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year before the wedding date.

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NEWCOMERS

We welcome you to the Cathedral
of St. Joseph. You may register at the
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contact tab.

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CATHEDRAL WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 4:00PM
Sunday: 10:00AM

ST MARY WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 5:30PM
Sunday: 8:00AM

CATHEDRAL WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday: 8:30AM
Tuesday: 6:15AM
Wednesday: 6:00PM
Thursday, Friday, and
Saturday: 8:00AM

ST MARY WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday, Thursday:
12:00PM(Noon)

CATHEDRAL CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 2:30PM-3:50PM
and during 4:00PM Mass most
Saturdays.

Sunday: 1/2 hour before Mass and
during Mass on the 2nd Sunday
of the month.

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday,
Friday, Saturday morning: 1/2 hour
before Mass.

ST MARY CONFESSIONS

1/2 hour before Masses.

HOLY DAY MASSES

As announced

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 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 at 816-213-6024 or ombudsman@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 816-714-2357 or victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

The 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 27, 2026

This Week's Mass Intentions

Monday, September 28

Jb 1:6-22..Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7..Lk 9:46-50

8:30 AM Mass – Susan Tietjens +

Tuesday, September 29

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab..Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5..

Jn 1:47-51

6:15 AM Mass – Ronald Marcinko +

Wednesday, September 30

Jb 9:1-12, 14-16..Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15..Lk 9:57-62

6:00 PM Mass – Terri Modlin +

Thursday, October 1

Jb 19:21-27..Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14..Lk 10:1-12

8:00 AM Mass – Bruce Henson +

Friday, October 2

Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5..Ps 139:1-3, 7-8, 9-10, 13-14ab..Mt 18:1-5, 10

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

Saturday, October 3

Jn 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17..Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130..Lk 10:17-24

8:00 AM Mass – Jerry Hoffelmeyer +

4:00 PM Mass – Deacon Steve Welsh +

Sunday, October 4

Is 5:1-7..Ps 80:9 and 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20..Phil 4:6-9..Mt 21:33-43

10:00 AM Mass – Patty Culver +

"Which of the two did the will of his father?" (Matthew 21:31)

This weekend we celebrate **Priesthood Sunday**. We give thanks for priests who humbly serve God's people. Celebrate this day by writing a note of gratitude and encouragement to a priest who inspires you. Remember in prayer the priest who baptized and confirmed you. Pray for the priests in your parish and support those discerning this vocation.

We have **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** on Monday-Friday when School is in session. However, we need people to sign up so that Jesus can be exposed for Adoration. Please check the Adoration hours posted for each day of the week (2nd column on this page). Sign up for an hour of your choosing at this link: <https://signup.com/go/TAELctv> or on the paper form in the **Adoration Chapel** (behind the main altar). Come pray for our **St Joseph Catholic Academy** students and staff and for your own personal intentions. Please check your calendars for your own available days and time, and help us spread the word so we can fill each hour with at least one adorer.

The next meeting of the **Woman's Bible Study** will be on **Mon., Oct. 12, at 6:30 pm** in **St. Anne's Room**. The group will continue to meet on the **second Monday** of each month. Please bring your own Bible. If you have any questions, contact **Ally Gabler** at allygabler@gmail.com.

The **Men's Bible Study** continues on **Wednesdays** at **6:30 pm** in **St. Anne's Room**. Have questions? Contact **John Modlin** at **816-261-8481**.

OCIA: Are you or is someone you know interested in learning more about our Catholic Faith or perhaps becoming Catholic? It's not too late to join our **OCIA Program (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)** on **Sundays, 1-3 pm** in the **Rectory**. For more information or to sign up, please contact **Arman Partamian**, our OCIA Coordinator, at **816-383-3933** or apartamian@yahoo.com, or contact our **Parish Office**. If you didn't get a chance to sign up ahead of time, please come anyway!

Weekly Offertory Income Monthly Budget Goal \$68,725

	<u>Offertory</u>	<u>Aged, Sick & Poor</u>
Week 1	\$14,114.20	\$ 1,025.00
Week 2	\$10,646.00 (adjusted)	\$ 185.00 (adjusted)
Week 3	\$12,927.00	\$ 751.00
Totals	\$37,687.20	\$ 1,961.00

This Coming Week's Activities

Monday, September 28 (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

4:00-5:00 PM Book Club – Msgr. Dierkes Meeting Room

Tuesday, September 29 (Adoration 8 am-3pm)

6:15 AM Mass – Cathedral

7:00 PM Men's Retreat Team Mtg – Msgr. Dierkes Mtg Rm

Wednesday, September 30 (Adoration 8 am-6 pm)

9:00 AM-12:00 Noon Sewing/Craft Group – Sewing/Craft/Music Rm

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

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

12:00 Noon Mass – St. Mary Church

3:30-4:30 PM School Choir Rehearsal - Church

5:20-5:50 PM Confessions – Cathedral

5:30-7:00 PM Cheer Practice – Gym

6:00 PM Mass – Cathedral

6:30-8:00 PM Men's Bible Study – St. Anne's Room

7:00-8:00 PM 3rd Grade VB Practice (Miljavac) - Gym

8:00 PM Rosary – livestream only

Thursday, October 1 (Adoration 9 am-1 pm)

7:20-7:50 AM Confessions – Cathedral

8:00 AM Mass – Cathedral

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

12:00 Noon Mass – St. Mary Church

6:00 PM Parents' First Communion Mtg – Ruggle Hall

7:00 PM Cathedral Choir Rehearsal – Cathedral

Friday, October 2 (Adoration 9 am-3 pm)

7:20-7:50 AM Confessions – Cathedral

8:00 AM All School Mass – Cathedral

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

Saturday, October 3 (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

Sunday, October 4 (No Adoration)

7:20-7:50 AM Confessions – St. Mary Church

8:00 AM Mass – St. Mary Church

9:20-9:50 AM Confessions – Cathedral

9:30 AM Rosary – Cathedral

10:00 AM Mass – Cathedral

After Mass Coffee and Donuts – Ruggle Hall

1:00-3:00 P.. OCIA Session – Msgr. Dierkes Mtg Rm (Rectory)

8:00 PM Rosary – livestream only

A heartfelt thank you to the 25 people who have already given a gift to the **Annual Catholic Appeal**, and to those who will make their commitment in the next few days. In the spirit of **Take. Bless. Break. Share.**, we invite every household to participate, knowing that every gift, no matter the size, makes a difference. If you were not able to watch Bishop Johnston's video at Mass last weekend, it is available on the diocesan website: www.kcsjatholic.org.

If you have not yet pledged, please prayerfully consider doing so today. Simply complete a pledge card (one you received in the mail at home or one from the supply in the Church pews). Place it in the offertory basket so we can mail it for you, or mail it directly to: **Annual Catholic Appeal, Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, PO Box 419037, Kansas City, MO 64141-6037**. Your generosity helps fund important ministries in our parish, programs that serve people in need and strengthen our diocesan Church. **Thank you** for sharing your blessings and being part of this shared mission.

Message from Father Duc Nguyen

Litany of St. Michael

We have several different prayers in the church, different prayers composed by saints. Different prayers are acceptable for both private and public devotion. For instance, the Liturgy of the Hours is prayed daily by all priests and religious leaders. A priest makes a daily commitment to pray for the Church at the time of his ordination, which he fulfills by praying at least five times a day. The Liturgy of the Hours is a public prayer that properly involves the entire church.

Private prayer is a different kind of prayer. These are prayers that are not used in liturgical contexts but have been authorized for use by the Church. Private prayers are simply referred to as devotional prayers; thus, they should not be confused with private prayers. People can use these prayers to advance in their spiritual lives, but they are by no means required to. These marvelous devotionals can teach us about some aspects of the truths of the faith's principles, but they are in no way necessary for our salvation.

The Litany of St. Michael is one such instance of a private prayer, a wonderful devotional that I believe is suitable to pray as we get closer to the feast of the archangels. First, the titles of St. Michael have a particularly powerful effect on me when I pray the Litany of St. Michael, which is supposed to help shield us from all evils. St. Michael is given proper and scriptural names in this Litany. These names stand for God's might and the works of God by means of His angels.

St. Michael serves as a friend, an intercessor, and a reminder to rely on God, on the strength of God. Michael's name ultimately means, "Who is like God?" It serves as a reminder that God's "powers" and capabilities are far greater than our own, that we need His help. That all depends on Him. After all, a Litany is essentially a list of the things for which we are asking the saint for help. We are requesting that God provide us with the corresponding parts of this list. We frequently require a wide range of things from God in our life. To truly pursue our Lord, we must do several things, not just one. We can name and ask the angel to help us obtain the things we need by turning to the Litany of St. Michael.

Cathedral Directory Photos will be taken on **Wed., Nov. 4 at 2-8:30 pm, Thurs., Nov. 5 at 2-8:30 pm, Fri., Nov. 6 at 2-8:30 pm, and Sat., Nov. 7 at 10 am-4:30 pm.** Our church directory will not be complete if your photo is not included. Every sitting photographed by Universal will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait and a directory! To schedule your photography appointment online, go to www.ucdir.com, click on "Photography Session Sign Up", enter MO476 in the Church Code field, enter "parish" in the Church password field, and follow the prompts to schedule your family's appointment time. Families of 6 or more members, or who wish to do more than one group photo, need to sign up for 2 consecutive time slots. If you are not able to schedule using a computer, or if you need further assistance, you may contact **Universal Church Directories** at 816-501-8652. If you are not available any of the dates at Cathedral, you may call the phone number given and ask the representative if there are any other churches scheduling photos so you could join them on one of their photo days. If you are homebound and not able to join in person, you may submit a photo of yourself that can be included in our directory. Did you know that you could invite a friend or family member to take a picture? While they won't appear in our directory, they will get a free 8 x 10 and an opportunity to purchase pictures of their family. How about a group picture of grandparents with children and grandchildren. Family portraits make great Christmas Gifts!

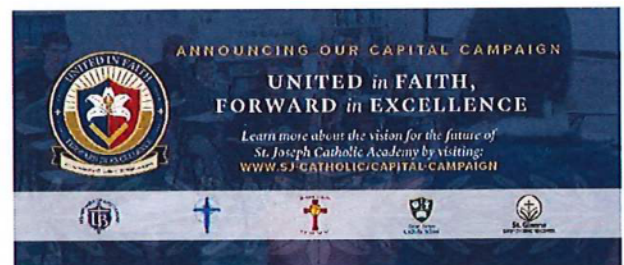
Thank you to all our ladies who donated towards the **Altar Society Cakewalk at Hill Day.** Despite the heat, 269 individuals had fun taking a chance to walk and win!

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** will meet on **Monday, September 28th, for Mondays on the Bluff!** Meet at our Cathedral at 6:10 pm for a walking rosary followed by pizza + drinks at **River Bluff Brewing!** All young adults, age 22-35, are invited to attend. Contact Ally Gabler at allygabler@gmail.com if you have questions.

The **Coram Deo's Mom's Group** is meeting this **Tuesday, Sept. 29, at 10 am.** They will meet at Seitz Park at 6800 Esther Street. Hang out with fellow moms while your kids play! See you there!

St. Rose of Lima Parish's Knights of Columbus are hosting their famous **Tenderloin Dinner, 5-7 pm, next Sat., Oct. 3rd, in St. Rose of Lima Parish Hall.** Enjoy a tenderloin sandwich, fries, and dessert. Free will donations appreciated.

Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreat in Kansas City will be on **Fri., Oct. 30th-Sun., Nov. 1st.** Men and women can share their deepest feelings about abortion. For registration, call **Teresa O'Donnell** at 816-679-4973.



Through the **United in Faith, Forward in Excellence Capital Campaign**, a strategic, long-term investments across every Academy campus will be made. The campaign focuses on four priorities: upgrading essential facilities, enhancing campus environments, improving campus accessibility and creating a dedicated Academy Auditorium.

Cathedral School, St. Gianna Early Childhood Ctr, LBHS

- Cathedral Cash Cards and Trash Bags may be purchased after our 10 am Mass in the West Vestibule of our Cathedral.
- Do you know someone who is looking for quality childcare? The St. Gianna Early Childhood Center has immediate openings for all ages. Contact Amie Herrin or Nancy Sample at 816-233-9794 or Amie at aherrin@cathedralsj.org for more information.
- The Night of Golden Stars will be held at Bishop LeBlond High School on Nov. 14th. Come for an evening of fun, fellowship, and support for Catholic education. Go to <https://qtego.us/l/bishopleblond/tickets/event-tickets>. For more information or questions, contact Liz Winkelbauer, 816-646-5674 or the LBHS's Office at 816-279-1629.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Church will host **Oktoberfest: A Weekend of Prost and Praise** next Sat., Oct. 3 and Sun., Oct. 4. Bishop James V. Johnston, Jr. will celebrate their 4 pm Mass on Oct. 3rd, followed by the **Archangel Feast** in Summers Hall. They will honor **Angels in the Classroom: Catholic Teacher of the Year and Support Staff of the Year.** RSVP for the **Feast** at <https://olog.org/archangel-feast> or 816-232-2847.

On Sun., Oct. 4th, a **Bavarian Family Picnic, Noon-3 pm**, will be held at OLOG with a petting zoo, live music, Bavarian food faire, carnival games, prizes, and craft and magic show. Purchase tickets at 816-232-2847 at <https://olog.org/family-pic-nic>.

You are invited on Sun., Oct. 4th, at 1:15 pm, to St. Francis Xavier Church's parking lot for a "Blessing of Animals". Everyone is invited to attend, even if you don't have an animal to bring.



Office of the Bishop

September 17, 2026

Dear Friends in Christ,

On May 2, 2026, I was privileged to participate in the launch of the private phase of the capital campaign for St. Joseph Catholic Academy. I am deeply grateful for the remarkable progress that has been made. At the time of this writing, \$3.2 million has been pledged toward our \$10.3 million goal. That represents strong momentum and demonstrates the commitment of our community to the future of Catholic education.

The *United in Faith, Forward in Excellence* is among the largest capital campaigns in the history of the Diocese and is the only approved capital campaign currently in St. Joseph, Missouri. The response thus far is a powerful testament to the passion, generosity and commitment that the St. Joseph community has for Catholic education.

As we now enter the public phase of this campaign, I urge every member of our community to prayerfully and generously support this important effort. We must address significant needs throughout our school buildings, including more comfortable classrooms, safer facilities, improved accessibility, stronger learning environments and a new auditorium.

This campaign is about more than buildings. It is laying a strong foundation for the future of Catholic education in St. Joseph, Missouri. We have a responsibility to ensure that our schools are equipped to serve our students, families and community for generations to come.

I recognize that every capital campaign raises questions. That is both reasonable and expected. No single campaign can address every need. The projects that I have approved for funding through *United in Faith, Forward in Excellence* have been carefully reviewed by Academy leadership, the Board of Trustees and Diocesan staff. These priorities were selected with thoughtful consideration of the needs of our students and the long-term mission of Catholic education.

Catholic education in St. Joseph depends upon the generosity and commitment of our Catholic community. The schools we have today exist because previous generations believed deeply in this mission and were willing to sacrifice to sustain it. Now it is our turn. We must carry that legacy forward and ensure that those who come after us inherit schools that are strong, safe, accessible and prepared for the future.

My staff and I remain fully committed to this campaign and will continue to provide the leadership, oversight and guidance necessary to move this effort forward. I ask each of you to remain united, magnanimous, and focused on the important work before us.

Thank you for all that has already been accomplished. Your prayers, support and financial generosity have been extraordinary. As we enter the public phase, I am confident that the people of St. Joseph will rise to the occasion, come together in support of our schools and help make *United in Faith, Forward in Excellence* a success. Together, we can strengthen Catholic education in St. Joseph and build a lasting foundation for generations to come.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ James V. Johnston, Jr.

Most Reverend James V. Johnston, Jr.
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