



Saint John Francis Regis Parish

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December 16, 2018

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4:30PM

Sunday: 8:30 and 10:30AM

Daily Mass

Monday: 7:00AM

Tuesday - Friday: 8:30AM

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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Early Childhood Center 763-6566

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Third Sunday

OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 16, 2018

*Whoever has two cloaks should
share with the person who has none.
And whoever has food should do likewise.*

Luke 3:11



ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICES

Wednesday, Dec. 19 - 6:00PM

St. Regis/St. Matthew service at St. Regis

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

Other area service:

Thursday, Dec. 20 at 6pm at St. Bernadette's

Reconciliation will also be available 1 hour prior to Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Masses.

ST. REGIS STEWARDSHIP CORNER

In today's Gospel we hear the prophet John the Baptist being asked an insightful stewardship question: "What should we do?" Each group wants to know the appropriate response to John's call; each reply points to how they should treat others. John does not simply say, "Be baptized." Rather, he points them to their jobs and personal relationships. John's message is simple: judgment is near, and repentance includes treating others well. We should be willing to share what we have with those in need. To listen to John the Baptist is to be called to account. Do I give only of my excess, or am I the good steward who is willing to make daily sacrifices in order to help others? —International Catholic Stewardship Council

3RD WEDNESDAY BREAKFAST

The 4th Wednesday Breakfast is on **Wednesday, December 19** after daily Mass in the Parish Hall. The cost of breakfast will be \$9. We welcome all those who wish to join us. Come and enjoy breakfast and lots of good company. Please R.S.V.P. to the Parish Office at 761-1608 or sign-up in the Gathering Space by **Monday, December 17**.



LESSONS & CAROLS

You are invited to Lessons and Carols on **Sunday, December 16th, at 6pm** in the Church. As winter darkness gathers, we will settle in candlelit warmth at St. Regis Church to share the music and prophecies of the season. Please join us for a festive evening that will warm you from the inside out.

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.



LEGACY BRICK PAVERS

This is the time for the third installation of brick pavers at our Legacy Garden. The brick pavers will be engraved with your customized message recognizing a deceased love one, your family, other appropriate person(s) or church group. Share this offering with former Parishioners. The pavers will be installed in the ground in the open space to the right of the Church and School entrances. There will be a sign up sheet with more information at a table in the Gathering Space after all the Masses starting this weekend throughout the month of November and December. Or go to Parish Web Site: <http://stregischurch.com/legacy-garden>. Print Order form, complete it and send to Parish Office. For more information contact Bill Massop 816-225-5083 or Jerry Cook 816-679-9175.

SIGN UP CHRISTMAS MASSES

Greeters, Lectors, Communion Ministers and Servers are invited to sign up for the 4:30pm and 7:30pm Mass on Christmas Eve and the 10:30am Mass on Christmas Day. Please sign up in the Gathering Space.

Your Gifts To God & Parish

July 1-Nov. 30, 2018 Budget

Envelopes	\$146,337	\$169,927
Online Giving	\$56,505	\$34,982
Plate	\$8,427	\$9,944
Repairs & Main.	\$4,270	\$9,916
School Support	\$11,782	\$8,539
Total	\$227,321	\$233,309

THANK YOU

A big thank you to everyone who contributed to the Giving Tree. Your response was again tremendous and very much appreciated by the residents at Village at Carrol Park Nursing Home.



THANK YOU!

A big Thank You to the 117 families that have turned in your green pledge cards for 2019. If you have not done so, there is still time. Simply fill out one of the green cards on the center table in the Gathering Space and drop it in the basket or bring it by the office.

RCIA UPDATE

Our class for next week on December 18th –**The Paschal Mystery** (The Paschal Mystery, Resurrection), **Grace** (Grace, Grace and Conversion, Conversion to Jesus Christ), **Video** – “The Paschal Mystery”. If you are interested in hearing about one or all of these subjects, the class starts at 7pm and will be in St. Joseph’s room or the parish hall if St. Joseph’s room is not available.

DECORATE FOR CHRISTMAS

Many hands are needed to decorate the Church for Christmas. Spend an hour or so on **Sunday, December 23rd, following the 10:30am Mass**. Adults, Confirmation candidates, high school students needing service hours and families are all welcome to join us.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Thanks to the 51 families who have contributed to the Annual Catholic Appeal. So far we have received \$21,572 in pledges and contributions. We have reached 80% of our goal thus far.

Christmas Schedule



Christmas Eve Masses

Saturday, December 24 - 4:30pm
(4:10pm Music Prelude)
7:30pm (7:00pm Music Prelude)

Christmas Morning Mass

Sunday, December 25 - 10:30am

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.

Upcoming Dates

Tues., Dec. 18th - Christmas Program at O'Hara 6:30pm
 Thursday, December 20th - Christmas Parties 11:15pm
 Thursday, December 20th - 12:15pm Dismissal.
 Thurs., Dec. 20th - Bier Station (adult only) 6-10pm
 Friday Dec. 21st-Wednesday Jan. 2nd - Christmas Break
 Thursday, January 3rd - School resumes

CHRISTMAS WISH LIST

St. Regis Academy and ECC is in need of a few small items for our classrooms. Our list can be found below. St. Regis Academy will also humbly accept Amazon gift cards as we often use this platform to order supplies for our nursing station, curriculum, and classrooms: White Copy Paper, Expo Markers, Sharpie Markers, Post-It Notes, Baby Wipes. Our wish list can also be found via Amazon Smile at: <https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/dl/invite/8zqJY9a>

STREAM COACHES WANTED

St. Regis Academy is looking for STREAM Coaches for our third session of STREAM classes. Classes will be held on January 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th and 31st. The classes will be from 10:30am - 11:45am. To volunteer, please contact Robin Sowders, Principal at rsowders@regisacademy.org

EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER NOW ENROLLING

St. Regis Early Childhood Center is committed to the development of the whole child; physically, socially, emotionally, and spiritually. We provide families in our parish and surrounding community with a safe, diverse, and developmentally appropriate environment for their children. Our goal is to build a partnership with families who we serve. Now enrolling ages birth to five years. Call 816-763-6566 for more information.



5th Annual St. Regis 50/50 Raffle

Please join us Thursday,
 December 20, 2018
 6-10pm
 Bier Station
 120 E. Gregory Blvd



Celebrate as we raise a glass to St. Regis Academy and raise a few dollars for our kids!

YOUTH GROUP

2 & 4 Sunday of the month, 11:30am-1:30pm
 7th-10th graders

Join us for food, games and faith based activities and talks. Permission forms can be found online or contact Michelle Ismert.

If you are above 10th grade and interested in helping with youth group or joining a bible study group contact Michelle Ismert at mmismert18@gmail.com

HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST

Eighth grade girls are invited to take the HSPT at St. Teresa's Academy on **Saturday, January 12**. Test takers should check-in at 8am at the Windmoor Center (lace-wrapped building). All students applying for admission into the freshman class are required to take this test. Stay after the test for pizza! To register, please visit the St. Teresa's Academy website at www.stastars.org/admissions/apply, and fill out the online application (HSPT registration is part of the application).

CHRISTMAS TREES

Our Lady of Lourdes Church, corner of Gregory & Blue Ridge in Raytown, MO is again selling fresh cut Christmas trees. A wide range of styles and prices to meet your every Christmas decorating need and budget will be available. Trees are netted and the friendly volunteer staff will be happy to load your tree into or onto your vehicle. Trees are guaranteed by the grower as pestilence and disease free.

CHRISTMAS SHINING STAR

Each Christmas, Catholic Charities of KCSJ and people like you provide Christmas gifts for children whose families are participants in one of our programs. This year, we would like to make Christmas joyful for more than 650 children. If you would like to help, please go to our Christmas Shining Star site and choose a child-or several children-to adopt for the holidays. We ask that you purchase from their gift list and spend about \$50-\$65 per child. Questions? Please contact Christie Dade, Volunteer Manager, at cdade@ccharities.com or 816-659-8216. Thank you for sharing your blessings.

YOUTH CHRISTMAS CHOIR

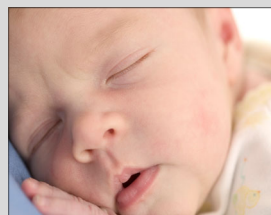
Students second grade and higher are invited to sing at Christmas Eve 4:30pm Mass. We have 2 more practices. The last practice is on **Monday December 17 at 7pm** If you have any questions please contact Susan Duerr: sduerr@regischurch.org.

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

The Liturgical Minister Schedule for **January and February** has been emailed out to Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Servers and Greeters. A hard copy of the schedule is available on the table in the Gathering Space. If you have any questions about the schedule, please call Colleen in the Parish Office. If you have a conflict with a particular weekend you are scheduled for a ministry, we ask that you please find a substitute. Thank you for serving our parish through these ministries.

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 3 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...(the angel said) 'what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.'"

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE

Knight's of Columbus Council #4962 at 5101 Blue Ridge Cut-off are hosting a New Year's Eve Dance on **Monday, December 31st at 8:30pm**. The cost is \$20 per person in advance and \$25 at the door. Live music by Dave Merello & KC Variety Band. BYOB. Setups, finger food, party favors, door prizes and champagne at midnight provided. For more information or to reserve a table call Ed Columbus at 358-8831 or John Hernandez at 356-6086.

2019 MARCH FOR LIFE

The March for Life in Washington DC will be held on **Friday, January 18th**. Registration is now open for the March for Life Pilgrimage to Washington DC, January 17-19. This 3 day trip will include Mass each day, Rally on the National Mall, and participation in the 2018 March for Life. Registration forms available at www.respectlifekcsj.org. The cost is \$315. Registration will remain open through December 12th.

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Please Pray for those in the Hospital this past week:

Inge Cronley-Corless

Please Remember In Your Prayers: Susan Nealy, Jack Mitchell, John Hernandez, Jean Kraus, Rose Solo, David Berg, Fran Wadle, Eleanor Cutler, Rose Marie Larson, Dean Starr, Veronica Maschek, Gene Helling, Aidan Jones, Kathy Ness, Joanne Whitehorse, Rob & Sandy Smith, Helen & Patrick Sheehan, Jessica Berger, Bud Seeger, Adelia Spann, Dalton Peavler, Donald Smith, Sara Davis, Dorothy Linn, 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, Carl Metz, Seth Dujakovich, Cory Patterson, James Soulis, Katherine Reynolds, Elizabeth Andres, Judy Kornowski, Jason Wenberg, Paula Rios, Dennis Reilly, Homer Radford, Siggy Koop, Joseph Gregory, Danny Dolan, Pete Gomez, Julie Nash, Dennis Reilly, Bob Harvey, Fr. Keith Branson, Kate Crawford, Jack Humphrey, Denny King, Jackie Jackson, Carolyn Koetting, Bill Massop, Jack Humphrey, Becky Smith, Oral Eidson, Ardith Fetterolf, Beth Heidler, Maria Rose Brown, Lois Beres, John Stadler, John Teefey, Bubbles King, Inge Cronley, Bonnie Weishar, Laurie Bomar and the many parishioners who are experiencing situational and financial hardships.

Please Pray for the Repose of the Soul of:

Elizabeth Andres

Loretta Weber

Bubbles King, sister-in-law of Denny King

Altina Walker niece of Ora Reyes

Rachel Adams, sister of Ora Reyes

Liturgical Roles

December 22 & 23

Lectors

4:30pm Alex Pope & Jim Filley

8:30am Cathy Albers & Sherry Falke

10:30am Terry Colombatto & Elizabeth Divis

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

4:30pm Larry Hayden, Jim Filley, John Nash

Melissa Wiehn, Tom Smith

Bernadette Brenner & Francis Brenner

8:30am Sherry Falke, Pat Hanson, Harold Hanson

Mike Murtha, Sue Nichols, Janet Helms

Jane Marzano & Sue Quanty Smith

10:30am Prisca Tizimbune, Don Wolff, Kathy Wolff

Elaine Allee, Ora Reyes, John Reyes, Jr.

Theresa Van Pelt & Marlene Sanchez

Servers

4:30pm Breanna Wood & David Maschger

8:30am Jessica Loulos & Emily Winter

10:30am Olivia West & Katherine Banlomon

Greeters

4:30pm Larry Hayden, Marvin Chaney & Kathy Chaney

8:30am Maxine Rodriguez & Joan Sack

10:30am Ken Glasbrenner & Mary Lou Glasbrenner

Mass Intentions

Monday, December 17

7:00am †Chris Sack by Joan Sack

Tuesday, December 18

†Jean Kankoe Kuevi by Martine & Carone Kuevi

Wednesday, December 19

†Jean Kankoe Kuevi by Martine & Carone Kuevi

Thursday, December 20

For the Intentions of the Surber Family

Friday, December 21

†Jean Kankoe Kuevi by Martine & Carone Kuevi

Saturday, December 22

4:30pm †Jean Kankoe Kuevi by Martine & Carone Kuevi

Sunday, December 23

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

10:30am †Mildred Zuptich by the Glasbrenner Family

IN REMEMBRANCE-DECEASED PARISHIONERS

Name		Age	Date of Death
Kenneth	Woods		12/17 1973
Raymond F.	Marks	54	12/17 1983
Mary Margaret	Tritico	60	12/17 1989
Ray	Davis	79	12/17 1992
Mary	Uhlig	70	12/17 1998
Debbie Jo	Powell	18	12/18 1976
Tony	Gutierrez	51	12/18 1987
Dorothy	Gleason	86	12/18 1994
Paul F. Sr.	Monteil	91	12/28 1995
Mary	Rodgers	58	12/21 1964
Damian Pete	Woock	77	12/21 1998
Angelo	DeSimone	84	12/21 2011
Walter	Keeter	41	12/23 1977
Joann	Dodds	56	12/23 1983
Rod	Meier	83	12/23 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.

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

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, December 16

8:30am Mass
 10:30am Mass/Childcare/Children Liturgy
 6:00pm Lessons & Carols
 Food Collection

Monday, December 17

Soup Kitchen
 Meatloaf Monday
 7:00am Mass

Tuesday, December 18

8:30am Mass
 6:30pm School Music Program at O'Hara
 7:00pm Rosary
 7:00pm RCIA

Wednesday, December 19

8:30am Mass
 9:00am 3rd Wednesday Breakfast
 6:00pm Penance Service
 6:00pm English as Second Language
 7:00pm School of Religion

Thursday, December 20

8:30am Mass
 9:00am Scripture Sharing
 12:15pm School Dismissed for Christmas Break
 6:00pm Bier Station Event
 7:00pm Boy Scouts
 7:00pm Choir Practice
 7:00pm Parish Council

Friday, December 21

8:30am Mass
 7:00pm Worship Council

Saturday, December 22

3:30pm Confessions
 4:30pm Mass

Sunday, December 23

8:30am Mass
 10:30am Mass
 11:30am Youth Group
 11:30am Decorate the Church



3rd Sunday of Advent

December 16, 2018

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