

MAY 13, 2018 — ASCENSION OF THE LORD

ST. MATTHEW APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

8001 LONGVIEW ROAD, KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI 64134

Our
Lady of
Fatima,
Pray for
Us!



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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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

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| Monday | May 14—St. Matthias (F.) <i>No Mass</i> |
| Tuesday 6:15 a.m. | May 15—St. Isidore (m) ✠Don Smith |
| Wednesday 8:30 a.m. | May 16—Easter Weekday Ellie Smith |
| Thursday 8:30 a.m. | May 17—Easter Weekday ✠Kip & Desi Odion |
| Friday 8:30 a.m. | May 18—St. John I (m) ✠Bernie Martin |
| Saturday 3:00 p.m. | May 19 Vigil—Solemnity of Pentecost ✠Delores Underhill |
| Sunday 8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. | May 20 Solemnity of Pentecost ✠Myron Garth 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

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| Monday 9:00 am 4:15 pm | May 14 Rosary Makers Soup Kitchen |
| Tuesday 10:00 am | May 15 Quilters & Crafters |
| Wednesday 9:00 am 2:00 pm | May 16 Adoration Benediction |
| Sunday 5:00 pm | May 20 Charismatic Prayer Group |

ALL WEEKEND: Peter's Pence and Potluck Pastry

MAY CROWNING

We will be crowning our Blessed Mother statue before the 11:00am Mass on Sunday, May 13.

All students are invited to join in the procession and to place a rose at Mary's feet. Any children or teenagers interested in being a part of the procession should meet in the Gathering Space at 10:50 am on May 13.



*Oh Mary, we crown thee
with blossoms today*

Bulletin Deadline: Monday at Noon

PETER'S PENCE APPEAL—MAY 19 & 20

Next weekend St. Matthew's, along with all the parishes in our diocese, will participate in the annual Peter's Pence Appeal, which provides the Holy Father with the funds he needs to carry out his most important charitable works. The proceeds from this appeal benefit the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please give prayerful consideration to this appeal and be as generous as you can. Your gifts make you a pilgrim of charity around the globe.

We are asking you to support this annual appeal by bringing your envelope marked "Peter's Pence" with your next weekend and put it in the collection basket with your weekly

contribution envelope. If you do not receive parish contribution envelopes there are envelopes available in the Gathering Space for your use, or any envelope marked the same will work. Thank you.

THANK YOU SO MUCH!

We want to thank everyone who put together such a wonderful reception for the First Communicants on May 6. You always do so much to make their day extra special! The arrangement was beautiful, the food was delicious, and everyone loved it! Thank you for helping to make their day such an exciting time for them!

**Congratulations to
All of our Graduates!
May God Bless You
in the Next Step
You Take!**

VOCATIONS CRUCIFIX

Have you ever participated in the Vocations Crucifix program? This one week program is a great opportunity for you and your family to pray together for all vocations, ranging from married life to religious life to single life.

Individuals, couples, and families are encouraged to sign up for a week. There is a sign up sheet in the Gathering Space for April and May. Sign up today!

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

The readings for the Solemnity of Pentecost are:
Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

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.

May 23—Lunch at Olive Garden in Lee's Summit! Join us for lunch at Olive Garden, home of the unlimited salad and breadsticks! Lunch is at 11:30, we will leave SMA at 11:00. If you need a ride, please call Thelma Smith.

June 6 — "Sister Act" at the New Dinner Theatre! We will be going to the New Dinner Theatre to see the classic performance of "Sister Act" on Wednesday, June 6. We will be carpooling from St. Matthew Apostle at 11:00 am. The cost is \$33. There is a sign up sheet in the Gathering Space. We only have 20 tickets, so sign up today!

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

NEED PRAYERS? WANT TO BE A PRAYER ANGEL?

If you have a prayer request or would like to join the Prayer Angels, contact Becky McNeal at prayerangels15@gmail.com or call her at 816-763-6899.

DEVOTIONAL CANDLES

A \$3.00 stipend is requested for each candle that you light. This stipend helps off-set our expense in making these candles available to you. For their safety, we do ask that children under the age of 12 years old be assisted by a parent or other adult when lighting a candle. Thank you.

NEED A RIDE?

Do you need a ride to Sunday Mass or know someone who does? Please contact the Parish Office, 816-763-0208, to set up a ride. If you would like to help drive to weekend Masses, please let Fr. Rocha or Jess know!

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS & RECEPTION

The annual Diocesan Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass and Reception for all couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary this year is being held on Sunday, June 10 at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. The Mass begins at 2:00 pm, with a reception following.

If you were married anytime between January 1, 1968 and December 31, 1968 and would like to attend and/or be recognized at this celebration, please call Jess at the Parish Office this week so the reservations can be sent in on Monday, May 21. Thank you.



*Happy Mother's
Day!*

Mother's Day Prayer

**I said a Mother's Day prayer for you
to thank the Lord above
for blessing me with a lifetime
of your tenderhearted love.
I thanked God for the caring
you've shown me through the years,
for the closeness we've enjoyed
in time of laughter and of tears.
And so, I thank you from the heart
for all you've done for me
and I bless the Lord for giving me
the best mother there could be!**

-Anonymous

GET YOUR TRASH BAGS!

St. Regis School is selling trash and lawn bags. It is an all-school fundraiser. Bags are available for purchase in the school office. Please consider getting your bags from them! You can pick them up between 8am and 3pm on school days!

Bag prices and sizes:

Lawn & leaf bags are \$10.00 for 15 bags (3 packs of 5 bags)

Trash bags are \$12.00 per roll

- White bags...15 gallon...65 bags per roll
- Yellow bags...39 gallon bag...25 bags per roll
- Blue bags...55 gallon...16 bags per roll

If you have any questions, feel free to call the school office at (816) 763-5837. Thank you!

FINANCIAL FIGURES

The financial figures for the weekend of May 5 & 6 were not available at the time of printing. They will be posted in next week's bulletin.

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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