



24th Sunday

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

“There will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance.” - Lk 15:7b

St. Therese Parish - September 15, 2019

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If you are a victim of sexual abuse by, or to report sexual abuse involving a cleric, diocesan volunteer or employee, contact Kathleen or or call 816.812.2500.

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. 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.

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website: www.sttheresenorth.org

Mass Schedules

Weekend Masses

Saturday: (for Sunday obligation) 4:30pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am,
12:00 noon, 5:00pm

Daily Masses

Monday, Thursday, Saturday:
8:30am

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday:
6:30am, 8:30am

Rosary: Monday-Saturday: 7:55am
Saturday: 4:00pm

Sunday: 7:25am

Confession

Wednesday: 8:00-8:20am

Saturday: 3:00-4:15pm

Anytime by request

Regular Business Hours

Parish Office: Monday-Friday,
8:00am-4:00pm

Closed Wed. 1:15-3:00pm

School Office: Monday-Friday,
7:30am-3:30pm

Early Education Center:
Monday-Friday, 6:30am-6:00pm



VISITORS & NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome!

We are glad you are here.

If you are interested in becoming a member,
please visit our website: www.sttheresenorth.org

See above for all contact information. Please don't
hesitate to reach out to us for questions or if we
can be of any help.

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD & PARISH

Week Ending Friday, September 6, 2019
 Fiscal Year: July 1, 2019—June 30, 2020

From The Pastor's Pen



	Weekly	Year-to-Date
Contributions	\$67,056	\$689,497
Budgeted	\$77,675	\$699,075
Difference	(\$10,618)	(\$9,578)
Building Loan Balance		\$3,181,245
Debt Retirement Contributions	\$2,897	\$19,994
Principal & Interest payments		(\$84,966)
Difference		(\$64,972)

Ever wonder what's behind the blinds?

The Adoration Chapel has been opened more than 20 years. Next weekend (21/22) is our first ever Adoration Chapel Open House. After each weekend Mass, take a peek and enjoy some refreshments.

Overnight Prayer Vigil for Vocations

After the 8:30am Mass on Friday, September 20 through Saturday, September 21 until 8:15am, join us in Church as we pray for vocations.

For additional information contact: eucharisticadoration@sttheresenorth.org.

Readings for the week of September 15

Sunday: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/Ps 51 3-4, 12-13, 17, 19 [L 15:18]/1 Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10

Monday: . . 1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9 [6]/Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday:1 Tm 3:1-13/Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6 [2]/Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday:1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 7:31-35

Thursday:1 Tm 4:12-16/Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10 [2]/Lk 7:36-50

Friday: .1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3

Saturday:Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Mt 9:9-13

Next Sunday:Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8 [cf. 1a, 7b]/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

Insofar as it is the truth, we must be grateful for every disclosure.

Pope Benedict XVI

Earlier this month, Bishop Johnston released a listing of priests of this diocese who have been found to have substantiated allegations of the abuse of minors. This came after an extensive review of personnel files by a forensic research team that consisted of three former FBI agents. Last year Bishop Johnston invited the state attorney general to do a review of diocesan files and the list has been shared with that office.

The Bishop has sent a letter to every registered Catholic household in the diocese. You may have already received your letter, if not, you should receive it this week. I encourage you to take the time to read it. Among other things, Bishop Johnston points out that with one exception, all of these allegations are prior to 1990. The letter is also available on pages 4 and 5 of this bulletin.

Events such as these can be painful to any number of people, particularly to survivors of sexual abuse, regardless of where that took place. For some, these events can become trauma triggers that stir the pain but the hope is that the publication of this list will be one step in bringing about healing so longed for by so many.

Most of the accused on the list are deceased and none are active in priestly ministry. To the best of my knowledge, there was only one named that of a priest who was assigned to St. Therese and that is Francis McGlynn (deceased 2012). It looks like he was assigned here as an associate pastor from 1975 to 1978. I do not know if any of the accusations were from this parish or not.

Concerns about any church employee or volunteer regarding minors may be directed to our diocesan independent ombudsman, Joe Crayon at 816.812.2500, as well as to local law enforcement.

Our Office of Child and Youth Protection, includes Kathleen Chastain, Victim Services Coordinator, who is there to help with any victims of sexual abuse and their families, not just those abused under Church auspices. I have worked with Kathleen and respect her. You may contact her at 816.392.0011.

On page 7, Father Andrew outlines some of the healing resources available.

In spite of the great pain, disappointment and understandable anger, I believe God can draw good out of evil. This is one powerful message of the cross. This is a painful invitation to renew our commitment to work for the safety of all

children and vulnerable adults and to work for a better way of dealing with this awful issue.

Over the years, there has been much progress on a national level and locally. More work needs to be done but things are not as they once were. For example, in our own diocese:

*The Office of Child of Youth Protection has been established to oversee training, outreach, response and healing.

*An independent ombudsman has been contracted to receive all calls regarding sexual misconduct with minors.

*All credible abuse suspicions are reported to the proper civil authorities. All reports are shared with our Independent Review Board. No exceptions.

*There is now a structure in place to handle not only allegations of abuse but also of boundary violations and other inappropriate or suspicious behavior.

*All adults who work with minors must 1–*Sign the Ethics in Ministry* policy; 2–Have a criminal background screening; and 3–Complete a *Protecting God's Children* workshop;

*Employees who work with minors are to complete a monthly, on line, training bulletin.

*Since 2002 over 31,000 adults have completed a *Protecting God's Children* workshop in our diocese.

*Each year thousands of children and youth receive age appropriate safe environment education.

*In Missouri, clergy are now mandated reporters.

Please pray for all victims of sexual abuse and their families, that they may find healing and peace. Please pray for all abusers, that they may be led to repentance and conversion. Please pray for all bishops and all those in authority, that they may fully embrace the solemn responsibilities entrusted to them. Please pray for a bright new day for the Church in our country and throughout the world.

On Sunday, September 29 at 9:00 AM, a special Blue Mass for all those involved in law enforcement, firefighting and for those who serve as emergency responders will be offered at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, at 11th and Broadway. All those involved in these important community services are invited to attend.

Father Joe Cisetti

Dear Friends in Christ,

Grace and peace.

The dreadful scourge of sexual abuse of minors has wounded our entire family of faith. As shepherd of our local church, I must do all in my power to eradicate this sin, heal those who have been harmed, and bring to justice those who have offended. As a step in this process, I am publicizing a list of clerics, that is, priests and deacons, who have substantiated allegations of abuse of minors.

In releasing this list my first hope is that it will acknowledge the survivors of clergy sexual abuse and their wounds. Not long ago, one abuse survivor told me, “Bishop, we cannot heal until these wounds are brought into the light. If no one knows about them, they are still there, festering and poisoning the Church.” The release of these names cannot change the past. It is merely a step forward in hope, but a necessary step. All sin is terrible, but the sins of clerics who betray the sacred trust to care for little ones is especially egregious. Jesus himself singled out this betrayal as particularly wicked in the eyes of God. The anger at these sins is fully justified.

A listing of those clerics of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph who have been found to have substantiated allegations of sexual abuse of a minor is available (www.sttheresenorth.org, click on *Diocese Releases List...*). A hard copy may be obtained upon request from your parish. In addition to clergy of this diocese, I am also listing clergy of other dioceses and religious orders who have substantiated allegations against them when they served in the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. This comes after a painstaking, thorough review of the files of the diocese by an independent firm with expertise in forensic research, Fidelity Consultants, LLC, whose team is comprised of three former agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The Fidelity team was provided complete, unsupervised access to the files of the diocese. Their review specifically covered the years from the beginning of the diocese in 1956 to the present. Their findings confirmed there are no clerics in active ministry in the Diocese of Kansas City – St. Joseph with substantiated allegations of abusing minors. Fidelity Consultants, LLC provided an explanation of the scope of their review to the Independent Review Board, which is primarily comprised of lay people with expertise in a wide variety of child protection professions. The Independent Review Board, Office of Child and Youth Protection, and diocesan leadership reached consensus on this list of clerics with substantiated allegations and Fidelity personnel concurred that the list produced was consistent with their review. Moreover, to help state authorities in better protecting minors, the list has been shared with the Office of the Missouri Attorney General.

In addition, I have listed clergy who I have deemed unsuitable for ministry out of concern for the safety of children. Moreover, clergy who have been named in legal settlements but whose cases have not to date been substantiated by a civil or church process have been listed as well. An allegation is considered substantiated by any number of factors such as: admission by the accused, corroboration by witness statements, multiple similar allegations, documents, emails, photos, or through another source, such as an investigation by law enforcement or the Independent Review Board of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. Making a determination is particularly difficult when the allegations were received by the diocese many years after the abuse and sometimes after the death of the accused. This list is based on information that is currently available. Any new information regarding allegations of clergy sexual abuse of minors will be carefully reviewed and evaluated, and if substantiated, the list will be updated accordingly.

While it is impossible to undo the past, it is possible to act in the present. I renew my apology to any person who has been afflicted by acts of clergy sexual abuse, including family members. A priority identified within our Diocesan Mutually Shared Vision (our new diocesan pastoral plan) is Restoration in Christ, beginning with those who have been wounded by clergy sexual abuse. Along with the services and assistance already provided through our Office of Child and Youth Protection and Victim Assistance Coordinator, we will further be establishing more paths for healing. Ultimately, it is Christ who will heal and bring restoration. We can play a part in helping Him.

With the one significant exception of former Father Shawn Ratigan, the substantiated allegations were found to have occurred prior to 1990. Since 2002 and the U.S. Catholic Bishops’ Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People and Essential Norms, our diocese has dedicated an abundance of financial and personnel resources toward child safety, transparency, healing and reporting. Our diocese is exceptional in that it engages an independent Ombudsman who receives all reports involving child sexual abuse, automatically informs civil authorities, investigates and reports to the diocesan Independent Review Board. Our diocese regularly carries out Mandated Reporter Training for all personnel who are legally required to report suspected child abuse; VIRTUS® Protecting God’s Children Workshops are required for all our clergy, employees and volunteers. All candidates for priestly and diaconal ministry undergo rigorous psychological screening and receive thorough human formation to live as healthy and holy priests and deacons. We can all be grateful to the thousands of good people, lay ministers, deacons and priests who humbly serve and work to make our parishes and schools safe and wholesome places for children and youth, their families and the community at-large.

(Letter from Bishop Johnston continues. . .)

While our diocese has made great strides in maintaining a safe environment, we must not become complacent. We live in a fallen world and a fallen culture. Christ warned that within the Church there would be “weeds among the wheat” until the end. I strongly encourage anyone who has yet to share their story of abuse to report it to civil authorities at the local and state level. I also ask anyone who suspects misconduct with or abuse of minors by a member of the clergy, an employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph to report it to Mr. Joseph Crayon, the Ombudsman, at 816-812-2500.

When Jesus died on the cross, “darkness covered the whole land.” Clergy child sexual abuse has brought a spiritual darkness that has covered not only those personally afflicted, but also all our parishioners and clergy. In this darkness, I urge us to look to the Gospel Passion accounts for hope. Christ illumines all darkness, including the present one which overshadows our Church. Through His Passion, Death and Resurrection, He frees us from the gloom of sin, and bestows the new life of grace upon us. Each year at the Easter Vigil we are reminded in the Easter Proclamation, the Exsultet, that the sanctifying power of Christ the Light of the world drives out hatred, dispels wickedness, and fosters concord. May we all embrace our duty as members of Christ’s Body, to be instruments of justice and peace for victims and their families. With the help of God’s grace, I pray we will never waver from our duty to protect our children, to heal the wounded, and restore trust in the Church and its mission to fulfill God’s plan of salvation. In this hope, we do well to turn to our Blessed Mother Mary, the Mother of the Church, seeking her powerful help and intercession for all her children.

May Christ, the true Light of the world, dispel our darkness.

Sincerely yours in Christ,



Most Reverend James V. Johnston, Jr.

Bishop of Kansas City – St. Joseph

Prayers and Sympathy

For all those who have died, Jeanette Brink, mother of Melinda Castor; Glen Vining, husband of Donna; Mary Gostshall; and Gene Peters, husband of Maggie.

May all who have died in Christ know the fullness of Resurrection Life.

Baptisms

Let us welcome into the family of God and into the St. Therese family those newly baptized.

Aubrey Milla Enriquez, daughter of Gilberto & Brenda Enriquez

John Joseph III and Rosalia Marie DeStefano, twins of John & Sarah DeStefano

Baptismal Preparation Classes

Typically Baptismal Preparation classes are offered the 2nd Monday of every month (except December). To register visit www.sttheresenorth.org and click on *Church* and then *Sacraments*.

Attendance is a MUST for first-time parents and strongly encouraged for those with over a three-year interval between baptisms. Both parents are expected to attend, even if one is not Catholic.

Contact Deacon Scott McKellar at the Parish Office with questions at 741.2800, ext. 213 smckellar@sttheresenorth.org.

ST. THERESE MEMORIAL REMEMBRANCES

Helen Scanlon – September 15
Leonard Patrick Brophy – September 15
Bernadette B. Kendzora – September 16
Dolores A. Gioia – September 18
Warren George Roberson – September 18
Joan Teresa Sullivan – September 19
Michael John Long – September 21

BIRTHDATE REMEMBRANCES

Edward Kupersmith – September 15
Louis Rizzuti – September 16
Robert Edward Griggs – September 18
Roy Jeffries, Sr. – September 19
Abby Null – September 19
Anna B. Bocchi – September 20

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 15	MONDAY SEPTEMBER 16	TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 17	WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 18
<p>10:00-11:00am: Babysitting, 2nd Floor EEC</p> <p>11:00am-1:30pm: Sunday Morning Bible Study, Birkel Room</p> <p>6:15-9:00pm: Men's CRHP Formation Meeting, Team 11, Birkel Room</p>	<p>7:30-8:30am: Fatima Prayer Group, Parish Library</p> <p>9:00-10:00am: Prayer Session, Cry Room</p> <p>9:00am-11:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration, Adoration Chapel</p> <p>12:00-6:30pm: Blood Drive, Wooldridge Center</p> <p>6:30-8:00pm: Walking with Purpose Bible Study, Martin Room</p>	<p>9:00am-11:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration, Adoration Chapel</p> <p>10:00am-12:00pm: Mary, Martha, and Lazarus Prayer Group, Birkel Room</p> <p>6:00-9:00pm: Women's CRHP Team Formation Meeting (Team 11), Birkel Room</p> <p>6:30-8:30pm: Women's CRHP Team 10 Monthly Gathering, Martin Room</p> <p>7:00-9:00pm: Women's CRHP Team 4 Bible Study, Reflection Area</p>	<p>8:00am-12:00pm: Library Committee Meeting, Parish Library</p> <p>9:00am-11:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration, Adoration Chapel</p> <p>9:00-11:00am: Walking with Purpose Women's Study, Martin Room</p> <p>1:15-3:00pm: Parish Office CLOSED for Staff Meeting</p> <p>3:15-4:15pm: Treble Choir, Music Room</p> <p>6:00-7:15pm: RE Classes, Education & Parish Center</p> <p>6:00-8:00pm: Walking with Purpose, Martin Room</p> <p>6:30-8:30pm: CRHP Continuation Committee Men's Retreat Planning Meeting, Birkel Room</p> <p>7:00-8:30pm: Adult Choir Rehearsal, Church</p>
THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 19	FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 20	SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 21	SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 22
<p>8:30-9:30am: ALL School Mass, Church</p> <p>9:00am-11:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration, Adoration Chapel</p> <p>9:30-11:00am: Queen of Peace Prayer Group, Parish Library</p> <p>6:00-6:30pm: Wedding Rehearsal, Lauren Boehm & Chris Wheeler, Church</p> <p>6:30-9:00pm: Prayer Shawl Ministry, Birkel Room</p> <p>7:00-9:00pm: RCIA, Wooldridge Center</p>	<p>9:00am through Saturday morning at 8:15am - Overnight Prayer Vigil for Vocations, Church</p> <p>6:00-7:30pm: EEC Carnival & Family Fun Night, Good Shepherd Hall</p> <p>7:00-7:30pm: Divine Mercy in Song, Parish Library</p>	<p>VIGIL ends 8:15am</p> <p>6:30-8:30am: That Man is You, Birkel Room</p> <p>9:00am-1:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration, Adoration Chapel</p> <p>9:00am-3:00pm: Bride/Groom Wedding Prep., Cry Room, Parish Library</p> <p>9:00am-12:00pm: Protecting God Children, Wooldridge Center</p> <p>10:00am-12:00pm: Natural Family Planning, Birkel Room</p> <p>1:00-2:00pm: Wedding of Lauren Boehm and Chris Wheeler, Church</p> <p>2:00-4:00pm: Beginning Experience-Coping with Life Alone, Birkel Room</p> <p>3:00-4:15pm: Confessions, Church</p> <p>4:00-6:30pm: Adoration Open House, Adoration Chapel</p>	<p>7:30am-6:30pm: Adoration Open House, Adoration Chapel</p> <p>10:00-11:00am: Babysitting, 2nd Floor EEC</p> <p>11:00am-1:30pm: Sunday Morning Bible Study, Birkel Room</p> <p>6:15-9:00pm: Men's CRHP Formation Meeting, Team 11, Birkel Room</p>

FR. KLEINE'S KORNER

"We are not Catholics because of the moral excellence of our leaders (God help us if we were).

We want our leaders, indeed we expect our leaders to be morally excellent, but we are not Catholics because of that moral excellence.

We're Catholics because of Jesus Christ, crucified and risen from the dead.

We're Catholics because of the Trinitarian love of God.

We're Catholics because of the Mystical Body of Christ.

We're Catholics because of the Sacraments.

We're Catholics especially because of the Eucharist.

We're Catholics because of the Blessed Mother.

We're Catholics because of the Saints.

Even as leaders of the Church fail morally, the Catholic Church remains.

The Mystical Body of Christ. The Bride of Christ.

And She's worth fighting for."

- Bishop Robert Barron

I'm sorry.

By now, you should have received in the mail your letter from our Bishop addressing the sexual abuse crisis and the public release of the list of clerical offenders that were part of or worked in our diocese.

I encourage all of you to read it thoroughly.

And I'm sorry.

I'm sorry that the letter even had to be sent.

I'm sorry for the pain and hardship that this is causing you.

I'm sorry that you are being judged or ridiculed or condemned for your faith because of the gross failures of we your shepherds.

I'm sorry that you are suffering the consequences and repercussions of the failures and sins of us your priests.

I'm sorry that we who are ordained to be an alter Christus - another Christ - we who are servants of Christ, we who are configured to Christ in order to bring the love of Christ to the people, have failed so severely in our mission.

And I am truly sorry that so many of you, whether you are victims of sexual abuse or helping care for those who are, now have to carry the weight of this pain and cross for the rest of your lives because of us.

I'm sorry.

It would be shallow and egregiously insensitive of me to think my apology and words alone can heal this wound. I hope it's a step towards healing, though.

In the spirit of taking that step towards healing, I wanted to highlight some resources that may be of help to you who have suffered any kind of sexual abuse, especially in a church setting; to those of you who are helping the victims and survivors of sexual abuse; and to those of you who are struggling with your faith because of this crisis.

Here is a link to Bishop Johnston's statement and letter regarding this issue.

<https://kcsjatholic.org/diocese-releases-list-of-accused-clergy/>

Here is a list of resources Bishop Johnston and our diocese has graciously provided to try and assist all those who have suffered sexual abuse and/or are connected to those who have suffered sexual abuse. All of these are linked and shared by the KC-St. Joe Diocese in the webpage listed above.

Tips for Talking to Children About Difficult Subjects/News Reports

<https://kcsjatholic.org/wp-content/uploads/Tips-for-talking.pdf>

Pastoral Care Resources and Support Opportunities

<https://kcsjatholic.org/wp-content/uploads/Pastoral-Care-Resources-and-Support-Opportunities-KCSJ.pdf>

Resources for Victims/Survivors of Sexual Abuse and Those Who Support Them

<https://kcsjatholic.org/wp-content/uploads/VAC-Resource-Document.pdf>

Child and Youth Protection

<https://kcsjatholic.org/office/child-youth-protection/>

The USCCB has launched a new website highlighting the importance of prevention, protection and accountability in response to the ongoing effort to eradicate clergy sexual abuse. This site serves as a resource detailing the steps the American bishops are taking to confront this crisis.

On the site, readers can browse through the layers of the Holy Father's Motu Proprio, the 2002 Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People and its progress, as well as new reforms. There are also numerous readily-available resources to address any instance of clergy sexual abuse.

<https://preventionusccb.org/>

Fr. Mike Schmitz released two videos at the time of ex-Cardinal McCarrick's last year that are just as relevant today.

Sexual Abuse Scandal

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AdR8eyaDCHg>

Repentance and Church Reform

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ohiK_I5-w-c

Bishop Barron has also written a new book titled "A Letter to a Suffering Church" in which he addresses the sexual abuse crisis in the Church. He also writes through this book to provide spiritual encouragement and aid during this harrowing time.

The Parish has purchased copies of Bishop Barron's book which will be distributed after Masses within the next two or three weeks.

He also speaks on the crisis and his book in these two videos.

Why Remain Catholic (With So Much Scandal?)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ani_hnN8Fs

Bishop Barron's Book on the Sexual Abuse Crisis

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gGxzM01gPLQ>

May your faith and our Lord be for all of you a source of strength, perseverance, consolation, and healing.

Frodo: I wish the Ring had never come to me. I wish none of this had happened.

Gandalf: So do all who live to see such times, but that is not for them to decide. All we have to decide is what to do with the time that is given to us. There are other forces at work in this world, Frodo, besides the will of evil.

With much sorrow,
With much contrition,
and with much love,
God bless,

Fr. Andrew Kleine



JOIN US FOR THIS ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL

St. Therese Parish Community

Saturday, September 28

5:00 pm — 9:00pm

\$5 entry fee

DJ Kirby / Food Trucks / The Drinkery / Inflatables

Face Painting / Gaga Pit / Escape Room / And More!

Food Trucks:

Hawaiian Ice Jerusalem Cafe KC Sweet Treats Pura Vida KC
 Show Me Street Food Simply Frosted KC Smokin' Van Norman

Beverages:

KCBier Company Tiny Tavern Strange Days Brewing Co.

COMING EVENTS . .

Youth Ministry - High School Teens

Fall Kick-Off is September 15th, Sunday evening from 6:15-8:15 p.m. For All High School students! Register at <https://www.sttheresenorth.org/life-teen> 9th graders and/or any high school students that has not received the Sacrament of Confirmation, your preparation for the Sacrament is during this time.

LIFE TEEN, Sunday, September 15th at 6:15pm-8:15pm 3rd Floor.

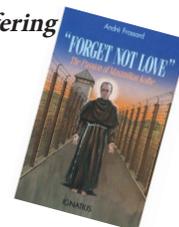
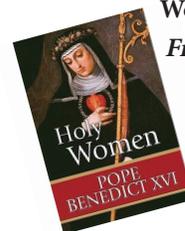
Parish Library

Annual Religious Book Sale!

Sunday, October 6
 after the 8:00am & 10:00am Masses

Wooldridge Center

Free Will Offering



The Altar & Rosary Society 2nd Annual Croquet Social

All women of the parish are invited to an evening of croquet, food, and friendship. Tickets are for sale in *Our Lady's* Gift Shop. You do not have to be an active member of Altar & Rosary to attend. Monday, September 23, 5:00-8:00 pm at the Cactus Creek Croquet Club, 13312 NW 76th St., Parkville. Your \$10.00 ticket entitles you to an evening of croquet, hors d'oeuvres, desserts, wine, and a good time!

The Over 50 Gang

will hold their quarterly luncheon on Wednesday, September 25th at noon in the Wooldridge Center. Join us for food, fellowship and fun. Please bring a salad, vegetable or dessert to share.

RSVP no later than Sunday, September 22nd to Darlene Buehler at 816.804.7372 or dvbuehler@gmail.com

SOME THINGS TO CONSIDER

We gratefully acknowledge our Annual Sponsors!

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For more information on Sponsorship Opportunities please contact Erinn Brown, Development Director, at ebrown@sttheresenorth.org or 816.741.2800 x 239.



32nd Annual St. Therese Golf Classic The Deuce at the National Friday, September 27

Register online (fees applied)
www.sttheresenorth.org

Tournament Check-in - Friday (only),
September 27, 7:00 A.M. - 8:30 A.M.

***Everyone Must Check-in!!!

Breakfast Served - 7:30 A.M.

Shotgun Start - 9:00 A.M.

Steak Dinner to Follow Tournament -
Provided by Anton's Taproom Restaurant

Registration—\$150 per player

Player's name _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Player's email: _____

Partner's Name	Email	Cell #
2.		
3.		
4.		

Cash/Check # _____

Do you have the sense that something is missing in your life, but you don't know what it is or what to do about it? A CRHP Retreat Weekend could help you find those answers.

CRHP Fall Retreat Weekend
 Men's Retreat: October 19 & 20
 Women's Retreat: November 9 & 10

REGISTRATION FORM

Please enter the following information
 Check the event you wish to attend

Men's Fall Retreat

Women's Fall Retreat

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Email: _____

Address:

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Gender: M F

Are you a Parishioner: Yes No

Emergency contact:

Full name: _____

Relationship: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Special Instructions: Health, diet, food allergies, medical conditions:

Return completed form to the Welcome Center or the Parish Office or register online at www.sttheresenorth.org.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE COMMUNITY



2nd Annual

**Bishop Johnston's
 Golf Classic**

October 21st at
 9:30am

The National Golf
 Club of KC



**Spaghetti Dinner
 & Auction** *Free to Registered Golfers

October 20th at 5pm
 St. Therese North



TWO Days of Fun
 Register to Golf **or**
 Get Tickets to Dinner at:
brightfuturesfund.org

Christmas in October - October 12

St. Therese volunteers will staff the warehouse beginning Wednesday, October 2nd through Wednesday, October 16th. The warehouse is located at 3261 Roanoke, KCMO. We hope that you can assist us. Shifts are 10 AM to 2 PM or 2 PM to 6 PM most days, or as indicated.

The warehouse will be open for return of materials the week following the event (October 14-16) to allow House Captains additional time to return items borrowed.

To sign up, go to: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0e4a92fa1f49-christmas> or call us at 816.746.1345 or email bmchall@gmail.com for questions. Berenice and Bill McHale



Stop by this season and visit
 the new SPX Athletic
 Complex
 What a great addition to
 the campus

The Warriors will be playing at home.
 September 26 Tennis, 4:00
 Softball, 4:30
 Come out for a great night in support SPX athletes.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

PRAYERS FOR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE ILL

Call the Parish Office to add or remove a name. (Due to confidentiality guidelines, only the person requesting prayer or a designated family member may place or remove a name)

Paula Acconcia	Larry Colling	John Lopez	Beverly Rietveld
Eugene "Bud" & Ellen Anderson	Janet Cozad	Judy Louth	Amy Roberts
Jay Atkinson	Albert Daniels	Sal Lozano	Ann & Larry Ryan
Cynthia Barchesky	Rachel Day	Ellen Madrick	Mary Ann Ryan
Nathalie Blogin	Gayle Dean	Betty McDonald	Jossalyn Sainz
Debra Bommarito	Ron & Betty DuPaul	Wendy McKellar	Natalie Ann Salas
Judi Bowers	Anita Eastland	Mike McKenna	Forrest Salyers
Bryan Bownik	Ken Finke	Jessica McLain	Carmen Serrone
Art Braun	Sandy Gardner	David McPherson	Carolyn Shatto
Irwin & Lois Broussard	Bert Giarraputo	John Mikulic	Mary Sloan
Ed Burgess	Mary Gotschall	Arlene Nadeau	James Spawn
Daniel Burnos	Suzanne Grisham	Paul Neidig	Ted Stephens
John Burton	Doris Hahn	Cleo "Woody" & Rosemary Nollette	Shirley Stevenson
Barbara Cahill	William Hansford	Linda Osterhaus	Joann Strever
Mike Callahan	Grace Heater	Doyne Parisi	Maureen Tejada
Frank Canino	Mary Henke	Jill Pehlman	Evalin Ulrich
Jim Carroll	Kevin & Becky Isom	Barbara Personelli	Rosemary Van Haaren
Keith Carter	Barbara Jordan	Dorothy Porter	Phillip Ward
John Casey	Vince Kehr	Jackey Pratt	Michael Wells
Kate Cearley	Marcia Kenski	Helen Prendergast	Geri White
Joe Cento	Glenda Kimsey	Leticia Rabang	Lionel White
Frank Cohara	Garrett Krier	Danielle Reeder	Kristi Widmer
Timothy Childers	Anna Lapuma	Pat Reeder	Nicholas Worth
	Clara Lawson	Gina Reiter	Dcn. Tony Zimmerman
	Nancy Leggio		



PRAYERS FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE MIDDLE EAST

For parishioners, relatives of parishioners and their families

John T. Buchner grandson of Alfred & Dorothy	Jamie Frates husband of Rebecca	Douglas Lomshek nephew of Liz Stine	brother & sister-in-law of Michael O'Brien
Major Brian Conforti son of Frank & Patty	Bill Freund son of Bill & Barbara	James McLaughlin son of Heath & Michelle	Tim Pachasa son of Andy & Nancy
William Dougherty nephew of John & Teri Jo Garitz, grandson of Joanne Wallace	Jacob Glodsbury son of John & Kim	Jeremiah Murphy nephew of Dodie Murphy	Eric Rawlings husband of Candi & father of Jaeger
Jeremy Flowers son of Brenda	Will Johnston, great nephew of Joan & Elizabeth Rakers	James Pate husband of Jennifer	Christian Shattuck son of Brian & Lauren
Sean Frazier son of Liz & Sam		William Rory & Candice O'Brien	

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, September 15

- 8:00am — Spencer Norris +
- 10:00am — Bob Baker +
- 12:00pm — Jack & Ann Connor +
- 5:00pm — Mass for the People

MONDAY, September 16

- 8:30am — Bill Null +

TUESDAY, September 17

- 6:30am — Frank & Elaine Budke +
- 8:30am — Marianne Miller Dolan +

WEDNESDAY, September 18

- 6:30am — Dolores Gioia +
- 8:30am — Sharon Lehmann +

THURSDAY, September 19

- 8:30am — John Kelliher +

FRIDAY, September 20

- 6:30am — Barbara Jansen +
- 8:30am — Jim Kiefer +

SATURDAY, September 21

- 8:30am — Mary Mulich +
- 4:30pm — Deceased/Living Members of the Altar & Rosary Society

SUNDAY, September 22

- 8:00am — Anita Pierden +
- 10:00am — Celia Anita Pierden +
- 12:00pm — Jose Gonzalez +
- 5:00pm — Mass for the People

(Crosses, † indicate deceased loved ones)