

MARCH 17, 2019 — SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

ST. MATTHEW APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

8001 LONGVIEW ROAD, KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI 64134



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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	March 18 <i>No Mass</i>
Tuesday	March 19 <i>No Mass</i>
Wednesday	March 20 <i>No Mass</i>
Thursday	March 21 <i>No Mass</i>
Friday	March 22 <i>No Mass</i>
Saturday	March 23 Vigil—3rd Sunday of Lent Fr. Jim Taranto
3:00 p.m.	
Sunday	March 24 - 3rd Sunday of Lent ✠Bill and Mike Melena
8:00 a.m.	
11:00 a.m.	People of the Parish

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

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday	March 18—Office Closed 9:00 am Rosary Makers
Tuesday	March 19—Office Closed 10:00 am Quilters & Crafters
Wednesday	March 20—Office Closed
Thursday	March 21—Office Closed
Friday	March 22 6:00 pm Holy Hour with Confessions 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross
Sunday	March 24 5:00 pm Charismatic Prayer Group

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES

Communal penance services will be held at:

- Tues, April 2—St. Sabina Parish, Belton—7:00 pm
- Thur, April 4—St. Bernadette/Lourdes (at Lourdes)—7:00 pm
- Mon, April 8—St. Catherine of Siena—7:00 pm
- Tues, April 9—Regis/St. Matthew (at SMA)—6:00 pm

Mark your calendars and don't miss out on the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Penance prior to Easter!

Bulletin Deadline: Monday at Noon

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 activities below and make plans to join us. You'll be glad you did!

March 27—March Potluck! Mark your calendars for our next potluck! Join us on Wednesday, March 27 at 11:30! Bring your favorite dish to share! We will play penny bingo after lunch!

April 4—Lunch and Show at the Gamber Center! On Thursday, April 4, the Senior Barn Players will perform "Phenomenal women." We will carpool from St. Matthew Apostle at 11:00 am. The cost is \$10. There is a sign up sheet in the Gathering Space. Sign up by March 27!

May 1—The Buddy Holly Story at New Dinner Theatre! Come and see the Buddy Holly story and enjoy a wonderful lunch and a great show! Cost is \$33. See the sign up sheet in the Gathering Space for more information or to sign up!

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

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.

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE THE TRIDUUM!

Thursday	April 18—Holy Thursday 7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper
Friday	April 19—Good Friday 2:00 p.m. Confessions 3:00 p.m. Chaplet of Divine Mercy 3:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross 4:00 p.m. Passion & Veneration of the Cross
Saturday	April 20—Holy Saturday 8:30 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass
Sunday	April 21—Easter Sunday 8:00 a.m. Easter Morning Mass 11:00 a.m. Easter Morning Mass

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

The readings for the 3rd Sunday of Lent are:
Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Join us for Stations of the Cross this Friday, March 22, at 7:00 pm. Or come early and join us for a Holy Hour and confessions from 6:00 pm until 7:00 pm!

HOLY HOUR FOR OUR PRIESTS

Come join us in PRAYING for and SUPPORTING our PRIESTS!

Where: Sisters of St. Francis of the Holy Eucharist

Our Lady of the Angels Chapel

2100 North Noland Road

Independence, MO 64050

How: HOLY HOUR FOR OUR PRIESTS

Why: We need our priests! Without the priesthood there can be no MASS, no SACRAMENTS.

Without the EUCHARIST no COMMUNION, no real PRESENCE on earth!

When: March 21, 2019: 7:00 to 8:00 pm

CATHOLIC CHARITIES HOUSING SERVICES

A home is more than simply a shelter — it's a foundation that allows you to focus on the future. At Catholic Charities, we believe everyone deserves a safe, affordable place to call home. Each year we spend between \$200,000 and \$250,000 helping to pay utility bills. We are also developing quality, affordable housing in a way in which we can hold rent at 30 percent of income for low income families.

Neighborhoods of Hope has been developed specifically to build that type of housing. If you know someone in need of emergency housing or can help, contact Jarrod Sanderson, Executive Director of Housing Services at 816-659-8227 or jsanderson@ccharities.com.

GET YOUR SHOEBOXES!

We are once again participating in the "Shoebbox" Shower during Lent! We will be donating hygiene items for Women's Shelters in the Kansas City area for women and children who are victims of domestic violence. Shoe boxes with lists of suggested items are available in the Gathering Space. Pick yours up today.

We ask for your prayers for all victims of domestic violence and their perpetrators. May they seek and accept the help that is available for them.

K OF C LENTEN SHRIMP DINNERS

Join the Knights of Columbus for their Lenten Shrimp Dinners! The cooks are charming and the food is delicious! There are two more opportunities this Lent to join! There will be a dinner on Friday, March 22, and one on Friday, April 5.

Simply make your way to the Knights of Columbus hall on one or both of these dates between 5:30-7:00 pm! The menu includes boiled shrimp, potatoes, corn, bread, and coleslaw.

You get a pound of shrimp for \$15, 1/2 lb for \$10, and kids under 12 can get 1/4 lb for \$5. And if your kids don't like shrimp, feel free to bring a dinner with you!

ENCOUNTER LENT

Join St. Matthew Apostle—and more than 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a life-changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl from the Gathering Space any time between now and Holy Week! Your donation can change lives.

NEARBY DAILY MASS TIMES

Fr. Rocha will be out of town this week. Here are some of the nearby locations celebrating daily Masses:

Coronation of Our Lady, 13300 Bennington, Grandview, MO ; Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:00 a.m. Wednesday: 6:30 p.m.

St. Catherine of Siena, 4101 E 105th Terr., KCMO; Tuesday—Friday: 8:15 a.m. (in the Chapel)

St. John Francis Regis, 8941 James A. Reed Rd., KCMO; Monday: 7:00 a.m. Tuesday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.

Daily Masses will resume at St. Matthew Apostle Tuesday, March 26.

FINANCIAL FIGURES

For the weekend of March 9 & 10

Weekly Parish Contribution \$5,129.41

This Month's Figures

Total Income Budgeted for this Month \$22,291.67

Total Contributed to Date \$11,052.41

Needed To Meet Budget \$11,239.26

Year-to-Date Comparisons

July 1, 2018 thru June 30, 2019

Total Budgeted Income \$267,500.00

Total Actual Income \$179,945.85

Difference To Date – \$87,554.15

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.

INFORMATION SHEET

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