



Saint John Francis Regis Parish

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Fr. Sean McCaffery, Pastor

November 27, 2016

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4:30PM

Sunday: 8:30 and 10:30AM

Daily Mass

Monday: 5:30PM

Tuesday-Friday: 8:30AM

Thursday: 6:15AM

Confessions

Sat: 3:30PM & *Wed:* 6:00PM

& by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday: 6:00-7:00PM

Parish Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8AM-4PM

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FIRST SUNDAY

of
Advent



**You must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect,
the Son of Man will come.**

Matthew 24:44

GIVING TREE

Gift tags for the Giving tree will be available the first Sunday of Advent, **November 26/27**. Join in the St. Regis tradition of giving! Help bring hope and joy to those in need this Christmas by taking a tag off the Giving Tree. The gifts should be wrapped and returned by **Thursday, December 15**.

Thank you for your generosity.



ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICES

Tuesday, November 29, at 7pm.

St. Regis & St. Matthew Parishes will have a combined service at St. Matthew

All are encouraged to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation during the season of Advent.

Other area services:

St. Catherine - Friday, Dec. 2 - 7pm

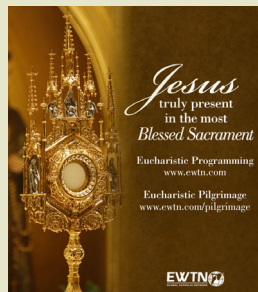
St. Sabina - Tuesday, Dec. 13 - 7pm

St. Bernadette - Thursday, Dec. 15 - 7pm

12 HOUR ADORATION

Friday, December 2nd there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration beginning after the **8:30am Mass and lasting until 9pm on Friday**. Please

consider giving an hour of your time. You may sign-up on the board outside the Chapel or simply show up during the day. At 11am there is a Holy Hour for Church Vocations led by Serra Club of S.E. Kansas City. All are welcome to share in this praying ministry.



ST. REGIS STEWARDSHIP CORNER

The readings for this First Sunday of Advent, as we prime ourselves for the coming of Christ, point to the light of Christ. We hear in the first reading from Isaiah, "Let us walk in the light of the Lord." Many times it is difficult to think of or do that during the "busiest time of the year" but it is also time for us to act on our faith lives and be good stewards of all we are and all we have.

In his letter to the Romans St. Paul echoes the urgency and the call reflected by Isaiah. Paul reminds us that we "know what time it is." The night is over and this is no time to rest, In spite of this busy season, it is time to concentrate on the light of Christ.

In our Gospel Reading we hear a sense of immediacy in Jesus' voice when he says "Stay awake!" In the closing of the Gospel, Jesus says, "You...must be prepared for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." Stewardship call us to wake up be ready (not "get ready"), to put on the light of Christ, and to carry out our stewardship in action, not just preparation. Let us walk in the light of the Lord.

ST. REGIS MINISTRY UPDATE

Did you know our Knights of Columbus Council 13671 received the Star Council Award for completing 133% of their goals for the recently completed fraternal year. The 100 members volunteered almost 1000 hrs. and provided financial support and services to various parish, community, state and national projects.

YOUTH CHRISTMAS CHOIR

Students second grade and higher are invited to sing Christmas Eve 4:30pm Mass. We will have 3 practices. You **MUST** be able to attend at least 2 of the practices. The practices are: Mon. Dec. 5 at 7pm; Tues. Dec. 13 at 7pm and Wed. Dec. 21 at 7pm. If you have any questions please contact Susan

Duerr: sduerr@regischurch.org.

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

St. Regis Parish 2016



Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Thursday, December 8

Join us for Mass on this holy day of obligation as we honor Mary and her important role in Advent.

Mass Times: Thursday, December 8,
6:15am, 8:30am & 7:00pm



Parish "Giving Tree"

Help those in need feel the spirit of Christmas by taking an ornament off the "Giving Tree". Please return all gifts by Dec. 15th.
Give as God has given to you!



Raytown Christmas Tree Lighting

Friday, 12/2, 6:00-7:30pm

Join us in Raytown on Main Street to light the Christmas Tree. The school choir will be performing Christmas music. Fr. Sean will join the Mayor in turning on the lights!

St. Regis School Music Program

Monday December 19

6:30PM at O'Hara Auditorium

Join the St. Regis School students Pre-K-5 for a performance of the sacred and secular music of the season.

God With Us: An Advent Retreat

Saturday, December 17, 9am-1pm

Let us make time to slow down, open our heart's to god's love and go into this Christmas season refreshed and strengthened by the love of Christ.

Wednesday Evening Advent Series

Wednesdays - Dec. 7, 14 & 21 at 7pm

Join us for presentations on the Divine Mercy Saints - We will hear presentations on the message from St. Faustina diary, the appearance of Mary at Fatima, the ultimate sacrifice of St. Maximilian Kolbe & the world-changing papacy of St. John Paul II.

Christmas Drop N Shop

Saturday, 12/3 from 6-9pm

PTO parents and teachers are providing you a night of babysitting. Bring the kids in pjs and enjoy your night of shopping or date night! Gift wrapping will be available for a donation. All proceeds will go to the Mr. Christmas Fund.

Pictures with Santa

Sunday, December 4

9:00AM-Noon

Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary is sponsoring Pictures with Santa in the School Music room. Cost \$7.

Advent Reconciliation Services

All of us are encouraged to prepare for the birth of Christ by celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Advent. Please join us for our Reconciliation service.

Tuesday, Nov. 29 - 7:00PM - joint St. Regis/St. Matthew service at St. Matthew

Other area Parish Penance services:

St. Catherine - Fri., Dec. 2 - 7pm

St. Sabina - Tues., Dec. 13 - 7pm

St. Bernadette - Thur., Dec 15 - 7pm



Christmas Eve Masses

DECEMBER 24 - 4:30PM & MIDNIGHT

Christmas Morning Mass

DECEMBER 25 - 10:30AM

SCHOOL NEWS

Saturday, December 3rd, join us for our first Christmas Drop N Shop. Bring your student(s) to O'Hara High School for pizza and a movie while you have a few hours to catch up on shopping or even have a date night! Students will be supervised by teachers, PTO parents, and eighth grade volunteers. We will also have gift wrapping available for a donation. All proceeds for the gift wrapping will go to the Mr. Christmas Fund for the teachers.

Winter will be moving in soon, bringing chances of snow and or snow days. Please make sure you are registered with *Remind* to receive updates for school closings and activities. Please register at <https://www.remind.com/join/stjohnfr>.



WHAT'S NEW IN SCRIP CARDS?

We now sell gift cards to Menard's! Menard's just opened up in Belton and will soon be open in Independence.

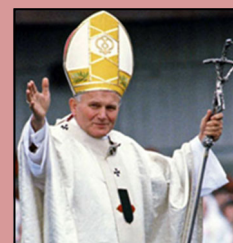
The holidays are right around the corner. Many retailers are now offering smaller denomination cards. Amazon, AMC, Olive Garden, Longhorn, Outback, Applebees, IHop and Target all have \$10 gift cards available. Barnes & Noble, Panera and Starbucks have \$5 cards available. These cards sell out fast so order yours early. Forms are available in the Gathering Space.

ADVENT PRESENTATIONS

The Divine Mercy Saints

December 7, 14, & 21 at 7pm
in Mary's Room

Join us for presentations on the Divine Mercy Saints. We will hear presentations on the message from St. Faustina's diary, the appearance of Mary at Fatima, the ultimate sacrifice of St. Maximilian Kolbe and the world-changing papacy of St. John Paul II.



HOSPITALITY SUNDAY

Next **Sunday, December 4th**, the Social Service Ministry Council will host Hospitality Sunday. Coffee, juice and donuts will be served after the 8:30am and 10:30am Masses. Please plan to share in this time of community fellowship.



HELP WANTED

The Early Childhood Center is looking for staff to fill morning and afternoon shifts. If you are interested call Lori Long at 816-763-6566.

PHOTOS WITH SANTA



You better watch out, you better not cry, you better not pout, I'm telling you why, Santa Clause is coming to St Regis! The Ladies Auxiliary are hosting Photos with Santa on **Sunday, Dec. 4th**, in the School music room. We are asking \$7 a photo with the option to print or send your own electronically again this year. Santa will be in the building from 9am until noon.

BAPTISM

Welcome to the newest member born to new life in Christ through the Holy Waters of Baptism. **Naetochukwu Chikudibia Nwaneri**, son of Promise Nwaneri and Chidinma Uguwegbu who was baptized last weekend. May he be blessed throughout his life and be guided by the Holy Spirit.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 Hospitality Sunday 830am Mass 9am Pictures w/Santa 945 Sunday Readings 1030am Mass/Childcare Children Liturgy 7pm You 'Praise Night 	5 530pm Mass 	6 830am Mass 900am Bible Timeline 1025am O'Hara Mass 700pm Rosary 7pm Stewardship 700pm Cursillo	7 830am Mass 6pm Eucharistic Adoration w/Confessions 7pm School of Religion 700pm Grief Group 7pm Advent Presentation	1 615am Mass 830am Mass 9am Scripture Sharing 1025am O'Hara Mass 700pm Boy Scouts 700pm RCIA 700pm PTO Board	2 830am Mass 9am 12 Hour Adoration 6pm Raytown Christmas Tree Lighting	3 730am 1st Sat. Devotions 9am Mass 330pm Confessions 430pm Mass 6pm Christmas Shop N Drop
11 830am Mass 930am Ita Maura Presen. 945 Sunday Readings 1030am Mass/Childcare Children Liturgy 5pm Confirmation Mtg. 700pm Youth Group	12 <i>Our Lady of Guadalupe</i> 530pm Mass 700pm SSMC	13 830am Mass 900am Bible Timeline 1025am Lesson & Carol 700pm Rosary 700pm School Council	14 830am Mass 6pm Eucharistic Adoration w/Confessions 7pm School of Religion 700pm K of C 7pm Advent Presentation 715pm 1st Rec. Mtg.	15 615am Mass 830am Mass 9am Scripture Sharing 700pm Boy Scouts 700pm RCIA 700pm Luau Mtg. Gifts due for Giving Tree	16 830am Mass	17 9am Advent Retreat 330pm Confessions 430pm Mass Food Collection
18 830am Mass 945 Sunday Readings 1030am Mass 700pm Youth Group Food Collection	19 <i>Meatloaf Monday</i> <i>Soup Kitchen</i> 530pm Mass 630pm Music Program @ O'Hara	20 830am Mass 900am Bible Timeline 700pm Rosary	21 830am Mass 6pm Eucharistic Adoration w/Confessions 7pm School of Religion 7pm Advent Presentation No School	22 615am Mass 830am Mass 9am Scripture Sharing 700pm Boy Scouts 700pm RCIA No School	23 830am Mass Parish Office Closed No School	24 Christmas Eve 430pm Mass Midnight Mass
25 Christmas Day 1030am Mass 	26 530pm Mass Parish Office Closed No School	27 830am Mass 900am Bible Timeline 700pm Rosary 700pm Worship Council No School	28 830am Mass 6pm Eucharistic Adoration w/Confessions 7pm School of Religion 700pm K of C Officers No School	29 615am Mass 830am Mass 700pm Boy Scouts 700pm RCIA No School	30 830am Mass No School	31 New Years Eve 330pm Confessions 430pm Mass

NOVEMBER WORK OF MERCY SHELTER THE HOMELESS

- Support and/or volunteer at a **homeless shelter** (City Union Mission, KC Rescue Mission, CAC, reStart, Catholic Charities)
- **Help neighbors** w/ home repairs, yard work, etc.
- Consider becoming a **foster parent** (Midwest Foster Care and Adoption Association (MFCAA))
- **Volunteer to serve** at St James Place soup kitchen
- **Donate non-perishable food items** to our St Regis food pantry

WORLD APOSTOLATE OF FATIMA 1ST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

World Apostolate of Fatima First Saturday Devotions will be held on **Saturday, December 3rd** at St. John Francis Regis Parish, 8941 James A Reed Road, Kansas City, MO. Opportunity for Confession begins at **7:30 a.m.** and the Rosary and 15 Minutes of Meditations at 8:00 a.m. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass begins at **9:00 a.m.** Our Lady of Fatima requests us to make reparation to her Immaculate Heart for offenses given by sins of people in the world.

Please Remember In Your Prayers: Susan Nealy, Seth Dujakovich, Jack Mitchell, John Hernandez, Jean Kraus, Eric Severt, Pat Beard, Carol Beard, Rose Solo, Beth Heidler, Mary Pat Lambert, David Berg, John Weaver, Fran Wadle, Eleanor Cutler, Don Knipp, Rose Marie Larson, Gilbert Valle, Dean & Mary Starr, Herb Letzig, Jacob Smith, Veronica Maschek, Marsha Crum, Gene Helling, Dorothy Linn, Joseph Day, John Biegel, Cathy Groover, Bobbie Duncan, Michael Whitehurse, Sr. Marie Neff, Sr. Therese Pfeifer, Leonard Como, Aidan Jones, Jacob Witherspoon, Kathy Ness, Margaret Ngwane, Joanne Whitehurse, Rob & Sandy Smith, Larry Waitley, Ken Arens, Dan Machetta, Helen Sheehan, Patrick Sheehan, Jessica Berger, Norma Szumigala, Sharon Walker, Virgie Nelson, Rebecca Lochmiller, Bill Caufield, Romeo Cuario, Michelle Benoit, Cliff Uhlig, Shreeka Mays, Joan Fischer, Boyer Rivera, Hilton Simien, Jane Marzano, John Quinn, Theresa Wavada, Sara Davis, Mary O'Donnell, Donna Carrupher, Stella Chi, Joseph Musongwe, Kankoe Kuevi, Edgar Mehl, Kaye Clark, Ed Batcheler, Bud Seeger, Joanne Mattingly, Gary Stroble, Melinda McGee, Kathy Grantham and the many parishioners who are experiencing situational and financial hardships.

Liturgical Roles December 3 & 4

Lectors

- 4:30pm Tom Sack & Patty Sack
8:30am Dave Vorbeck & Rick Janet
10:30am Virginia Reyes & Marlene Sanchez

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

- 4:30pm Gretchen Maschger, Tom Smith, John Nash
Charlene Helling, Dorothy Quinn, Alex Pope
Barb Schroeder & Jerry Schroeder
8:30am Kathleen Robb, Betty Roder, Paul Roder
Mike Murtha, Mary Jordahl, Sue Nichols
Sue Quanty Smith & Maxine Rodriguez
10:30am Don Wolff, Kathy Wolff, Prisca Tizimbune
John Reyes, Jr., Tony Reyes, Ora Reyes
Theresa Van Pelt & Marlene Sanchez

Servers

- 4:30pm John Stribling & Clara Stribling
8:30am Evan Burdick & Anna Strobl
10:30am Graciela Garcia & Rafael Garcia

Greeters

- 4:30pm Larry Hayden & Iruka Hannon-Watford
8:30am Sue Quanty Smith & Maxine Rodriguez
10:30am Ora Reyes, Tony Reyes & Isaiah Reyes

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 28

5:30pm †Dick Scheerer by Dick Deren

Tuesday, November 29

†Walter Beck by Kay Nash

Wednesday, November 30

For the Intentions of the Theresa Van Pelt family by Theresa Van Pelt

Thursday, December 1

6:15am †Belinda Gossen by Rick & Terri Martin
8:30am †Paul Monteil

Friday, December 2

†Elmer Whitehurse by Joanne Whitehurse

Saturday, December 3

4:30pm †John & Joan Siedlik by Mark Siedlik & Maria Meyers

Sunday, December 4

8:30am †Patricia Smith by Tom Smith
10:30am People of St. John Francis Regis Parish

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION UPDATE

Hi! I'm three months old now. I'm about 3 inches long and I weigh one ounce. That's not much, but I'm fully formed and can even suck my thumb!! Please keep praying for me and my parents too.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion.



BULLETIN DEADLINE

The deadline to put announcements in the bulletin is 8am on Monday prior to the following Sunday.

2017 CALENDAR

Please be sure to pick up the 2017 St. Regis Calendar available in the baskets at each entrance of church. The calendar has a vocation 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.

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, Jenifer Valenti, at 816-812-2500 or JeniferValenti@att.net, 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 Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816-392-0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

Schedule of Events

Sunday, November 27

- 8:30am Mass
- 9:45am Sunday Readings
- 10:30am Mass
- 5:00pm Confirmation Meeting
- 7:00pm Youth Group

Monday, November 28

- 5:30pm Mass

Tuesday, November 29

- 8:30am Mass
- 9:00am Bible Timeline
- 7:00pm Rosary
- 7:00pm Penance Service at St. Matthew's

Wednesday, November 30

- 8:30am Mass
- 6:00pm Eucharistic Adoration w/Confessions
- 7:00pm School of Religion
- 7:00pm Grief Group

Thursday, December 1

- 6:15am Mass
- 8:30am Mass
- 9:00am Scripture Sharing
- 10:25am O'Hara Mass
- 7:00pm Boy Scouts
- 7:00pm RCIA
- 7:00pm PTO Board

Friday, December 2

- 8:30am Mass
- 9:00am 12 Hour Adoration

Saturday, December 3

- 7:30am 1st Saturday Devotions
- 9:00am Mass
- 3:30pm Confessions
- 4:30pm Mass

Sunday, December 4

Hospitality Sunday

- 8:30am Mass
- 9:00am Pictures of Santa
- 9:45am Sunday Readings
- 10:30am Mass/Childcare/Children Liturgy
- 7:00pm Youth Praise Night

1st Sunday of Advent

November 27, 2016

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