lives. If we struggle to forgive, we usually struggle to ask for and accept forgiveness for our sins. If we struggle to be fair to others, we usually struggle to be fair to ourselves.

However, Jesus is inviting us to look within for the answers under the guidance of the Holy Spirit! Don’t accuse and blame others and the world. Look within! There you will find two things:

- *The presence of God and
- *Places that need to be healed, forgiven, soothed with mercy, places to which God is reaching out. Allow Jesus to heal you, to draw you close to Himself, to sustain you and to love you.

Finally, please consider supporting the Academy on March 1st as we celebrate our Casino Night. Invite your family members and friends to enjoy a wonderful evening that will benefit our Mission.

In Christ,

Fr Emmanuel Lopez

NAME TAG SUNDAY

Next weekend, **March 1& 2** the Worship Council 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 Worship Council members after Mass and learn about their ministry. If your group/council would like to volunteer please call the Parish Office, 816-761-1608.

ST. REGIS ACADEMY CASINO NIGHT
TICKETS ON SALE NOW

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EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL
 As part of the Eucharistic Revival initiative, the Faith Formation council is inviting parishioners to submit a brief description of their personal conversion experience or an inspirational, perhaps life-changing, event in their lives that would be of interest to others. A testimony recounts a transformative instance encountering God’s grace and assistance in one’s life. The purpose of sharing a personal testimony is to illuminate the divine intervention you’ve experienced, thereby enriching the faith of those who hear your story. Please prayerfully consider sending us your story; we plan to include these as a series in the weekly bulletin. It should be brief (one or two paragraphs). Also, we would like to associate your name with your testimony rather than present these in the bulletin anonymously. Email your testimony to Rachel Samson at rsamson@regischurch.org. Call 816-76-1608 with any questions.

St. John Vianney Happy Hour for Vocations

SEMINARIAN EDUCATION FUNDRAISER
 Please join in the fun and support our Seminarians! There will be a fundraiser to support seminarian education on **February 24th** from 5:30-7:30pm at the Bishop Hogan Center (at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception) 11th and Broadway, KCMO 64105. Free and secure garage parking available. For more information or to register go to kcpriest.org

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

Enrollment for 2025-2026

We are excited to announce that enrollment for the 2025-2026 school year will open this week! All new and returning families can secure their spot by completing the enrollment or re-enrollment process. Enrollment can be completed by visiting www.regisacademy.org/enrollment.

Important Enrollment Dates

- **January 13th** - Enrollment opens
- **February 12th** - Enrollment Night #1
 - Enrollment support available from 5-7pm
- **February 23rd** - Open House 6pm after the Spanish Mass
- **March 26th** - Enrollment night #2
- **May 3** - New Family Meeting and scholar testing

**Families who attend an enrollment night will have their \$25 enrollment fee waived!*

Academy Corner

Casino Night is Next Weekend!

Last Chance to get your tickets

Enjoy poker games, mice races, a silent auction, and more—all while supporting St. Regis Academy Scholars!

Bring your friends & family for a night of fun!

♦ Grab your tickets now: regisacademy.org/casino



Name a Mouse!

For just \$25, you can claim one of the 36 racing mice competing on March 1st! You don't even have to attend to join in the fun—plus, every dollar goes toward St. Regis Scholarships!

But don't wait—once all 36 are claimed, the race is on without you!

To name a mouse, visit: regisacademy.org/casino

¡PUERTAS ABIERTAS ESTE FIN DE SEMANA!

¡Únase a nosotros este domingo 23 de febrero, justo después de la misa en español!

- ✓ Recorridos disponibles en inglés y español
- ✓ Conozca cómo St. Regis Academy puede servir a su familia

Venga a ver lo que hace que nuestra Academia sea especial. ¡Nos encantaría conocerlo!

OPEN HOUSE THIS WEEKEND!

Join us this Sunday, February 23rd, right after the Spanish Mass (around 6 PM)!

- ✓ Tours available in English & Spanish
- ✓ Learn how St. Regis Academy can serve your family

Come see what makes our Academy special—we'd love to meet you!

WHAT IS A GRIEF RECOVERY GROUP?

The group we offer at St. Sabina is based on an adult mutual self-help grief recovery model. It is a safe place to recognize and acknowledge a painful loss. The participants are grievers that are courageous and have chosen to be proactive rather than passive. It's a place to give your grief its voice. Advanced registration is important; group size is limited, but we need at least five participants to have a group. All are welcome; you do not have to be a parishioner to participate. Friends and family members are welcome.

When and How to Register?

This year our group will begin Tuesday morning, March 11, 2025 at 9:30am. The group will meet once a week for six weeks. If we have more than 9 people, we may also have an evening class too. To register or for more information contact Berenice Zayas at 816-979-3150 or berenice@stsabinaparish.org.

In a society which is much more inclined to help you hide your pain rather than to grow through it, it is necessary to make a very conscious effort to mourn.

PENSAMIENTOS DEL P. EMMANUEL

Amigos

Las enseñanzas del Señor en el evangelio de hoy son precisamente el camino de salvación y crecimiento espiritual para todos los hijos de Dios. Dice:

"Haz a los demás lo que te habrían hecho a ti. Sed misericordiosos, como vuestro Padre es misericordioso. Perdona y serás perdonado"

Hay algo dentro de nosotros que explica por qué tratamos a los demás de la manera en que lo hacemos. Hay algo dentro de nosotros que refleja cómo nos tratamos los unos a los otros. Si luchamos por mostrar misericordia a los demás, por lo general primero luchamos para aceptar la misericordia en nuestras vidas. Si luchamos por perdonar, por lo general luchamos para pedir y aceptar el perdón por nuestros pecados. Si luchamos por ser justos con los demás, por lo general luchamos por ser justos con nosotros mismos.

Sin embargo, ¡Jesús nos está invitando a buscar las respuestas en nuestro interior bajo la guía del Espíritu Santo! No acuses ni culpes a los demás ni al mundo.

¡Mira hacia adentro! Allí encontrarás dos cosas:

*La presencia de Dios y

Lugares que necesitan ser sanados, perdonados, aliviados con misericordia, lugares a los que Dios está llegando. Permite que Jesús te sane, que te acerque a Él, que te sostenga y te ame.

Finalmente, considere apoyar a la Academia el 1 de marzo mientras celebramos nuestra Noche de Casino. Invita a tus familiares y amigos a disfrutar de una maravillosa velada que beneficiará a nuestra Misión.

En Cristo,

P. Emmanuel López

DE LA PALMA A LA CENIZA

El Miércoles de Ceniza es **el 5 de marzo**. Las cenizas que distribuimos en este día provienen de palmas viejas. Los próximos fines de semana habrá canastas en el Espacio de Reunión para que coloquen sus palmas viejas. Si trae varias palmas, dóblelas y colóquelas en una bolsa de plástico. Gracias por su ayuda.



Inscripción para 2025-2026

¡Nos complace anunciar que la inscripción para el año escolar 2025-2026 se abrirá esta semana! Todas las familias nuevas y recurrentes pueden asegurar su lugar completando el proceso de inscripción o reinscripción. La inscripción se puede completar visitando www.regisacademy.org/enrollment.

Fechas de inscripción importantes

- **13 de enero** - Se abren las inscripciones
- **12 de febrero** - Noche de inscripción n.º 1
 - Soporte de inscripción disponible de 5 a 7 p.m.
- **23 de febrero** - Casa Abierta
 - 6pm después de la misa en español
- **26 de marzo** - Noche de inscripción #2
- **3 de mayo** - Nueva reunión familiar y pruebas escolares

¡Las familias que asistan a una noche de inscripción no tendrán que pagar la tarifa de inscripción de \$25!

ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA CON CONFESIONES

Únase a nosotros para la Adoración y las Confesiones

todos los miércoles de 6 a 7p.m.

GUARDA LA FECHA

Las Damas Auxiliares de St. Regis están organizando una peregrinación a la Abadía de la Concepción y las Hermanas de la Adoración Perpetua en Clyde, Missouri, el **1 de marzo de 2025**. Todos son bienvenidos. Comunícate con Debbie Umstead al 816-806-5541 para obtener información y reservar tu lugar en el autobús.

**EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL
TIPS & TESTIMONIES**

Following is a testimony shared by Glen Ernstmann.

I was not engaged with my faith as a child nor as a teenager. When I was 12 years old my father died of a heart attack, so my mom had four children to raise by herself; I did nothing to help her with this trial. I got caught up in the “hippy” era and was into drugs, alcohol and misbehavior. When I went to college, I decided to straighten my life out, but it was harder than I expected and I had something of a nervous breakdown and actually prayed to God, maybe for the first time, for some sort of relief. I decided I needed to leave my party friends behind. I made a general confession and started going to church. I started reading about the saints and studying about the Church teachings and I married a wonderful Catholic lady who has encouraged me to live a Christ-centered life. It’s been a slow transition over the past 50 years, but I am gradually giving my life to God - and I’m very glad about it!

Look for additional tips and personal testimonies in future bulletins.

SAVE THE DATE

The Ladies Auxiliary of St. Regis Council 13671 is hosting a pilgrimage to Conception Abbey and the Sister’s of Perpetual Adoration in Clyde, MO on **March 1, 2025**. Cost is \$80 per person and needs to be paid by February 15th. This includes the cost of the bus, lunch, donation to the Sisters and a tip for the bus driver. The bus will leave St. Regis at 7am. Please contact Debbie Umstead at 816-313-1228 or email bill.umstead@comcast.net to RSVP. There are 54 available seats on the bus.

HELP WANTED

Little Sister’s of the Poor are looking for a part time activities assistant. To apply email your resume to hrkc@littlesistersofthepoor.org.

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

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:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-392-3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18) and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and If the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City~St. Joseph report the suspected abuse to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816-812-2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Victim Advocate, at 816-392-0011 or victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

Please Pray for those in the Hospital:

Mike Sheehan

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, Jeanne Quinn, Susie Tobin 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

Liturgical Roles

March 1 & 2

Lectors

3:00pm Makenzie Hinrichs & Melissa Wiehn
8:30am David Vorbeck & David Orozco
10:30am Randy Seever & Virginia Reyes

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

3:00pm Melissa Wiehn, Alex Pope, Jim Filley
Dorothy Quinn & Marvin Chaney
8:30am Joan Sack, Dave Vorbeck, Pat Hanson
Jane Marzano & Mike Murtha
10:30am Diane Pacheco, Virginia Reyes, Ora Reyes
John Reyes, Sr. & John Reyes, Jr.

Servers

3:00pm Ian Minton, Yared Minton & Maria Minton
8:30am Riley Winder, Audrey Miller, & Patrick Miller
10:30am Jose Vazquez, Isabell Vazquez, Maribel Vazquez
Jared Villalobos & Yami Villalobos

Greeters

3:00pm Marvin Chaney & Mary Ann Warren
8:30am Sue Quanty Smith & Maxine Rodriguez
10:30am Martin Gomez & Dennis Reilly

Mass Coordinator

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

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, February 25

8:30am †Ann Rowan by Rick & Terri Martin
7:00pm For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, February 26

For the Intentions of Marci Wendle
by Rick & Terri Martin

Thursday, February 27

†Clarence & Rose Marie Larson
by the Belarde Family

Friday, February 28

†Debbie Roberts by Rick & Terri Martin

Saturday, March 1

3:00pm †Bill Glasbrenner by Family

Sunday, March 2

8:30am †Jeremy Savage by Bill & Gay Heydon
10:30am †Chuck Bittner by Barbara Minter
5:00pm People of St. John Francis Regis Parish

Schedule of Events

Sunday, February 23

8:30am Mass
10:30am Mass
11:00am Retreat/Sp
5:00pm Mass/Spanish
6:00pm Academy Open House

Monday, February 24

5:30pm Feed Your Faith
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal/Sp
7:00pm Bible Class/Eng

Tuesday, February 25

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

Wednesday, February 26

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

Thursday, February 27

8:30am Mass
9:30am Scripture Sharing
9:45am School Adoration
6:00pm Choir Rehearsal
7:00pm OCIA
7:00pm Boy Scouts

Friday, February 28

8:30am Mass
No School

Saturday, March 1

Name Tag Sunday
6:45am That Man Is You
8:30am Mass/1st Saturday
2:00pm Confessions
3:00pm Mass
6:30pm Casino Night

Sunday, March 2

Name Tag Sunday
8:30am Mass
9:30am Ladies Auxiliary
10:30am Mass
5:00pm Mass/Spanish

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