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Monday -

8:00AM-2:00PM

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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

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

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Please contact the Parish Office if you are
hospitalized.

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We welcome you to the Cathedral of St.
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or complete parish registration form at
www.cathedralsj.org under the contact tab.

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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
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. 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 Assistance Coordinator, Michelle Graff, at 816-714-2357 or VAC@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

March 2, 2025

This Week's Mass Intentions

Monday, March 3

Sir 17:20-24...Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7...Mk 10:17-27

8:30 AM Mass – Dennis Marcinko +

Tuesday, March 4

Sir 35:1-12...Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23...Mk 10:28-31

6:15 AM Mass – Fr. Michael Walker +

Ash Wednesday, March 5

Jl 2:12-18...Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17...2 Cor 5:20—

6:2...Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

8:00 AM Mass – Terri Modlin +

6:00 PM Mass – Patty Culver +

Thursday, March 6

Dt 30:15-20...Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6...Lk 9:22-25

8:00 AM Mass – Betty Sutter +

Friday, March 7

Is 58:1-9a...Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19...Mt 9:14-15

8:00 AM Mass – All Living Members of St. Anne's Altar Society

Saturday, March 8

Is 58:9b-14...Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6...Lk 5:17-32

8:00 AM Mass – John McGarry +

4:00 PM Mass – Gene Lawhon +

Sunday, March 9

Dt 26:4-10...Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15...Rom 10:8-13...

Lk 4:1-13

8:30 AM Mass – Parishioners of Cathedral and St. Mary Church

11:30 AM Mass – Leo Stock +

Prayers and Sympathy to the family and friends of George Wood, father of our parishioner, Melanie Francis. Please pray for George and his family.

Please consider spending an hour in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Come pray for SJCA and Cathedral's students, and/or the cares and concerns you hold in your heart. Please sign up online at <https://signup.com/go/wRfJHpe>, on the sheet in Cathedral's Adoration Chapel, or contact the Parish Office.

Men, don't forget: There is a *Welcome Retreat* for you at Cathedral in Ruggle Hall next Saturday, March 8th and Sunday, March 9th (retreat wraps up with Cathedral's 11:30 am Mass). If interested, please contact welcomeretreat2@gmail.com or one of the men's retreat team members: Dominic CDeBaca, Philip Eiberger, Joe Elliott, JW Jones, John Modlin, Rob Rau, Tom Roetto, Brian Schiermeyer, and Joe Wise.

Ladies, don't forget: There is a *Welcome Retreat* for you, coming very soon to Cathedral on Sat., March 22nd and Sun., March 23rd. For information or to reserve your spot, contact either Melissa Pfister at 816-351-3906 or Melanie Francis at 816-351-8870, or CathedralWelcome@gmail.com

Our second collection next weekend, March 8-9, will be for the Catholic Charities Emergency Assistance Fund. As we enter Lent, we are reminded of Christ's command to love our neighbors through acts of mercy and charity. For 146 years, Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph has been a beacon of hope, serving those facing hunger, homelessness, and hardship. Join them in this sacred work by making a gift - every act of generosity extends Christ's love to those in need.

This Coming Week's Activities

Monday, March 3 (Adoration 9 am – 3 pm)

7:50-8:20 AM Confessions - Cathedral

8:30 AM Mass - Cathedral

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

5:30-7:30 PM Basketball Practice (Meierhoffer) - Gym

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

Tuesday, March 4 (Adoration 8 am – 3 pm)

6:15 AM Mass - Cathedral

12:00 Noon Mass - St. Mary Church

6:30-7:30 PM Basketball Practice (Limle) - Gym

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

Ash Wednesday, March 5 (Adoration 9 am – 6 pm)

7:20-7:50 AM Confessions – Cathedral

8:00 AM Mass & Distribution of Ashes - Cathedral

9:00 AM-12 Noon Crafting Group Mtg (weather permitting)

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

11:20-11:50 AM Confessions – St. Mary Church

12:00 Noon Mass & Distribution of Ashes-St. Mary Church

5:20-5:50 PM Confessions - Cathedral

6:00 PM Mass & Distribution of Ashes - Cathedral

8:00 PM Rosary - livestream only

Thursday, March 6 (Adoration 9 am – 1 pm)

7:20-7:50 AM Confessions - Cathedral

8:00 AM Mass - Cathedral

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

Friday, March 7 (Adoration 9 am – 3 pm)

7:20-7:50 AM Confessions - Cathedral

8:00 AM All School Mass – Cathedral

12:00 & 5:30 PM Stations of the Cross - Cathedral

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

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

Saturday, March 8 (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

4:50-5:20 PM Confessions - St. Mary Church

5:30 PM Mass - St. Mary Church

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

Sunday, March 9 (No Adoration)

7:50-8:20 AM Confessions - Cathedral

8:00 AM Rosary - Cathedral

8:30 AM Mass - Cathedral (Mass also livestreamed)

9:20-9:50 AM Confessions - St. Mary Church

10:00 AM Mass - St. Mary Church

10:50-11:20 AM Confessions - Cathedral

11:30 AM Mass - Cathedral

1:00-3:00 PM OCIA Session - Msgr. Dierkes Mtg Room

8:00 PM Rosary - Livestream only

On Ash Wednesday (March 5th), Masses and distribution of ashes will be at 8 am and 6 pm at Cathedral. Mass and distribution of ashes will be at noon at St. Mary Church. Cathedral will have Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent at noon and 5:30 pm.

A person is to be trained by the Diocese before he/she can help distribute communion during Mass, take communion to the cantor/organist/choir in the choir loft during Mass, or take communion to the sick. Are you interested in being trained? A training session for these Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will be here at Cathedral on Tues., April 1st, at 6:30 pm in Ruggle Hall. Please contact the Parish Office by March 25th if you are interested in attending the April 1st training.

Weekly Offertory Income - Monthly Budget Goal \$65,725

	<u>Offertory</u>	<u>Aged, Sick & Poor</u>
Week 1	\$ 13,995.05	\$ 1,060.90
Week 2	\$ 11,667.00	\$ 540.50
Week 3	\$ 8,807.23	\$ 250.00
Week 4	\$ 17,342.00	\$ 80.00
Totals	\$ 51,811.28	\$ 1,931.40

A Message from Father Stephen Hansen

As we approach Lent, I'd like to share Pope Francis' Message for Lent this week and next (half each week). Watch the Bulletin for all Stations, Missions... to assist your Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving these 40 days... Here's Part I of II of: *Let us journey together in hope.*

Dear brothers and sisters,

We begin our annual pilgrimage of Lent in faith and hope with the penitential rite of the imposition of ashes. The Church, our mother and teacher, invites us to open our hearts to God's grace, so that we can celebrate with great joy the paschal victory of Christ the Lord over sin and death, which led Saint Paul to exclaim: "Death has been swallowed up in victory. Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?" (1 Cor 15:54-55). Indeed, Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is the heart of our faith and the pledge of our hope in the Father's great promise, already fulfilled in his beloved Son: life eternal (cf. Jn 10:28; 17:3).^[1]

This Lent, as we share in the grace of the Jubilee Year, I would like to propose a few reflections on what it means to *journey together in hope*, and on the summons to conversion that God in his mercy addresses to all of us, as individuals and as a community.

First of all, *to journey*. The Jubilee motto, "Pilgrims of Hope", evokes the lengthy journey of the people of Israel to the Promised Land, as recounted in the Book of Exodus. This arduous path from slavery to freedom was willed and guided by the Lord, who loves his people and remains ever faithful to them. It is hard to think of the biblical exodus without also thinking of those of our brothers and sisters, who in our own day, are fleeing situations of misery and violence in search of a better life for themselves and their loved ones. A first call to conversion thus comes from the realization that all of us are pilgrims in this life; each of us is invited to stop and ask how our lives reflect this fact. Am I really on a journey, or am I standing still, not moving, either immobilized by fear and hopelessness or reluctant to move out of my comfort zone? Am I seeking ways to leave behind the occasions of sin and situations that degrade my dignity? It would be a good Lenten exercise for us to compare our daily life with that of some migrant or foreigner, to learn how to sympathize with their experiences and in this way discover what God is asking of us so that we can better advance on our journey to the house of the Father. This would be a good "examination of conscience" for all of us wayfarers.

Second, to *journey together*. The Church is called to walk together, to be synodal^[2] Christians are called to walk at the side of others, and never as lone travelers. The Holy Spirit impels us not to remain self-absorbed, but to leave ourselves behind and keep walking towards God and our brothers and sisters.^[3] Journeying together means consolidating the unity grounded in our common dignity as children of God (cf. Gal 3:26-28). It means walking side-by-side, without shoving or stepping on others, without envy or hypocrisy, without letting anyone be left behind or excluded. Let us all walk in the same direction, tending towards the same goal, attentive to one another in love and patience.

This Lent, God is asking us to examine whether in our lives, in our families, in the places where we work and spend our time, we are capable of walking together with others, listening to them, resisting the temptation to become self-absorbed and to think only of our own needs. Let us ask ourselves in the presence of the Lord whether, as bishops, priests, consecrated persons and laity in the service of the Kingdom of God, we cooperate with others. Whether we show ourselves welcoming, with concrete gestures, to those both near and far. Whether we make others feel a part of the community or keep them at a distance.^[4] This, then, is a second call to conversion: a summons to synodality.

MANY HELPERS are needed in preparation for the **St. Joseph's Day Dinner and Table on Wed., March 19th**. Meatballs and Spaghetti Sauce Makers are needed on **Sat., March 15th at 8:30 am** in the **Ruggle Hall kitchen**. On **Tues., March 18th at 9:30 am**, tables/chairs will be arranged and items carried over from the kitchen. The tables will be decorated later that day. Please watch the bulletin for more details. Volunteers are needed any time after **9 am on Wed., March 19th** to help before, during, and/or after the dinner. If you are not able to come and physically help, please bring a dessert or goodie for the **St. Joseph's Table**. Contact **Peggy Leone at 816-390-4750** if you have questions or can volunteer to help. (This is also a great way to earn service hours if needed.)

Coram Deo is meeting on **Fri., March 7th, at 9 am**, for **First Fridays! Meet at the Mir House of Prayer at 6:10 pm** for **Adoration + Reconciliation**, followed by **Mass at 7 pm**. All young adults, ages 22-35, are invited to attend. Also, **Coram Deo's Moms' Group** is meeting this **Tuesday, March 4th, at 9:00 am!** Hang out with fellow moms while your kids play! For information or location for Moms' Group, contact **Ally Gabler at allygabler@gmail.com**.

The **Knights of Columbus Council 5067 (1205 N. 49th Terrace)** will host their annual **Fish Fry from 4:30-7:00 pm** on the following Friday evenings: **March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4 and 11**. The menu includes fried catfish, cheesy potatoes, coleslaw, rolls, tea and water. Drive-thru available. Price is \$15 for adults; \$6 for ages 12 and younger. Come and good food and great fellowship!

The **Knights of Columbus Bishop LeBlond Council 5067 (1205 N. 49th Terrace)** will host **Bingo Games** beginning **Wed., March 5th**. Doors open at **4:30 pm**; Paper sales **5 pm**; Bingo begins at **7 pm**. Enjoy a fun evening including Progressive Blackout and Queen of Hearts. Free Dabber to the first 250 players on **March 5th only**. Must be 16 or older to be in the building.

Cathedral School and St. Joseph Catholic Academy

- All 5-8 grade students are invited to join the middle school youth group as you journey together to Easter, deepening your personal relationship with Jesus! The next meeting will be this **Thurs., March 6, 6-7:30 PM** in **Ruggle Hall**. Questions? Contact **Beth Lukehart at beth_lukehart@yahoo.com** or **816-244-6859**.

The **Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration** invite single women ages 18-40, who are considering religious life, to a free **Monastic Experience** on **March 8-13** at their monastery in **Clyde, Missouri**. Experience the daily rhythm of monastic life where participants can join the Sisters in praying the Divine Office, attending daily Mass, spending time in personal prayer, and opening their hearts to God's call by learning about discernment and prayer. Details are available at www.benedictinesisters.org – **Vocations – Walk With Us**. Other dates: **July 18-20** and **Oct. 17-19**. Contact **Sr. Maria Victoria**, at vocation@benedictinesisters.org or **660-944-2221 ext. 127**.

The **Diocesan Life and Justice Office** is hosting a **Lenten and Easter Stewardship of Creation Book Study**, using the book **To Heights and Unto Depths** by **Father John Nepil**. The book study will be held here on **March 11** and **April 8**, and at the **Chancery in KC** on **March 25** and **April 22**. Zoom option is available for all dates. If you are interested in attending in person or by Zoom, contact **816-714-2375, yoboril@diocesekcsj.org**, or check website: www.lifeandjusticekcsj.org/stewardship-of-creation.

The next **RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT**, for those affected by abortion, will be held here at **Cathedral** on **April 25-27**. These retreats offer supportive non-judgmental environment where people can express, release, and reconcile painful post-abortive emotions to begin healing. Contact **Teresa O'Donnell at 816-679-4973** or contact through the website at www.rachelsvineyard.org.



Camp Savio 2025

What is it?: Camp Savio is a Catholic youth camp for **students who have completed 5th-8th grades**. It is a week of fun, fellowship, and formation!

When and where is camp?: June 23-28, 2025 at Conception Abbey

How much is it?: The cost is \$475 per camper with a \$150 deposit due by March 25.

*****The cost should not be prohibitive - scholarship opportunities available!**

The anticipated total cost for our group this year is approximately \$15,000 for 30 campers and 5 chaperones. The group will happily accept donations and sponsors.

What about fundraising?: We will be working hard to cover or lower the cost. Each camper will receive fair credit for the amount of fundraising done, so if your student is interested, sign up NOW so they can start building credit!

Tell me more!: From Daily Mass led by different local priests, to a beach day at Lake Mozingo, this camp provides an opportunity for campers to connect with other Catholic youth from the KC-SJ region and grow their own relationship with God.

Who can sign up with this group?: Any 5-8 grade student associated with Cathedral Parish, Cathedral School, or Cathedral Youth Group.



What about supervision?: Beth Lukehart, Middle School Youth Minister at Cathedral and a group of at least 5 VIRTUS compliant parent volunteers will chaperone our campers. Once at camp, there are a number of **incredible** high school and college students that do the bulk of the hands-on work with the campers, while chaperones are nearby to pray over them and ensure the safety of everyone.

How do I sign up?: tinyurl.com/CampSavio2025

What if I have questions?: Call or text Beth Lukehart at 816-244-6859

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