

Our Lady of Sorrows Church



2552 GILLHAM ROAD ~ KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI 64108

Pastoral Thoughts

Was Christmas time meant to be Chaotic?

I hope and pray you all had a safe and social distance Christmas and were able to connect with friend and family over the phone or through zoom. I know with all the pandemic criteria we are asked to follow Christmas this year just seemed to be a little more chaotic and far from the norm.

The shopping part of the holiday is always a little stressful but throw in the pandemic and so many people struggling financially it can feel overwhelming. But this feeling of being out of sorts may be able to bring us closer to the Holy Family this year.

For the first Christmas was just as stressful for Joseph and Mary as well. Here they were traveling to Bethlehem for the first ever census with Mary being 9 months pregnant, little resources and no where to stay after their journey.

But out of this chaos and strife came a calmness and joy when the Babe of Bethlehem arrived. For it was as if the world stopped for a moment to appreciate a truly special event. Shepherds and Angels stopped what they were doing to come and see the new King, and even the animals of the stable were calm sensing something great.

So often in our lives we go through difficult trials like the one we are in now, and always seem to come out of it a little better. Hopefully, we take what we have learned and apply to the positives to our life and appreciate those who have been there for us even more.

So, this Christmas season, let us concentrate on our blessings rather than our wants, because all things made by man will waste away, but the true gift from God will remain in our hearts, mind, and soul forever.

Merry Christmas

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Regardless of where you are from, your occupation, your family, your marital status, your personal history, your age, your background, your race, your ethnicity, your political affiliation, your religion, your gender, or your gender identification, we are happy you are here with us today to worship! We invite you to learn more about our parish and its activities by contacting our office, website or simply by mingling with our parishioners after mass.

DECEMBER 27, 2020
THE HOLY FAMILY

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, December 26—Holy Family

4:00pm † Joseph & Paula Garcia
 † Richard & Elia de la Garza Ibarra

SUNDAY, December 27—Holy Family

8:30am OLOS Parishioners
 10:30am † Frankie Fowler

MONDAY, December 28—The Holy Innocents

† Clarine Dolson

TUESDAY, December 29—St. Thomas Becket

† Anita Mae Rogers

WEDNESDAY, December 30—Weekday

Noon † Charlsie Pileggi

THURSDAY, December 31—St Sylvester

Noon † Fausta Roco Pelayo

FRIDAY, January 1—Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

10:00am OLOS Parishioners

SATURDAY, January 2—Epiphany of the Lord

4:00pm OLOS Parishioners

SUNDAY, January 3—Epiphany of the Lord

8:30am † Frank Franke
 10:30am Stephanie Franke-Ibarra, spec.int.

Please Note: MASS INTENTIONS

The Mass Intentions list above reflect the intention for each day that are being said Privately by Fr. Leonard during his personal daily Mass.

Our Weekend Masses will have the intention for that day. We do have days with openings for intentions coming up. Call or email the office to schedule a Mass intentions you would like to have. 816.421.2112 stephanief@oloskc.org

Readings for the Week of December 27, 2020

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/
 Col 3:12-21/Lk 2:22-40
 Monday: 1 Jn 1:5-2:2/Ps 124/Mt 2:12-18
 Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96/Lk 2:22-35
 Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96/Lk 2:36-40
 Thursday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96/Jn 1:1-18
 Friday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 4, 6, 8/Gal 4:4-7/
 Lk 2:16-21
 Saturday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98/Jn 1:19-28
 Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13/
 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Resources for the readings can be found at USCCB.org.

Prayers Requested

Pray for Earl Jones, Mary Weatherford, Grace Diaz, Sarah Eck, Jim Healy, Mary Healy, Debbie Bruening, Rose Ann Jett, Judy Dale, Jane Carey, Mike Burke, Maurice Carey, Jerry Gumminger, Susan Walsh, Blake Mathews, Ken Blundell, Shirley Briscoe, Allan Schaff, Sandra Freeman, Charles Masters, Bill Zaner, Grace Weatherford.

Praying for our Military Service Members:

Isaac Eyph, Cruz Ibarra, Brian Jansen, Christopher Lamkey, Kyler Brotherton Major Amanda Lamkey and all military members serving our great nation.

Praying for our First Responders, Doctors, Nurses & Healthcare workers

Emily Tylski, Kathryn Blundell, Lynette Wheeler, Tom Papreck, and ALL who are working to care for our sick through this pandemic. Know that this includes our Police and Fire and ALL first responders.

If you, a loved one or friend are serving in the military, or as a First Responder roll, Fire Department, Police Department, Ambulance, Paramedic, Doctor, Nurse, or Healthcare Worker, please call or email the office to have their names added to our prayer list. We ask our parishioners to remember them, and all who are on our prayer list in their prayers. 816.421.2112 stephanief@oloskc.org

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You may also make donations through our website.

Or use our QR Code for PayPal!



Contributions Received



From December 14-20, 2020

Mail Plate.....\$424.75
 Envelopes.....\$2,355.00

Thank You to ALL our parishioners who have provided support, either financially or through your prayers, to the parish during this difficult time. [Click here](#) to donate online

Weekly Activities & Events

Thank You for your Support

Thank you to all who have contributed of their time, talents and treasure this past year. We are truly grateful for your support in a year that was filled with uncertainty.

If you find you would like to contribute in one more opportunity before 2020 ends, that would be tax deductible, please consider some of our ongoing projects. *Every little bit helps.*

Tree removal that threatens the rectory \$2,500.00, Stone and concrete work around the campus \$5,000.00.

Holiday Office Hours

The offices will be open on December 28 from 9am-3pm. The week of December 28 the offices will be open but limitedly staffed. Offices will be closed from December 31 through January 3 for the New Year Holiday.

Have Blessed New Year.

Tax Deductible Giving

There are many ways you can give to your parish to receive a tax deduction.

You can give each week or month through your envelope in the collection, or online through PayPal. (See page 2 of the bulletin for more information)

You can choose to send a larger check at the end of the year. Or choose a time during the year to gift a larger sum each year.

You may "ear mark" your gift to a specific project or expense for the parish.

Life insurance policies assigned to a parish can mean substantial gifts. They are easy to assign and avoid taxes and estate complications. Do you have an insurance policy to assign your parish?

Have you remembered the good works of the Church in your Will? A bequest of part of your estate or for a stated amount of \$1,000, \$5,000, \$10,000, will ensure that the works of the parish will continue after your death.

If you are at least 70 ½ and have a regular (not Roth) IRA, the IRS considers a distribution from your IRA that goes directly to our parish a qualified charitable distribution. There is no tax deduction, but the gift is excluded from your taxable income and can count toward your required minimum distribution. (Please contact the office for more information on making this type of contribution.)

No Regular Weekday Masses

The week of December 28 there will be NO weekday Masses. The only Mass that week will be on Friday, January 1 at 10:00am for the Feast of Mary, Mother of God.

We will resume our regular schedule the week of January 4th. Thank you!

"Coping with Life Alone" - Peer-To-Peer Grief Support - Now Available Online!

"Coping with Life Alone®" is a Beginning Experience® grief support program that meets each week for 10 weeks. The program helps those who have lost a love relationship due to death, divorce or separation, move through the experience of grief and loss into a future with renewed hope.

Upcoming program dates:

February 1 through April 5, 2021, 10 sessions

Monday evenings, 6:30pm to 8:30pm

Cost: \$50

This session will be held online using Zoom and requires internet access.

Please register in advance and receive the program workbook plus detailed Zoom meeting instructions by going to www.beginningexperiencekc.org

For additional information please contact Donna at 816-305-3760

Office of Child & Youth Protection—Sexual Abuse

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating 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. 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, at 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 the Victim Advocate Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information

Weekly Activities & Events

Confessions

Currently confessions will be heard on a prescheduled basis with Fr. Leonard.

To make arrangements, please email Fr. Leonard directly by emailing him at frleonard@oloskc.org.

If you are unable to email Fr. Leonard, you may call the office and leave a name and number for Fr. Leonard to return the call. 816.421.2112

Mass Intentions for 2021

Our book for Mass Intentions for 2021 is open. If you would like to have a mass said for a loved one, living or deceased, we are ready to help you with this.

Call or email the office to request masses to be said. We will need the name for the intention, if they are living or deceased, if you have a specific day you would like the mass said on (We will attempt to accommodate your request). Email stephanief@oloskc.org or call 816-421-2112

Volunteers

12/26 & 27	4:00pm	8:30am	10:30am
Reader	Jude Huntz	Bill Capotosto	Pat Battaglia
Eucharistic Ministers	Nancy Lowdon	Rita Witt	Sylvia Gutierrez
Servers	Paden Huntz	Tom Papreck	George Bryde
Ushers	Pat Tangen	Ted Tschirhart	Rick Grindel

1/2 & 3	4:00pm	8:30am	10:30am
Reader	Debbie Tangen	Tammy Papreck	Ann Marie Creedon
Eucharistic Ministers	Kathy Randolph	Rita Witt	Joe Creedon
Servers	Simon Huntz	Tom Papreck	George Bryde
Ushers	Grace Weatherford	Ted Tschirhart	Mel Hogan

Parish Calendar of Events

- **December 30—No Noon Mass**
- **December 31—No Adoration and NO Noon Mass**
- **December 30—Office Closes at Noon thru January 3**
- **January 1—Solemnity of Mary—10am Mass—Holy Day of Obligation**
- **January 2—Wedding at 1:30pm**
- **January 6—Mass at 12, Noon**
- **January 7—Adoration & Mass—11:00am-12, Noon—concludes with Benediction and Mass at Noon**
- **January 13—Mass at 12, Noon**

- **January 14—Adoration & Mass—11:00am-12, Noon—concludes with Benediction and Mass at Noon**
- **January 16 & 17—Catholic Home Missions Collection at all Masses.**
- **January 20—Mass at 12, Noon**
- **January 21—Adoration & Mass—11:00am-12, Noon—concludes with Benediction and Mass at Noon**

Keep Watching for more info & dates to come!

Parish Office Hours

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Report Abuse:

Diocesan Ombudsman
Joe Crayon
816-812-2500

Diocesan Victim Advocate

Kathleen Chastain
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Weekend Schedule

Saturday
 Mass 4:00 pm
Sunday
 Masses 8:30 & 10:30 am
Weekdays—Wednesday
 Mass 12 Noon
Thursdays
 Mass 12 Noon
Eucharistic Adoration
 Thursdays 11:00 am
Confessions—By Appointment only



New Parishioner Information

Please print your name and address below to receive registration information.

Name _____

Address _____

City/State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____

Email address _____

Please drop in collection basket, mail, call the Parish Office 816.421.2112, or email to stephanief@oloskc.org