

NOVEMBER 5, 2017 — THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST. MATTHEW APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 3:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 and 11:00 am

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday 6:15 am
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 2:00 pm Wednesday-Friday: 7:45 am

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St. Matthew Apostle Mission Statement

St. Matthew Apostle Parish is a Catholic community committed to Jesus Christ, nourished by the Eucharist, blessed by Life, and guided by the Gospel. ~ Answering the call to follow Christ as disciples challenges us to support one another on our journey of faith and to witness that faith to others. ~ Dedicated to the mission of Christ, we strive to be a worshipping community reaching out, welcoming, and embracing all people.

Welcome to St. Matthew

We welcome all who want to deepen their relationship with God to join us. To become a registered member of our community, please call the Parish Office.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday	November 6 <i>No Mass</i>
Tuesday	November 7 6:15 a.m. ✕Eula Inloes
Wednesday	November 8 8:30 a.m. ✕Rosemarie St. Germain
Thursday	November 9—Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (Feast) 8:30 a.m. ✕Marie and Hugo Bahner
Friday	November 10—St. Leo the Great, Pope (M.) 8:30 a.m. Jim and Richard McNeal
Saturday	November 11 Vigil—32nd Sunday in OT 3:00 p.m. All Military Men and Women
Sunday	November 12 32nd Sunday in OT 8:00 a.m. ✕Jeanette Wagner 11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

**Please remember in prayer those who have died.
Grant them eternal rest and peace O Lord!**

SILVER THREADS

All parishioners age 55 and up are invited to join our group and share in our activities. If you haven't joined us lately, or not at all, check out the list of activities below and make plans to join us. You'll be glad you did.

November 16 — Thanksgiving Dinner at the Gamber Center! We will be enjoying the delicious Thanksgiving Dinner at the Gamber Center again this year! See the sign-up sheet in the Gathering Space for more information! **Please sign up by Sunday, November 5!**

For more information about our group or attending any of our away activities, check the Gathering Space for sign-up sheets or call Thelma at 816-388-3257.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

We thank all who have pledged or given to the Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA). If you are still considering your ability to join the Appeal, please realize that we all benefit by the programs and services that the Appeal supports. Educating children in Catholic Schools, training of future priests in seminaries, reaching out to poor to provide housing and food for their families, and helping ensure healthy marriages are all direct benefits of your gift. Please take time this week to consider how your support of these programs and ministries can transform lives and build our faith through your sacrificial gifts.

Bulletin Deadline: Monday at Noon

THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who helped make the Chili Cook Off a success! The decorations were festive, the food was delicious, and the turnout was great! A special thank you to Anita T. and her crew for doing so much work behind the scenes!

And congratulations to Steve Foster, the winner of this year's chili competition!



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PHOTOS OF OUR BELOVED DEAD

The month of November is a traditional time when the church remembers all those we have lost. As we have done in past years, we will put up a photo display of our beloved dead. You are invited to bring in your framed photos for our November display, beginning November 1. Please place your photos on the table that will be set up in the Gathering Space and remember to write your name and phone number on the back if you would like your picture returned.

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

We had a great time at the Liberty Corn Maze. One of our group members happened to get to all the markers in the maze. (There were 24 markers to seek out.) We never got to see his card with all the punches; claims the wind took it! The weather was great, thank you Lord!

Our next meeting will be November 5 at 7:00 pm. We will discuss what it means to be the Church and also discuss the upcoming Youth Mass on the 12th. Our next trip will be to SkyZone and we will start making plans.

Our Youth Group is going strong and high schoolers are welcome to join.

A special thanks to Lance Overfield for the time he spent Sunday getting the Youth Group to the corn maze and back. Also for the great conversation and company he gave me while we waited for the youth to finish the maze. Thank you very much, Lance!!!

Any questions, call Vince Torrez at 913-575-9496 or contact the Parish Office.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

The readings for the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time:
Wis 6:12-16; 1 Thes 4:13-18; Mt 25:1-13

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday	November 6
9:00 am	Rosary Makers
Tuesday	November 7
9:00 am	Homeschool Coop
10:00 am	Quilters & Crafters
Wednesday	November 8
9:00 am	Adoration
	Homeschool Coop
10:00 am	Silver Threads Planning Meeting
2:00 pm	Benediction
7:00 pm	Little Saints
Thursday	November 9
9:00 am	Homeschool Coop
1:00 pm	Catholicism Series
6:00 pm	Manos Amigas
Sunday	November 12
11:00 am	Youth Group Mass
5:00 pm	Charismatic Prayer Group

The Serran Club will be selling Christmas cards after all weekend Masses!

ANGEL TREE

Christmas is a time filled with family traditions. As we have in the past, we would like to remember in a special way our deceased loved ones. We will display our annual "Angel Tree" as a visual reminder of those loved ones during the Christmas Season.

If you would like to have an "Angel" ornament dedicated to someone you loved that has passed away, please complete one of the forms found in the Gathering Space and return it in an envelope in the collection basket or mail it to the Parish Office. Donations are appreciated. Your completed form must be turned in NO LATER than Sunday, December 3.

HELP GIVE TO THOSE IN NEED

Our annual Christmas Giving Tree to help the Community Assistance Council be able to distribute gifts to those families in our community who need help this Christmas is in the Gathering Space.

We encourage you to bring new, unwrapped gifts any time now through the weekend of December 2-3 and place them in the large gift-wrapped box. While you are shopping for Christmas gifts for your family and friends, please consider purchasing something for the CAC as they rely heavily on donations to get them through. Lists of suggested items are available.

We will deliver your gifts to the CAC in time for their Holiday Store opening in early December.

JOIN OUR CHRISTMAS CHOIR!

Would you be interested in joining our choir for Christmas? We will have our first practice on Thursday, November 9 at 6:30 pm in the church. If you are interested at all, please come to this practice to check it out. We would love to have you join us!

STAY HOME! STAY SAFE! STAY WARM!

It's that time of year again so just a little reminder that the winter weather/snow closure policy for the parish follows the Hickman Mills School District policy. **If they are closed, we are closed** for weekday Mass and all morning and afternoon meetings and events.

SUPPORT OUR SEMINARIANS!

A display with photos and information about our 29 Seminarians will be hosted by the Serra Club of Southeast KC. Please take a moment to select one of the seminarian's photo pages to take home and to pray for regularly. This display will also offer you an opportunity to contribute to the Christmas gift we give each seminarian. Please consider giving a donation! The display will be in the Gathering Space the weekend of November 11 and 12, so please stop by! For more information on the mission of the Serra Club contact Barbara Eckart at 765-4716.

ANNUAL RESOURCE BOOKS ARE HERE!

If you ordered annual resource books, they have arrived! They will be available in the sacristy after the weekend Masses. Please see Father. They will also be available for pickup throughout the week during office hours.

Thank you to the many volunteers of the parish for all you do!

FINANCIAL FIGURES

For the weekend of October 28 & 29

Weekly Parish Contribution	\$3,684.30
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This Month's Figures

Total Income Budgeted for this Month	\$24,125.00
Total Contributed to Date	\$23,051.89
Needed To Meet Budget	\$1,073.11

Year-to-Date Comparisons

July 1, 2017 thru June 30, 2018

Total Budgeted Income	\$289,500.00
Total Actual Income	\$84,737.88
Difference To Date	- \$204,762.12

Thank you for your continued support to our parish. The gifts of your time, talents, and treasure are greatly appreciated.

REPORT CHILD ABUSE OF ANY KIND

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: 1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-392-3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and 2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and 3. 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 Kathleen Chastain, Victim Advocate at 816-392-0011 or victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

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