



Saint John Francis Regis Parish

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Fr. Emmanuel Lopez, Parochial Vicar

December 25, 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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DECEMBER 25, 2022 | CHRISTMAS



She wrapped him
in swaddling clothes
and laid him in a manger,
*because there was no room for them
in the inn.*

~ Luke 2:7



PARISH OFFICE SCHEDULE

The Parish Office will be **closed on Monday, December 26th**. Have a safe and Blessed Christmas.

FEED YOUR FAITH

Feed Your Faith wishes all of you a very Blessed Christmas. We are meeting tomorrow, **December 26**, as usual on Monday nights at 5:30 p.m. We are all bringing our Christmas dinner leftovers, then praying to the Sacred Heart of Jesus at 6:15 p.m. At 6:30 p.m. we will watch *Session 9: Peter bar Jonah: How Peter Came to Rome –of Peter: Cornerstone of the Church*. Dr. Tim Gray continues to dive deeper into Peter’s ministry as he explores Peter’s relationship with Cornelius - a Gentile and a Roman soldier. As Jesus reveals His New Covenant plan to Peter, we discovery how this gift of grace crosses traditional lines that separate people and cultures.

If you prefer connecting to the group via Zoom, send an e-mail to conniemariewood@yahoo.com to request an e-vite. They are sent out at 6:00 p.m., then we all pray and watch **Peter** together.

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.



**Parish Support
December 4-11, 2022**

<u>Contribution Income</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Weekly Offertory	\$ 4,655
Plate	\$ 1,335
Online Giving	\$ 4,243
Total	\$ 10,233

ST. REGIS STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Amidst the beautiful Christmas readings at today’s Masses is a reading from a small New Testament letter from Saint Paul to his protégé, Titus, read at Midnight Mass. Saint Paul reminds Titus that God has given us a gift in the person of Jesus Christ. This gift represents God’s active presence in our lives and in our world. This gift redeems us from evil and death. This gift purifies us as God’s people. This is a gift that also comes with an expectation: that we receive it with thanksgiving, allow it to transform us into Christ’s image; and from it, learn how to live a life “eager to do what is good.” Take time the next few days to reflect on the marvelous gift we celebrate at Christmas, and how we might become better stewards of this gift.

En medio de las hermosas lecturas navideñas en las misas de hoy, hay una lectura de una pequeña carta del Nuevo Testamento de San Pablo a su protegido, Tito, leída en la misa de medianoche. San Pablo le recuerda a Tito que Dios nos ha dado un regalo en la persona de Jesucristo. Este regalo representa la presencia activa de Dios en nuestras vidas y en nuestro mundo. Este regalo nos redime del mal y la muerte. Este regalo nos purifica como pueblo de Dios. Este es un regalo que también viene con una expectativa: que lo recibamos con acción de gracias, que nos permita transformarnos en la imagen de Cristo; y aprenda cómo vivir una vida “ansiosa por hacer lo que es bueno”. Tómese el tiempo los próximos días para reflexionar sobre el maravilloso regalo que celebramos en Navidad y cómo podríamos ser mejores corresponsables de este regalo. Source: International Catholic Stewardship E-Bulletin



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.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

Friends, as we come to the end of the year and we celebrate the most gracious Divine condescension, the Incarnation of the Son of God, it is good to joyfully open our hearts to welcome the child, Jesus. God the Father no longer speaks to us through signs and wonders, now he has spoken to us through his Word so we may love and know him.

In Jesus we find the way to eternity, the life of salvation and the truth about ourselves. Jesus alone can give us peace and mercy. Therefore, our minds and hearts must be renewed with the love of the Messiah so we may be one with him and in him.

There are a lot of reasons to be grateful: our community is growing so rapidly; our faith groups are experiencing an increase in numbers and our sacraments are above our regular average. This year we have a confirmation class of about 50 candidates, and what was the tradition of partnering with St. Thomas More and Our Lady of Coronation for this liturgy, cannot happen this time because of our "big number" so the bishop has graciously given a separate date for our Confirmation Mass happening here in our church. This is just one of the many examples of how merciful God has been with us and how generous all of you have been in our community. Is not this a great gift from the one who calls us to be his disciples? Indeed, Jesus is making us grow according to his desire to bring salvation to his people.

I give thanks to Jesus for all of you who make possible this amazing growth, thank you for your service and support. Thank you for making Saint Regis Church and Academy a place of love, peace, and communion. May the incarnation of the son of God bring joy to all your family members and friends and may the spirit of Christmas fill our hearts with divine love. Merry Christmas.

Fr. Emmanuel Lopez

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.

CHRISTMAS FAMILY RETREAT

All families are welcome to join for a bilingual mini-retreat on **Saturday, January 7**, from 11am-3:00pm. The retreat will focus on the Christmas Season and the incarnation. You may sign up on the sheets in the gathering space or by contacting Luke or one of the sisters.

TOTAL CONSECRATION TO MARY

Looking to grow in your relationship with Christ? Turn to His Blessed Mother! St. Regis will be hosting a Total Consecration to Mary. Preparation starts on **Monday, January 9** to make a consecration on **February 11**. There will be an information session after the 3pm, 8:30 am, and 5pm Masses on **January 7-8**.

LEGACY GARDEN

As part of our continued effort, St Regis is reserving space for Legacy/Commemorative bricks. The bricks are in the small green space to the right of the church and school entrances. Each brick will be engraved with a customized message to provide a living family monument, to recognize other appropriate person(s) or church groups, or to recognize a deceased loved one(s). We are accepting new orders for bricks. If anyone places an order by March 18, we should be able to have the bricks in by Easter. If you have any questions or need more information, look on the website or contact Bill Massop 816-225-5083 or Jerry Cook 816-679-9175

THANK YOU

Thanks to all who have turned in their 2023 Time/Talent and Treasure cards. If you have not done so, please drop them in the Gathering Space green bucket, the collection basket, or drop them off at the office. Your time and talent commitments keep our 50+ ministries active and your financial pledge helps us prepare and manage our budget.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION WITH CONFESSIONS

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



If you would like to spread some holiday cheer, you can help fulfill our teachers Christmas wish lists. The lists can be found at www.regisacademy.org/wish-lists/

RETIRO DE NAVIDAD PARA LAS FAMILIAS

Todas las familias son bienvenidas a unirse a nosotros por un mini-retiro el sábado 7 de enero de las 11am hasta las 3:00 pm. El retiro se enfocará en la temporada de navidad y la encarnación. Puede inscribirse en las hojas de inscripción en el espacio de reunión o comunicándose con Lucas o una de las hermanas.

CONSAGRACION TOTAL A MARIA

¿Buscas crecer en tu relación con Cristo? ¡Dirígete a Su Santísima Madre! St. Regis organizará una Consagración Total a María. La preparación comienza el lunes 9 de enero para hacer una consagración el 11 de febrero. Habrá una sesión de información después de las misas de las 3:00 p. m., 8:30 a. m. y 5:00 p. m. el 7 y 8 de enero.

CATECISMO EN UN AÑO

¿Está buscando aprender más sobre su fe católica? El padre Mike Schmitz, de Ascension Press, está presentando un podcast que repasa el catecismo en 1 año. El podcast comienza el 1 de enero y estará disponible sólo en inglés este año.

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.



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JARDIN DE LEGACY

Como parte de nuestro esfuerzo continuo, St Regis está reservando espacio para los ladrillos Legacy o Conmemorativos. Los ladrillos están en el pequeño espacio verde a la derecha de las entradas de la iglesia y la escuela. Cada ladrillo se grabará con un mensaje personalizado para proporcionar un memorial familiar vivo, para reconocer a otras personas o grupos religiosos apropiados, o para reconocer a un ser querido fallecido. Estamos aceptando nuevos pedidos de ladrillos. Si alguien hace un pedido antes del 18 de marzo, podemos tener los ladrillos para Semana Santa. Si tiene alguna pregunta o necesita más información, busque en el sitio web o comuníquese con Bill Massop 816-225-5083 o Jerry Cook 816-679-9175

MENSAJE DE NAVIDAD

Amigos, al llegar al final del año y celebramos la condescendencia divina más misericordiosa, la encarnación del Hijo de Dios, es bueno abrir con alegría nuestros corazones para dar la bienvenida al niño, Jesús. Dios el Padre ya no nos habla a través de señales y maravillas, ahora nos ha hablado a través de su Palabra para que podamos amarlo y conocerlo.

En Jesús encontramos el camino a la eternidad, la vida de salvación y la verdad sobre nosotros mismos. Sólo Jesús puede darnos paz y misericordia. Por lo tanto, nuestras mentes y corazones deben renovarse con el amor del Mesías para que podamos ser uno con él y en él.

Hay muchas razones para estar agradecidos: nuestra comunidad está creciendo muy rápidamente; Nuestros grupos de fe están experimentando un aumento en el número y nuestros sacramentos están por encima de nuestro promedio regular. Este año tenemos una clase de confirmación de unos 50 candidatos, y lo que era la tradición de asociarse con Santo Tomás Moro y Nuestra Señora de la Coronación para esta liturgia, no puede suceder esta vez debido a nuestro "gran número", por lo que el obispo ha dado gentilmente una fecha separada para nuestra Misa de Confirmación aquí en nuestra iglesia. Este es solo uno de los muchos ejemplos de cuán misericordioso ha sido Dios con nosotros y cuán generosos han sido todos ustedes en nuestra comunidad. ¿No es este un gran regalo de Aquel que nos llama a ser sus discípulos? De hecho, Jesús nos está haciendo crecer según su deseo de traer salvación a su pueblo.

Doy gracias a Jesús por todos ustedes que hacen posible este asombroso crecimiento, gracias por su servicio y apoyo. Gracias por hacer de la Parroquia de San Regis y Academia un lugar de amor, paz y comunión. Que la encarnación del hijo de Dios traiga alegría a todos los miembros de su familia y amigos y que el espíritu de la Navidad llene nuestros corazones con amor divino. Feliz Navidad.

P. Emmanuel López

GRACIAS

Gracias a todos los que han entregado sus tarjetas de Tiempo/Talento y Tesoro 2023. Si no lo ha hecho, déjelos en el cubo verde del Espacio de reunión, en la canasta de recolección o déjelos en la oficina. Sus compromisos de tiempo y talento mantienen activos nuestros ministerios 50+ y su compromiso financiero nos ayuda a preparar y administrar nuestro presupuesto.



HORARIO DE LA OFICINA PARROQUIAL
La Oficina Parroquial estará **cerrada el lunes 26 de diciembre**. Que tengas una Navidad segura y bendecida.



¡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.

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.



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 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 31 & January 1

Lectors

- 3:00pm Tom Sack & Patty Sack
- 5:00pm Emelda Obi & Sherry Falke
- 10:30am Frankline Musongwe & Dennis Reilly

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

- 3:00pm Melissa Wiehn, Alex Pope, Jim Filley
Gretchen Maschger
- 5:00pm Kathleen Robb, Dave Vorbeck, Sherry Falke
Dianne Schmidt
- 10:30am Teresa Mahnke, Diane Pacheco, Bill Massop
Yajaira Miranda

Servers

- 3:00pm Allison Wiehn
- 5:00pm Jessica Loulos & Ryan Holst
- 10:30am Betty Banlomon & Madison Divis

Greeters

- 3:00pm Jerry Crowley & Marvin Chaney
- 5:00pm Maxine Rodriguez & Joan Sack
- 10:30am Richard Rademacher & Martin Gomez

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, December 27

†Samuel DeMoss by Ken Wagner

Wednesday, December 28

†Jack Mitchell by Pat Hanson

Thursday, December 29

†Ricardo Reyes Rodriguez by Family

Friday, December 30

†Richard Allen Surber by Alisha Surber

Saturday, December 31

3:00pm †Bill & Dorothy Glasbrennr by Family

Sunday, January 1

- 8:30am People of St. John Francis Regis Parish
- 10:30am †David Carrillo, Jr. by Pat Carrillo
- 5:00pm For Intentions of Mario & Esmeralda Lopez

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
Margaret J. Smith	77	12/25 1996*
Bobbie I. Arnold	67	12/26 1991*
Harold W. Floyd	71	12/26 1984
Mildred McCaffrey	77	12/26 1987*
Walter McCully	91	12/26 1996
Thomas Allen Nichols	37	12/26 2002
Rosemary Schmidt	90	12/26 2016
Victor J. Jodts	61	12/27 1974*
Ann Kegolis	57	12/27 1967*
Margaret A. Kennedy	79	12/27 2008*
Edna Lueking	73	12/27 1972
Angelo Montalto	62	12/27 1984*
Mamie Nickels	94	12/27 2001*
Margaret Surber	76	12/27 1984*
Charles J. Aziere	63	12/28 2001*
Marion E. Bowen	66	12/28 1980*
Rosemary Frantze	80	12/28 1968*
Helen A. Kelly	87	12/28 1980*
Paul F. Sr. Monteil	91	12/28 1995
Fred Oberrieder	95	12/28 2004
Paul C. Bickel	75	12/29 2000
Dorothy M. Conroy	73	12/29 1989*
Inge Cronley-Corless	88	12/29 2018
Geo. O. Dewey	67	12/29 1966
Clarence Pleimann	87	12/29 1997
Charlotte Ross	80	12/29 1993*
Rosalyn Mae Sisel	88	12/29 2015*
Betty Jean Spaulding	60	12/29 1988*
Anthony Anello Jr.	77	12/30 1974*
Thomas F. Dalton	89	12/30 1983*
Walter W. Gamm	86	12/30 1989*
Virginia Gonzales	77	12/30 1998
Shirley Joan Johnson	86	12/30 2018*
Gertrude C. McNamara	91	12/30 1996
John P. Paul	66	12/30 1966
Alice Marie Selken	45	12/30 2012
Frank Sullivan	90	12/30 1996*
Carol Woodhead	74	12/30 2021
Jennie Basile	86	12/31 1974
Wifred L. Beumer	65	12/31 1990*
Nell Marie Dennison	100	12/31 2003*
Cynthia Emery	62	12/31 2011
Harold Edward Klote	91	12/31 2019*
Frank Kojeski	51	12/31 2008*
Richard Leatz	71	12/31 1999*
Anthony Unrein	42	12/31 1975
Leora S. Weyeneth	70	12/31 1994*
James P. Whorton	50	12/31 1988

*Denotes Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioner

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.

Schedule of Events

Sunday, December 25

Christmas Day
10:30am Mass

Monday, December 26

5:00pm Spanish Bible Class
5:45pm Feed Your Faith
Parish Office Closed

Tuesday, December 27

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

Wednesday, December 28

8:30am Mass
6:00pm Adoration/Confessions
7:00pm Spanish Bible Class
7:00pm Knights of Columbus Officers
No School of Religion/Catesismo

Thursday, December 29

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

Friday, December 30

8:30am Mass
6:00pm Spanish Bible Class

Saturday, December 31

New Year's Eve
2:00pm Confessions
3:00pm Mass

Sunday, January 1

New Year's Day
8:30am Mass
10:30am Mass
11:30am Adoration
5:00pm Mass/Spanish



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