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Monday -

8:15AM-2:00PM

Tuesday, Thursday -

9:00AM-2:00PM

Wednesday, Friday -

9:00AM-1:00PM

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 4:00PM

Sunday: 8:30 & 11:30AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

8:30AM — Monday

6:15AM — Tuesday

6:00PM — Wednesday

8:00AM — Thursday, Friday,

Saturday

CONFESSION

1/2 hour before all Masses and on Saturdays beginning at

2:30PM

HOLY DAY MASSES

As announced

SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCIES

For Sacramental emergencies please call 816-205-6888.

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Religious education for public school students 4 year old - 8th grade

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816-232-8486 7:30AM-3:30PM - Monday-Friday www.cathedralsj.org

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816-233-9794

6:00AM-6:00PM — Monday-Friday

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After the 8:30AM Mass on Sunday in the lower level of church.

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Please make arrangements in advance by calling the Parish Office.

WEDDING

Please contact the Parish Office one year before the wedding date.

HOSPITAL VISITATION

Please contact the Parish Office if you are going to be hospitalized.

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We welcome you to the Cathedral of St. Joseph. You may register at the Parish Office or complete parish registration form at www.cathedralsj.org under the contact tab.

SISTERS IN JESUS THE LORD

816-689-0837

When changing mailing or email addresses, phone number, or leaving the parish, please notify the Parish Office.

The Diocese of Kansas City-St.Joseph is committed to combatting 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
- Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and 2.
- 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, 816-812-2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.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 Whitney True-Francis, the Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 816-392-0011 or true.francis@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

Fourth Sunday of Advent – December 18, 2022

This Week's Mass Intentions

Monday, December 19

Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a...Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17...Lk 1:5-25

8:30 AM Mass – Dorothy Kober +

Tuesday, December 20

Is 7:10-14...Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6...Lk 1;26-38

6:15 AM Mass – Richard and Jean Snooks +

Wednesday, December 21

Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a...Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21...Lk 1:39-45

6:00 PM Mass – Cathy De Costa +

Thursday, December 22

1 Sm 1:24-28...1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd,Lk 1:46-56

8:00 AM Mass - Clare Luke +

Friday, December 23

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24...Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14...Lk 1:57-66

8:00 AM Mass - Gordon V. Schalley +

Saturday, December 24

Is 62:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16...Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29...Lk 1:67-79

8:00 AM Mass – Helen Joyce +

4:00 PM Mittens and Socks Mass with Bishop Johnston

Sunday, December 25

Is 52:7-10...PS 98 1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6...Heb 1:1-6...Jn 1:1-18 or

1:1-5, 9-14

12:00 AM - Christmas Midnight Mass

10:00 AM - Christmas Day Mass

We would like to thank all our Parishioners who joined together as one family in pledging their gift to the 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal, "Joyful in Hope." If you have not made your commitment, please prayerfully consider doing so. 78 parishioners have helped so far. Every gift is very important. Thank you for your generosity. For information on the impact of your support for the appeal, visit www.kcsj.catholic.org.

Masses for Christmas and Solemnity Mary, Mother of God

Cathedral

Dec. 24 – 4:00pm Pontifical and "Mittens and Socks"

Mass with Bishop Johnston and the

Cathedral Choir

Dec. 25 -12:00 am Midnight Mass-Glory/Praise Choir

10:00 am Christmas Mass

Dec. 31 – 4:00 pm New Year's Eve Mass Jan. 1 - 10:00 am New Year's Day Mass

St. Mary Church

Dec. 24 - 6:00 pm Christmas Vigil Mass

Dec. 25 - 10:00 am Christmas Mass

Dec. 31 – 4:00 pm New Year's Eve Mass

Jan. 1 - 10:00 am New Year's Day Mass

Parishioners: If you would like to make an additional contribution before the end of the year or want to catch up on your contributions, next weekend is your last chance for 2022. Also, if you have a change in address, please notify the Parish Office so you can receive your end-of-the-year contribution statement.

Weekly Offertory Inc	<i>come -</i> Monthly E	3udget Goal \$6	63,917.00
			

 Offertory
 Aged, Sick & Poor

 Week 1
 \$13,758.50
 \$ 840.00

 Week 2
 \$18,203.00
 \$ 565.00

 Totals
 \$31,961.50
 \$1,405.00

This Coming Week's Activities

Monday, December 19 (No Adoration)

School closed until Tuesday, January 4th

7:20-7:50 AM Confessions - Church

8:30 AM Mass - Church

9:30-11:00 AM Food Pantry – Rectory Basement

2:30-3:30 PM 3rd Gr. Basketball Practice (Meierhoffer)— Gym

3:30-5:00 PM Basketball Practice (Smith) - gym
7:00 PM Legion of Mary - St. Anne's Room
7:30 PM Community Chorus/Brass Band Concert

Tuesday, December 20 (No Adoration) 6:15 AM Mass – Church

9:30 AM Set up Manger for Christmas - Church 5:00-6:30 PM Set up Manger for Christmas - Church 3rd Grade BB Practice (Meierhoffer)—Gym

Wednesday, December 21 (No Adoration)

9:00 AM-Noon Crafting Group – Rectory Basement 9:30-11:00 AM Food Pantry – Rectory Basement 4:00-5:00 PM Volleyball Practice (Phillips) - Gym

5:20-5:50 PM Confessions – Church

5:30-6:30 PM 5th Grade BB Practice (Eiberger) – Gym

5:30-6:00 PM Vespers - Church
6:00 PM Mass - Church
7:00 PM Rosary - live stream only
Thursday, December 22 (No Adoration)

7:20-7:50 AM Confessions - Church 8:00 AM Mass - Church

3:30-4:30 PM Parish Staff Meeting – Msgr. Dierkes Mtg Rm 6:00 PM Finish decorating church with poinsettias 7:00 PM Cathedral Choir Rehearsal – Ruggle Hall

Friday, December 23 (No Adoration)

Parish Office and St. Gianna ECC closed

7:20-7:50 AM Confessions - Church

8:00 AM Mass – Church

9:30-11:00 AM Food Pantry - Rectory Basement

Saturday, December 24 - Christmas Eve 7:20-7:50 AM Confessions - Church 7:30-8:00 AM Morning Prayer - Church

8:00 AM Mass - Church 3:20-3:50 PM Confessions - Church

4:00 PM Mittens and Socks Mass with Bishop Johnston

(Mass also live streamed)

Sunday, December 25 – Christmas Day
12:00 AM Midnight Mass - Church
9:20-9:50 AM Confessions – Church
10:00 AM Christmas Mass – Church
7:00 PM Rosary - live stream only

We are so grateful to the St. Anne's Altar Society who put on such a lovely brunch after the Memorial Mass for Emily Theresa Lee (formerly Sr. Damiana) last Saturday. We also thank all of you for your notes and prayers...

Sisters in Jesus the Lord

There will not be any physical Cathedral Cash cards sold after our weekend Masses until Jan. 8th. Orders will be placed on Tues., Jan. 10th by contacting Melanie Francis at cathedralcash@cathedralsj.org or 816-351-8870, or you may leave your orders in the school office or in the parish office by 9 am on Jan. 10th. Orders placed on Tuesdays will be ready on Thursday afternoons. If anyone would like to help sell Cathedral Cash and trash bags occasionally after any of the weekend Masses, please let Melanie know so that they can be sold after the Masses. Right now, there are not enough volunteers to be able to sell them every weekend.

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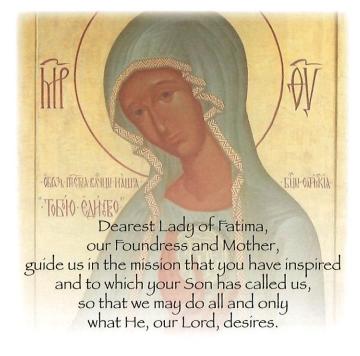


OUR LADY OF FATIMA, PRAY FOR US! PRAY FOR PEACE!





On May 13, the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima, the pilgrim Virgin statue came to the Cathedral of St. Joseph. The parishioners and sisters were blessed to be able to pray in front of the statue.



From Mother Maria Stella, CJD:

Thank you for your outpouring of prayers for us during this time of great uncertainty. We are confident that the Lord wants us to continue in Russia. This recent appeal from one of the five Catholic bishops in Russia confirms our vocation:

"...So many of 'my' priests and religious come from regions and families where the Christian faith was part of daily life. As bishop, I know that our Church only has the chance to survive here with their help. This is our treasure that we carry in our hearts: that we were loved, then and now. This is the light that we want to pass on.

[...] A very diffficult period has just begun... Small Catholic parishes are dying, like trees without water, before they have had the chance to bear fruit... without priests and religious we cannot survive!"



--Bishop Clemens Pickel, May 16, 2022 Letter to Bishops and Religious Superiors

First Holy Communion



Sr. Joanna with two of the children she helped prepare for First Holy Communion at the Cathedral of St. Joseph.

Expanding Outreach in Russia



Sr. Catherine and Fr. Daniel gather with Vietnamese parishioners at Most Holy Mother of God Catholic Church in Vladivostok, Russia. Sr. Catherine has been reaching out to this growing community and joining them for their weekly Vietnamese Mass on Sunday evenings.



Sr. Catherine with Filipino parishioners in Vladivostok. As Filipinos find work in Russia, the church is there to help them continue to grow in faith as they are far from home. In addition to the Russian and Vietnamese Masses, an English Mass was recently restarted each Sunday to provide for them.



Sr. Faustina with a child from Lesozavodsk at the end of a five-day camp in Vladivostok for families.



Sr. Catherine plays the organ for Mass in Vladivostok. In order to better blend in in public, a black habit was made for the sisters in Russia. Black is the color all Russian Orthodox nuns wear.



University students gather outside near Dom Marii for a day of fellowship.



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Progress on Dom Marii Renovations



Workmen replace rusted water pipes beneath the floor in the stairwell of Dom Marii.



Replacing plaster on the walls of the stairwell.



Hallway to future guest rooms.



Sr. Catherine, Sr. Faustina, and Mother Stella celebrate the Birth of Mary in the newly-renovated kitchen of Dom Marii.



The future St. Paula's Chapel.

New Roof Complete! Progress on the Attic





The beautiful view from one of four new dormer windows added to the roof of Dom Marii. The windows add light to the attic and expand the possibilities for the building.

May all who come here to pray be renewed by the majesty of God's creation!



Hallway with bedrooms



A guest room

So much progress has been made on the renovations to Dom Marii! It has been difficult to get materials in Russia, and the sanctions have made it a greater challenge to get your donations to our sisters, but the work is continuing. It is a sign of hope for our Catholic parishioners that Dom Marii is nearing completion, in the midst of great tension in Russia. The new stainless steel roof should protect the building for many years. Dom Marii will be a true house of prayer and retreat and a host to gatherings for children, students, and parishioners, as well as continuing to be our convent.

We are currently \$100,000 short in funds for the present work, the finishing of all seven apartments and the attic. Might you be able to assist us? We are praying through the intercession of Sr. Marie de Mandat Grancey, DC, who discovered and restored Mary's house in Ephesus, Turkey.+



The attic before ...



... and now.

New Home in St. Joseph



The sisters stand with Fr. Stephen Hansen, pastor of the Cathedral of St. Joseph, outside the sisters' temporary convent at St. Mary's parish in St. Joseph, Missouri.

The city has approved the plans to restore the Cathedral of St. Joseph convent. All the permits are in, and work started November 9th.

The Cathedral convent will have plenty of room for new sisters to join and be trained for the mission. We are excited about this Motherhouse and formation house for our community! To donate for this project, please specify "Cathedral Convent."





Sisters pray the Vespers in their current convent chapel in St. Joseph, Missouri.



News Notes



- Mother Stella visited the sisters in Russia from August 10 to September 13. Praise God, the 24hour ferry from Vladivostok to South Korea was running. She flew back to Missouri this time from Seoul, Korea.
- If the borders remain open, Sr. Catherine will be returning to the US in January, and Mother Stella will join Sr. Faustina in Russia in order to keep her residency permit.
- Rachel's Vineyard Retreats continue to expand in Russia! First retreat ever in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan October 14-16, second retreat in Belarus in November, Ussurijsk in February, invitation for retreats in Kazakhstan soon.
- The sisters had a vocation discernment retreat October 21-23 in St. Joseph, Missouri. Another retreat is planned for February 17-19, 2023.
- Catechesis of the Good Shepherd continues in Russia. This year, two new children, ages four and five, are enjoying the lessons on Sundays after Mass.

Vocation Retreat

with the Sisters in Jesus the Lord **February 17-19, 2023**

Pilgrimage to Ven. Fulton J. Sheen's Tomb



Mother Stella and Sr. Faustina pray at the tomb of Archbishop Fulton Sheen in Peoria, Illinois. Sheen was ordained bi-ritual in order to show his love and support for Eastern Catholics. The sisters asked for his intercession for the Russian mission.

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Mother
Julia joyfully
displays a
bouquet of
flowers given
to her on her
birthday.

How can I help?

BE A PRAYER PARTNER

We send a list of prayer intentions by email or regular mail (if no email) each month to our prayer partners. To become a prayer partner with us, send us a note, or email us at cidprayerpartner@gmail.com.

Is God asking YOU to be a priest or sister for Russia?

Many missionaries are needed! Please join us in praying for vocations to serve the Roman Catholic Church in the Russian Far East. See our website for more information: www.cjd.cc and www.facebook.com/sistersinjesusthelord33.



Photo: Mother Stella visits a Russian friend and her baby at their home in Vladivostok.

SEND A SISTER TO RUSSIA

No gift is too small! All donations are tax-deductible.

Make donations online: www.cjd.cc

Make checks payable to:

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Send to:

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Wish List

Frequent flier miles: Capital One, any amount; other types, preferably 25,000 miles or more at a time.

Please share this newsletter with all who might be interested in Our Lady of Fatima's request to convert Russia.

Message from Father Stephen Hansen: Happy Fourth Sunday of Advent! I want to write about four things today. First, if you didn't sign up for FORMED last week at the Cathedral or if you won't be at St. Mary's this weekend, please accept this early Christmas gift from the parish. A generous couple paid for this for us! I've already watched two documentaries and they were amazing. You can sign up for FORMED — The Catholic Faith; On Demand — by going to the website www.formed.org/signup Once you're there you want to type in 64501 for the zip code, then select Cathedral of St. Joseph. The system will ask for your email, then send you a link to confirm. You're all set. You can watch from through the internet or download the App on your phone (and cast to your TV). It's that simple! Please, don't hesitate to contact the parish office if you want additional information.

The second item I have for today is to please consider the parishes and schools in your year end tax planning. Two things come to mind. One, if your IRA requires a withdrawal, it is likely you can donate from the withdrawal with no income tax due on that portion. Also, MOScholars tax credits claimed this year can be used over five years. You claim a tax credit at: https://www.brightfuturesfund.org/moscholars.html Hesitate not to contact your accountant or tax person, or Preston in the parish office for more information.

The third item is to remind you that the Mittens and Socks Christmas Vigil Mass this year will be at 4 pm on December 24th, not the previous time of 3 pm, with Bishop Johnston presiding. St. Mary's will have Masses at 6 pm and 10 am, and the Cathedral will have additional Masses at midnight and 10 am.

St. Joseph Community Chorus "Christmas at the Cathedral" Concert with the Fountain City Brass Band will be this Sun., Dec. 18 at 3 pm and Mon., Dec. 19 at 7:30 PM. Tickets will be available at the door. Adults: \$22; Seniors \$20; Students/Children free.

Help is needed to finish decorating our Cathedral for Christmas. On Tues., Dec. 20th, 9:30 am, we will retrieve the manger and statues from storage and place them in church. On Thurs., Dec. 22nd, 6:00 pm, we will finish decorating the church by placing the memorial poinsettias. Thank you for any help you can give.

Thank you to everyone who has supported the students of Cathedral and St. Gianna through prayer and adoration since September. May the Lord Bless you through the end of 2022 and all of 2023. We will not have until January 4th, when we will return to adoration Monday-Friday. You may sign up for adoration on the table in the daily chapel or online at https://signup.com/go/yeSjCojl

If you have any plastic dry cleaner garment bags you could donate, please bring them to the Parish Office or leave them at the exists of the church by the Food Pantry items. Chris Den Ouden uses them to cover up the stored church decorations. Thank you so much!

Due to the generosity of a benefactor, Cathedral now has access to FORMED, a Catholic online site which contains videos about our faith, Bible Studies, and numerous other resources for our parish and families. Every parishioner who has an email can enjoy this site, free of charge, through your computer, cell phone, Smart TV, and ROKU, Apple TV, Fire TV, and Chromecast. To sign up, visit the website formed.org/signup. If you have questions or need assistance in signing up, contact the Parish Office at 816-232-7763.

Check out the Good News of Cathedral

- Many blessings to Sebastian Oscar CDeBaca Eiberger who was baptized on December 10th!
- Many blessings to Ridandy Ruben who was baptized on December 11th!
- Congratulations to Nic and Nickey Crail Barr, Cathedral Class of 99, on the birth of Lucas Cruz Barr on Dec. 9th!
 Cathedral School News
- Trash Bags can be purchased in the Parish Office, in the School Office M-F (beginning again on January 4th) during regular hours, or after some of the weekend Masses at the Cathedral Cash table beginning again January 8th.

Coram Deo is meeting on Mon., Dec. 19th for Mondays on the Bluff! Meet at Cathedral at 6:10 pm for a walking rosary to River Bluff Brewing, where we will enjoy food, drinks, and fellowship! They hope all young adults (ages 22-35) there! Questions? Contact Ally Gabler at allygabler@gmail.com.

The Christmas on Cathedral Hill CD, released last year, will be available again this year for a free will donation. Contact the Parish Office or see Lighthouse CD table in the west vestibule

The Benedictines of Mary in Gower have a new CD, "The Holy Trinity at Ephesus." These are available at Blessings Catholic Book Store, 300 S. Belt Hwy.

The Food Pantry is still collecting cold weather gear (i.e. coats, jackets, gloves, hats) to give to their patrons. Please drop them off at the Parish Office or leave at the exits of church. Thank you for your assistance in helping those in need.

Have you or a loved one experienced an abortion? Come to the Rachel's Vineyard Retreat on April 14-16, 2023. Contact Teresa O'Donnell at 816-679-4973, rvkcmo@gmail.com, or www.rachelsvineyard.org

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