

NOVEMBER 4, 2018 — THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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	November 5 <i>No Mass</i>
Tuesday	November 6 6:15 a.m. ✕Nancy Spaw
Wednesday	November 7 8:30 a.m. Special Intention
Thursday	November 8 8:30 a.m. ✕James Truman
Friday	November 9—Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (F) 8:30 a.m. ✕Marie & Hugo Bahner
Saturday	November 10 Vigil—32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time People of the Parish
Sunday	November 11 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 a.m. ✕Jeanette Wagner 11:00 a.m. All Our Military Men and Women

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

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday	November 5 9:00 am Rosary Makers 7:00 pm Neocatechumenal Way Talk
Tuesday	November 6 9:00 am Homeschool Coop 10:00 am Quilters & Crafters
Wednesday	November 7 9:00 am Homeschool Coop Adoration 2:00 pm Benediction 6:45 pm Little Saints 7:00 pm Neocatechumenal Way Talk
Thursday	November 8 9:00 am Homeschool Coop
Sunday	November 11 5:00 pm Charismatic Prayer Group

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 of your photo.

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!

November 15—Thanksgiving Luncheon! Join us on Thursday, November 15, for the annual Thanksgiving Dinner at the Gamber Center in Lees Summit. The menu includes turkey and gravy, stuffing, potatoes, green bean casserole, cranberry sauce, rolls and butter, pumpkin pie with whipped cream, coffee and tea. The staff of the Lees Summit Parks and Recreation will serve us again. Come join us for a wonderful dinner.

December 1—Fundraiser for Food Pantry at Coronation! On Wednesday, December 1, Coronation Parish in Grandview will be hosting a fundraiser for the Food Pantry. There will be a delicious dinner and fun entertainment. The menu will consist of lasagna, salad, bread, and green beans. Entertainment will be provided by Bobby Simpkins, a lively Elvis Presley impersonator. Dinner starts at 6:00 pm, and the show will follow. Cost is \$30. Sign up sheet in the Gathering Space. Join the excitement and help raise money for a great cause!

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.

WELCOME, NEOCATECHUMENAL WAY!

The Neocatechumenal Way is a post baptismal catechumenate that began in Spain after Vatican II. Saint John Paul II, when speaking of the Neocatechumenal Way, described it as "an itinerary of Catholic formation valid for our society and our times". He also said that it "...is authentic and is consistent with the very nature of the parish, because just as each one of us Christians grows from baptism, so does the Christian community grow naturally from baptism. ... The parish can grow authentically in the experience and on the basis of the neocatechumenal experience; it would be like the renewal of the early community that grew out of the catechumenal experience."

A team of missionary catechists will be speaking in our parish these coming weeks. They will be here on Monday and Wednesday evenings at 7 pm. Each session will have a one-hour talk, highlighting different aspects of our faith. The talks are open to all adults and youth. Make plans to come and listen in!

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

The readings for the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time are:
1 Kgs 17:10-16; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION CLASSES

"I wish not merely to be called Christian, but also to be Christian." — St. Ignatius of Antioch

Who: High School students or older that have not received the sacrament

When: Wednesday nights from 7:00 – 8:00pm
November 14
December 5
January 9
February 13
Retreat TBD
Practice is usually the week of the actual Confirmation

Confirmation Date: February 20, 2019 at Holy Spirit Catholic Church

Attendance at all sessions is mandatory

Where: St. Matthew the Apostle Church
Meet the first night in the Gathering Space

How: Please contact Mary Seura with your contact information before the first class, if possible: email – mseura2@att.net, cell – 816-517-5431 (please text)

A copy of your baptismal certificate will be needed before receiving the sacrament.

NEWS FROM ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Guardian for a Day: We are excited to offer an opportunity for students who are interested in attending St. Michael the Archangel to experience everything our school has to offer. We invite you to be our guest and to follow a current student throughout the school day. This opportunity is open to current 8-12th grade students. Find a date that works for you and sign up at: smacatholic.org/shadow

SMA Open House: Saturday, November 10, 12:00 to 2:00pm
Come take a tour with our students, and hear from our faculty and administration about the educational experience that SMA can provide for your future high-schooler! Skip the registration line and pre-register at: smacatholic.org/open-house

ANGEL TREE

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 9.

OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH. . . .

and in light of that we are again collecting baby items for the Women's Clinic of Kansas City located in Grandview.

Bring your baby items: disposable diapers (Newborn and Size 1 only), baby blankets, baby clothes (Newborn to 12 months), baby bottles, wipes, lotions, shampoo, etc., and place them in the baby crib in the Gathering Space anytime throughout the month of October and we will deliver them to the Clinic. Items need to be new/unused. Due to a lack of space items such as baby furniture, car seats, strollers, etc. can not be accepted. If you prefer to make a financial donation, please make your checks payable to The Women's Clinic of Kansas City.

CEMETERY SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 4, 2018

The Catholic Cemeteries of Kansas City ~ St. Joseph Diocese invites you to a Prayer Service at each of our four cemeteries. This special devotion provides an opportunity to remember our loved ones that have gone on before us. Although our hearts may be filled with sorrow, we draw peace and comfort knowing our faithful departed are laid to rest in our Catholic tradition.

The Prayer Service will begin at 2:00 p.m. at each of our four Catholic Cemeteries:

In **Kansas City** : Mt. Olivet (7601 Blue Ridge Blvd.); St. Mary's (2201 Cleveland Avenue); Resurrection (5001 NE Cookingham Rd.)

In **St Joseph**: Mt. Olivet (26th & Lovers Lane)

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.

FINANCIAL FIGURES

For the weekend of October 27 & 28

Weekly Parish Contribution	\$3,925.00
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This month's Figures

Total Income Budgeted for this Month	\$22,291.67
Total Contributed to Date	\$17,477.25
Needed To Meet Budget	\$4,814.42

Year-to-Date Comparisons

July 1, 2018 thru June 30, 2019

Total Budgeted Income	\$267,500.00
Total Actual Income	\$80,202.33
Difference To Date	– \$187,297.67

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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