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Monday -

8:00AM-2:00PM

Tuesday - Friday -

9:00AM-2:00PM

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.

SCHOOL OF RELIGION

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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6:00AM-6:00PM — Monday-Friday

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

BAPTISM

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 hospitalized.

NEWCOMERS

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.

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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:

- 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
- If the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, report the suspected abuse to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816-812-2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Victim Advocate, at 816-392-0011 or victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

First Sunday of Advent December 1, 2024

This Week's Mass Intentions

Monday.	December	2

Is 2:1-5...Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9...Mt 8:5-11 6:00 PM Mass - Reginald & Kathryn Wingert +

Tuesday December 3

Is 11:1-10...Ps 72:1-2, 708, 12-13, 17...Lk 10:21-24

6:00 PM Mass - Mary Pepple +

Wednesday, December 4

Is 25:6-10a...Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6...Mt 15:29-37

6:00 PM Mass - Deceased Members of the King & Kneib

Families +

Thursday, December 5

Is 26:1-6...Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a...Mt 7:21, 24-27

7:00 PM Mass - Janice McMullan +

Friday, December 6

Is 29:17-24...Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14...Mt 9:27-31

8:00 AM All School Mass - All Living Altar Society Members

6:00 PM Mass - The Celebrant's Special Mass Intention

Saturday, December 7

Is 30:19-21, 23-26...Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6...Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

8:00 AM Mass - Sister Mary Ambrose Conway +

4:00 PM Mass - Deacon Steve Welsh +

Sunday, December 8

Bar 5:1-9...Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6...Phil 1:4-6, 8-11..Lk 3:1-6

8:30 AM Mass - Beth Curry + 11:30 AM Mass - Helen Lierz +

Prayers and Sympathy to the family and friends of Francis Till, whose funeral Mass will be here at Cathedral on Monday. Please pray for Francis and his family.

Please sign up for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament online at https://signup.com/go/wRfJHpe, on the paper sheet in the Adoration Chapel (area behind the altar), or contact our Parish Office. Please check the schedule for any adjustments made to this week's schedule.

Thank you to the 64 families who have already made your gift to the 2024-2025 Annual Catholic Appeal. We currently have reached 89% (\$25,592) of our goal! We are reaching out to those who have not yet made a pledge or gift. Remember that every gift makes a difference. Please use your own envelope or one of the ACA envelopes in the church pews (the parish office will mail it for you if you would like), or go online at www.kcsjcatholic.org.

Next weekend, **Dec.** 7th-8th, our second collection will be for the **Retirement Fund for Religious**. Donations provide for the care, medicine, and daily needs of over 24,000 senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who have dedicated their lives to service.

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception will be celebrated this year on Monday, Dec. 9th. The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has clarified and determined that it will be a Holy Day of Obligation. All Catholics are expected to participate at Mass on this day to celebrate Mary as the patroness of our country and our diocese. Masses at Cathedral will be at 8:30 am (All School Mass) and at 6:00 PM. St. Mary Church will have a 12:00 noon Mass.

We need help organizing this year's **Angel Tree gift program** for our homebound and nursing home parishioners. Please contact the **Parish Office**, 816-232-7763, for more information.

Week	Weekly Offertory Income - Monthly Budget Goal \$65,725		
1	Offertory	Aged, Sick & Poor	
Week 1	\$15,739.00	\$ 951.00	
Week 2	\$18,986.50	\$ 2,007.00	
Week 3	\$ 9,841.96	\$ 210.00	
Week 4	\$16,681.05	\$ 145.00	
Totals	\$61,248.51	\$ 3,313.00	

This Coming Week's Activities

Monday, December	2 (Adoration 12 noon – 3 pm)
8:00 AM	School Convocation - Church
9:30 - 10:30 AM	Bible Study - Convent
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9:30-11:00 AM Food Pantry – Rectory Basement
4:00 PM Book Club – St. Anne's Room
5:20-5:50 PM Confessions – Cathedral

6:00 PM Mass and Novena Prayers – Cathedral

7:00 PM Bldgs/Grounds Committee-Msgr. Dierkes Rm

7:00 PM Legion of Mary – St. Anne's Room 8:00 PM Rosary – livestream only (when possible)

Tuesday, December 3 (Adoration 1 pm - 3 pm)

9:00 AM – 1 PM Decorate Church Environment - Cathedral

12:00 Noon Mass – St. Mary Church 5:00-6:00 PM BB Practice (Pitts) – Gym 5:20-5:50 PM Confessions - Cathedral

5:30 PM PTO Meeting

6:00 PM Mass and Novena Prayers - Cathedral 8:00 PM Rosary – livestream only (when possible)

Wednesday, December 4 (Adoration 10 am - 6 pm)

9:00-10:00 AM St. Gianna Ctr Program Practice - Cathedral 9:00 AM-12 Noon Crafting Group Meeting - Rectory Basement

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

12:00 Noon Mass – St. Mary Church 5:20-5:50 PM Confessions – Cathedral

5:30-6:30 PM BB Practice (Meierhoffer) - Gym 6:00 PM Mass and Novena Prayers - Cathedral

8:00 PM Rosary – livestream only

Thursday, December 5 (Adoration 9 am – 3 pm)

12:00 Noon Mass – St. Mary Church

6:00 PM St. Gianna Ctr Christmas Program-Cathedral

6:00 PM Men's Retreat Team Mtg – Convent

6:00 PM Youth Group Meeting - Gym 6:20-6:50 PM Confessions - Cathedral

7:00 PM Mass and Novena Prayers - Cathedral
8:00 PM Rosary – livestream only (when possible)

Friday, December 6 (Adoration 9 am – 3 pm) 7:20-7:50 AM Confessions – Cathedral

8:00 AM Advent All School Mass – Cathedral

5:20-5:50 PM Confessions - Cathedral

6:00 PM Mass and Novena Prayers - Cathedral 8:00 PM Rosary – livestream only (when possible)

Saturday, December 7 (No Adoration)

7:20-7:50 AM Confessions - Cathedral 8:00 AM Mass - Cathedral 2:30-3:50 PM Confessions - Cathedral 3:30 PM Rosary - Cathedral 4:00 PM Mass - Cathedral

Following Mass
4:50-5:20 PM
5:30 PM
Novena Prayers - Cathedral
Confessions - St. Mary Church
Mass - St. Mary Church

8:00 PM Rosary – livestream only (when possible)

Sunday, December 8 (No Adoration)

7:50-8:20 AM Confessions - Cathedral 8:00 AM Rosary - Cathedral

8:30 AM Mass – Cathedral (Mass also livestreamed)
After Mass Coffee/Milk/Donuts – Ruggle Hall

9:20-9:50 AM Confessions – St. Mary Church
9:45-10:45 AM Catechism Classes – St. Anne's Room

10:00 AM Mass - St. Mary Church 10:50-11:20 AM Confessions - Cathedral

11:30 AM 5th Grade Family Mass - Cathedral

1:00 PM OCIA Session - Rectory

6:00 PM Solemn Evening Prayers - Cathedral

8:00 PM Rosary – livestream only

Please check the schedule (above) and join us at Cathedral for the Novena to the Immaculate Conception, Nov. 30th – Dec. 8th.

Message from Father Stephen Hansen -

I'm asked quite often, "How many time a year do you see your family?" On the one hand, each day I see my family, so many people call me Father. I'm able to Baptize, hear Confession, offer Mass, and Marry and Bury. What a joy it is to be a priest. It's a joy to work with the larger family, too, with Fr. Fenlon, Fr. Nguyen, and Xavier. What a joy to have fathers in our Bishop and Holy Father.

I usually, however, answer the question about seeing my family as relating to back in Wisconsin. Each year my siblings get together with all their families on Christmas, Easter, a Fall bonfire at my brother Patrick's, and when I come home each summer. When my parents were living, I went "home" twice a year. After my father died, I started this tradition of going home once a year in the summer, but would also bring my mom out to the parish in the Spring or Fall. Well, I'm flying to Wisconsin next Saturday for the last bonfire at my brother's (as he's retiring and moving). I hope you'll be extra nice to Frs. Nguyen and Fenlon, and to Xavier. I think of Frs. Nguyen and Fenlon coming from farther lands than Wisconsin. As brothers and sisters in Christ, may we continue to support those without families, and enjoy those with families who are close to us. May we see in this broader family we call the Church, a Blessing like none other!

Please join in on the Immaculate Conception (and Advent) Novena which begins Saturday. The Novena will be emailed to everyone and available in the Cathedral and St. Mary's. Hesitate not to begin on Sunday by doubling up if you don't start on Saturday. Please pray for me and my earthly family in your Novena, I'll be praying for you and yours! Have a wonderful Advent!

There will <u>not</u> be Coffee/Milk/Donuts, the OCIA Session, or the Catechism Class this Sunday, so that our volunteers may enjoy the long holiday weekend with their families!

Our Legion of Mary invites you to the Advent Bible Study group on Monday mornings at 9:30 am in the Convent of the Sisters of Jesus the Lord. Copies of the study format are available for personal use or groups meeting at other times/days. If you have questions, please contact Jeanne Modlin, Lisa Sanders, Janet Smith, Virginia Victus, or Bryce and Carol Hunt.

The Altar Society's Craft Bazaar and Bake Sale was a huge success! Many thanks to all of our Altar Society ladies for their dedicated help and to all of our parishioners for their dedicated support. If you weren't able to make it this past weekend, our Altar Society Holiday Treat Trays and Last Minute Gift Ideas Sale will be on Dec. 21st and 22nd in our church's west vestibule after the weekend Masses. Please plan to check out what the ladies have for sale! Also, please let Alrita know if you can help on Friday, Dec. 20th to receive the baked goods and assemble the Holiday Trays. The helpers will meet at 2 pm in the Ruggle Hall School Kitchen.

Please consider helping us decorate our church during Advent for Christmas. There is much to do and no experience is necessary! Help is needed on the following dates: Dec. 3rd, 9 am-1 pm; Dec. 10, 9 am-1 pm; Dec. 23rd, 9 am until all decorating is finished. Please contact Chris Den Ouden, 816-294-7435, if you can help.

Coram Deo is a Eucharistic-centered Catholic group which exists to meet the needs of young adults in the St. Joseph area and to provide opportunities for spiritual growth and fellowship. Coram Deo is meeting on Friday, Dec. 6th, for First Fridays! Meet at the Mir House of Prayer at 6:10 pm for Adoration and Reconciliation, followed by Mass at 7:00 pm. If you have questions, please contact Ally Gabler at allygabler@gmail.com.

Men's Welcome Retreat: Plans are being made for our second annual men's retreat on Saturday, March 8 and Sunday, March 9 (retreat wraps up with Cathedral's 11:30 am Mass). All men who have not attended a Welcome Retreat previously, or those who would like to attend again, are invited to join us in March to connect with other men in your parish/community, improve your prayer life, and/or just to take a break from your everyday life! For information or to sign up, please email welcomeretreat2@gmail.com or contact any of the following team members: Dominic CDeBaca, Philip Eiberger, Joe Elliott, JW Jones, John Modlin, Rob Rau, Tom Roetto, Brian Schiermeyer, and Joe Wise.

Ladies, information on the *Women's Welcome Retreat* is coming soon! Watch the bulletin for more information!

SJCA, Cathedral School, and St. Gianna Center News

- Don't forget to order Cathedral Cash gift cards for your holiday shopping and gifts! Place your order before 9 am on Tuesday, Dec. 17th, to get cards delivered on Thurs., Dec. 19th. The next order after the Christmas holidays will be on Tuesday, Jan. 7th.
- Cathedral School: Part-time Kitchen Worker Position is available in our school cafeteria. This is a paid position. The employee will assist the cook and other cafeteria staff in food preparation, cafeteria setup, cleaning, and dishwashing. For more information or to apply, go to the diocesan website at: https://recruiting.paylocity.com/recruiting/jobs/Details/288114
 8/Kitchen-Worker.
- Cathedral School: After School Care Provider. This is a paid position. A candidate would be expected to be at Cathedral by 3:15 pm and stay until the last child is picked up. We officially "close" at 6:00 pm, but typically do not stay that long. Most days, you would be finished by 5:00 pm and some days 5:30 pm. (If this time frame isn't enough hours or if a candidate is interested in a few additional hours, we might be able to have them assist in a classroom at the last hour of the day.) The position pays minimum wage to start. The link for the job opening is: https://recruiting.paylocity.com/recruiting/jobs/Details/285844
 2/Extended-Care-Aide.
- Cathedral School/SJCA position opening: Part-time Bus Driver is an 'as needed' opportunity to drive for field trips and school activities. This is a paid position, but the candidate must pay for the class to get the CDL Class B license with Passenger and School Bus endorsements. For more information or application, go to the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph website: https://recruiting.paylocity.com/recruiting/jobs/Details/2664 202/Available-Positions/VanBus-Driver.
- The High School Placement Test will be held at Bishop LeBlond High School on Sat., Dec. 7th, from 8:30 am-12:00 pm. Incoming freshmen students are encouraged to take the placement exam, as the scores assist in placing students in the correct class for them. The test cost is \$20/student, and registration is available on LB's website at https://bishopleblond.org/prospective-students.
- Cocoa with Santa: All are invited to bring the whole family on Saturday, Dec. 7th, 9-11 am, to St. Gianna Early Childhood Center (509 N. 9th St). Kids of all ages will be able to share their Christmas wishes with Santa. Snap festive photos, create a holiday keepsake, and enjoy a fun-filled event!
- The 2025 Prayer Breakfast will be on January 29th at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish. Bishop James V. Johnston Jr. and Lamar Hunt, Jr. are the featured speakers, and sponsorships and tickets are available! Information at www.stjoecatholicacademy.com.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats offer a supportive, confidential, and nonjudgmental environment where women and men can express, release, and reconcile painful post-abortive emotions to begin healing. Contact www.rachelsvineyard.org or Teresa O'Donnell at 816-679-4973.

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2025 Parish Stewardship Commitment Pledge

We are dedicated to exceptional life-long faith formation through a Catholic community, rich in tradition, fellowship, and service to all.

Happy Advent! As we begin this new liturgical year, I am following up on the finance committee's request to revisit pledge forms. In years past this was commonplace. I hope you'll prayerfully consider completing and returning this form to the Sunday weekend collection or the parish office (in a sealed envelope) or scanned (or as a photo) to Elenore at ecobb@cathedralsj.org in the parish office. This will help you in bringing extra prayerful consideration to your giving and help the parish finance committee in budgeting. For this reason, we hope to have these forms returned by the end of the year.

Have a wonderful Advent and great Christmas! -- Fr. Stephen Hansen, Pastor

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Name (1)	Name (2)
Phone (1)	
Email (1)	
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Financial We would like to pledge a donation of \$ frequent guidelines given are - 5% to parish,	per week / month (circle one). The most 2% to diocese, 3% to other charities.
We will make this donation via contribution	envelopes / electronically (circle one).
Envelope No (if available) If you would like to use envelopes and curren	ntly do not have a box, contact the parish office.
Prayers During this pledge year, we will offer the following this pledge year, we will offer the following parishioners and the good of our parish. (Example 1)	

Service

Please consider volunteering in at least one area to serve with your fellow parishioners. We will ask the leader of that ministry to reach out to you via the email or phone number you provided above. If more than one person would like to volunteer from each family, please indicate the name of person for each ministry. Please circle or star your name if you are a new volunteer.

Liturgy and Worship	 Administration and Leadership
Sacristan	Parish council
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Lector	Buildings & Grounds
Eucharistic minister	Event planning
Music ministry (cantor, choir,	Community
musicians)	Coffee & Donuts after 8:30
St. Maria Goretti Sodality	Mass
Faith Formation	Welcoming committee
Catechist	Parish festivals or events
Legion of Mary	Fellowship groups
Catechism Classes (PSR)	Communications
Youth ministry	Website maintenance
Welcome Retreat	Social media coordinator
OCIA (Order of Christian	Photography or videography
Initiation for Adults)	Special Ministries
Bible study leader	Boy Scouts
Service and Outreach	St. Gianna Early Childhood
Food pantry	Center
Homebound ministry	Maintenance volunteer
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