

# Saint John Francis Regis Parish

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Fr. Emmanuel Lopez, Parochial Administrator

March 23, 2025

# Come Home to Communion

#### **Weekend Masses**

Saturday:  $\overline{3:00pm}$ 

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: 6:00-7:00рм

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

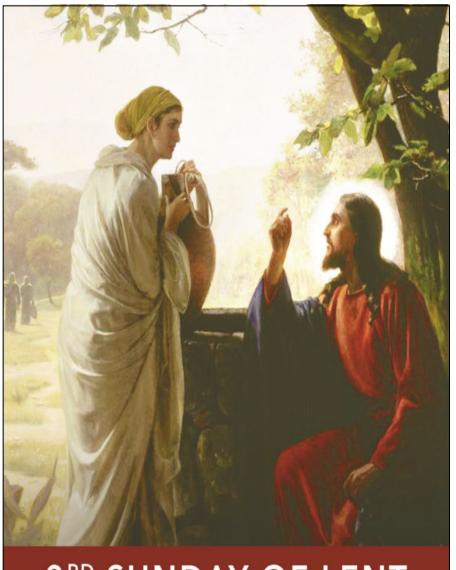
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# 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." - Jn 4:10

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD

### RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Make plans now to celebrate the Sacrament of Confession during the season of Lent. All of us are encouraged to join in this sacrament of God's forgiveness in preparation for Easter. The St. Regis Reconciliation Service will be on **Monday, March 24**, at 6:00pm.

### LENTEN REFLECTIONS

Deacon Ken and Deacon Juan will be doing Lenten Reflections right after the Wednesday Holy Hour on **March 26 April 2 & 9** in the Church. Everyone is invited.

#### FEED YOUR FAITH

**Feed Your Faith** will not meet as usual tomorrow night, March 24, because we will be attending the Parish Penance Service in the church.

Everyone is welcome to join us next Monday, March 31, for the conclusion of the marvelous Lenten video series, **Metanoia**.

# 40 Days For Life

Wednesday, April 2nd, is our St Regis Day to Pray at the 40 Days for Life site 4840 College Blvd.; Overland Park, KS 66211. We will be covering the hours from 7 am until 1 pm. You're invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil on the public sidewalk outside the Center for Women's Health abortion facility. You may bring a chair if you wish, and parking is permitted adjacent to the prayer site at this time. Please sign up for the time you are available on the sign-up sheet at the feet of the St Michael statue. Contact Mary Ernstmann with any questions. 816.392.3684 thank you.

# Parish Support March 10-16, 2024

Contribution IncomeAmountWeekly Offertory\$ 8,021Plate\$ 1,670Online Giving\$ 4,052Total\$ 13,743

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

### THOUGHTS FROM FR. EMMANUEL

The liturgy of the Third Sunday of Lent begins by acknowledging God's holiness and his claim on us that we belong to him. It recognizes that we are his own people and must live in a way that reflects his holiness.

God offers us the gift of faith as our path towards holiness. At the same time, we all want and desire to live a peaceful life. We all want to make sense of our existence. We all desire to live a life where we can make a positive contribution to ourselves, to our families and to those around us. Challenges are always with us, difficulties surround us. However, the more we long, desire and develop a personal and ultimate relationship with Jesus Christ as our best friend, there is absolutely nothing that we cannot face and overcome.

When we practice faith and trust in the Lord, we become the "power and the wisdom of God." In this season of Lent, we prepare for the feast of Easter by trying to purify our body and spirit, to abundantly receive the fruits of the Redemption of the Lord. Today the church invites us to reflect on the urgency of repentance to enhance our Christian lives through the virtue of Faith.

Please join us in Our Reconciliation Service this **Monday March 24**, 6:00pm to 7:45pm as we will have priests assisting us with the sacrament of confession in the Church. (arrive early). Remember that confession in one of the steps to receive the indulgence on this "2025 Jubilee of Hope"

In Christ,

Fr. Emmanuel Lopez

### PLEASE NOTE

If you park your vehicle in a handicapped spot you <u>must</u> have a handicapped placard on your vehicle or handicapped tags. Thank you.

# Easter Flower Offering

Please help us beautify the Church for Easter by making a contribution for Easter flowers in memory of a deceased loved one or in honor of your family. Please use the designated envelope in your March packet. You may place your contribution in the regular collection anytime during the month of March or April. Thank you for your generosity.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Please join us for Stations of the Cross this **Friday**, **March 28th at 4:30pm** in the Church. This is a great way to journey with Jesus during the season of Lent.



### **EUCHARISTIC GLORY PRESENTATION**

On Tuesday evenings during Lent we will be meeting to discuss the "Christmas gift book" 33 Day to Eucharistic Glory. If you have not read it, no problem; this is your opportunity to get an overview. If you have read the book, come and share your thoughts. The book offers daily reflections on various aspects of the precious gift that is the Eucharist. We will be meeting in the MEC (the old Convent), Room 6, from 7-8pm on **Tuesdays** March 25 and April 1.

# EASTER BAG DONATIONS

Once again, we are asking for your help to fill Easter Bags for our friends at The Village at Carroll Park Care Facility in Grandview, MO. We are collecting donations of:

Individually wrapped Easter candy/mini candy bars (bagged candy); Peanut butter or cheese crackers; Snack cakes & bags of Jelly Beans.

Travel size (small) shampoo, lotion, deodorant, bar soap, toothpaste.

Toothbrushes, Note Cards, pocket size Kleenex, pocket combs, decks of playing cards, Post-it notes, plastic Easter Eggs (small or medium)

\*Please, no pens or notepads

We will gladly accept <u>cash donations</u> to purchase needed items. (<u>Please take the cash donations to the Parish Office</u>). Place all other donations in the baskets and tubs by **Sunday**, **April 13<sup>th</sup> (Palm Sunday).** Thank you!



——Social Service Ministry Council



# ANNUAL LENTEN SHRIMP BOIL DINNERS

Fridays during Lent 5-7pm in the Parish Hall,

#### Choose from:

- Jumbo Boiled Shrimp \$12
- Battered Fish Filet \$12
- 1/2 Shrimp & 1/2 Fish \$12
- Fish Taco (on corn tortilla) \$12
- Cheese Lasagna (10oz) and garlic toast -\$10
- Cheese Pizza (by the slice) \$6
- Family Meal Deal \$40 (maximum for immediate families)

Sides include: new potatoes, com on the cob, coleslaw, roll or hush puppies. Beverages: lemonade, tea, coffee and water. Desserts and soda pop also available for purchase.

Live entertainment each week.

# CATHOLIC RELIEF COLLECTION

Next week our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and **reveal Christ's love** to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

# R Academy Corner

# Numbers on the Rise

We're two months into enrollment season, and our numbers are stronger than ever! Nearly 100 scholars are already re-enrolled, with dozens of new applications and inquiries submitted.

Join us for our second Enrollment Night on Wednesday, March 26th, from 5–7 PM. New families can receive application assistance in English and Spanish, and we'll waive the application fee for attendees.

Sign up at

www.regisacademy.org/enrollment.









On March 6th, St. Elizabeth's Student Council visited St. Regis for a day of faith, fellowship, and service. They planned future collaborations, spent time in adoration, and joined the Little Sisters of the Poor for bingo. A wonderful day of growing together!



# DONACIONES DE BOLSITAS DE PASCUA

Una vez más, le pedimos su ayuda para llenar las bolsas de Pascua para nuestros amigos de The Village at Carroll Park Care Facility en Grandview, MO. Estamos recolectando donaciones de:

Dulces de Pascua / mini barras de chocolate envueltos individualmente (dulces en bolsas); galletas de mantequilla de maní o queso; Pasteles de bocadillo y bolsas de gominolas.

Champú, loción, desodorante, jabón en barra y pasta de dientes de tamaño de viaje (pequeño).

Cepillos de dientes, tarjetas de notas, pañuelos de bolsillo, peines de bolsillo, barajas de cartas, notas adhesivas, huevos de Pascua de plástico (pequeños o medianos)

\*Por favor, no bolígrafos ni blocs de notas

Con gusto aceptaremos <u>donaciones en efectivo</u> para comprar los artículos necesarios. (<u>Por favor, lleve las donaciones en efectivo a la Oficina Parroquial</u>). Coloque todas las demás donaciones en las canastas y tarrinas antes del **domingo 13 de abril (Domingo de Ramos).** ¡Gracias!

——Consejo del Ministerio de Servicios Sociales

### Pensamientos Del P. Emmanuel

La liturgia del Tercer Domingo de Cuaresma comienza reconociendo la santidad de Dios y su reclamo sobre nosotros de que le pertenecemos. Reconoce que somos su propio pueblo y debemos vivir de una manera que refleje su santidad.

Dios nos ofrece el don de la fe como nuestro camino hacia la santidad. Al mismo tiempo, todos queremos y deseamos vivir una vida pacífica. Todos queremos darle sentido a nuestra existencia. Todos deseamos vivir una vida en la que podamos hacer una contribución positiva a nosotros mismos, a nuestras familias y a quienes nos rodean. Los desafíos siempre están con nosotros, las dificultades nos rodean. Sin embargo, cuanto más anhelamos, deseamos y desarrollemos una relación personal y definitiva con Jesucristo como nuestro mejor amigo, no hay absolutamente nada que no podamos enfrentar y superar.

Cuando practicamos la fe y la confianza en el Señor, nos convertimos en el "poder y la sabiduría de Dios". En este tiempo de Cuaresma, nos preparamos para la fiesta de Pascua tratando de purificar nuestro cuerpo y espíritu, para recibir abundantemente los frutos de la Redención del Señor. Hoy la iglesia nos invita a reflexionar sobre la urgencia del arrepentimiento para mejorar nuestras vidas cristianas a través de la virtud de la fe.

Únase a nosotros en Nuestro Servicio de Reconciliación este **lunes 24 de marzo**, de 6:00 p.m. a 7:45 p.m., ya que tendremos sacerdotes que nos asistirán con el sacramento de la confesión en la Iglesia. (llegar temprano). Recuerda esa confesión en uno de los pasos para recibir la indulgencia en este "Jubileo de la Esperanza 2025"

En Cristo,

P. Emmanuel López

# 40 Dias Para Toda La Vida

El miércoles 2 de abril es nuestro Día de San Regis para orar en el sitio de 40 Días por la Vida 4840 College Blvd.; Parque terrestre, KS 66211. Estaremos cubriendo el horario desde las 7 am hasta la 1 pm. Te invitamos a ponerte de pie y orar pacíficamente durante una vigilia de 40 días en la acera pública fuera del centro de abortos del Centro para la Salud de la Mujer. Puede traer una silla si lo desea, y se permite el estacionamiento adyacente al sitio de oración en este momento. Por favor, regístrese para el tiempo que esté disponible en la hoja de registro a los pies de la estatua de San Miguel. Póngase en contacto con Mary Ernstmann si tiene alguna pregunta. 816.392.3684 Gracias.

### SERVICIO DE CONCILIACION

Haga planes ahora para celebrar el Sacramento de la Confesión durante la temporada de Cuaresma. Se nos anima a todos a unirnos a este sacramento del perdón de Dios en preparación para la Pascua. El Servicio de Reconciliación de St. Regis será el **lunes 24 de marzo** a las 6:00 p.m.

#### ESTACIONES DE LA CRUZ

Únase a nosotros para el Vía Crucis este viernes 28 de marzo a las 7 pm en la Iglesia. Esta es una excelente manera de viajar con Jesús durante la temporada de Cuaresma.

### CAMARONES DE CUARESMA

Viernes durante la Cuaresma 5-7pm en el Salón Parroquial

Escoja entre:

- Camarones gigantes \$ 12
- Filete de pescado \$12
- 1/2 camarones y 1/2 pescado \$12
- Taco de pescado (en tortilla de maíz) \$12
- Lasaña de queso (10oz) y pan de ajo \$10
- Pizza de queso (por rebanada) \$6
- Oferta de comida familiar \$40 (máximo para familiares directos)

Los acompañamientos incluyen: papas nuevas, mazorcas de maíz, ensalada de col, panecillos y cachorros silenciosos. Bebidas: limonada, té, café y agua. Postres y refrescos también disponibles para su compra.

Entretenimiento en vivo cada semana.

# COLECTA DE AYUDA CATOLICA

La próxima semana nuestra parroquia se hará cargo de la Colecta de los Servicios Católicos de Ayuda. Los fondos de esta colecta proporcionan alimentos a los hambrientos, apoyan a los refugiados desplazados y llevan el amor y la misericordia de Cristo a las personas vulnerables aquí y en el extranjero. La próxima semana, por favor donen generosamente a la colecta y **revelen el amor de Cristo** a los más necesitados. Más información sobre la colección en www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

#### 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@diocesekesj.org for more information.

# EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL TIPS & TESTIMONIES

Following is a testimony shared by Mike Berigan

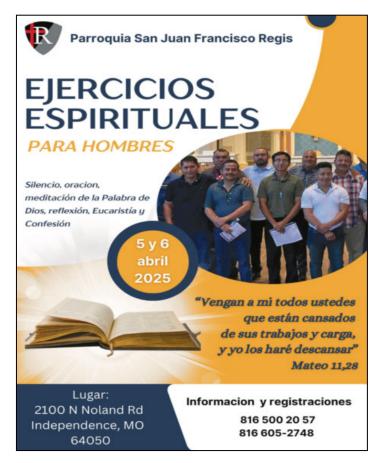
"Mike it was an absolute blessing to meet you today sir. Thank you for allowing me to drive the truck, and to put trust into me with just meeting me to do that speaks volumes on your character and the impact you make in people's lives. I greatly appreciate and am grateful to have met you sir."

That text came from Derek, a young man who stopped to ask if I was volunteer and ask if he could help. I told him yes, but there is the hill at the intersection of Raytown Rd and Highgrove Rd. that really needs to be cleaned up and with his help we could really make a difference. He just recently got out of the Army after 7 years and he saw me and was struck by my action.

We worked for an hour until it got dark. He asked why I do it and I told him I am glorifying God by giving him back a little part of his beautiful creation. I told him also that I was in a very dark place in my life and I walked on Raytown Rd. wondering why nobody was doing anything about the trash that was accumulating. I told him that was when God told me "Why don't you do something about it?"

I told him that often God sends me people like him to help me and I talk to them about how Christ changed my life and he is always patiently waiting for us to reach out to him to help us get through those dark times in our lives . I told him he is waiting for you too. He began to cry and gave me a hug and said I had no idea how much this has already helped him.

Look for additional tips and personal testimonies in future bulletins.



Please Remember In Your Prayers: Aidan Jones, Joanne Whitehurse, 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 Reitinger, Jack Deuschle, Mary Hunter, Martha Aquino, John Reyes, Sr., Lupita Sharkey, Yair Arvizu, Christopher Rivera, Julie Schneider, Teresa King, Thomas Sevart, 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, Amir Smith and the many parishioners who are experiencing situational and financial hardships.

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

Maria Lidia Lopez

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

# Liturgical Roles

### March 29 & 30

#### Lectors

3:00pm Jim Filley & Makenzie Hinrichs 8:30am Pat Hanson & Rick Janet 10:30am Knights of Columbus

#### **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

3:00pm Marvin Chaney & Dorothy Quinn 8:30am Jane Marzano & Mike Murtha

10:30am Knights of Columbus

#### Servers

3:00pm Enderlyn Cartagena, Lupita Portillo & Anthony VanRoss

8:30am Riley Winder, Patrick Miller & Audrey Miller

10:30am Jared Villalobos, Lucy Ensminger,

Angel P. Thomas & Angelo P. Thomas

#### **Greeters**

3:00pm Mary Ann Warren & Cliff Miller 8:30am Maxine Rodriguez & Joan Sack

10:30am Knights of Columbus

#### Mass Coordinator

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

# Mass Intentions

#### Tuesday, March 25

8:30am †Teri Neff by Milt Bryant 7:00pm For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

#### Wednesday, March 26

For the Intentions of Janie Kerl by Debra Ramsey

#### Thursday, March 27

†Elizabeth Neff by Milt Bryant

#### Friday, March 28

For the Intentions of St. Regis Staff by Debra Ramsey

#### Saturday, March 29

3:00pm For the Intentions of Ellen Newman by Debra Ramsey

#### Sunday, March 30

8:30am People of St. John Francis Regis Parish
10:30am †Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus
& Ladies Auxiliary

5:00pm †Connie Edith Sanchez

# Schedule of Events

#### Sunday, March 23

8:30am Mass 10:30am Mass

5:00pm Mass/Spanish

#### Monday, March 24

5:30pm Feed Your Faith 6:00pm Computer Class/Sp

6:00pm 1st Reconciliation & Penance Service

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal/Sp 7:00pm Bible Class/Eng

#### Tuesday, March 25

8:30am Mass

9:30am Faith Formation

6:30pm Rosary

7:00pm Mass/Spanish

7:00pm Bible Class/Eng

7:00pm 33 Days to Eucharistic Glory

#### Wednesday, March 26

8:30am Mass

9:30am Church Cleaning

5:00pm Academy Enrollment Night6:00pm Adoration/Confessions7:00pm Lenten Reflections

7:00pm Knights of Columbus Officers

#### **No Religious Education**

#### Thursday, March 27

8:30am Mass

9:30am Scripture Sharing

6:00pm Choir Rehearsal

7:00pm OCIA

7:00pm Boy Scouts

#### Friday, March 28

8:30am Mass

9:45am School Adoration

4:30pm Stations of the Cross/Eng

5:00pm Shrimp Boil

7:00pm Stations of the Cross/Sp

#### Saturday, March 29

6:45am That Man Is You

2:00pm Confessions

3:00pm Mass

#### Sunday, March 30

8:30am Mass

10:30am Mass

11:00am Retreat/Sp

5:00pm Mass/Spanish

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