

Saint John Francis Regis Parish

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September 7, 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 - 7:00рм 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

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

Parish Staff

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Deacon Richard Gross		
Deacon Juan Rodriguez		
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Parish Council

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Deacon Ken Albers	Deacon Richard Gross	
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Glen Ernstmann	Deanna Perry	
Robin Fisher	Randy Seever	
Grace Givens	John Wood	



Please keep these young people in prayer and offer them your congratulations. They will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday, September 12th. We are proud of their accomplishments and ask God's continued blessing upon them.

Melanie Aquilar	Giovanni Luna Orozco
Alexander Aldana Hernandez	Sophia Lutsko
Alexis Aldana Hernandez	Andi Maldonado Molina
John Alvarez	Armando Martinez
Margarita Alvarez	Brandon Martinez
Jimena Benavides Gonzalez	Luis Mejia
Esteban Cantu	Dustin Merida Millan
Enderlyn Cartagena	Diana Millan Millan
Maria Castillo	Miguel Millan Millan
Obeth Centeno Castaneda	Audrey Miller
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Israel Cruz	Malyk Musongwe
Tyler Divis	Axel Orozco Gonzalez
Nayely Dominguez Contreras	Santiago Orozco Ramirez
Henry Flores Millan	Wendy Orozco Gonzalez
Sebastian Gomez Ramirez	Yadhira Orozco
Dylan Gonzalez	Edward Pacheco
Javier Gonzalez Cardenas	Aaron Palacios
Aylin Gonzalez Esqueda	Angel Penaye Thomas
Anahi Gonzalez Gonzalez	Lupita Portillo
Neylly Gonzalez Gonzalez	Luis Ramirez
Nelson Guerrero	Andrew Ramirez Ayon
Alexis Guzman Lopez	Anna Rios Chavez
Alexandra Hernandez	Israel Rios
Barbara Hernandez Salazar	Frida Salazar
Michelle Hernandez Salazar	Miguel Silva Vazquez
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Jadelyn Lam	Alejandro Vargas Enriquez
Jose Leija	Monserrath Vargas Enriquez
Danna Lopez	Isabella Vazquez
Fernanda Lopez	Maribel Vazquez
Luis Lopez Ĥernandez	Dexter Vega
Saduly Lopez Hernandez	Jared Villalobos Muniz
Samantha Loulos	Emely Villeda Molina
Chelsea Luna Orozco	Jack Wiehn
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Cesar Zarate

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PROGRAM

Look for the display in the Gathering Space the weekends of August 23/24 and September 6/7 for the Ladies Auxiliary's Spiritual Adoption program. You sign up to "adopt" and name an unborn child and pray for the unborn. There is no charge for this. Thank you.

COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND

If you know someone that is a Parishioner of St. Regis and is confine at home and is unable to come to church to receive communion, please call Esmeralda Lopez at the parish office so we can make special arrangements with our communion ministers.816-761-1608.



Anointing of the Sick the weekend of September 13-14 after all masses.

988 SUICIDE AND CRISIS LINE

Are you in crisis? Feeling overwhelmed? Not sure where to turn? You are not alone and we can help! Do not hesitate - call or text 988 now! Languages: English and Spanish. Hours: Available 24 hours.

Parish Support August 18-24, 2025

Contribution Income	<u>Amount</u>
Weekly Offertory	\$ 4,568
Plate	\$ 1,489
Online Giving	\$ 3,180
IRA Distribution	\$
Total	\$ 9,237

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

THOUGHTS FROM FR. EMMANUEL

Friends,

This Sunday we are reminded that true wisdom consists in seeking and fulfilling God's Will for us. If we are to fulfill His Divine Will in our life, if we want to follow Christ, we must be ready to renounce everything which could constitute as an obstacle to follow Jesus. Our Lord reminds us in the Gospel (Lk 14: 25-33) that:

"Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me, cannot be my disciple... So therefore, whoever of you does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple".

The word "hate" towards our loved ones must not be interpreted literally. It must be understood, in the context of all our Lord's teachings (cf. Lk 6:27.35). Using a hyperbolic expression, Our Lord simply reminds that when it comes to loving God, we cannot be half-hearted. God must take priority over everything, even above our own preferences, because it is the only way to fulfill His Will, convinced that God knows and wants the best for each one of us. As St. Gregory the Great comments:

"In this world let us love everyone, even though he be our enemy; but let us hate him who opposes us on our way to God, though he be our relative.... We should, then, love our neighbor; we should have charity towards all; towards relatives and towards strangers, but without separating ourselves from the love of God out of love for them"

Next week the Lay Missionaries Servants of the Word will introduce themselves to all of us after the weekend masses. Please take a moment to welcome them to St. Regis.

In Christ,

Fr Emmanuel Lopez

NAME TAG SUNDAY

This weekend, **September 6 & 7** members of the Knights of Columbus 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 Hispanic Ministry members after Mass and learn about their ministry. If your group/council would like to volunteer please call the Parish Office, 816-761-1608.



Thinking about enrolling for the 2026–2027 school year?

It may feel early, but the Missouri Scholarship application opens <u>September 1</u>—and funds go quickly! Don't miss out on this opportunity for tuition assistance.

Mark your calendar for September 1 and visit Bright Futures Fund to complete the prequalification survey. https://www.brightfuturesfund.org/kansas-city-st-joseph.html

Every dollar makes a difference for your family's investment in Catholic education.

FEED YOUR FAITH

Feed Your Faith resumes our weekly meetings beginning tomorrow night, September 8. Dinner is at 5:30, then we pray the Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus prayers at 6:00. Our new DVD series, The Mass begins at 6:15. Bishop Barron is a gifted teacher of the faith, and has put together an inspiring, beautiful, and in-depth explanation of the very center point of our faith. Join us for Episode One: A Privileged Encounter, and Episode Two: Called Out of the World. Even if you are a Cradle Catholic, you are guaranteed to learn something new.

FOOD COLLECTION

Next weekend, **September 13 & 14**, is our monthly food collection. Your canned goods and other non-perishable food donations help keep the food pantry stocked. We are especially in need of spaghetti, jelly and syrup. Your donated food items are greatly appreciated. Thanks for your continued support of this ministry.



THAT MAN IS YOU

That Man Is You will be resuming our program for the men of St. Regis Parish, starting on Saturday, September 13, 2025, and continuing through Saturday, December 13, 2025 (with a week off for Thanksgiving). TMIY is a gathering of St. Regis men who wish to enhance their faith life, and grow in God's love and become better followers of His plan for us. We meet at the MEC building, beginning with breakfast at 6:45 a.m., and our program begins at 7:00 a.m., followed by a group discussion, and we adjourn by 8:00 a.m. This year's program is titled: "The Light of Men", will focus on discovering that God is not of this world, but He is within each of us. We will learn how to overcome the power of sin, and embrace a new way of living. We'll have ten exciting and enthusiastic speakers in this year's programs to lead us on our walk to becoming better husbands, fathers, friends and men. Come and join us on our journey. For more information, call or email Dave Vorbeck at: (816) 935-3562, or dvorbeck2254@att.net.



those couples whose 50th Wedding Anniversary falls between January 1, 2025. and December 31, 2025



Let your Light Shine!

St. Regis Academy Annual School Fund

Enrollment is growing, the year is off to a strong start, and we are blessed with several multi-year funding commitments that strengthen our future. But to continue our mission, we need your help. We ask all parishioners to prayerfully consider making a gift to the Annual School Fund. Every contribution—no matter the size—makes a difference in keeping tuition affordable and ensuring that the great gift of Catholic education at St. Regis remains available to all who seek it. Thank you for your prayerful support of our scholars and our mission.

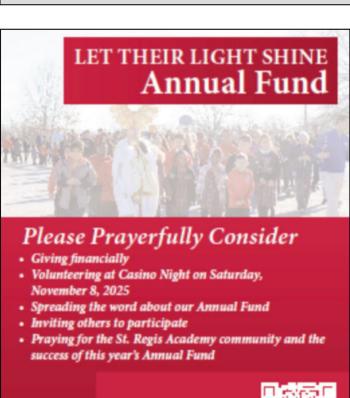


Important Dates:

Wednesday, August 27, 2025 - Thursday, September 11 - Cookie Dough Sale

Curriculum Night - Tuesday, September 9, 2025 - 5:00-7:00pm

Friday, September 12, 2025 - Fall Uniform Pictures Wednesday, September 17, 2025 - Ist Qaurter Midterm October 28 - 30 - CORDA Candle Sale



GIVE TODAY!



PENSAMIENTOS DEL P. EMMANUEL

Amigos

Este domingo se nos recuerda que la verdadera sabiduría consiste en buscar y cumplir la Voluntad de Dios para nosotros. Si queremos cumplir su Divina Voluntad en nuestra vida, si queremos seguir a Cristo, debemos estar dispuestos a renunciar a todo lo que pueda constituir un obstáculo para seguir a Jesús. Nuestro Señor nos recuerda en el Evangelio (Lc 14, 25-33) que:

"El que no lleva su propia cruz y viene en pos de mí, no puede ser mi discípulo... Por tanto, cualquiera de vosotros que no renuncie a todo lo que tiene, no puede ser mi discípulo".

La palabra "odio" hacia nuestros seres queridos no debe interpretarse literalmente. Debe entenderse, en el contexto de todas las enseñanzas de nuestro Señor (cf. Lc 6,27.35). Usando una expresión hiperbólica, Nuestro Señor simplemente recuerda que cuando se trata de amar a Dios, no podemos ser poco entusiastas. Dios debe tener prioridad sobre todo, incluso por encima de nuestras propias preferencias, porque es la única manera de cumplir su Voluntad, convencido de que Dios sabe y quiere lo mejor para cada uno de nosotros. Como comenta San Gregorio Magno:

"En este mundo amemos a todos, aunque sea nuestro enemigo; sino odiemos a aquel que se opone a nosotros en nuestro camino hacia Dios, aunque sea nuestro pariente... Debemos, entonces, amar a nuestro prójimo; debemos tener caridad hacia todos; hacia los parientes y hacia los extraños, pero sin separarnos del amor de Dios por amor a ellos"

La próxima semana, los Misioneros Laicos Siervos de la Palabra se presentarán a todos nosotros después de las misas del fin de semana. Tómese un momento para darles la bienvenida a St. Regis.

En Cristo.

P. Emmanuel López



Unción de los enfermos después de todas las misas el fin de semana de Septiembre 13-14.



Programa De Adopción Espiritual

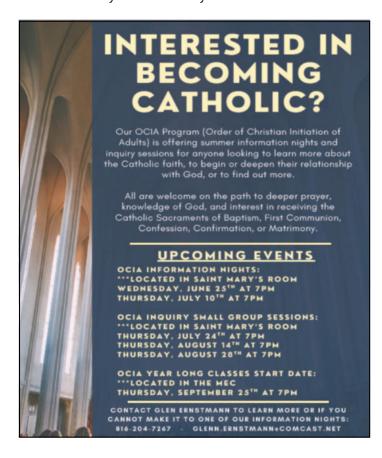
Busque la exhibición en el Espacio de Reunión los fines de semana del 23 y 24 de agosto y el 6 y 7 de septiembre para el programa de Adopción Espiritual de las Damas Auxiliares. Te inscribes para "adoptar" y nombrar a un niño por nacer y orar por el no nacido. No hay ningún cargo por esto. Gracias.

988 LÍNEA DE SUICIDIO Y CRISIS

¿Estás en crisis? ¿Te sientes abrumado? ¿No estás seguro de a dónde acudir? ¡No estás solo y podemos ayudarte! No lo dude, ¡llame o envíe un mensaje de texto al 988 ahora! Idiomas: Inglés y español. Horario: Disponible las 24 horas.

FAFSA

Noche de información de FAFSA. Tiene un estudiante en el 12 grado en high school y no sabe como funciona la ayuda financiera o como buscar becas. Lo invitamos el jueves 18 de septiembre de 5-7pm en el MEC salón 4.





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
- 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, 816-213 -6024 or ombudsman@diocesekcsj.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 816-714-2357 ext. 516 or victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

Please Remember In Your Prayers: Aidan Jones, Dolores Dick, McCartney Weist, Teresa Foster, Joseph Gregory, Margaret Kelly, Gregory Richard, 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, 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, Jerry Walker, Susie Tobin, Amir Smith, Richard Weidner, Lynette Robertson, Joanne Pommerer, Isaiah Love 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

BURIAL SITE FOR SALE

Mt. Olivet burial site for sale. One lot in Ave Maria section. Can be used for one individual burial or couple's cremated remains. Option to include interment, marker and two urn vaults. Priced well below current Mt. Olivet rates. Contact Laura or Bob at 913-909-6472.

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

Liturgical Roles

September 13 & 14

Lectors

3:00pm Jake Smith & Becky Smith 8:30am David Orozco & Katie Radford 10:30am Elizabeth Divis & Brian Hackworth

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

3:00pm Alex Pope & Jim Filley

8:30am Regina Ozbun & Jane Marzano 10:30am Gwen Hull & Mary Kimbrell

Servers

3:00pm

8:30am Riley Winder, Patrick Miller & Audrey Miller 10:30am Rita Godoy, Chris Obi, Yami Villalobos

Jared Villalobos & Lucy Ensminger

Greeters

3:00pm Don Wolff & Marvin Chaney 8:30am Joan Sack & Margarito Cruz 10:30am Richard Stange & Elaine Allee

Mass Coordinator

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

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, September 9

8:30am †Ashley Wright

7:00pm †Karla Muniz Najera by Family

Wednesday, September 10

†Woodard Miller by the Belarde Family

Thursday, September 11

†Peter Riddle by Family

Friday, September 12

†Rose Brown by Bob Brown

Saturday, September 13

3:00pm †Pam Putt by Family

Sunday, September 14

8:30am †Robert Brungardt by Family

10:30am People of St. John Francis Regis Parish

5:00pm †Karla Muniz Najera by Family

Schedule of Events

Sunday, September 7 Name Tag Sunday

8:30am Mass

9:15am Confirmation Retreat

9:30am Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary

10:30am Mass

12:00pm Bible Class/Eng 5:00pm Mass/Spanish

Monday, September 8

5:30pm Feed Your Faith

6:30pm Spanish Class 7:00pm CERS/Eng

7:00pm Social Service Ministry Council

Tuesday, September 9

8:30am Mass

9:30am Faith Enrichment

5:00pm Curriculum Night

6:30pm Rosary

7:00pm Mass/Spanish

7:00pm Mental Health

Wednesday, September 10

8:00am Adoration Committee Training

8:30am Mass

6:00pm Adoration/Confessions

6:00pm Religious Education

7:00pm Knights of Columbus

Thursday, September 11

8:30am Mass

9:30am Scripture Sharing

6:00pm Choir Rehearsal

7:00pm Boy Scouts

Friday, September 12

8:30am Mass

7:00pm Confirmation Mass

Saturday, September 13

2:00pm Confessions

3:00pm Mass

Food Collection

Sunday, September 14

8:30am Mass

10:30am Mass

12:00pm Bible Class/Eng

12:30pm Mass/Bilingual

5:00pm Mass/Spanish

Food Collection

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