



Saint John Francis Regis Parish

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Fr. Emmanuel Lopez, Parochial Vicar

December 11, 2022

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

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

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Religious Education	761-1608
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Deacon Ken Albers	
Deacon Robert Falke	
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THIRD SUNDAY OF

Advent



DECEMBER 11, 2022

“Go and tell John what you hear and see:
the blind regain their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed,
the deaf hear, the dead are raised,
and the poor have the good news proclaimed to them.”

MATTHEW 11:4-5




**WIDOWS &
WIDOWERS YOU
ARE INVITED!
CHRISTMAS
LUNCH**
 DEC | 22 | 11:15am
 Parish
 Hall
 OUR LUNCH WILL BE
 CATERED. BRING A \$5
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 TO YOU!
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ST. REGIS STEWARDSHIP CORNER

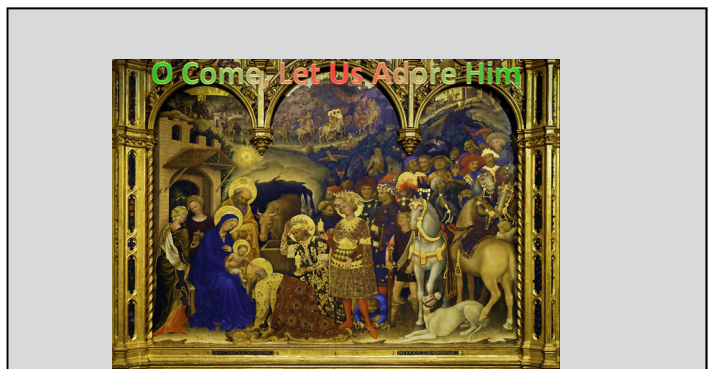
From the loneliness of his prison cell John the Baptist asks of Jesus: “Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for another?” The weeks before Christmas offer much to be joyous about, celebrating with family and friends, the glitter of seasonal decorations, the excitement of gift giving and receiving. But in our midst there are the lonely and neglected, the poor, the hospitalized, the wayward, the shut-ins. There are those who feel that they have no hope. To whom should they look? Discipleship in the Lord includes being good stewards of others. Are there those in our family, our neighborhood, our community to whom we can reach out to show them a sign of Christ’s presence in their midst?

Desde la soledad de su celda en la prisión, Juan el Bautista le pregunta a Jesús: “¿Eres tú quien vendrá, o deberíamos buscar a otro?” Las semanas antes de Navidad ofrecen mucho de qué alegrarse, celebrando con familiares y amigos, el brillo de decoraciones de temporada, la emoción de dar y recibir regalos. Pero en medio de nosotros están los solitarios y descuidados, los pobres, los hospitalizados, los rebeldes, los encerrados. Hay quienes sienten que no tienen esperanza. ¿A quién deberían mirar? El discipulado en el Señor incluye ser buenos corresponsables con los demás. ¿Hay personas en nuestra familia, nuestro vecindario, nuestra comunidad a quienes podamos comunicarnos para mostrarles una señal de la presencia de Cristo en medio de ellos?



Las Posadas
 Friday, December 16
 6:30pm in the Parish Hall
 Join us for this religious celebration for the whole family including traditional music, dance, food and pinatas! Everyone is welcome!

Parish Support	
November 28-December 4, 2022	
<u>Contribution Income</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Weekly Offertory	\$ 6,821
Plate	\$ 1,504
Online Giving	<u>\$ 3,940</u>
Total	\$ 12,265



Come join the Magi in Adoration of the Lord Jesus by signing up for Eucharistic Adoration! We would like to have perpetual adoration—at least 1 person signed up for every hour of the day and night by mid January. We encourage the men to take the night shifts. Please join us in praying for our parish and our community! Contact Luke Donahue in the office or Connie Wood to sign up. If you were signed up for a shift before, please confirm your time with us.

FEED YOUR FAITH

Feed Your Faith meets every Monday night at 5:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall for dinner. The on-line people connect with the group at 6:00 p.m. and we all pray Devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus at 6:15 p.m. together. Join us tomorrow night, **December 12!**

This week, in *Session 7: Discipleship at a Distance: Peter and the Passion of Christ – Peter and the Passion of Christ - of Peter: Cornerstone of the Church*, we discover the importance of following Jesus closely, praying with Him and seeking His mercy as his disciple. In the tense Passion Narrative, Peter is tested, and in his trial we learn how to persevere through our own arduous ordeals and follow Christ faithfully. Join us.

TIME/TALENT & PLEDGE CARDS

Starting the weekend of **November 19th & 20th** we are asking parishioners to turn in their Time/Talent & Pledge Cards. There will be a container by the Gathering Space middle table for you to drop them in. Help us to “*Build God’s Kingdom*” at St. Regis by contributing a portion of the many gifts God has provided for you .

SIGN UP FOR CHRISTMAS MASSES

Greeters, Lectors, Communion Ministers and Servers are invited to sign up for the 3pm and 5pm Masses on Christmas Eve and the 10:30am Mass on Christmas Day. Please sign up in the Gathering Space.

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE FIESTA

St. John Francis Regis invites you to celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe on **Sunday, December 11** at 1pm Mass (there is no 5PM Mass on this day). We will start with the Matachins dancers at 12:30pm, Mass at 1pm, followed by a celebration in the Parish Hall. Everyone is welcome.

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.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERING

Please help beautify our church at Christmas by making a contribution for Christmas flowers. You may honor your family or remember deceased family members with your Christmas flower offering. Please use the designated envelope in your December packet and clearly print any names on the front. You may place your flower offering in the regular collection at Mass any time during the month of December.

Christmas Schedule

Christmas Eve Masses
Saturday, December 24 -
3:00pm
5:00pm
7:00pm in Spanish

Christmas Morning Mass
Sunday, December 25 -
10:30am




Misas de Nochebuena
Sábado, 24 de diciembre de
3:00pm
5:00pm
7:00pm en español


Misa de Navidad de la mañana
Domingo, 25 de diciembre -
10:30am

JOIN THE ACADEMY

**AS WE
CELEBRATE
OUR LADY OF
GUADALUPE**



With mass on
Monday, December 12
at 8:30 AM



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THE KINDERGARTEN CLASS WILL REINACT JUAN DIEGO'S
ENCOUNTER WITH MARY ON THE HILL OF TEPEYAC

MEATLOAF MONDAY & FOOD COLLECTION

Our donation of meatloaves to Bishop Sullivan Center food pantry is next **Monday, December 19th**. Sign-up sheets are available in the Gathering Space. Please bring your sliced, wrapped and frozen meatloaf with you to Mass next weekend, **December 17th & 18th** and place it in one of the coolers provided. If you cannot bring your meatloaf to Mass call the Parish Office, 761-1608 to make arrangements.

Next weekend is also our monthly food collection. Your canned goods and other non-perishable food donations help keep the food pantry stocked. Your donated food items are greatly appreciated. Thanks for your continued support of these ministries.

TAX TIPS

Did you know if you are age 70 ½ or older, you can distribute up to \$100,000 tax-free each year from your IRA account to benefit St. Regis Parish and Academy? Forms are available in the Gathering Space or Parish Office. For details on contributing with an IRA Charitable Rollover, please contact your parish office or Christopher Hotchkiss at the Diocese of Kanas City – St. Joseph; Planned Giving at: 816-714-2346.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

The Annual Catholic Appeal gives us an opportunity to join others in our service together—to do more good than one person or one parish can do alone. No gift is too small. Please join our effort.

HOSPITALIZED?

If you are hospitalized and would like us to know, please call or have a family member call Esmeralda in the parish office at 816-761-1608 ext. 303. Due to privacy laws, hospitals cannot contact us.



GIVING TREE

Gift tags for the Giving tree will be available the week-end of November 26/27. Join in the St. Regis tradition of giving! Help bring hope and joy to the Carroll Park residents this Christmas by taking a tag off the Giving Tree. The gifts should be wrapped. Please attach the gift tag on the outside of the gift. Return the gifts by Sunday, December 18th. This year we will again collect full size toiletry items for men and women: lotion, bar soap, toothpaste, tooth brushes, body wash, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant. There will be gift boxes by the Giving Tree for donated items. All toiletry items are due by **Sunday, December 18th**. The residents at the Carroll Park Care Facility are always so appreciative of the Christmas gifts. Thanks for your continued generosity. —Social Service Ministry Council

FREE BABY CRIBS

The parish has 1 baby crib and a large baby changing table that need to go to good homes. If you or someone you knows can use them please call the Parish Office, 816-761-1608.

HOSPITALIZADO?

Si esta hospitalizado y desea que lo sepamos, llame o pídale a un familiar que llame a Esmeralda a la oficina parroquial al 816-761-1608 ext. 3033. Debido a las leyes de privacidad, los hospitales no pueden contactarnos.



TARJETAS DE TIEMPO/TALENTO Y COMPROMISE

A partir del fin de semana del **19 y 20 de noviembre**, estamos pidiendo a los feligreses que entreguen sus tarjetas de tiempo / talento y compromiso. Habrá un contenedor junto a la mesa central del Espacio de Reunión para que los coloques. Ayúdanos a "*Construir el Reino de Dios*" en St. Regis contribuyendo con una porción de los muchos dones que Dios ha provisto para ti.

ARBOL DE DONACIONES

Las etiquetas de regalo para el árbol de donaciones estarán disponibles el fin de semana del 26 y 27 de noviembre. ¡Únete a la tradición de dar de St. Regis! Ayuda a traer esperanza y alegría a los residentes de Carroll Park esta Navidad quitando una etiqueta del Giving Tree. Los regalos deben estar envueltos. Por favor, adjunte la etiqueta de regalo en el exterior del regalo. Devuelva los regalos antes del domingo 18 de diciembre. Este año volveremos a recolectar artículos de tocador de tamaño completo para hombres y mujeres: loción, jabón en barra, pasta de dientes, cepillos de dientes, gel de baño, champú, acondicionador, desodorante. Habrá regalo cajas por el Giving Tree para artículos donados. Todos los artículos de tocador deben presentarse antes **del domingo 18 de diciembre**. Los residentes del Carroll Park Care Facility siempre están muy agradecidos por los regalos de Navidad. Gracias por su continua generosidad.
—Consejo Ministerial de Servicios Sociales

FIESTA DE NUESTRA SEÑORA DE GUADALUPE

Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe
St. John Francis Regis lo invita a celebrar a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe el **domingo 11 de diciembre a la 1pm** Misa (no hay Misa a las 5PM en este día). Comenzaremos con los bailarines de Matachins a las 12:30 pm, misa a la 1 pm, seguida de una celebración en el Salón Parroquial. Todos son bienvenidos.



Viernes, 16 de diciembre
6:30pm en el Salón Parroquial
¡Únase a nosotros para esta celebración religiosa para toda la familia, que incluye música tradicional, danza, comida y piñatas! ¡Todos son bienvenidos!

OFRENDA DE FLORES DE NAVIDAD

Por favor, ayude a embellecer nuestra iglesia en Navidad haciendo una contribución para las flores de Navidad. Puede honrar a su familia o recordar a los miembros fallecidos de la familia con su ofrenda de flores de Navidad. Utilice el sobre designado en su paquete de diciembre e imprima claramente cualquier nombre en el frente. Puede colocar su ofrenda de flores en la colección regular en la Misa en cualquier momento durante el mes de diciembre.



¡Únete a los Reyes Magos en la Adoración del Señor Jesús inscribiéndote en la Adoración Eucarística! Nos gustaría tener adoración perpetua, al menos 1 persona se inscribió para cada hora del día y de la noche, antes de mediados de enero. Alentamos a los hombres a tomar los turnos de noche. ¡Únase a nosotros para orar por nuestra parroquia y nuestra comunidad! Comuníquese con Lucas o Esmeralda en la oficina para inscribirse. Si se inscribió para un turno antes, por favor confirme su hora con nosotros.

FONDO DE JUBILACION PARA RELIGIOSOS

En los buenos y malos tiempos, las hermanas católicas mayores, los hermanos y los sacerdotes de órdenes religiosas se han dedicado al servicio y a los actos de misericordia. Hoy, oran por un mundo dolorido. Sin embargo, años de servir por poco o ningún salario han dejado a sus comunidades religiosas sin suficientes ahorros para la jubilación. Su donación al Fondo de Jubilación para Religiosos ayuda a proporcionar medicamentos, atención de enfermería y otras necesidades. Por favor, sea generoso.

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.

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

Month 4: Well, I now weigh six ounces and mom can feel my movements. I have fingernails, eyelashes, and my own unique fingerprints, which will remain the same for the rest of my life. My taste buds are working and my sense of hearing is developing. I have soft hair all over my body. I can touch my hand to my face and grasp my feet. Basically, there will be no major new developments from here on. I just need nourishment, protection and love....and prayers.

Please Pray for those in the Hospital:

Kay Nash

Please Remember In Your Prayers: David Berg, Dennis Wadle, Rose Marie Larson, Aidan Jones, Joanne Whitehorse, Denise Kopek, Margie Strobl, Dolores Dick, McCartney Weist, Teresa Foster, Joseph Gregory, Margaret Kelly, Gregory Richard, Phil Hoffman, John Hoffman, Mary Hunter, Teefey Family, Hanger Family, Daniel & Jeneth Hunter, John Stadler, Genevieve Thieme, Pat Filley, Bill Massop, Milton Bryant, Carole McCaffery, Teresa King, JR Lillig, Michael Wertz, John Minton, Ben Rosenblum, Georgiana Smith, Mary Jill Reid, Rosie Murphy, Kay Nash, Vickie Young, Lou & Terrie Ramsey, Jim Filley, Bobby Washington, Ben Cotter, Andres Foncha, Tom Fournier, Jim Rouchka, Ken Stewart, Juan Godoy, Stephanie Eads, Robert Harvey, Tom Smith, Rick Martin, Julie Boisen, Kathy Gross, Marek Family 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, Jason Webb, & Troy Fraser

Liturgical Roles

December 17 & 18

Lectors

3:00pm Marvin Chaney & Melissa Wiehn
8:30am Ken Stewart & Dave Vorbeck
10:30am Mark McGee & Kathy Morehouse

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

3:00pm Alex Pope, Marvin Chaney, Dorothy Quinn
Gretchen Maschger
8:30am Betty Roder, Paul Roder, Joan Sack
Maxine Rodriguez
10:30am Mary Kimbrell, Elaine Allee, Gwen Hull
Marcia Collins

Servers

3:00pm Jerry Crowley
8:30am Emily Winter & Ashley Winter
10:30am Kia Townsend & Jared Villalobos

Greeters

3:00pm Manuel Botello & Mary Warren
8:30am Sue Quanty Smith & Kathleen Robb
10:30am Alfred DeSouza & Ken Glasbrenner

Mass Intentions**Tuesday, December 13**

†John Ward by Matt & Chelsea Voboril

Wednesday, December 14

†Ricardo Reyes Rodriguez by Family

Thursday, December 15

For the Intentions of the Surber Family

Friday, December 16

†Chris Sack by Joan Sack

Saturday, December 17

3:00pm †Joanne Owens by St. Regis Choir

Sunday, December 18

8:30am †Tony Reyes by St. Regis Parish Staff
10:30am People of St. John Francis Regis Parish
5:00pm †Arnulfo Montoya Moreno by Maria Montoya

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	
Lois E.	Adams	57	12/11	2006*
Eugene John	Becker	81	12/11	1995
Paul	Bresette	82	12/11	2019
John	Bridges	60	12/11	2013
Alta Mae	Brown	83	12/11	2015*
Michael	Hudek	35	12/11	1981
Saverio	Mistretta	73	12/11	1964
Marguerite D.	Schaaf	84	12/11	1987*
Joan	Fischer	98	12/12	2018
Billie Lee	Kuhn	51	12/12	1974*
Larry John	Kyle	56	12/12	2004
Lucia B.	McMahon	71	12/12	1987*
Eleanor A.	Seigler	89	12/12	2005*
Walter J.	Seigler	88	12/12	2005*
Alma E.	Stillwell	90	12/12	1994*
Joyce	Stock	80	12/12	2020
Mary G.	Tyhurst	69	12/12	1993*
Maureen C.	Yocum	27	12/12	1976
Maria Eva	Cerchi	77	12/13	2006*
Donald A.	DeCaigney	52	12/13	1983*
Sarah Winifred	Flora	80	12/13	1969*
Marian	Handley	84	12/13	1987*
Sarah	Johannes	72	12/13	2007
Roland	Kirkland	60	12/13	1993
Cora	Walsh	67	12/13	1965*
Darrel V.	West	84	12/13	2013*
Doris	Allen	80	12/14	2004
Mary Eileen	Armey	21	12/14	1980
Mary	Clevenger	87	12/14	2017*
Anna F.	Laws	68	12/14	1995*
Harry Francis	McKaniff	74	12/14	1977*
Dorothy	Seeger	77	12/14	2007
Harold J.	St. John	75	12/14	1993*
Christine A..	Trinkle	88	12/14	1985*
Frank	Hamilton	68	12/15	2003*
Victoria D.	Howard	87	12/15	1967*
Virgil M.	McCarthy	76	12/15	1974*
Charles A.	Quanty	76	12/15	1997*
Eli H.	Zendejas Sr.	89	12/15	2008
Kendall Joseph	Berg	92	12/16	2009*
Dorothy J.	Humphrey	87	12/16	1999
Virgil	Kinman	65	12/16	1987*
Merton	McIlvain	82	12/16	2010*
Bob H.	Mendoza	61	12/16	1986*
Rosemarie	Poulin	69	12/16	1996*
Marie L.	Bauer	89	12/17	1976*
Ray	Davis	79	12/17	1992
Linda May	Georgie	69	12/17	2007*
Raymond F.	Marks	54	12/17	1983
John V.	Noonan Sr.	73	12/17	1981*
Walter F.	Peters	53	12/17	1969*
Mary Margaret	Tritico	60	12/17	1989
Mary	Uhlig	70	12/17	1998
Kenneth	Woods		12/17	1973

*Denotes Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioner

Schedule of Events

Sunday, December 11

8:30am Mass
 10:30am Mass
 11:30am Adoration
 1:00pm Mass/Spanish
 2:00pm Our Lady of Guadalupe Fiesta

Monday, December 12

5:00pm Spanish Bible Class
 5:45pm Feed Your Faith

Tuesday, December 13

8:30am Mass
 9:30am Faith Enrichment
 6:30pm Rosary
 6:30pm Academy Christmas Program
 7:00pm Spanish Bible Class
 7:00pm Neocatechumenal Way

Wednesday, December 14

8:30am Mass
 6:00pm Adoration/Confessions
 6:00pm School of Religion
 6:00pm Confirmation/Pre Confirmation
 7:00pm Spanish Bible Class
 7:00pm Knights of Columbus

Thursday, December 15

8:30am Mass
 9:30am Scripture Sharing
 6:00pm Spanish Bible Class
 6:00pm Praise Team
 6:30pm OCIA
 7:00pm Boys Scouts
 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday, December 16

8:30am Mass
 9:30am Church Cleaning
 6:00pm Spanish Bible Class
 6:30pm Posada
 7:00pm Worship Council

Saturday, December 17

6:15am That Man is You
 12:00pm Spanish Retreat
 2:00pm Confessions
 3:00pm Mass
 Food Collection

Sunday, December 18

8:30am Mass
 10:30am Mass
 11:30am Adoration
 5:00pm Mass/Spanish
 Food Collection
 Giving Tree Gifts Due

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