



Saint John Francis Regis Parish

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Fr. Sean McCaffery, Pastor

December 1, 2019

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 3:00PM

Sunday: 8:30 and 10:30AM

Daily Mass

Monday: 7:00AM

Tuesday - Friday: 8:30AM

Confessions

Sat: 2:00PM & *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

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

Matthew 24:44

THANK YOU

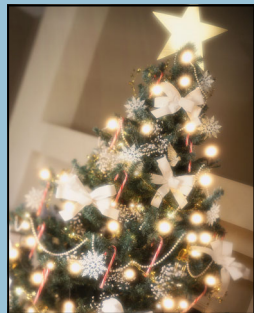
Thank you for turning in your Time/Talent and Pledge cards. If you have not turned them in yet, you can drop them in the basket in the Gathering Space or bring them by the office.

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

Give in thanksgiving. "The nuns left lasting impressions on me," writes a donor. "I shall always be grateful for my Catholic education." Please join in thanking the thousands of senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priest who worked tirelessly to educate the young and serve those in need. Next week's collection is for the Retirement Fund for Religious, which helps hundreds of religious communities care for aging member. Please give generously.

GIVING TREE

Gift tags for the Giving tree will be available the weekend of **November 23/24**. 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 12**. Thank you for your generosity.



ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Our chosen theme this year for the Annual Catholic appeal, "Blessing God's Family," reminds us that the Holy Spirit moves us to work together with one heart and mind to accomplish the works God has prepared for us (cf. Ehn 2:10). Please consider a gift to this year's Annual Catholic Appeal.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION WITH CONFESSIONS

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

ST. REGIS ADVENT PARISH MISSION



Mary & Her Eucharistic Son Igniting a Fire

December 2 & 3, 6-8:45pm

Monday, December 2:

Confidence in God and Divine Mercy by Michael McGlenn

Eucharist, Mary, and Power of the Holy Spirit by Dr. Gregory Mary Thompson

Tuesday, December 3:

Why Did Mary Come? Times that Mary Had Great Purpose by John Carpenter

Four Last Things and Why Confession Matters by Don Hartley

2020 CALENDARS

Please be sure to pick up the 2020 St. Regis Calendar available in the baskets at each entrance of church. The calendar has a religious art 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.

MILTIA IMMACULATA

Militia Immaculata will meet on **Tuesday, December 3rd** at 9am in the Mary's room. All are welcome. If you have questions please call Theresa Van Pelt at 554-1240 or Glen Ernstmann at 366-0431.

LITURGICAL MINISTER TRAINING

Training for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion is on **Tuesday, December 10th** from 5:30-9pm at Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 416 W. 12th St., KCMO 64105. Call the Parish Office to register, 761-1608.

ST. REGIS STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Our readings for today are all germane to the imminent coming of the Messiah, the Lord, and they speak of what we need to do now and in the coming weeks to prepare for that eventuality, not just the birth of Jesus but His Second Coming as well.

In the Gospel from St. Matthew. The Lord, too, reminds us that it is time to “Stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come.” Yes, Advent is a time of preparation for the coming of the Lord. It is a time when we need to go through the process of change and conversion for that arrival. However, there is also a sense of urgency for this. We cannot just assume that all will be fine once Christmas arrives, once the Lord becomes a part of our lives. That is something that needs to happen now, immediately, today, and not tomorrow. This moment is the time to seek the Light of the Lord, to bask in it, and to make it a part of our very being.

Your Gifts To God & Parish

July 1-Oct. 30, 2019 Budget

Envelopes	\$126,652	\$135,883
Online Giving	\$44,676	\$45,000
Plate	\$7,095	\$7,333
Repairs & Main.	\$2,797	\$3,200
School Support	\$13,742	\$10,000
Total	\$194,963	\$201,416

CATHOLIC BOOT CAMP

**Tuesday and Thursday, 7-8pm &
Sundays 11:45am-12:45pm
November 5-December 12
in Mary’s Room**

This is an opportunity to fine tune your knowledge of Christian principles and how they apply to everyday life. Sessions are free of charge. Come to all or just the sessions that fit your schedule.

Black Friday. Cyber Monday.

#GIVINGTUESDAY

December 3, 2019

Your support is vital to St. Regis Academy’s success. Thank you for believing in the power of a Catholic education and our pursuit to be a locally recognized leader in graduating young men and women who are spiritually and academically prepared for a lifetime of discipleship. Please support St. Regis Academy this #GivingTuesday. You can make donations online at:

www.regisacademy.org

GIFT CARDS

It's that time again. Time to think about what gift to get those special people for the holidays. And what better gift than a Gift Card! That's right St Regis has a gift card program so that you can purchase all the cards you need without running all over town or paying any fees. Check the kiosk for the latest list. It's best to order early so that you can get exactly the cards you want. We do have some cards in the office but there are many more available for ordering on the list. Order soon!

Parking Lot & Playground Campaign

November 2019 through December 2020

Although the campaign will run through Dec. 2020, we hope to have the funds to complete the work next summer. The first phase of the project will be the parking lot, an approximately \$100,000 renovation. With 141 spaces, that is about \$730 a space. The second phase includes updating the playground. We are anticipating phase two to be about \$50,000. **Please contribute generously!**

BEST ADVENT EVER

Advent is a time to prepare our hearts for Christmas, but we often get distracted and busy. Don't let this Advent pass you by. Slow down and focus on what matters most with BEST ADVENT EVER. Each day, you'll receive an email with short inspirational videos, practical tips for your every day life, and real-life stories to encourage you in your faith journey. All you have to do is sign up at BestAdventEver.com.

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.

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

Month 3: Even though my mother cannot feel me yet, I can kick and flip around. I can move my eyes but my eyelids are closed. My cartilage is changing to bone. I can suck my thumb and I hiccup when I swallow fluid. I am now three inches long and can hear outside noises. I can close my fingers around an object and I can squint, frown and smile. I am starting to react to my environment and I can already feel sensations like pain and pressure.



“His mother Mary...was found to be with child through the Holy Spirit”

ADVENT RINGS/CANDLE SALE

If Thanksgiving is around the corner, so is Advent. Brass Advent rings will be on sale for \$10 - or get a box of four candles for a wreath you already have for \$6. They go on sale **November 16/17**. Any profits will support Ladies Auxiliary projects.

ST. REGIS SCHOOL NIGHT AT CULVER'S



Come join us at Culver's in Lee's Summit, **Monday, December 2nd from 5-8pm**. Culver's will donate 10% of all sales and 100% of all tips during this time to St. Regis School. Please tell your family, friends and neighbors. Dine-in or drive-thru - it doesn't matter which - all sales count! We look forward to seeing you all there!

Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony

- Santa will light our Holiday Tree with music by **St. Regis Academy** and other Raytown schools.
- Stop by Winter Wonderland at Raytown Water Co., 10017 E. 63rd Street. Visit Santa, enjoy cookies & cider & hay rides.
- First 150 children will receive a gift from Santa (a parent must accompany all children).
- Kids Crafts & Hot Cocoa at Raytown Christian Church
- S'mores at Farmers Insurance

December 6, 2019 / 6-8pm / Pocket Park, Downtown Raytown

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 83am Mass 930am Ladies Auxiliary 1030am Mass/Children Liturgy 1145am Boot Camp	2 700am Mass 500pm Culver's Night 600pm Parish Mission	3 830am Mass 9am Immaculata Militia 600pm Parish Mission 630pm Rosary 7pm Stewardship Council	4 830am Mass 6pm Eucharistic Adoration w/Confessions 7pm School of Religion	5 830am Mass 9am Scripture Sharing 600pm Potluck w/Pastor 700pm Choir 700pm Boot Camp 730pm Boy Scouts	6 830am Mass 9am 12 Hour Adoration 1215pm School Dismiss 6pm Raytown Christmas Tree Lighting	7 200pm Confessions 300pm Mass
8 83am Mass 1030am Mass/Children Liturgy 1145am Boot Camp 500pm Confirmation	9 700am Mass 700pm SSMC	10 830am Mass 630pm Rosary 630pm School Music Program 700pm Boot Camp	11 830am Mass 6pm Eucharistic Adoration w/Confessions 7pm School of Religion 700pm K of C 7pm 1st Reconciliation Parent Mtg. 7pm Penance Service	12 830am Mass 9am Scripture Sharing 700pm Choir 700pm Boy Scouts 700pm Boot Camp Giving Tree Gifts Due	13 830am Mass	14 200pm Confessions 300pm Mass Food Collection
15 83am Mass 1030am Mass/Children Liturgy Food Collection	16 <i>Soup Kitchen</i> <i>Meatloaf Monday</i> 700am Mass	17 830am Mass 630pm Rosary 630pm School Music Program	18 830am Mass 9am 3rd Wed. Breakfast 6pm Eucharistic Adoration w/Confessions 7pm School of Religion SCRIP Orders Due	19 830am Mass 9am Scripture Sharing 700pm Choir 700pm Boy Scouts 700pm Parish Council	20 830am Mass 1215pm School Dismiss for Christmas Break 700pm Worship Council	21 200pm Confessions 300pm Mass 400pm Posada
22 83am Mass 1030am Mass	23 700am Mass	24 <i>Christmas Eve</i> 430pm Mass Midnight Mass Parish Office Closed	25 <i>Christmas Day</i> 1030am Mass Parish Office Closed 	26 830am Mass 9am Scripture Sharing 700pm Choir 700pm Boy Scouts	27 830am Mass	28200pm Confessions 300pm Mass
29 83am Mass 1030am Mass	30 700am Mass	31 <i>New Year's Eve</i> 830am Mass 630pm Mass 630pm Rosary				

2020 MARCH FOR LIFE

The March for Life in Washington DC will be held on **Friday, January 24, 2020**. Registration is now open for the March for Life Pilgrimage to Washington DC, January 23-25. This 3 day trip will include Mass each day, Rally on the National Mall, and participation in the 2020 March for Life. Registration forms available at www.respectlifekcsj.org. The cost is \$355. Registration will remain open through December 12th.

Please Pray for those in the Hospital this past week:

Jack Denzer

Please Remember In Your Prayers: Susan Nealy, Jack Mitchell, John Hernandez, Jean Kraus, David Berg, Fran Wadle, Rose Marie Larson, Dean Starr, Gene Helling, Aidan Jones, Kathy Ness, Joanne Whitehorse, Rob & Sandy Smith, Helen & Patrick Sheehan, Jessica Berger, Adelia Spann, Dalton Peavler, Donald Smith, Sara Davis, Nolan Tritschler, Virginia Esser, Jack Gress, Jerry Schroeder, Denise Kopek, Kevin Ford, Brandon Clark, John Biegel, Mandy Reimer, Alyce Panik, Connie King, Margie Strobl, Dolores Dick, Kathy Morehouse, Ben Rosenblum, Silvia Vasquez, Michael Muntzell, McCartney Weist, Larry Hayden, Don Romero, Ray McMichael, Cory Patterson, James Soulis, Katherine Reynolds, Judy Kornoski, Jason Wenberg, Paula Rios, Dennis Reilly, Homer Radford, Siggie Koop, Joseph Gregory, Danny Dolan, Pete Gomez, Julie Nash, Bob Harvey, Fr. Keith Branson, Kate Crawford, Jackie Jackson, Carolyn Koetting, Becky Smith, Oral Eidson, Ardith Fetterolf, Beth Heidler, Maria Rose Brown, Lois Beres, John Stadler, John Teefey, Phil Hoffman, Pat Liebler, Kristen Brown, Larry Fournier, Ethel Felder, Coletta Merrigan, Buddemeyer Family, Pat Romero, Janet Helms, Mary Hunter, Chris & Sarah Teefey, Babette Lathrop, Shelly Clemons, Pauline Umbenhower, Bob Slusher, Bill Speise, Dennis Wadle, Genevieve Thieme, Pat Filley, Alexis Noonan unborn baby, Bill Masop, Victor Gomez, Maximo Rivera, Dallas Schilizer, Lupita Sharkey, Larry & Brenda Grant, Wendy McKellar, Diane Greene, Jerry Stanford, Milton Bryant, Kale Van Pelt, Rick Boisen, Rose Brown, Dana Collins, Bridget Kopek, Elizabeth Williams, Mike Reilly, Susan England, Brian Pattee, Suzy Hanger and the many parishioners who are experiencing situational and financial hardships.

Liturgical Roles

December 7 & 8

Lectors

- 4:30pm Mark Siedlik & Alex Pope
 8:30am Dianne Schmidt & Ken Stewart
 10:30am Ann Garrison & Susan Duerr

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

- 4:30pm Melissa Wiehn, Tom Smith, Alex Pope
 Marvin Chaney, Dorothy Quinn, Jim Filley
 Francis Brenner & Bernadette Brenner
 8:30am Dianne Schmidt, Paul Roder, Betty Roder
 Kathleen Robb, Dave Vorbeck, Sue Nichols
 Sue Quanty Smith & Maxine Rodriguez
 10:30am Prisca Tizimbune, Don Wolff, Kathy Wolff
 Ora Reyes, Tino Camacho, Marcia Collins
 Theresa Van Pelt & Marlene Sanchez

Servers

- 4:30pm Jeremy Smith & Jayla Tolson
 8:30am Ryan Holst & Emily Winter
 10:30am Yuleth Villalobos & Sophie Scarborough

Greeters

- 4:30pm Larry Hayden & Jack Hanes
 8:30am Sherry Falke & Mary Walker
 10:30am Julie Schmidt & Elaine Allee

Mass Intentions**Monday, December 2**

7:00am †Denny King by Teresa King & Family

Tuesday, December 3

†Harold Hanson by George & Teri Weiter

Wednesday, December 4

†Jack Humphrey by George & Teri Weiter

Thursday, December 5

†Patricia Smith by Tom Smith

Friday, December 6

†Harold Hanson by Teresa King

Saturday, December 7

3:00pm †Alice Crowley by Jerry Crowley

Sunday, December 8

8:30am †Denny King by Teresa King
 10:30am People of St. John Francis Regis Parish

IN REMEMBRANCE-DECEASED PARISHIONERS

Name		Age	Date of Death	
Edith	Wingett	68	12/2	1978
Christopher	Helling	30	12/2	1989
William (Bill)	Bink	63	12/24	1998
Richard	Gregg	81	12/2	2008
Mary Jane	Boylson	66	12/3	1986
Mary Alice	Manning	85	12/3	1987
Dorothy L.	Eder	76	12/3	1998
Michael	Gorman	20	12/4	1974
Genevieve	Knesel	64	12/4	1981
Lois P.	Ramirez	57	12/4	1982
Josephine E.	Bales	87	12/5	1969
Genevieve	Kirk	88	12/5	1999
Lawrence	Drees Sr.	93	12/5	2003
William	O'Connell	64	12/5	2006
Robert E.	Blessing	77	12/6	2000
Sandra	Botello	67	12/6	2014
John	Cole	42	12/7	1981
Thomas F.	Shop	36	12/7	1983
Delores	Tobin	70	12/7	1994
John	Searcy Jr.	55	12/8	1978
Eileen June	Draper	74	12/8	1990
Richard	Setter	77	12/8	1999

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.

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 Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816-392-0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

Schedule of Events

Sunday, December 1

- 8:30am Mass
- 9:30am Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary
- 10:30am Mass/Children's Liturgy
- 11:45am Boot Camp

Monday, December 2

- 7:00am Mass
- 5:00pm Culver's Night
- 6:00pm Parish Mission

Tuesday, December 3

- 8:30am Mass
- 9:00am Immaculata Militia
- 6:00pm Parish Mission
- 6:30pm Rosary
- 7:00pm Stewardship Council

Wednesday, December 4

- 8:30am Mass
- 6:00pm Eucharistic Adoration w/Confessions
- 6:00pm English as 2nd Language
- 7:00pm School of Religion

Thursday, December 5

- 8:30am Mass
- 9:00am Scripture Sharing
- 6:00pm Potluck with the Pastor
- 7:00pm Choir Practice
- 7:00pm Boot Camo
- 7:30pm Boy Scouts

Friday, December 6

- 8:30am Mass
- 9:00am 12 Hour Adoration
- 12:15pm School Dismissed
- 6:00pm Raytown Christmas Tree Lighting

Saturday, December 7

- 2:00pm Confessions
- 3:00pm Mass

Sunday, December 8

- 8:30am Mass
- 10:30am Mass/Children's Liturgy
- 11:45am Boot Camp
- 5:00pm Confirmation Meeting

BULLETIN DEADLINE

The deadline to put announcements in the bulletin is 8am on Monday prior to the following Sunday. Send announcements to cmelchior@regischurch.org

1st Sunday of Lent

December 1, 2019

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Thank you.