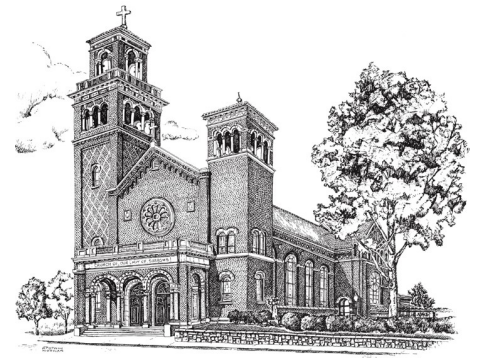


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Weekend Schedule

Saturday

Confessions 3:30 pm

Mass 4:00 pm

Sunday

Masses 8:00 & 11:00 am

Weekdays

Confession 11:30 am

Mass 12 Noon

Eucharistic Adoration

Fridays 11:00 am

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve—4:00pm Mass. Carols starting at 3:30pm

Traditional Midnight Mass with Candlelight Procession. Carols start at 11:30pm

Christmas Day—10:00am Mass

New Year's Day—Feast of Mary, Mother of God. 10:00am Mass

DECEMBER 22, 2019
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT/CHRISTMAS ISSUE

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, December 21—4th Sunday of Advent

4:00 pm † Richard & Manny Segura

SUNDAY, December 22—4th Sunday of Advent

8:00 am † Jacob Armstrong

11:00 am OLOS Parishioners

MONDAY, December 23—St. John of Kanty

Noon † Philip & Patricia Fowlie

TUESDAY, December 24—Christmas Eve

4:00pm OLOS Parishioners

Midnight OLOS Parishioners

WEDNESDAY, December 25—Christmas Day

10:00am OLOS Parishioners

THURSDAY, December 26—St. Stephen

Noon Richard & Elia Ibarra

FRIDAY, December 27—St. John

Noon † Frankie Fowlie

SATURDAY, December 28—Holy Family

4:00 pm † Joseph & Paula Garcia

SUNDAY, December 29—Holy Family

8:00 am OLOS Parishioners

11:00 am † Anita Rogers

Mass Intentions

Please call the office 816.421.2112.

Prayers Requested

Pray for Earl Jones, Mary Weatherford, Grace Diaz, Sarah Eck, Sue Remkus, Jim Healy, Mary Healy, Debbie Bruening, Rose Ann Jett, Teresa Bradskey, Judy Dale, Jane Carey, Mike Burke, Maurice Carey, Jerry Gumming, Barbara Darling, and Leigh Ann Zeller.

Parish Calendar of Events

- **December 21—Wedding** at 1:30pm
- **December 22—Church Decorating for Christmas—** Noon meet in the church. Lunch Provided.
- **December 24 & 25—Office will be Closed**
- **December 24—Christmas Eve—**Join us at either 3:30pm for carols followed by **4:00pm Mass** or 11:30pm for carols followed by a *traditional Midnight Mass with candlelight procession.*
- **December 25—Christmas Day—**10:00am Mass
- **December 28—Weddings** at 1:30pm & 6:30pm
- **December 30—Mass at Noon.**
- **December 31—NO Noon Mass/Offices Closed**
- **January 1—Mary, Mother of God—**Mass at 10am
- **January 1—Offices Closed**
- **January 3—Wedding** at 3:00pm

Volunteers

12/21-22	4:00pm	8:00am	11:00am
Reader	Lynette Wheeler	Bill Capotosto	Rick Grindel Allan Schaff
Eucharistic Ministers	Kathy Randolph G. Weatherford	Emily Tylski Ruth Rider-Seck	Kathryn Blundell Sylvia Gutierrez
Servers	John Pileggi	Tonnye Armstrong	David Mettman
Ushers	Ed Stevens Judy Stevens Pat Tangen Debbie Tangen	Ted Tschirhart Joe Gutierrez Volunteer Volunteer	Mel Hogan Volunteer Volunteer Volunteer

For Christmas Eve 4:00pm and Midnight Masses we will use the readings from “Mass during the night”
For Christmas Day we will use the “Mass at Dawn” readings.

All Ministers, PLEASE Arrive 20 minutes prior to your mass time and check in with Deacon Tyrone in the Sacristy or Church.

12/24-25	4:00pm	Midnight	10:00am
Readers	Lynette Wheeler Stephen Bulley	Tim Healy Bill Capotosto	Eloise Sanders Jeff Crabb
Eucharistic Minister	Ruth Rider-Seck Elizabeth Bower	Rita Witt Tammy Papreck	Kathryn Blundell Rick Grindel
Servers	John Pileggi	Tom Papreck John Pileggi	Tonnye Armstrong
Ushers	Ted Tschirhart G. Weatherford Pat Tangen Debbie Tangen	Volunteer Volunteer Volunteer Volunteer	Rick Grindel Sherree Grindel Volunteer Volunteer

12/28-29	4:00pm	8:00am	11:00am
Reader	Tom Papreck	Eloise Sanders	Pat Battaglia Volunteer
Eucharistic Ministers	Tammy Papreck Kathy Randolph	Jeremiah Tylski Ruth Rider-Seck	Kathryn Hogan Rick Grindel
Servers	John Pileggi	Tonnye Armstrong	Jim Healy
Ushers	Ed Stevens Judy Stevens G. Weatherford Volunteer	Ted Tschirhart Joe Gutierrez Volunteer Volunteer	Rick Grindel Volunteer Volunteer Volunteer

- **January 3—Parents of Murdered Children and Other Homicide Survivors Support Group—**6:30pm – 9:30pm Meets in the Hall.
 - **January 4 & 5—Catholic Key Subscription Collection** at all the masses
 - **January 8—Knights of Columbus** meeting at 6:30pm in the Hall
 - **January 11—Wedding** at 1:30pm
 - **January 12—Coffee & Donuts—**after the 8am & 11am Masses in the Hall.
 - **January 18 & 19—Catholic Home Missions Collection** at all the masses
 - **January 19—Catholic hope Group** 2-4pm in the Hall
- Keep Watching for more info & dates to come!**

Pastoral Thoughts

Dear Friends and Parishioners of Our Lady of Sorrows,

With deep joy and gratitude, I extend to you my prayerful best wishes for a Holy and Blessed Christmas. This Christmas is truly special one to me, since I am celebrating it for the first time with all of you. I can only count blessing and favors that the Lord has bestowed on me since I arrived in this parish community nearly six months ago. I received a very warm welcome and I continue to experience the friendliness and concern that permeates our parish family.

On that first Christmas, the angels praised God, saying, *“Glory to God in the highest, and peace on earth to men of good will.”* The shepherds came and adored the newborn Savior. St. Luke wrote, *“And Mary treasured all of these things and reflected on them in her heart.”*

We too are called to pause and treasure the gift of Christmas in our hearts. And that gift is simply Jesus, true God who became true human, who came to reveal perfectly God’s truth and love to us, who died and rose for our salvation, and who founded a Church – a family – where His presence continues in both Word and Sacrament. Treasure and reflect on the gift of Jesus and the faith you share in Him as a member of the Catholic Church.

Moreover, we must not let Christmas just be a passing day. Live in the spirit of Christmas each day. Reflect upon how to better treasure this gift each day by making prayer a critical part of your day, by continuing to read Sacred Scripture and the teachings of our Church, by having a stronger devotion to the Blessed Sacrament and the Mass and doing those good works for those entrusted to your care and for those in need.

And if you are reading this article and you have been away from the church for a while, Our Lady of Sorrows family is missing a lot without you. And if you are a visitor and are looking for a parish home, this is truly a good place to be. In fact we would love to see you in the coming weeks as we worship and thank God for his goodness in our lives.

Lastly as your Priest, I treasure the gift of you and the dedication, sacrifices, and hard work you have shown to make this parish a beacon of Christ’s love. In particular, I thank those who serve in the various ministries and organizations and those who have made our Christmas celebrations a colorful occasion. On behalf of Deacons Tyrone and Mike and all our staff, I wish each of you a blessed and joyous Christmas and New Year! May the peace, joy, and love of the Holy Family be present in your lives each day during this Christmas season.

Fr. Leonard Gicheru

Last Weekends Collection

From December 15, 2019

Plate.....	\$391.26
Envelopes.....	\$1,475.00

Readings for the Week of December 22, 2019

Sunday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Rom 1:1-7/
My 1:18-24

Monday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/
Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10, 14/Lk 1:57-66

Tuesday: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13/
Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14

Wednesday: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/
Lk 2:15-20

Thursday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-49/
Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17/Mt 10:17-22

Friday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/
Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Saturday: 1 Jn 1:5-2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8/
Mt 2:13-18

Next Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/
Col 3:12-21/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Praying for our Military Service Members:

Isaac Eyp, Cruz Ibarra, Brian Jansen, and all military members serving our great nation.

Please remember these people in your prayers.

If you or a loved one or friend are serving in the military, please call the office to have their names added to our military prayer list. We would like to honor those serving by having them listed on our bulletin. We ask our parishioners to remember them, and all who are on our prayer list in their prayers. 816.421.2112

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

LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA DISPLAYS JESUS AND THE JEWISH ROOTS OF MARY

By Dr. Brant Pitre

"This book is vintage Brant Pitre: clear, persuasive, readable, and above all, inspiring. It causes us not only to know more about the Mother of God, but also to love her more."—**Robert Barron, Auxiliary Bishop of Los Angeles and author of To Light a Fire on the Earth**

"Mystified by the way Catholics speak about Mary? Join the club! But if you – like me – have longed for a book that makes a good biblical case for Catholic teachings relating to Mary, then look no further! Brant Pitre has produced an absolutely riveting, page-turning read, surely the most thought-provoking and stimulating I have ever read on the subject."—**Chris Tilling, Graduate Tutor and Senior Lecturer in New Testament Studies**

"I did not think a single book could be written about Mary that would excite and unite Catholic and Protestant readers - scholars, clergy and laity alike. What Pitre does with the Bible and Marian typology is clear and compelling. A joy to read, this is the best biblical study of Mary I have ever read. A true masterpiece."—**Scott Hahn, author of The Lamb's Supper and The Fourth Cup**

"Combining detailed biblical study with his own personal reflections, Pitre explains how Mary the mother of Jesus came to be regarded as a new Eve, a new Rachel, the ark of the new covenant, heavenly queen, perpetual virgin, and mother of God. The volume is an accessible, indeed essential, guide to Roman Catholic teaching, and it should interest anyone seeking deeper understanding of Mary's role."

Amy-Jill Levine, University Professor of New Testament and Jewish Studies, Vanderbilt Divinity School and College of Arts and Science

Visit the Lighthouse displays at the main and side entrances of the church to find more.

Christmas Flowers have been given in Honor or Memory of the people listed below. They are for the further Praise and Glory of God.

John & Edelmira Grindel, Jill Grindel, Roger Foglesong, Robert Riss, The Riss Family, The Dumovich Family, Donald Franke, Ruth & Carl Franke, Michael Franke, The Franke Family, The Boehm Family, The Whitmer Family, Lawrence & Margaret Yohon, J. David Yohon, Esther Yohon, The Yohon Family, Richard & Elia Ibarra, The Ibarra Family, Edward Gumming family, Garn Hopkins Family, Elia Ibarra, Frank & Nina DiMaggio, Ibarra Family, DiMaggio Family, Felix A & Theresia C. Pileggi, Dr. George & Nikki Sullivan, G. L. Blankinship, O. C. Patterson, Sister Magdalen Marie, Books Whaley, Leola & Ponder Jolly, Joseph & Mike Armstrong, Jacob Armstrong, Sr., Anelo Sposato, Anthony DeSandolo, Anonymous souls, Karin Major Yetter, Juliann Cole, Ivy & Jim Blundell, Eric Woods, Lucille & Ray Yetter, Irene & Jim Lambert, Marie & Stanley Major, Kevin, Bill, Marlys, Eileen & Maureen Major, Gerhard Cibis, Rose Ellerman, Charles Ellerman, Paul Porter, Robert L. Seck, Opal & Jim Rider, Rider Family, Seck Family, Jerry Lee, Jim Lee, Dee Martin, Claude Martin, Bonnie Torp, Paula L. Garcia, Joseph E. Garcia, Garmin Garcia, Ronald E. Garcia, The Derting Family, Ray & Anne Tangen, The Carey Family, Gene & Donna Thompson, The Dale Family, Dr. Amado G. Pelayo, Fausta Roco Pelayo, Dr. Araceli P. Karimi, Geraldine P. Degusman, Arturo A. Mactal, Sophia Jamison, Earl Jamison, The O'Toole Family, Pauline Garland, Mary Stevens, The Wheeler Family, The Paletta Family, Harry Weatherford, Mary Weatherford, Tavi Ramirez, James Eck, and Gino Segura.



We remember our deceased members as well as honor our living members. We give further Praise, Honor and Glory to God.

Office & Church Schedule thru January 2

Our offices are closed December 24 & 25. We will also be closed December 31 and January 1. We hope you have a Merry Christmas and Happy and Safe New Year.

Christmas Eve 4:00pm (Carols at 3:30pm)
Traditional Christmas Eve Midnight Mass with Candlelight procession. (Carols at 11:30pm)
Christmas Day 10:00am
Thursday, December 26—confessions 11:30, Mass at Noon
Friday, December 27- Adoration 11am, Confessions 11:30, Mass at Noon
December 28 & 29—Regular Mass & Confessions Schedule
Tuesday, December 31—NO NOON MASS
Wednesday, January 1—**Mass 10am**

*******Merry Christmas*******



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 or mail to the Parish Office.
Or call the Parish Office 816.421.2112