

St. Joseph Church

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Twenty-Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time

October 20, 2019

Dear Friends in Christ,

"And Joshua mowed down Amalek and his people with the edge of his sword." This is where many make the false distinction between the so-called "Old Testament God" and "New Testament God." Historically speaking, this was one of the teachings of the early Church Gnostic heresy--to pit a bad Jewish God against the Good Christian God. As Christians, we believe that the God of Israel has revealed Himself to be the Holy Trinity through the New Covenant. One thing we know for sure, God does not change. He is the same God. The question arises in modern Christianity that God seems awful harsh. We have to remember what was taking place in the ancient world--child sacrifice, the worst of sexually debased cults, animal worship. Yet, God chooses this ancient and small tribe of Israel to safeguard His message to humanity. It can have no admixture of error lest the ancient Israelites fall into this sort of human debasement. And honestly, left to our own devices without the guidance of God's revelation, it seems that humanity quickly falls. God protects the smallest among us. He has a special love, in fact, for the smallest among us. He hates any destruction of the innocent. When we arrive at the Gospel, Jesus extends this teaching by saying that if a secular judge will eventually listen to the pleading widow who has been reduced financially to nothing in the ancient world, why would not God hear our cry? We often go through life with a lack of trust in God because we trust ourselves more. It is difficult to give our whole selves to Him.

Just as God protected His tribe in the Old Testament, He protects and hears the cry of those who seek Him. It may not be according to our will, but He hears us. We should never doubt that.

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Ed Fisher
Mike Roth
Steve White

MASS SCHEDULE
Sunday 8:00 a.m.
Tuesday 7:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS
Sunday 7:30 a.m.

MISSION STATEMENT
We the members of Saint Joseph Catholic parish, will strive to be the reflection of Jesus in this particular time and place.



To PROTECT OUR CHILDREN: REPORT ABUSE
Diocesan OMBUDSMAN: 816.812.2500
DIOCESAN VICTIM ADVOCATE: Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday October 20
8:00 a.m. Doug Bembrick +
By Mary Bembrick

Tuesday October 15
7:00 a.m. Priest's intentions

Sunday October 27
Mary Pottier +
By Pottier Family

Please remember in prayer those who have died.



BIRTHDAY
David Houser October 19

It's that time again!

To "Give from the Heart" for our annual fundraiser.

Our goal this year is \$14,000

Parishioners can contribute in one sum or scatter donations over the next four weeks' time span.

Monies will be deposited in our money market account and will be used for operating expenses as needed.

There will be second collection each Sunday during October for this endeavor.

Please be generous



FUND RAISER TOTAL: Month To Date \$6309

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

October 20 - 8 a.m. Mass

Greeter: Richard LaFollette
Lectors: Bonnie Gregory, Jay Pflugrad
Ministers: Doug Ottinger, Wayne Weipert, Jim Ingle

Counters: Richard and Mary Ann LaFollette

October 20- 8 a.m. Mass

Greeter: Jim Ingle
Lectors: Scott Antle, Jordan Roth
Ministers: Jan & Paul Pottier, Mary Lou Euler

Counters: Jan & Paul Pottier

Weekend Collection - October 13, 2019

Envelopes: \$ 1185
Plate: \$ 120

Total Parish: \$ 1305

*Fiscal Year Budget July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020

October-to-Date: \$ 3350.00
October Budget \$ 6361.54
Year-to-Date: \$ 23,636.00
Year Budget: \$ 82,700.00

Thank You for your continued support of St. Joseph Parish.

Rachel's Vineyard-Kansas City Healing Hearts in the Heart of the Nation

On September 29, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Arch-angels, among whom is St. Raphael, whose name means "God's remedy".

There are many people in the world today who are suffering grievously due to abortion decisions in their past, and God longs to heal them. One of His remedies is found in every Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat. If you or a loved one are suffering from an abortion decision, please consider attending one of these healing retreats. The next one in Kansas City will be on **October 25-27, 2019**. For more information or to register, please contact Teresa O'Donnell at (816) 679-4973 or at rvkcmo@gmail.com.

Mark your Calendars

Altar Society - Meets in the Parish Hall after Donut Sunday

Donut Sunday - November 3

Knights of Columbus Council #5067

Julian Moreno, Grand Knight
1st & 3rd Thursday, 7 p.m.
Rosary 3rd Thursday, 6:30 p.m.

ATTENTION:

Fr. Phil Luebbert is not doing very well in his battle with cancer. He is asking for prayers! If you would also like to be part of a "card shower" for him, please use the following address:

Fr. Phil Luebbert

Room 2223

Little Sisters of the Poor

8745 James A. Reed Road

Kansas City, Mo 64138-4413

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO THE REDEDICATION OF THE OLD KESSLER CEMETERY NOVEMBER 2, 2019

11:00 REDEDICATION SERVICE BY FR. SCHNEIDER
11:30 MILITARY SERVICE HONORS BY STEWARTSVILLE
AMERICAN LEGION

TOUR THE CEMETERY WITH MICHAEL FISHER
HOT DOGS, CHILI, CHIPS AND DRINK WILL BE FURNISHED
TIM WEIDMAIER WILL HAVE HIS UPDATED OLD KESSLER
CEMETERY BOOK COMPLETED AND READY FOR SALE.

Is your marriage going down the right road or is it a little off track?

Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage. Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? Retrouvaille can help and offers **hope for a better relationship**.

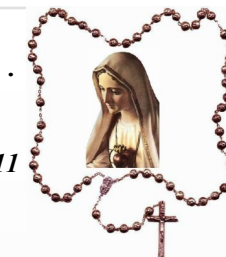
Retrouvaille is a ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. For more information about the upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend contact registration team: Local Telephone or visit our web- HelpOurMarriage.com @ 800.470.2230 site: HelpOurMarriage.com



Prayer Corner

"To everything there is a season and time. .

for every purpose under heaven."
—Ecc. 3-11



" . . . a time to heal. . . "

Ron Kretzer, Bob Everett, Mildred Ottinger, Lori Redmond, Eileen Grier, Roxie Moore, Kathy Barton, Ed Fisher, Amy Dobrowansky, Fr. Phil Luebbert, the elderly and infirm, the chronically ill and their caregivers. For the souls in purgatory. For those who attend to the dying and grieving; for medical professionals and first responders; for the homeless, the lonely and those lost in this world; for those who harbor hatred and especially for those who have no one to pray for them. For the conversion of the enemies of the Good and of the Church; for the protection of children and the innocent.

For our home bound parishioners:

**Carolyn O'Brien, Josephine Jackson, Delores White,
Eileen Grier, Brent LaFollette**

One of the Catholic Charities' mission is to provide basic needs to families who can't afford essentials.

CC's cupboards are in need of the following items: laundry soap, toilet tissue, tooth brushes, deodorant, shampoo, soap, tooth paste, diapers, baby wipes, and other items for personal hygiene needs.

Just drop them in the box in the back of the church marked "Catholic Charities" at your convenience.

Thank you for your generosity to help those in need that live in our surrounding area.

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, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or crayon@omdusmankcsj.org 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 Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.