

JANUARY 21, 2018 — THIRD 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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## PARISH OFFICE

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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

<b>Monday</b>	<b>January 22</b> <i>No Mass</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>January 23—St. Vincent (Mem.)</b> 6:15 a.m. ✕Bernadette Rogers
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>January 24—St. Francis de Sales (Mem.)</b> 8:30 a.m. ✕Andy Gatton
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>January 25—Conversion of St. Paul (F.)</b> 8:30 a.m. ✕Dottie Ballard
<b>Friday</b>	<b>January 26—Sts. Timothy &amp; Titus (Mem.)</b> 8:30 a.m. ✕Bonnie Davis
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>January 27</b> <b>Vigil—4th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> 3:00 p.m. ✕Thomas Whiteman
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>January 28</b> <b>3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> 8:00 a.m. People of the Parish 11:00 a.m. ✕Roy Harmon

**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.

**January 24 — Our Next Potluck!** There is no special theme for the January potluck, but we will have a guest presenter! Julie Lane from Health and Wellness Group will be giving a presentation on health issues. Join us for this delicious food and what is sure to be an interesting presentation!

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.

## WELCOME, BISHOP JOHNSTON!

Bishop Johnston will be making a Pastoral Visit to St. Matthew Apostle this Saturday, January 20. He will be celebrating the 3:00 Mass with us.

This is a potluck pastry weekend, so please bring a small snack or dessert to share after Mass. And please plan on staying for a little while after Mass to personally welcome the Bishop to our parish! We are excited to have him visit!

**Bulletin Deadline: Monday at Noon**

## FR. GIACOPELLI'S 90TH BIRTHDAY!

Fr. Giacopelli will be turning 90 on January 23rd! Anyone interested in sending him a birthday card with well wishes is invited to do so! Please send cards to this address:

Rev. John Giacopelli  
5B Birchwood Ct  
Whiting, NJ 08759

## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Sacramental preparation is available for registered, active parishioners at Saint Matthew. Please contact Fr. Rocha for information on receiving the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Marriage.

## YOUTH GROUP NEWS

The Youth Group Mass was at the 3:00 Saturday Mass last week. The teens did their parts (serving, lecturing, hospitality and bringing up the gifts) admirably. Afterwards we enjoyed donuts, brownies, and chocolate milk with some discussion on the upcoming youth group meeting. That meeting ended up being cancelled, however, due to bad weather.

The next youth group meeting will be January 28, 7:00 pm. All High School Students are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Special note: four of our youth group members will receive the sacrament of Confirmation on February 21. They need our prayers as they prepare for this sacrament. We ask that you pray for them. Thank you. More info upcoming.

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

## NEW FAMILY OPEN HOUSE

St. Regis School, 8941 James A. Reed Rd, KCMO, will be hosting a New Family Open House / Kindergarten Round Up on Thursday, February 1, 2018 from 6:00-7:00pm. The Open House is for any family that is interested in learning more about St. Regis School. We will have tours of the school, and enrollment information for the 2018/2019 school year will be available. Please come visit our school and discover our mission to "educate the whole person through a God-centered curriculum; creating a community in which students may grow in love of God, life, others and education". Would you like more information about St. Regis School? Please visit [www.regisschool.org](http://www.regisschool.org) or call St. Regis School at 816-763-5837. We look forward to meeting you!

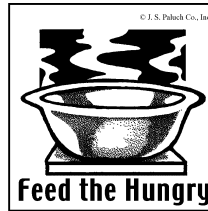
## NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

The readings for the 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time:  
Dt 18:15-20; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>Monday</b>	<b>January 22</b>
9:00 am	Rosary Makers
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>January 23</b>
9:00 am	Homeschool Co-op
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>January 24</b>
9:00 am	Adoration
	Homeschool Co-op
11:30 am	Silver Threads Potluck
2:00 pm	Benediction
7:00 pm	Little Saints
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>January 25</b>
9:00 am	Homeschool Co-op
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>January 28</b>
5:00 pm	Charismatic Prayer Group

## SOUP KITCHEN VOLUNTEERS



If you volunteer with the St. James Soup Kitchen, there are 2018 schedules available in the Gathering Space. If you have not yet had a chance to pick yours up, they are on the east table. *If you have already picked up your schedule, here is a little note from Marianne:*

To the St. James Kitchen Workers: Please correct the schedule's work dates to the right dates as follows: Jan. 8, Feb. 12, March 12, April 9, May 14, June 11, July 9, Aug. 13, Sept. 10, Oct. 8, Nov. 12, Dec. 10. These are all dates for the second Monday of each month. Sorry - my error - Marianne Melena

Thank you all so much for volunteering for this wonderful ministry! The world needs more selfless people so willing to give of their time and energy!

## CATHOLIC KEY SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL

The Catholic Key is our official Diocesan publication. It is filled with news concerning the Catholic Church on the local level, as well as on the national and international level. Each parish in our Diocese is required to share in the support of the newspaper through subscription fees. You can help us offset this expense by ordering your own subscription for \$25 per year. Just mark your envelope "SUBSCRIPTION AMOUNT: \$25" and put it in the collection basket any time during the month of January. Thanks for your generosity!

### DAVE RAMSEY FINANCE CLASS

The Dave Ramsey Financial Management class is being offered at St. Regis (8941 James A. Reed Rd) on Tuesday evenings starting **January 23rd at 7:pm**.

You can register online at [www.fpu.com/1056585](http://www.fpu.com/1056585) or by calling 816-896-8848. Cost is \$109 per family for the 9-week course. This is a great program to help manage your money, pay off debt and plan for the future.

### CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

This weekend, we will take up the Catholic Home Missions appeal. Right now, over 40 percent of dioceses in the United States are considered home mission territory because they are unable to fund the essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support of this appeal helps ease the struggle of these dioceses. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at [www.usccb.org/homemissions](http://www.usccb.org/homemissions).

### VOCATIONS CRUCIFIX

Carol Hoover will have the Vocations Crucifix in her home this week. Please join her as she prays for all vocations.

## BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

A weekend away for a lifetime of change. Serving the Widowed, Separated and Divorced who are suffering the loss of a love relationship and may feel left out by their church, uneasy around married friends, unsure of themselves and uncertain about their futures. Helps grieving persons focus on their experience, deal with the natural grief process and offers an opportunity to turn the pain of loss into an experience of positive growth emerging from the darkness of grief into the light of a new beginning.

The next Beginning Experience Weekend is **MARCH 2-4, at Precious Blood Center, Liberty, MO**. If you would like more information, please contact Lori by phone at 913-980-7966, visit: [www.beginningexperiencekc.org](http://www.beginningexperiencekc.org), or email: [register.bekc@gmail.com](mailto:register.bekc@gmail.com).

### FINANCIAL FIGURES

#### For the weekend of January 13 & 14

Weekly Parish Contribution	\$3,815.39
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#### This Month's Figures

Total Income Budgeted for this Month	\$24,125.00
Total Contributed to Date	\$10,386.96
Needed To Meet Budget	\$13,738.04

#### Year-to-Date Comparisons

##### **July 1, 2017 thru June 30, 2018**

Total Budgeted Income	\$289,500.00
Total Actual Income	\$151,775.21
Difference To Date	-\$137,724.79

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](mailto: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](mailto:victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.

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