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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

SCHOOL OFFICE

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

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.

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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.

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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
- 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.

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 21-22, 2024

7:50-8:20 AM

This Week's Mass Intentions

Monday, September 23

Prv 3:27-34...Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5...Lk 8:16-18

8:30 AM Mass - Charlene Schnabel +

Tuesday, September 24

Prv 21:1-6, 10-13...Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44...Lk 8:19-21

6:15 AM Mass - King and Kneib Families +

Wednesday, September 25

Prv 30:5-9...Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163...Lk 9:1-6

6:00 PM Mass - Charles Pinzino +

Thursday, September 26

Eccl 1:2-11...s 149:1b-2, 3,-4, 5-6a and 9b...Lk 9:7-9

8:00 AM Mass - Rose Ella Harmann +

Friday, September 27

Eccl 3:1-11...Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4...Lk 9:18-22

8:00 AM Mass - Patty Culver +

Saturday, September 28

Eccl 11:9-12:8...Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17...Lk 9:43b-45

 $8:00 \; AM \quad \; Mass- \; Ruth \; Biller \; Athay, \; Chuck \; Athay, \; Mark \; Athay, \;$

Fr. Andy Biller SVD, Mary (Biller) Searcy,

and Jerry Searcy +

4:00 PM Mass - Living and Deceased Members of the

LeBlond and Christian Brothers Class of 1969

Sunday, September 29

Nm 11:25-29...Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14...Jas 5:1-6...

Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

8:30 AM Mass - Benefactors, Prayer Partners, Family, and

Friends of Sisters in Jesus the Lord

11:30 AM Mass – People of Cathedral and St. Mary Parishes

"Wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield." Praying for wisdom will help you yield to Christ's choice for you. Should He extend to you the gift of a vocation to the consecrated life or priesthood, contact Fr. Nathan Rueb, 816-756-1850.

THANK YOU to all who picked up their contribution envelopes last weekend. If you were not able to do so, please pick up your box this weekend. If you have questions about the envelopes or any contribution issue, please contact the Parish Office, 816-232-7763.

The Catechism Classes (formerly called the School of Religion) for our public school children (K-Gr. 8) begin this Sunday, Sept. 22, from 9:45-10:45 AM in St. Anne's Room (in the basement of the church, next to Ruggle Hall). You may still register your child on Sunday in St. Anne's Room before class begins. There are registration forms in the west vestibule and also in St. Anne's Room before class. See Xavier Schmidt or Julie Kammerer, at the beginning of class, if you have questions.

Do you know someone interested in becoming Catholic or in learning more about our Catholic Faith? Our Order of Christian Initiation of Adults Program (formerly called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) will begin this Sunday, September 22, 1:00-3:00 PM, in the Msgr. Dierkes Conference Room (in the Rectory). If interested, just come to the first session this Sunday or, for more information, contact Arman Partamian at 816-383-3933 or aipartamian@yahoo.com.

Weekly Offertory Income Monthly Budget Goal \$65,725		
	<u>Offertory</u>	Aged, Sick & Poor
Week 1	\$ 11,751.47	\$ 721.00
Week 2	\$10,840.39	\$ 385.00
Week 3	\$11,864.00	<u>\$ 318.00</u>
Totals	\$34,455.86	\$1,424.00

This Coming Week's Activities

Confessions - Cathedral

8:00 AM	School Convocation - Church
8:30 AM	Mass – Cathedral
9:30-11:00 AM	Food Pantry – Rectory Basement
3:30-5:30 PM	VB Practice (Libel) - Gym
5:30-6:30 PM	VB Practice (A. Pfister) – Gym
7:00 PM	Legion of Mary - St. Anne's Room
7:00-8:30 PM	Cheer Practice (Stroud) - Gym
8:00 PM	Rosary – livestream only (when possible)

Tuesday, September 24 (Adoration 8 am-3 pm)

Monday, September 23 (Adoration 9 am-3 pm)

6:15 AM Mass – Cathedral 3:30-5:30 PM VB Practice (Libel) - Gym

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

Wednesday, September 25 (Adoration 8 am-6 pm)

9:00 AM-12 Noon Crafting Group Meeting – Rectory Basement

9:30-11:00 AM
Food Pantry – Rectory Basement
Confessions – St. Mary Church
Mass – St. Mary Church
Cheer (Stroud) – Gym

5:20-5:50 PM Confessions

5:30-7:00 PM VB Practice (Pritt) - Gym

6:00 PM Mass – Cathedral

6:30 PM PTO (Mardi Gras Committee) - Ruggle Hall

8:00 PM Rosary – livestream only
Thursday, September 26 (Adoration 9 am –1 pm)
7:20-7:50 AM Confessions – Cathedral

8:00 AM Mass— Cathedral

7:00 PM Cathedral Choir Rehearsal – Ruggle Hall 8:00 PM Rosary – livestream only (when possible)

Friday, September 27 (Adoration 9 am - 3 pm)
7:20-7:50 AM
8:00 AM
9:30-11:00 AM
3:30-5:30 PM
Confessions - Cathedral
All School Mass - Cathedral
Food Pantry - Rectory Basement
VB Practice (Libel) - Gym

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

Saturday, September 28 (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, September 29 (No Adoration)
7:50-8:20 AM Confessions - Cathedral
8:00 AM Rosary - Cathedral

8:30 AM Mass – Cathedral (also livestreamed)
After Mass
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

10:45-11:15 AM Glory & Praise Choir Rehearsal - Church

10:50-11:20 AM Confessions – Cathedral

11:30 AM Mass - Cathedral

1:00-3:00 PM RCIA - Msgr. Dierkes Mtg Rm (Rectory)

8:00 PM Rosary – livestream only

There will be a Mass of Thanksgiving for our son, Father Angelo Bartulica, who died July 13th, 2024, in Bosnia Herzegovina. The Mass will be at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church at 12:00 noon on October 2nd, A light lunch will be provided after Mass...

Mrs. Bozica and Dr. Nicholas Bartulica

A Word from Father Benjamin Fenlon

Dear brothers and sisters,

As the elections draw nearer, here in Missouri we have a particular situation to deal with on that day, which is the proposed amendment to revise the Missouri constitution, enshrining abortion as a 'reproductive right'.

It is important for us all to understand that an unjust law, especially one that directly contravenes Divine Law, is not a law at all and should not be obeyed. Divine Law refers to the moral code that God Himself has taught us to be absolute, and which is revealed and promulgated in the 10 Commandments.

So it is that when the first Christians were ordered to offer incense to the Roman Emperor, thus recognizing him as a god, they refused, because it would have broken the 1st of the 10 Commandments.

When some significant European protestant denominations approved abortion in the 1990's, St. John Paul II wrote the Encyclical Evangelium Vitae, meaning the Gospel of Life. In this encyclical, using the full weight of Papal authority, he gave us an absolute and definitive interpretation of scripture regarding abortion, stating that it is not morally acceptable to end the life of an unborn child, under any circumstances.

Since it declares mankind to be in the place of God, the proposed amendment to the Missouri constitution, for this reason, does more to undermine the rule of Law in this country than to help any particular person in need.

We have been asleep for too long in Missouri, not recognizing the encroaching claws of the culture of death around our very necks. Now the moment has arrived in which radicalized – and often times, victimized – individuals are forcing through laws that will destroy the state you knew and grew up in.

You and I need to talk to people about this issue. It is crucial that the vast number of indifferent, or superficially politically motivated people, know about what is on the ballot. If you have a Facebook account, is it not time to start posting? If you have friends from different spheres of life, should you not reach out to them too?

And lastly, but first in importance, pray, pray and pray. God can work miracles when our hearts implore Him humbly, with tears and whimpers, for the poor babies who will face execution because of this amendment.

God bless you, and let's do the work.

We have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament when school is in session (extended hours on Wednesdays). See the Adoration hours posted in the second column of first page of bulletin (under this Coming Week's Activities"). You may sign up online at https://signup.com/go/wRfJHpe, on the paper sheet in the chapel (area behind the altar), or contact our Parish Office, 816-232-7763.

THANK YOU to the School Advisory Board, all the Volunteers, and the following Sponsors who made Hill Day such a great event: Ashley Atha — St. Joe Distributing; Brett Carolus — Hillyard; James Jones — Edward Jones Financial Advisors; Chris Landman — River Bluff Brewing; Kevin Lilly — St. Joseph Beverage; Todd Meierhoffer — Meierhoffer Funeral Home; Cody Phillips — Ideker, Inc; Ashley Stroud — Stroud and Associates.

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 the process of restoration, renewal and healing. The next retreat in Kansas City will be on Oct. 18-20. Contact Teresa O'Donnell at 816-679-4973 or go to www.rachelsvineyard.org.

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, October 4, for First Fridays! Meet at the Mir House of Prayer at 6:10 pm for Adoration + Reconciliation, followed by Mass at 7:00 pm. All young adults aged 22-35 are invited to attend. They hope to see you there! Questions? Please contact Ally Gabler at allygabler@gmail.com.

The Fidelium Chorus Catholicus is a new professional choral ensemble of Catholic musicians founded by Matthew Bobela. Fidelium will present its first concert Mysteria Rosarii: Musical Meditations in honor of Our Lady of the Rosary on Sat., Oct. 5, at 6:30 PM, at St. Gabriel the Archangel Church, 4737 N. Cleveland Ave., KC, MO, and on Sun., Oct. 6, at 3:00 PM at St. Joseph Church, 11311 Johnson Dr., Shawnee, KS. This concert unites listeners to Mary's journey accompanying Our Lord throughout the mysteries of the rosary – ad Jesum per Mariam. This family-friendly concert is open to all for a free-will donation. For more information, go to www.fideliumkc.org.

Cathedral School and SJCA News

- We have a position opening for a part-time Bus Driver. This
 position is an 'as needed' opportunity to drive for field trips and
 school activities. Must have a CDL and Missouri School Bus Permit,
 or willingness to obtain: https://recruiting.paylocity.com/recruiting/jobs/Details/2664202/Available-Positions/VanBus-Driver
- A volunteer is needed to help our staff member with the After School Care Program. Duties may include assisting students with homework, reading to students, playing cards/board games and/or telling stories. Help is needed 3:30-6:00 PM, Monday-Friday (but hours may be shorter since students often get picked up before 6:00). Also, if more adults volunteer, they may not be needed every day. If interested in helping, contact the School Office at (816) 232-8486.
- Bishop LeBlond Homecoming is next Friday, Sept. 27th at 7:00 PM. All Catholic Schools Alumni are invited to join LeBlond for this annual event...once an Eagle, always an Eagle!
- What's better than a night at the races? A Night of Golden Stars!
 Save the date for the annual auction on Nov. 16th, and get ready to bet on LeBlond. Sponsorships available now. Call 816-279-1629 or visit https://bishopleblond.org/.
- SJCA is excited about the continued expansion of the MO Scholars program on our campuses. This program would not be possible without the Bright Futures Fund and the businesses and individuals signing up for the MO Scholars Tax Credit. These are funds that have to be paid to the State of Missouri, but you can choose to redirect them to benefit Catholic education in our community! Please contact www.brightfuturesfund.com or natalien@stjoecatholicacademy.com for information.

Missouri Right to Life, Knights of Columbus, and PRC Life Day: The 22nd annual Life Chain event will be held on Oct. 6th. The Life Chain will gather in the west parking lot of the Bishop LeBlond High School at 1:45 pm to pick up signs, and stand on the north side of Frederick Ave in silent prayer from 2:00-3:00 pm. To walk with Bishop James Johnston, Bishop of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, and the Knights of Columbus, please meet at the East Hills Library at 2:30 pm, and walk to LeBlond's running track. Bishop James Johnston, will be the guest speaker at the 3:30 pm Rally at the LeBlond stadium. Come out and listen to Bishop Johnston! If you have questions, contact William Werner, Life Chain Coordinator, at bwerner@yahoo.com or 816-259-3533.



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Missouri has strong pro-life laws protecting preborn children from harm or death, and women and families from the deeply emotional, spiritual, and physical wounds of abortion. On November 5, you will be asked to vote on Amendment 3 which aims to strip away these protections and enshrine an absolute right to abortion in our Missouri state constitution.

There are many alarming consequences to this extreme amendment, including:

- abortions for any reason before viability (usually in the sixth month of pregnancy) even when a preborn child
 is old enough to feel pain, resulting in extremely late-term surgical abortions;
- no parental notification or consent for any reproductive healthcare decisions;
- **new health risks for women** any "health care professional" could legally perform an abortion including a nurse, physician assistant, dental hygienist, or pharmacist;
- **no civil or criminal recourse** against negligence resulting in harm or death of a mother receiving reproductive healthcare or a wanted child during delivery;
- an open door to force taxpayer funding of abortion, as is now happening in Michigan.

The full amendment can be read here: sos.mo.gov/CMSImages/Elections/Petitions/2024-086.pdf So, what can you do?

Pray

I believe the magnitude and gravity of the current moment requires a fervent spiritual response. For, to be honest, the present odds appear to favor the culture of death. Go to Mass and pray that God will save Missouri; pray the Rosary daily through November 5; invoke the intercession of St. Joseph who protected the infant Christ against the wickedness of Herod, and if you're able, practice fasting on Fridays.

Vote

I am urging you to **vote "no" on Amendment 3** so that women and preborn babies continue to be protected in Missouri from the trauma of abortion and that Missourians will not surrender their rights. Share the facts about this alarming amendment with others.

Safeguard Them Both

Join these ministries and programs to redouble efforts to give women control and real choices.

- If you have lost a child to abortion, come for mercy and healing. hopeafterabortion.org
- Share your maternal experience by mentoring a young mother through Gabriel Project. gabrielprojectkc.org
- Share your time, talent and treasure with a pregnancy resource center. Find one near you at lifeandjusticekcsj.org.
- Support Catholic Charities' Mom's Empowerment Program. Learn more at catholiccharities-kesj.org.

As Catholics we must renew and add to the ways we support women and families experiencing an unexpected pregnancy or difficult diagnosis and their preborn babies through supportive care and love. This is the best response to what Pope Francis has called the "throwaway culture." I hope we can all respond to this gathering storm with prayer and action, aided by the help of Our Lady and the grace of Our Lord.

Sincerely yours in Christ, + James V. Johnston, J.

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