



Saint John Francis Regis Parish

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www.stregischurch.com
Fr. Sean McCaffery, Pastor

September 19, 2021

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 3:00PM

Sunday: 8:30AM, 10:30AM &
5:00PM In Spanish

Daily Mass

Tuesday - Friday: 8:30AM

Confessions

Sat: 2:00PM & *Wed:* 6:00PM
& by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday: 6:00-7:00PM

SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

The Son of Man is to
be handed over to men
and they will kill him,
and three days
after his death the
Son of Man will rise.

Mark 9:31

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

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Religious Education	761-1608
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Gonzalo Villalobos	Mike Apprill
Robin Fisher	Fr. Sean McCaffery



TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY

Priesthood Sunday is a special day set aside to honor priesthood in the United States. It is a day to reflect upon and affirm the role of the priest as central to the life of the Church. Next **Sunday September 26** parishioners are encouraged to offer a prayer of thanksgiving and offer support for our pastor Fr. Sean McCaffery and other priests who have served our parish. Consider sending Fr. Sean McCaffery a note or card of appreciation for his dedication and leadership for our parish. Priesthood Sunday was established in 2001 to honor Priesthood in the Church and recognize those who are called to this life of service.

LATIN AMERICA COLLECTION

There will be a second collection at all Masses this weekend, **September 18 and 19**, for the Church in Latin America. Although approximately half of the world's Catholic population lives in Latin America, the Church in the region is losing members at an alarming rate. They are drawn away from the Church by other faiths and are often obliged to migrate in pursuit of a better life. These tensions can contribute to the destabilization of families and faith communities. You can help keep the Catholic faith strong through your support of this week's collection. Your generosity will support pastoral work that engages parishioners and fosters the faith. The Church in Latin America needs you help.

PRO-LIFE OPPORTUNITES

Friday, September 24 - Vitae Foundation Kansas City Pro-Life Event at the Sheraton Overland Park Hotel at the Convention Center, 6100 College Blvd., Overland Park KS. Mitch Holtus is Keynote Speaker. Go to vitaefoundation.org/events for more information.

Thursday, October 7 - Missouri Right to Life Western Region Banquet at Stoneycreek Conference Center, 18011 Bass Pro Dr., Independence, MO. Dr. Alan Keyes is the Keynote Speaker. For more information go to mrl-westernregion.org.

Friday, October 8 - Mother's Refuge "Night of Compassion" Annual Gala at Arrowhead Stadium—North Club Entrance. The Gala provides vital support to Mother's Refuge assist homeless mothers and babies in Kansas City. For more information go to mothersrefuge.org

ST. REGIS STEWARDSHIP CORNER

In today's Gospel, we learn that the disciples of Jesus had been discussing among themselves who was the greatest. Jesus is about to turn their idea as well as our society's idea of "greatness" upside down. He embraces a child and tries to help the Twelve understand that to be great is to be focused on something other than themselves. Jesus teaches that true "greatness" lies in being a good steward of those who are not great: welcoming one who is not viewed as great by our society's standards, like the child, the innocent, the vulnerable, the suffering, those who are outside our comfortable circle of family, friends, companions and colleagues, those who need a welcome. Jesus redefines our notion of greatness. How do we define greatness? Is our notion of greatness consistent with the teachings of Jesus Christ?

En el Evangelio de hoy, aprendemos que los discípulos de Jesús habían estado discutiendo entre ellos sobre quien era el más grande. Jesús está a punto de poner al revés su idea, así como la idea de nuestra sociedad acerca de la "grandeza." Abraza a un niño y trata de ayudar a los Doce a entender que ser grande es concentrarse en algo que no sea ellos mismos. Jesús enseña que la verdadera "grandeza" radica en ser un corresponsable de aquellos que no son grandes: dar la bienvenida a alguien que no es visto como grande por los estándares de nuestra sociedad, como el niño, el inocente, el vulnerable, el que sufre, aquellos que están fuera de nuestro cómodo círculo de familiares, amigos, compañeros y colegas, aquellos que necesitan una bienvenida. Jesús redefine nuestra propia noción de grandeza. ¿Cómo definimos la grandeza? ¿Es nuestra noción de grandeza consistente con las enseñanzas de Jesucristo?

Source: International Catholic Stewardship Council e-Bulletin

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is looking for Volunteers to help us out in our Catechesis class for children 3-9 years old. Classes are usually Wednesday nights from 7-8:15pm for the 3-6 year olds and Sundays from 3:30-5pm for the 3-9 year olds. Also, opportunities during the school day for the PreK-1st grade for St. Regis Academy. If you are interested in going through a training class to help teach contact Sherry Falke at sfalfake6966@gmail.com or 816-916-7089 or Ora Reyes at orareyes@gmail.com or call 816-668-5680. If you know anyone that has been trained in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for either level 1 or 2 please have them reach out to one of us.

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

Month 1: I have been very active the past month. I am 10,000 times larger than I was at conception. My eyes and nose are starting to form and I already have arm buds and leg buds. I have the building blocks for my brain, spinal cord, and nervous system. My heart is now pumping blood through my own circulatory system and my blood type may already be different from my mother's.

Thank you for the prayers that the Lord of Life might help her give me the most precious gift of all—the gift of life.

“Surely I was sinful at birth...sinful from the time my mother conceived me.” - David



VIGIL FOR 2021 WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS & REFUGEES

Join us for an evening of multi-cultural prayer and personal testimonies that reflect the rich heritage of the Catholic Church within our diocese! All are welcome.

When: Wednesday, September 22, at 7:00 p.m.

Where: St. John Francis Regis Church
8941 James A Reed Rd.
Kansas City, MO 64138

Participants are invited to share cultural dress and accessories!



For questions, please contact Raiza at guevara@diocesekcji.org, or Dcn. Ken at kcalbers1@aol.com.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

September 22nd– October 31st, 7am-7pm at the Center for Women's Health abortion facility, 4840 College Blvd. Overland Park, KS. Make plans now to come out and pray with a friend! Go to 40daysforlife.com/overlandpark to sign up or contact Wendy at 40daysforlifekc@gmail.com.

The 40 Days for Life Kick-off Rally is on **Sunday, September 19th at 4-5pm**. Come see Melissa Ohden who will be speaking. Melissa survived a saline abortion and we very much look forward to hearing her incredible story. It will be wonderful to see you there!



LITURGICAL WORKSHOPS

On **Wednesday, September 29th** there will be a Diocesan Reader Training Workshop from 6:30-8:30pm at St. Mark's Parish in Independence, MO.

On **Thursday, October 14th** there will training for Sick and Homebound Ministers at Nativity of Mary Parish in Independence, MO from 6:30-8:30pm. Attendees must previously have taken the training as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION WITH CONFESSIONS

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

SCHOOL NEWS

Vision

By the Grace of God, St. Regis Academy seeks to be a locally recognized leader in graduating young men and women who are spiritually and academically prepared for a lifetime of discipleship.

Mission

St. Regis Academy in partnership with parents, as the primary educators of their children, seeks to provide a Catholic Classical Liberal Arts Education centered on Christ. We seek to cultivate an environment that fosters a student's natural desire for Truth, Beauty, and Goodness. St. Regis Academy prepares students to think critically, reason logically, articulate clearly, and engage others persuasively. Our enrollment includes racial, ethnic, and economic diversity within the Body of Christ, providing a wealth of opportunity for students to grow in virtue by pursuing spiritual, emotional, and academic excellence.



St. Regis Academy & Preschool is looking for an afternoon assistant to help guide our smallest of scholars as they learn and grow! Applicants must be 18+ years of age and complete Protecting God's Children.

The hours are Monday-Friday from 2:30-6:00pm beginning in August. Interested applicants should contact Preschool Coordinator, Chelsea Wilton at 816-763-5837 or email cwilton@regisecc.org. Please feel free to pass along to anyone you know looking for an employment opportunity!

**HELP YOUR CHILDREN MEET THEIR
BEST FRIEND**



SCHOOL OF RELIGION NEWS

Our classes start **Wednesday, September 15th** from 7-8:15pm. Students who attend public school grades K-8 are invited to come and learn about their faith. For questions please contact Susan Duerr at sduerr@regischurch.org.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

The St. Regis Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program is scheduled to begin in September. The RCIA program is not just for people who are new to the faith, it can benefit all. You would not only be growing in your knowledge but would also be able to provide encouragement to the people new to the faith. So if you know of anyone that may be interested in becoming Catholic or just interested in learning what it is the Catholic Church believes and teaches, have them contact me. You can also give me their contact info and I will contact them. If you are Catholic and your spouse is not, talk to them and see if they would be willing to take the classes. They can decide after that whether they would like to become Catholic or not. Contact Ora Reyes at 816-668-5680, if you are interested or have questions.

DAY OF GIVING

Will you join Conception Abbey and Seminary College in support of our mission to form Men of God for the future of the Church? Please mark your calendar for the 2021 Partnering for Future Priests DAY OF GIVING, **September 30 - October 1**. This 24-hour online fund-raising challenge will rally friends like you around the opportunity to support your priests of tomorrow. The day will include opportunities to pray via livestream with the monks and seminarians, as well as ways to get to know and support our work here at Conception. You can give online at www.conception.edu/pfp, over the phone, or through the mail, any time between now and October 1. If you have questions contact Trish Wiederholt at 660-944-2958 or events@conception.edu.

St. John Francis Regis invites you to join us for

BIBLE STUDY

WITH THE MISIONARIES SERVANTS OF THE WORD

Starting Monday September 6, 2021
Mondays & Fridays at
7:00 p.m. -8:30 p.m.

For more information please contact us
(816) 721-1943

FALL IGNATIAN PRAYER RETREATS

Do you desire to see the goodness of God more in your prayer and your life? Are you looking to go deeper in your relationship with God? This October, the Ignatian Spirituality Center of Kansas City is offering group and individual prayer retreats to help seekers relate more easily and see more readily God's action in their lives. These retreats run from 6 to 7 weeks long. Our group prayer retreats, Easing into Contemplative Prayer, are 6 weeks long and fill up quickly! For more information visit www.ignatiancenterkc.org/events or call Stephanie Hudson at 816-381-9168.

#BeThe1To

If you think someone might be considering suicide, be the one to help them by taking these 5 steps:

**ASK. KEEP THEM
SAFE. BE THERE.
HELP THEM CONNECT.
FOLLOW UP.**



Find out why this can save a life at
www.BeThe1To.com

If you're struggling, call the Lifeline at
1-800-273-TALK (8255)

ITA MAURA NEWS

An important step in the fight for social justice is to help improve the condition where people currently live. Since 1992, St. Regis has had a sister relationship (monetary and prayer support) with the Community of Ita Maura, El Salvador.

St. Regis Endowment Fund, through CIS (Center for Exchange and Solidarity Scholarship Program), currently provides scholarships for six High School and four University students. \$5500 is the amount needed for our Endowment Fund this coming school year that starts in January. You'll find an Ita Maura envelope in your August envelope packet as well as an online category choice just choose "other" and write Ita Maura Scholarships for online giving.

Please consider an Ita Maura Endowment Fund donation to help our students in their pursuit of Higher Education. Thanks for your generosity and prayers!

A BIG THANK YOU

My heartfelt and sincere thanks to everyone who helped me and expressed support during my fainting episode at Mass on August 29th. I am now fit as a fiddle.

The generous and caring, warm and vital beating heart of our faith community is a treasure that enriches the untold thousands over the years who have been affiliated with and positively affected by the St. Regis family. Becky and I are gratified and humbled by the caring spirit of the entire parish. God Bless every one.—Jake & Becky Smith

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: Susan Nealy, Jack Mitchell, John Hernandez, David Berg, Fran & Dennis Wadle, Rose Marie Larson, Dean Starr, Gene Helling, Aidan Jones, Kathy Ness, Joanne Whitehurst, Helen & Patrick Sheehan, Jessica Berger, Adelia Spann, Jack Gress, Denise Kopek, Margie Strobl, Dolores Dick, Kathy Morehouse, McCartney Weist, Larry Hayden, Ray McMichael, Dennis Reilly, Homer Radford, Siggy Koop, Teresa Foster, Joseph Gregory, Margaret Kelly, Gregory Richard, Bob Harvey, Jackie Jackson, Ardiith Fetterolf, Maria Rose Brown, Lois Beres, Phil Hoffman, Kristen Brown, Larry Fournier, Ethel Felder, Coletta Merrigan, Buddemeyer Family, Pat Romero, Janet Helms, Mary Hunter, Chris & Sarah Teefey, Babette Lathrop, Shelly Clemons, Pauline Umbehower, Bob Slusher, Genevieve Thieme, Pat Filley, Bill Massop, Maximo Rivera, Dallas Schilizer, Lupita Sharkey, Larry & Brenda Grant, Wendy McKellar, Diane Greene, Jerry Stanford, Milton Bryant, Kale Van Pelt, Rose Brown, Bridget Kopek, Mike Reilly, Susan England, Brian Pattee, Suzy Hanger, Jennifer Allee, Carole McCaffery, Jan Hillyer, Georgine Hartigan, Bob Hoffman, Maria Brown, Anna Barber, Anita Hampton, Bill Esser, Tina Banks, Leonard & Yvonne Duerr, Teresa King, JR Lillig, Ralph Ford, Deanna Hodson, Michael Wertz, Gary Walker, Jack Lankford, Carol Christian, John Minton, Jim Filley, Rosemary Shoemaker, Ben Rosenblum, Patricia Haselhorst, Sandra Gale, Paul & Donna Petersen, Danny Hermon, Lynda Walker, Sam Soulis, Pat Gallagher, Mike Gallagher, Richard Rademacher, Steve Temple, Maria Vasquez Boyd, Dick Schroer, Lou & Terrie Ramsey and the many parishioners who are experiencing situational and financial hardships.

Please Pray for the Repose of the Soul of:

Mike Hampton, brother of Sam Hampton

Judy Slusher

Megan, granddaughter of Jim Underwood & daughter of Mary Jill Underwood Reed

Liturgical Roles

September 25 & 26

Lectors

3:00pm Patty Sack & Tom Sack

8:30am Pat Hanson & Rick Janet

10:30am St. Regis Academy

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

3:00pm Alex Pope, Marvin Chaney, Dorothy Quinn
Gretchen Maschger

8:30am Pat Hanson, Janet Helms, Mike Murtha
Jane Marzano

10:30am Ora Reyes, Virginia Reyes, John Reyes, Sr.
Prisca Tizimbune

Servers

3:00pm Jeremy Smith & Jackson Price

8:30am Emily Winter & Ashley Winter

10:30am St. Regis Academy

Greeters

3:00pm Manuel Botello & Jerry Crowley

8:30am Joan Sack & Sherry Falke

10:30am Julie Schmidt & Elaine Allee

Mass Intentions**Tuesday, September 21**

†Dave Logan by Rick & Terri Martin

Wednesday, September 22

†Denny King by Teresa King

Thursday, September 23

†William & Frances Bugner
by John & Betty Hernandez

Friday, September 24

†Al DeMarea by Anne DeMarea

Saturday, September 25

3:00pm †Clarita Bryant by Cassie Lewis

Sunday, September 26

8:30am †Joseph Szumigala by the Duerr Family

10:30am †John Walker by Bill & Karen Massop

5:00pm People of St. John Francis Regis Parish

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

IN REMEMBRANCE-DECEASED PARISHIONERS

Name		Age	Date of Death
Jasper W.	Fleming	57	9/19 1964
Jacqueline	Damiani	36	9/19 1980
Joseph A.	Pfeifer	95	9/19 1984
Marjorie V.	Farris	77	9/19 1988
Donald Ray	Williams	71	9/19 1998
King	James Dennis	76	9/19 2019
Millo	Sylvester	59	9/20 1971
Mary Theresa	Sulzen	14	9/20 1972
Anthony	Frederico	89	9/20 2008
Bridgette	Metoyer	58	9/20 2018
Charles	DeCapo	66	9/21 1974
Vito	Belgonte	64	9/21 1983
Regina	Stranimier	78	9/21 1988
Launci	Britton	38	9/21 1993
Harry Douglas	Duncan	76	9/21 2000
Linda M.	Kissgen	51	9/21 2003
Alvin L.	Bernardi	63	9/22 1984
Vincent E.	Gross	67	9/22 2001
Stanley	Kraieski Jr	69	9/22 2002
Josephine	Scardino	80	9/23 1976
Teddy F.	Gumminger Jr.	56	9/23 1992
Richard	Rowland Jr.	62	9/23 2005
Wayne Dennis	Smith	56	9/23 2006
Wm. E.	McLaughlin	69	9/24 1969
J.	Lavery	71	9/24 1980
Angelo	Mickeletto	66	9/24 1984
Mary	Jeffries	70	9/24 1990
Lawrence	Meyer	81	9/24 2001
A. Alexander	Demarea	84	9/24 2008
Mary A.	Smith	95	9/25 1971
Francis M.	Dick	72	9/25 1998
Joseph	Biondo	62	9/25 2007
Tyler	Fratzke	17	9/25 2009

Eternal rest, grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



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Schedule of Events

Sunday, September 19

8:30am Mass
10:30am Mass
5:00pm Mass/Spanish
Food Collection

Monday, September 20

Soup Kitchen
Meatloaf Monday
7:00pm Spanish Bible Class
7:00pm Bible Study

Tuesday, September 21

8:30am Mass
6:30pm Rosary
7:00pm Spanish Bible Class
7:00pm Praise Team Practice
7:00pm Neocatechumenal Way

Wednesday, September 22

8:30am Mass
6:00pm Eucharistic Adoration w/Confessions
6:00pm Spanish Bible Class/Teens
7:00pm Spanish Bible Study
7:00pm Religious Education
7:00pm Knights of Columbus Officers
7:00pm Vigil for Migrants & Refugees
7:30pm Spanish Bible Class/Young Adults

Thursday, September 23

8:30am Mass
9:00am Scripture Sharing
7:00pm Boy Scouts
7:00pm Musician Planning Session
7:00pm Spanish Bible Class

Friday, September 24

8:30am Mass
9:30am Church Cleaning
10:00am Spanish Bible Class
7:00pm Spanish Bible Class
7:00pm Bible Study

Saturday, September 25

6:15am That Man Is You
2:00pm Confessions
3:00pm Mass
5:00pm St. Geromino Day

Sunday, September 26

8:30am Mass
10:30am Mass/All School Mass
5:00pm Mass/Spanish
Food Collection

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 19, 2021

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