



Saint John Francis Regis Parish

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Fr. Sean McCaffery, Pastor

December 6, 2020

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 3:00PM

Sunday: 8:30 and 10:30AM

Daily Mass

Tuesday - Friday: 8:30AM

Confessions

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

& by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday: 6:00-7:00PM

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

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Second SUNDAY of Advent

December 6, 2020

John the Baptist
appeared in the
desert proclaiming
a baptism of
repentance for the
forgiveness of sins.

Mark 1:4

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***Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Tuesday, December 8.***

All are encouraged to attend Mass on this
holy day of obligation.

Masses at St. Regis will be at:

8:30am & 6:30pm

Please plan to join us as we honor our Blessed Mother
And the special role she has in our lives.

**SIGN UP FOR HOLY DAY
& CHRISTMAS MASSES**

Greeters, Lectors and Servers are invited to sign up for the 6:30pm Mass on the Immaculate Conception, Tuesday, December 8th; the 2:30pm, 4:30pm and Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve and the 10:30am Mass on Christmas Day. Please sign up in the Gathering Space.

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

In good times and bad, senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have dedicated themselves to service and acts of mercy. Today, they pray for an aching world. Yet years of serving for little or no pay have left their religious communities without enough retirement savings. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide medications, nursing care, and other necessities. Please be generous.

ST. REGIS STEWARDSHIP CORNER

In our Gospel passage from Mark, John the Baptist instructs us to “prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.” We must make good use of the gift of time we have been given this Advent season. Let’s be sure to get to Confession, prioritize a daily reading of the Scriptures, and reach out to someone in need with a word of comfort or an act of service.

In this way, we will honor both the mercy and justice of our God, and we will be prepared to celebrate the birth of Christ and give account for all His gifts to us.

Stewardship Reflections by: Catholic Stewardship Consultants

MILITIA IMMACULATA

Militia Immaculata will meet on **Tuesday, December 8th** 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.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
WITH CONFESSIONS**

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

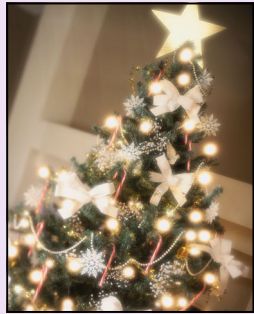
**Don’t Forget to Turn In Your
Time/Talent & Pledge Cards**

Starting the Weekend of November 21st - 22nd we are asking parishioners to turn in their Time/Talent & Pledge Cards. There will be a green bucket by the Gathering Space middle table for you to drop them in. Help us to “*Serve One Another*” at St. Regis by contributing a portion of the many gifts God has provided for you .



GIVING TREE

Gift tags for the Giving tree will be available the week-end of **November 28/29**. 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 **Saturday, December 19**. Due to COVID, we will be reducing the number of gift tags this year. In addition, we will have a basket set up that parishioners can donate toiletries. A list of favored toiletries items will be listed on the basket. Carroll Park is very understanding of this change and want to thank the St. Regis community for its continued support during this difficult time. Please give what you can.



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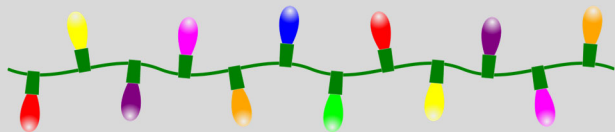
The Parish Office will be closed Tuesday, December 8th, in honor of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

ON VACATION?

When you are out of town, Mass times can be found on the following website: <http://www.masstimes.org>. Just enter the town or city where you are going. It gives you the names of the nearby churches, their Mass times and website information if available.

RETRouvaille

Is your Marriage in crisis? *Retrouvaille* has a proven track record of 80% success rate among couples who attend the weekend program and all 12 post sessions. Your marriage will find help and hope during your weekend, and the follow-up post sessions. Helpourmarriage.org, 816-505-0510 or email 2017@retrouvaille.org



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

From outer space, the United States must seem peculiarly aglow these nights: we have strung lights on every tree within reach. Sometimes, even tieltacks and earrings twinkle with “microlights.” Clearly, something is afoot: there is a deep-down yearning for the world to change. Yet, John the Baptist would probably be unplugging most of these lights if he had the chance. In today’s Gospel he turns people away from his baptism of repentance. “Give some evidence that you mean to reform!” he cries.

What meaning do our holiday lights convey for you? In the deep and dark countryside, a single candle glowing in a window can be seen for miles. It signals welcome and readiness; it is a beacon guiding strangers to the door, a token of a warm hearth, a loving embrace, a sign that those who have placed the candle are awake and waiting. This year, set the timers aside, and each night as you light the candles in your windows, pray: “May Christ find an eager welcome here. May this household be filled with the light of his word.” One candle at a time, our faith community can reclaim the meaning of the lights of Advent hope.

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CHRISTMAS CAROLING ON ST. NICHOLAS DAY

“Sing & celebrate the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God.” Ephesians 5:20. Everyone is welcome. Come join us and celebrate the season, **December 6**, Sunday afternoon, from 4 to 4:30 pm, online via Zoom. Christmas music will be provided. Optional: Enter the Best Christmas Hat Contest—the winner will be awarded a free Serran membership. Email Yvonne Teeple at yvonne0557@att.net for more details. Zoom: [https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78671352977?](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78671352977?pwd=VTd2UjJsd0JXTitTcHY3Z0ROWGZGZz09) Meeting ID: 786 7135 2977, Passcode: rJ3rR9



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.



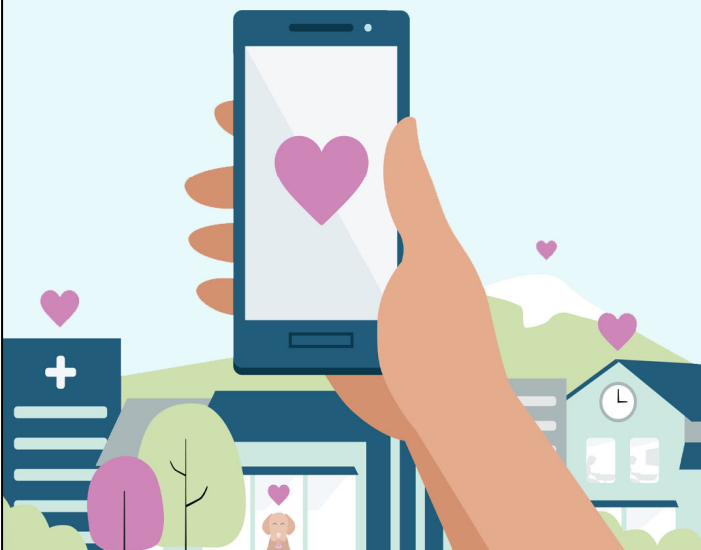
St. Regis Academy & ECC has immediate openings in our preschool program! Our program strives to provide a safe, loving, and nurturing environment for our students to learn and grow! Contact Preschool Coordinator, Chelsea Wilton, for more information and a Virtual Tour!
phone: 816-763-5837 **email:** cwilton@regisecc.org

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

If your career is not as rewarding as you had hoped, perhaps you should consider a refreshing change of course. Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph is searching for employees to join our mission to serve and to lift those in need. To view available jobs or to apply, go to our website at www.catholiccharities-kcsj.org. For more information contact Lynn Lichte, Human Resources Manager at 816-659-8220 or llichte@ccharities.com

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PRISON PEN PALS

Due to COVID-19 isolation, MAX Prison and Jail Ministry has seen an increase in requests for pen pals from prisoners all throughout the U.S. Pen Pals change lives. If you are over 18 and can commit to writing one letter each month for a year to someone behind bars, please join us. Our program is safe and secure - providing complete direction. To find out more, contact Laurie Jo Holmes 816-714-2364 or holmes@diocesekcsj.org.

HOSPITAL STAYS

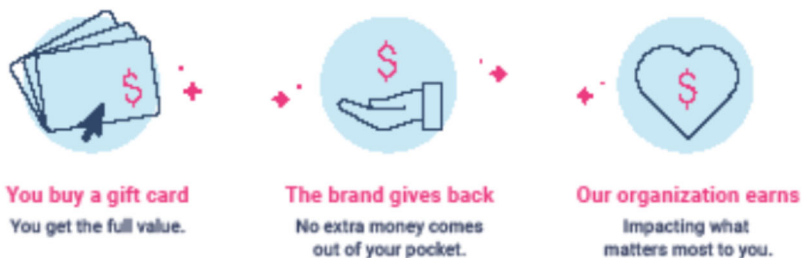
All those planning a hospital stay or scheduling a surgery are encouraged to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick beforehand. Please call the Parish Office or speak to Fr. McCaffery to schedule a convenient time during the week or after Mass. Also, please notify the parish if you or a family member is in the hospital. This is often the only way we know about a hospital stay and allows us to attend to the spiritual needs of our parishioners. Please continue to pray for those who are sick and hospitalized.

MAKE AN EVEN BIGGER IMPACT WITH YOUR GIFT LIST



Find holiday gifts for everyone on your list while raising money for our organization. Whether you buy gift cards as presents or use them to buy gifts, your order immediately raises money for our organization. Share the giftspiration with others—the more people that order, the truly merrier.

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ST. REGIS TRASH BAGS FOR SALE

St. Regis Academy is selling trash and lawn bags through the Kansas City-based company, Frontier Bag. Bags are available for purchase in the school office; sizes and prices are listed below.

Bag prices and sizes:

Trash bags are \$12.00 per roll

Yellow bags...39 gallon bag...25 bags per roll

White bags...15 gallon...65 bags per roll

Blue bags...55 gallon...16 bags per roll

Lawn & leaf bags are \$10.00 for 15 bags (3 packages of 5 bags)

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 Whitehorse, Rob & Sandy Smith, Helen & Patrick Sheehan, Jessica Berger, Adelia Spann, Dalton Peavler, Donald Smith, Sara Davis, Nolan Tritschler, 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 Kornowski, Jason Wenberg, Paula Rios, Dennis Reilly, Homer Radford, Siggy Koop, Joseph Gregory, Danny Dolan, Pete Gomez, Julie Nash, Bob Harvey, Fr. Keith Branson, Kate Crawford, Jackie Jackson, Oral Eidson, Ardith Fetterolf, Beth Heidler, Maria Rose Brown, Lois Beres, John Stadler, John Teefey, Phil Hoffman, Kristen Brown, Larry Fournier, Ethel Felder, Colletta Merrigan, Buddemeyer Family, Pat Romero, Janet Helms, Mary Hunter, Chris & Sarah Teefey, Babette Lathrop, Shelly Clemons, Pauline Umbenhowe, Bob Slusher, Bill Speise, 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, Teresa Foster, John Minton, Terry Block, Jim Filley and the many parishioners who are experiencing situational and financial hardships.

Please Pray for the Repose of the Soul of:

Gerald Roder, brother of Paul Roder

Clarice Roder, sister-in-law of Paul & Betty Roder

Liturgical Roles

December 12 & 13

Lectors

3:00pm Tom Sack & Patty Sack

8:30am Paul Roder & Betty Roder

10:30am Terry Colombatto & Elizabeth Divis

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

3:00pm Jim Filley, Charlene Helling, Alex Pope
Gretchen Maschger

8:30am Paul Roder, Betty Roder, Joan Sack
Maxine Rodriguez

10:30am Gwen Hull, Shane Givens, Elaine Allee
Mary Kimbrell

Servers

3:00pm Jeremy Smith & Jayla Tolson

8:30am Emily Winter & Clara Stribling

10:30am Madison Divis & Ella Coleman

Greeters

3:00pm Jerry Crowley & Jack Hanes

8:30am Rick Kraus & Sherry Falke

10:30am Tony Reyes & Richard Rademacher

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, December 8

8:30am People of St. John Francis Regis Parish

6:30pm †Joseph Szumigala by the Duerr Family

Wednesday, December 9

†Alice Crowley by Jerry Crowley

Thursday, December 10

For the Intentions of the Surber Family

Friday, December 11

†Lois Adams by Deacon Sam Adams

Saturday, December 12

3:00pm †Charles Purdon by George & Teri Weiter

Sunday, December 13

8:30am †Mary Chartier by George & Teri Weoiter

10:30am 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	
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 Joseph	Setter	77	12/8	1999
Kathryn	Cox	89	12/9	1984
Constantine	Soulis	67	12/9	1993
William Francis	Bauer	84	12/9	1997
Doris	Yust	83	12/9	2009
Milrae	Marqua	82	12/10	1978
Rachel Nylene	Stock	74	12/10	1990
David Scott	Downum	25	12/10	2004
Jeanne M.	Magee	75	12/10	2015
Saverio	Mistretta	73	12/11	1964
Michael	Hudek	35	12/11	1981
Eugene John	Becker	81	12/11	1995
John	Bridges	60	12/11	2013
Maureen C.	Yocum	27	12/12	1976
Joan	Fischer	98	12/12	2018
Larry John	Kyle	56	12/12	2004
Roland	Kirkland	60	12/13	1993
Sarah	Johannes	72	12/13	2007

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 6

8:30am Mass

10:30am Mass

Monday, December 7**Tuesday, December 8***Immaculate Conception*

8:30am Mass

9:00am Militia Immaculata

6:30pm Mass

6:30pm Rosary

7:00pm Neocatechumenal Way

Parish Office Closed

Wednesday, December 9

8:30am Mass

6:00pm Eucharistic Adoration w/Confessions

7:00pm Praise Team Practice

7:00pm Spanish Bible Study

7:00pm 1st Reconciliation Parent Meeting

7:00pm Knights of Columbus

Thursday, December 10

8:30am Mass

9:00am Scripture Sharing

7:00pm Boy Scouts

7:00pm Cantor Practice

Friday, December 11

8:30am Mass

Saturday, December 12

2:00pm Confessions

3:00pm Mass

Sunday, December 13

8:30am Mass

10:30am Mass



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2nd Sunday of Advent

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