



# Saint John Francis Regis Parish

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Fr. Sean McCaffery, Pastor

December 26, 2021

### 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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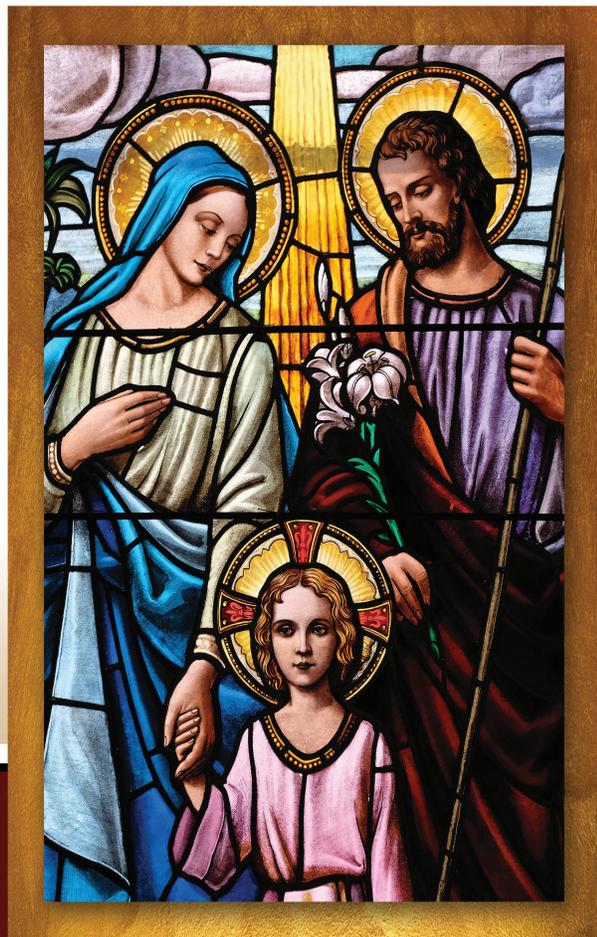
### **Parish Staff**

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Deacon Ken Albers  
Deacon Robert Falke  
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### **Parish Council**

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## *The Holy Family*

### OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

After three days Jesus' parents found him in the temple,  
sitting in the midst of the teachers,  
listening to them and asking them questions.

Luke 2:46



### PARISH OFFICE SCHEDULE

The Parish Office will be **closed on Monday, December 27 and Friday, December 31**. Have a safe and Happy New Year.

### SOLEMNITY OF MARY

The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass for the Solemnity of Mary is on **Friday, December 31st** at 6pm.

### SIGN UP FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE MASS

Greeters, Lectors, Communion Ministers and Servers are invited to sign up for the 6:00pm Mass on New Year's Eve. Please sign up in the Gathering Space.

### THANK YOU

Fr. Sean and the Parish Staff would like to thank everyone who supplied us goodies during the Christmas season and the warm holiday wishes expressed in your cards. We appreciate all of your kindness. God bless you in this New Year!

### 2022 CALENDARS

Please be sure to pick up the 2022 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.

### ST. REGIS STEWARDSHIP CORNER

The ultimate aim of Saint Paul's Letter to the Colossians is to teach the community how to deepen its relationship with Christ Jesus. His list of virtues summarizes the ideals of communal stewardship: compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. For Paul, practicing these virtues opens our hearts to Christ as individuals and as a worshipping community. This is how the Christian community ought to live. This is how its members should behave in their dealings with others, particularly with fellow believers. As we approach a new year, how might we embrace one of these virtues more fully in order to deepen our relationship with Jesus?

El objetivo final de la Carta de San Pablo a los Colosenses es enseñar a la comunidad cómo profundizar su relación con Cristo Jesús. Su lista de virtudes resume los ideales de la corresponsabilidad comunal: compasión, bondad, humildad, gentileza y paciencia. Para San Pablo, practicar estas virtudes abre nuestros corazones a Cristo como individuos y como comunidad de culto. Así debe vivir la comunidad cristiana. Así es como sus miembros deben conducirse en su trato con otros, particularmente con los demás creyentes. A medida que nos acercamos al nuevo año, ¿cómo podríamos abrazar una de estas virtudes más plenamente para profundizar nuestra relación con Jesús?

### 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.



### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION WITH CONFESSIONS

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

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITIONS

Today's feast is new as feasts go, and it sets us this year in a very modern crisis. Amid conflicting schedules and commitments, a young man, testing the limits, has strayed from his parents and gone off to the big city. Mary and Joseph search frantically, only to find the child Jesus in the temple, conversing with the elders and scholars of the law, who are amazed at his wisdom.

In the time of Jesus, the temple was the religious center of Jewish ritual. Outside of Jerusalem, people gathered in the synagogues, centers of learning, for daily prayer and study. Still, everyone longed to journey to the temple to participate in the offerings, and to fulfill certain obligations of the law that could only be done there. On this feast, we catch a glimpse of the family of Jesus: parents dealing with the normal stresses of raising a child, and yet completely grounded in the ways of faith and tradition.

There has always been an appreciation in Christianity for the value of pilgrimage—the journey to holy places that is a symbol of our life's journey to God, and a sense of connection to important events in our family history. During the Christmas season, many of us undertake pilgrimages to the family homestead for festival meals, to the parishes where we were formed in the faith, or perhaps even to a beautiful manger scene or festival of lights. There are few better days than this in our calendar for spending time with the family, especially on a short pilgrimage to a favorite place. Just make sure that no one gets left behind!  
—James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

### 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.



“It is a poverty to decide that a child must die so that you may live as you wish.” Mother Teresa

### BLESSING BAGS

Our parish is collecting and distributing “blessing bags” again this year to help people who may be homeless or in need of some basic support items as our weather turns colder. In addition to coats and other items, our collection includes non-perishable food items and warm weather items. Donations can be dropped off in the bins in the hallway across from the restrooms throughout December. We have completed blessing bags in the back of Mary's room. If you can help distribute where they are most needed as you travel the city and during your Christmas travels, please take some with you. We are including the following in the bags: masks, snacks (protein and sweets), toothbrush, toothpaste, small soap, hats, gloves, socks, lip balm, lotion, hand and foot warmers, rosary and 1 gallon zip-lock bags.

### 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 Carol Park Nursing Home.



—Social Service Ministry Council

### ONLINE GIVING TEXT-TO-GIVE

Another easy way to manage your church giving is with our new Text-to-Give function that is fully integrated with our Online Giving. You can text an amount to 816-339-8195, and your transaction will be processed through the Online Giving account associated with the phone number. If your phone number is not recognized, you can associate your number with an existing account or create an account.

## 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.

## ITA MAURA SCHOLARSHIPS

Exciting update ... Thanks to your generosity St. Regis has exceeded the goal for January Scholarships! St. Regis will be able to support our six high school and four university students for the upcoming school year! Hopefully, the Scholarship Endowment Fund will continue to grow as we support our Ita Maura students through their high school and university studies.

Thank you again for your outpouring of support and prayers! Please continue to pray for our Ita Maura students as they do for St. Regis Parish.

God bless you! Social Service Ministry Council

“Within our community we do some activities that seek to improve the living conditions. We form groups of people to do clean-up campaigns on the streets of our community, and groups work addressing environmental issues.”

*Angel Gabriel Menjivan Rivera University Specialty: Degree in Computer Science*

“Thanks to the program I've had the learning experience of sharing ideas with more young men and women from my community and create healthy friendships. All of us accept other's ideas and opinions. We also put into practice different values in our daily lives. CIS Program has taught me to be respectful, share with others and be in solidarity.”

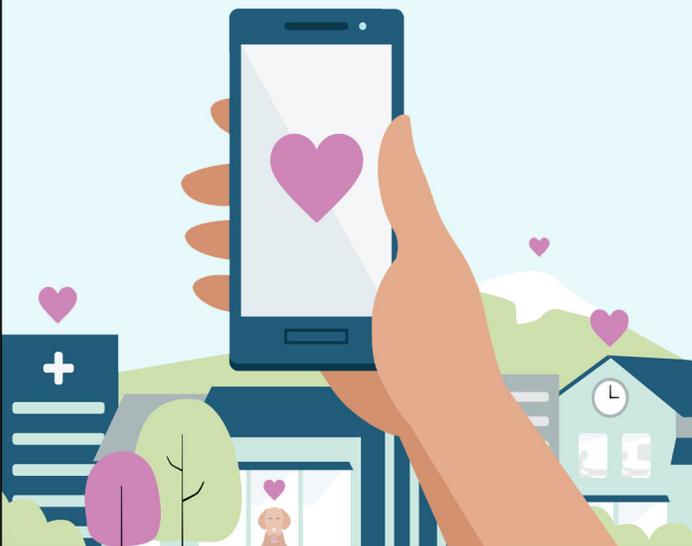
*Gladis Daniela Gomez Hernandez University Specialty: Degree in Architecture*

## 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.

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**Sun**

**Mon**

**Tue**

**Wed**

**Thu**

**Fri**

**Sat**

<p>2 830am Mass 930am Ladies Auxiliary 1030am Mass 500pm Mass/Spanish</p>	<p>3 12pm Spanish Bible Class 7pm Spanish Bible Class 700pm Bible Study 7pm Stewardship Council No School</p>	<p>4 830am Mass 9am Militia Immaculata 630pm Rosary 7pm Spanish Bible Class 700pm Praise Team 700pm Neo. Way No School</p>	<p>5 830am Mass 10am Spanish Bible Study 6pm Adoration &amp; Confession 6pm Spanish Bible Class 7pm Spanish Bible Class 7pm School of Religion 730pm Spanish Bible Class</p>	<p>6 830am Mass 9am Scripture Sharing 630pm RCIA 700pm Boy Scouts 700pm Choir Rehearsal 7pm Spanish Bible Class 700pm Pub Theology</p>	<p>7 830am Mass 7pm Spanish Bible Study 700pm Bible Study</p>	<p>1 615am That Man is You 200pm Confessions 300pm Mass</p> 
<p>9 830am Mass 1030am Mass 500pm Mass/Spanish 615pm Confirmation</p>	<p>10 12pm Spanish Bible Class 7pm Spanish Bible Class 700pm Bible Study 700pm SSMC</p>	<p>11 830am Mass 630pm Rosary 7pm Spanish Bible Class 700pm Praise Team 700pm Neo. Way</p>	<p>12 830am Mass 10am Spanish Bible Study 6pm Adoration &amp; Confession 6pm Spanish Bible Class 7pm Spanish Bible Class 7pm School of Religion 700pm K of C 730pm Spanish Bible Class</p>	<p>13 830am Mass 9am Scripture Sharing 630pm RCIA 700pm Boy Scouts 700pm Choir Rehearsal 7pm Spanish Bible Class</p>	<p>14 830am Mass 7pm Spanish Bible Study 700pm Bible Study</p>	<p>15 615am That Man is You 200pm Confessions 300pm Mass Food Collection</p>
<p>16 830am Mass 1030am Mass 500pm Mass/Spanish Food Collection</p>	<p>17 <i>Martin Luther King Day</i> <i>Soup Kitchen/Meatloaf Mon</i> 12pm Spanish Bible Class 7pm Spanish Bible Class 700pm Bible Study No School Parrish Office Closed</p>	<p>18 830am Mass 630pm Rosary 7pm Spanish Bible Class 700pm Praise Team 700pm Neo. Way No School</p>	<p>19 830am Mass 10am Spanish Bible Study 6pm Adoration &amp; Confession 6pm Spanish Bible Class 7pm Spanish Bible Class 7pm School of Religion 730pm Spanish Bible Class</p>	<p>20 830am Mass 9am Scripture Sharing 630pm RCIA 700pm Boy Scouts 700pm Choir Rehearsal 7pm Spanish Bible Class 700pm Young Adults</p>	<p>21 830am Mass 7pm Spanish Bible Study 700pm Bible Study 700pm Worship Council</p>	<p>22 615am That Man is You 200pm Confessions 300pm Mass</p>
<p>23 830am Mass 1030am Mass 500pm Mass/Spanish 615pm Confirmation</p>	<p>24 12pm Spanish Bible Class 7pm Spanish Bible Class 700pm Bible Study</p>	<p>25 830am Mass 630pm Rosary 7pm Spanish Bible Class 700pm Praise Team 700pm Neo. Way</p>	<p>26 830am Mass 10am Spanish Bible Study 6pm Adoration &amp; Confession 6pm Spanish Bible Class 7pm Spanish Bible Class 7pm School of Religion 7pm K of C Officers 730pm Spanish Bible Class</p>	<p>27 830am Mass 9am Scripture Sharing 630pm RCIA 700pm Boy Scouts 700pm Choir Rehearsal 7pm Spanish Bible Class</p>	<p>28 830am Mass 930am Church Cleaning 7pm Spanish Bible Study 700pm Bible Study</p>	<p>29 615am That Man is You 200pm Confessions 300pm Mass</p>
<p>30 830am Mass/K of C 930am Pancake Breakfast 1030am Mass/All School 500pm Mass/Spanish</p> <p>Catholic Schools Week</p>	<p>31 12pm Spanish Bible Class 7pm Spanish Bible Class 700pm Bible Study</p>					

## 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](mailto: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](mailto:true.francis@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.

**Please Remember In Your Prayers:** Susan Nealy, Jack Mitchell, John Hernandez, David Berg, Fran & Dennis Wadle, Rose Marie Larson, Dean Starr, Aidan Jones, Kathy Ness, Joanne Whitehorse, Helen & Patrick Sheehan, Jessica Berger, Adelia Spann, Jack Gress, Denise Kopek, Margie Strobl, Dolores Dick, Kathy Morehouse, McCartney Weist, Larry Hayden, Ray McMichael, Dennis Reilly, Homer Radford, Siggie Koop, Teresa Foster, Joseph Gregory, Margaret Kelly, Gregory Richard, Bob Harvey, Jackie Jackson, Ardith Fetterolf, Maria Rose Brown, Phil Hoffman, Kristen Brown, Ethel Felder, Coletta Merrigan, Budemeyer Family, Pat Romero, Janet Helms, Mary Hunter, Chris & Sarah Teefey, Babette Lathrop, Shelly Clemons, Pauline Umbenhower, 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, John Minton, Rosemary Shoemaker, Ben Rosenblum, Patricia Haselhorst, Sandra Gale, Lynda Walker, Sam Soulis, Pat Gallagher, Mike Gallagher, Richard Rademacher, Steve Temple, Maria Vasquez Boyd, Dick Schroer, Lou & Terrie Ramsey, Vickie Young, Carrie Siegmund, Georgiana Smith, Gabriel Reyes and the many parishioners who are experiencing situational and financial hardships.

**Please Pray for the Repose of the Soul of:**

Karen Schemmel, sister of Paul Roder

## Liturgical Roles

January 1 & 2

### Lectors

- 3:00pm Melissa Wiehn & Alex Pope
- 8:30am Katie Radford & Sue Nichols
- 10:30am Elizabeth Divis & Gwen Hull

### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

- 3:00pm Jim Filley, Marvin Chaney, Melissa Wiehn  
Bernadette Brenner
- 8:30am Jane Marzano, Sue Nichols, Mike Murtha  
Regina Ozbun
- 10:30am Gwen Hull, Marcia Collins, Elaine Allee  
Mary Kimbrell

### Servers

- 3:00pm Terry Lynch & Jerry Crowley
- 8:30am Emily Winter & Ashley Winter
- 10:30am Betty Banlomon & Cole Barrera

### Greeters

- 3:00pm Francis Brenner & Manuel Botello
- 8:30am Sue Quanty Smith & Maxine Rodriguez
- 10:30am Tony Reyes & Martin Gomez

## Mass Intentions

### Tuesday, December 28

†Gene Helling by Milt Bryant

### Wednesday, December 29

†George Beres by Family

### Thursday, December 30

†Gene Helling by Linda Batcheler

### Friday, December 31

- 8:30am †Vera Gross by Milt Bryant
- 6:00pm †Megan Shinnick by the Duerr Family

### Saturday, January 1

3:00pm †Gene Helling by Mike & Vicki Drescher

### Sunday, January 2

- 8:30am †Jesse & Ruth Rodriguez by Family
- 10:30am For the Intentions of the Allee Family  
by the Hampton Family
- 5:00pm People of St. John Francis Regis Parish

**IN REMEMBRANCE-DECEASED PARISHIONERS**

Name	Age	Date of Death
Harold W. Floyd	71	12/26 1984
Walter McCully	91	12/26 1996
Thomas Allen Nichols	37	12/26 2002
Rosemary Schmidt	90	12/26 2016
Edna Lueking	73	12/27 1972
Fred Oberrieder	95	12/28 2004
Inge Cronley-Corless	88	12/29 2018
Geo. O. Dewey	67	12/29 1966
Clarence Pleimann	87	12/29 1997
Paul C. Bickel	75	12/29 2000
John P. Paul	66	12/30 1966
Gertrude C. McNamara	91	12/30 1996
Virginia Gonzales	77	12/30 1998
Alice Marie Selken	45	12/30 2012
Jennie Basile	86	12/31 1974
Anthony Unrein	42	12/31 1975
James P. Whorton	50	12/31 1988
Cynthia Emery	62	12/31 2011
Madeleine Jones	73	1/1 1986
Jeffrey Martin Milburn	20	1/1 1996
Helen Gross	83	1/1 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.

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**Schedule of Events**

**Sunday, December 26**

- 8:30am Mass
- 10:30am Mass
- 5:00pm Mass/Spanish

**Monday, December 27**

- 12:00pm Spanish Bible Class
- 7:00pm Spanish Bible Class
- 7:00pm Bible Study
- Parish Office Closed

**Tuesday, December 28**

- 8:30am Mass
- 6:30pm Rosary
- 7:00pm Spanish Bible Class
- 7:00pm Praise Team Practice
- 7:00pm Neocatechumenal Way

**Wednesday, December 29**

- 8:30am Mass
- 10:00am Spanish Bible Class
- 6:00pm Adoration & Confessions
- 6:00pm Spanish Bible Class/Teens
- 7:00pm Spanish Bible Study
- 7:30pm Spanish Bible Class/Young Adults

**Thursday, December 30**

- 8:30am Mass
- 9:00am Scripture Study
- 6:30pm RCIA
- 7:00pm Boy Scouts
- 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00pm Spanish Bible Class

**Friday, December 31**

- New Year's Eve
- 8:30am Mass
- 6:00pm Mass
- 7:00pm Spanish Bible Class
- 7:00pm Bible Study
- Parish Office Closed

**Saturday, January 1**

- New Year's Day
- 6:15am That Man is You
- 2:00pm Confessions
- 3:00pm Mass

**Sunday, January 2**

- 8:30am Mass
- 9:30am Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary
- 10:30am Mass
- 5:00pm Mass/Spanish

# The Most Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

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