

Welcome to

Holy Trinity Parish

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Weston, MO 64098
www.holytrinitycatholic.org

Twelve Apostles Parish

Church: 17900 Humphrey's Rd.
Platte City, MO 64079
Office/mail address: 407 Cherry, Weston, MO 64098
www.twelveapostlescatholic.org

Telephone: 816-640-2206

Mass Times:

Saturday 5:00 PM – Twelve Apostles Church
Sunday 7:30 AM – Holy Trinity Church
9:00 AM – Twelve Apostles Church
10:30AM – Holy Trinity Church

Weekday Mass times are listed inside the bulletin.

Confessions heard on Saturdays: 3:15-3:45 PM at Holy Trinity
4:15-4:45 PM at XII Apostles
on First Fridays after 8am Mass & anytime by appt.

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact the pastor, preferably before going to the hospital, to receive this Sacrament.

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Mr. Bob Ralston, XII Apostles Custodian/Maintenance
Mrs. Maureen Vernon, Parishes' Safe Environment Coordinator

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), 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, Jenifer Valenti, at 816-812-2500 or JeniferValenti@att.net, 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 Victim Advocate Mary Bultmann at 816-714-2387 or bultmann@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

Office Hours: M, W, Th, F – 9AM-Noon, 1-4PM (closed Tuesdays)

PSR Office Hours: M & W–10AM-Noon, 1-4PM

Bulletin deadline: 8am Wednesday.

Please notify us of change of address, phone, email, etc.

New Parishioners: Welcome! Holy Trinity and Twelve Apostles have been serving the northern Platte County area since 1842 and 2008, respectively. We welcome all guests and newcomers to our parish families. Newcomers are asked to register at the earliest opportunity. Forms are available in the back of church, on our websites, or from the parish office. We look forward to knowing you!

Is A Wedding or Baptism in Your Plans? Congratulations! Remember: sacramental preparation is required prior to these events. You must be a registered parishioner for the past year or have a letter from your previous pastor before dates are scheduled.

Weddings: Parishioners wanting to be married should contact Fr. Rogers nine months in advance.

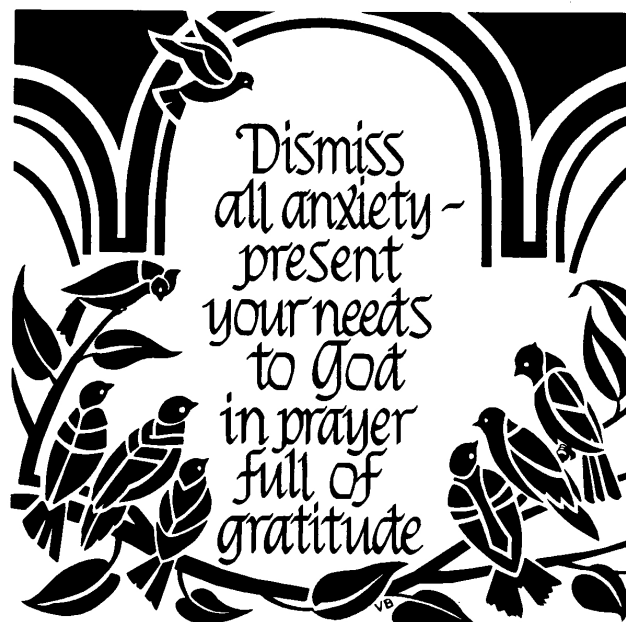
Baptism: Expectant parents should contact Fr. Rogers comfortably prior to the baby's birth for baptism preparation.

First Penance/Eucharist, Confirmation: Children preparing for these sacraments must have completed the prior year of religious education.

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 5, 2014

Today's Gospel reading poses some challenging stewardship questions. When Christ returns, will we be found working diligently in the Lord's "vineyard;" converting our own hearts into a rich harvest of love and compassion? Calling those outside our vineyard to enter into the joy of the Lord? Or will we just be living, taking advantage of what the Lord has given us, but not doing our part in return? Jesus' parable suggests that if we aren't good stewards of the gifts we've been given, then the gifts will be taken away and we will be called to give an account for our failures. We have all we need for a bountiful harvest. What will our Lord find when He returns?

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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time—10-05-14

Readings: p. 215 in *Breaking Bread*

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, Oct. 4

5:00pm—XII Judy Morrissey, rip

Sunday, Oct. 5

7:30am-HT People of Holy Trinity

9:00am-XII People of Twelve Apostles

10:30am-HT Tevis Morrison, rip

Mon, Oct 6, 8am-HT Private Intention

NO MASSES ON WED AND THURS OF THIS WEEK

Fri, Oct. 10, 8am—HT Private Intention

Saturday, Oct. 11

5:00pm—XII Fr. Linus Link, r.i.p.

Sunday, Oct. 12

7:30am-HT People of Holy Trinity

9:00am-XII People of Twelve Apostles

10:30am-HT Bernadette Youngblood, r.i.p.



Stop by the Youth Group booth at Applefest in Weston this Sunday for a delicious chocolate-covered caramel apple! You'll be helping the youth earn money towards special events plus getting a yummy treat for yourself!

PLEASE NOTE:

THERE WILL BE NO MASS this week WEDNESDAY at Holy Trinity or THURSDAY at Twelve Apostles.

ALSO, THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED THIS MONDAY AFTERNOON.

Women's Health Care: Why It Matters: A Program for the Layperson, the Clergy who care for them and their Medical Providers" Featuring Dr. Catherine Keefe, OBGYN, Pope Paul VI Institute Physicians, a witness couple and a pastor's testimony. Learn authentic health care for women's reproductive disorders, including infertility. November 1, 8:30 – 12:30 at St. Therese Parish, 7277 Missouri 9, KCMO 64152 Sponsored by Fertility-Care Center of Kansas City, www.fertilitycarekc.com 816-858-0198 \$15 advance registration.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) began last Wednesday, October 1. We will meet again on Wednesday, October 15 and 29, at 7pm, at Holy Trinity.

If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, either to possibly become Catholic, or if you are already Catholic and want a "refresher" course, come check it out! Questions? Contact Father Rogers at 640-2206.

IF YOU HAVE A BAPTISM DVD — PLEASE RETURN

We are missing a couple copies of our "*Your Baby's Baptism*" DVDs used for baptism prep — if you have one, please return it to the office as soon as possible so it will be available for others. Thank you!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

BIBLE 101: DISCOVERING GOD'S WORD (Part 2)

Tuesdays, October 7, 14, 21

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. @ Twelve Apostles

Join us as we continue our journey through the Bible to unpack the central story of salvation that is woven throughout Scripture. Together we will deepen our understanding of the Word and learn how to navigate through the various periods of salvation history. In this 3-week session we work through the stories of the Patriarchs: Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph.

All are invited. You do not need to have attended Part 1 to join this class. Free childcare provided. For more information contact Chris Smiley at christopher.g.smiley@gmail.com or (816) 799-5178.

WOMEN'S FAITH SHARING MEETS WEDNESDAY

October 8, at 8:30am, at Holy Trinity. All women welcome.

NEXT BHI CLASS BEGINS WEDNESDAY: Take **Church**

History at Holy Trinity on Wednesdays, October 8, 15, 22, & 29, 6:30pm—9:00pm with Dr. Claude Sasso. "Church history is the record of the Christian family and is one of the most vital (and interesting) subjects we can study...And our Church...is no more than Christianity taking on flesh and blood." —From the introduction to *The Catholic Church Through the Ages*. Cost \$25 or \$40 (married couple). Register online at www.MyBHI.org/history or call 816-714-2331.

Endow - Letter to Women meets Thursday, October 9, 6:45 - 8:30pm in the church basement.

Endow - Mother of the Redeemer (*Redemptoris Mater*) will meet for 8 sessions on alternating Tuesday afternoons 1 - 2:30, beginning October 28. Drawing on Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition, this papal writing will help us explore the topic of Mary's place in the life of the Church and Catholic devotion. Rich with prayers, quotes, and personal meditations, this study helps women embrace Mary as the most excellent example of the 'feminine genius' and see her as a model for all to emulate. Registration can be done online at the Endow website endowgroups.org. For more information or questions, contact Donna at dwebbjoy@gmail.com or 402-613-3829.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS for all

The 2nd weekend of October, besides being Irish Fest in Weston, is also the Knights of Columbus Drive for Persons with Developmental **Disabilities (also known as The Tootsie Roll Drive)**. Knights will be collecting donations and handing out Tootsie Rolls Friday evening and Saturday at Sharp's Market and outside the Irish Fest in Weston and at the Apple Market in Platte City. Additionally, Knights will be collecting after Mass at Holy Trinity and XII Apostles Saturday and Sunday. The following weekend, Knights will be collecting at the Price Chopper in Platte City Friday and Saturday.

HOLY TRINITY NEWS

ROSARY FOR THE UNBORN THIS WEEKEND —



Our first-of-the-month rosary will be offered in the church at 9:50AM this Sunday. Our prayer intention for the monthly rosary is for the protection of the lives of the unborn. All are invited to join us in prayer.

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY/MONTH: October is Respect Life Month. To celebrate this we will be having our annual baby bottle drive throughout the month of October. Bottles will be available for pickup at each Mass at Holy Trinity every Sunday in the month of October. You are invited to take a baby bottle home and fill it with coins and/or bills or a check and then return it before Nov 8/9. All money collected will be donated to the Parkville Women's Clinic, the crisis pregnancy Center located in The Village of Burlington Creek, off 64th St. Thank You for your continued support of LIFE!

HOLY TRINITY WOMEN'S GUILD MEETS this Monday, October 6, at 7pm, at the parish hall. All women of the parish are considered members and are invited to attend!



Do you have a chili that your friends and family say is "the best?" Enter it in the "**1st Annual Chili Cook-Off**" hosted by Holy Trinity's Women's Guild on Sunday, Oct. 26, following 10:30 Mass in the Parish Hall. We are looking for people to bring a crockpot of your vegan or meat, hot or mild, spicy or sweet

chili for taste-testing and bowlfuls to share. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes will be awarded! All members of the parish are asked to come and join in on the fun and feast to help celebrate Respect For Life month. Free will donation. Monies will go to assist youth going to World Youth Day. Don't have a chili to enter? Please consider signing up to bring a side. Chili contestants and volunteers wanting to bring a side please contact Pam Wittmeyer by phone/text at 816.804.0855 or email pamwittmeyer@gmail.com; Maureen Vernon at marve49@aol.com or 640-9956.

COMMUNITY PRAYER BREAKFAST HERE AT HOLY

TRINITY NEXT SATURDAY: The monthly Weston Community Prayer Breakfast will be held next Saturday, October 11, at 8am, here at Holy Trinity. Everyone is invited. There is no charge for the breakfast. A free will offering will be accepted for the Weston Ministerial Alliance Assistance Fund. Join us in welcoming our guests!

KATIE'S CORNER--YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

HT/XII



Youth Group

YOUTH GROUP—Grades 7-12:

Join us on October 19 for "AD 33." We will be playing games and learning more about why Jesus died for you

Confirmation: Next week is the first Confirmation Retreat. We will gather for 9am Mass at XII Apostles. The day ends at 6pm.

TWELVE APOSTLES NEWS

PSR News:

Parents: Join us today for the first Parents as Catechists Meeting! Gather together with other parents to discuss the struggles and joys of being a parent. Gather ideas from others on how to handle this parenting thing better. Join us in the cafeteria from 10:20-11:30am today - Sunday, October 5! . We will have coffee and donuts. Kids too young for PSR are welcome to join us

Next Week: Parish Rosary led by the Knights of Columbus. Join us in the cafeteria at the Northland Career Center around 10:20am.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT **THIS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5**

Come as little children in adoration and praise.

Our heavenly Father is our strength.

Children/Family Adoration 4:30 – 5:00 pm

Adult Adoration 5:00 – 6:00 pm



CHURCH CLEANING: Team 2 will be cleaning on Saturday, Oct 11, at 9am.



Altar Servers Class—there will be a 3-session class to train more servers on Thursday evenings, October 23, November 6 and November 13, at 6:45pm. Anyone in third grade and older is encouraged to attend. Please consider becoming trained for this very important ministry — we need you!!

Twelve Apostles **Harvest Festival**

Saturday, October 18—
after 5PM Mass—9:30pm

All friends, family, church and community invited

A "Trick or Treat" Silent Auction: Sign-ups for donations will take place after Masses this weekend

Open Mic for singers or musicians

Home Grown Photo Booth - Bring your smiles for the camera!

Hot Dogs, Chili, Chips & drinks! Games for everyone!

Roasting Marshmallows will be fun for that perfect s'more!

The Youth Group will take orders for delicious cinnamon rolls

Wagon Rides — Free, Fun, Fellowship

Visit us on Facebook -- [12 Apostles Fall Harvest](#)

If you would like to donate to the Auction or volunteer, message us or contact Nikie at nikiejo61@gmail.com or 816-507-5159

Also—RSVPs appreciated to help us plan food! Please RSVP by October 13 to Nikie at the above contact info.



MINISTRY FAIR OCT 25-26

Would you like to help out in our parish in some way, but don't know what's available? We will be hosting our first annual Ministry Fair this month. Watch next weekend's bulletin for an insert listing descriptions of available opportunities. If you want to know more, representatives will be available after Masses the weekend of Oct 25-26 to answer your questions.

WORLD APOSTOLATE of FATIMA—Please join us an evening of Adoration, Prayer, and Reparation - Saturday, October 11, 6-8pm. St. Patrick's Parish, 1357 NE 42nd Terrace, KCMO. Visit www.pray4america.net for more information.



FROM THE DESK OF FATHER STEVEN C. ROGERS....

People love parades! Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade. A Homecoming parade. A Patriotic Parade on the 4th of July. Apple Fest Parade. Mickey's Christmas Day Party and Parade. St. Patrick's Day parade. Mardi Gras Parade. May Day parade. A Circus parade. The Tournament of Roses parade. The Easter parade. Military Parades. Political parades.

Every parade has a Grand Marshall, floats, political candidates, funny clowns, tall clowns, short clowns, round clowns, skinny clowns, scary clowns, dance teams, banners, balloons, kings and queens. But the one thing that makes a parade a parade is the marching band. People will applaud amateur floats made of badly lettered poster board banners and wimpy balloons. Crowds will even cheer for political candidates that will never get the vote. Crowds will laugh at clowns that aren't funny and they will rally behind the clown that doesn't throw candy. But if the marching band is out of step, off beat or out of tune, the crowd will turn ugly and vicious. Many a parade has been ruined by an underperforming marching band. I know this to be true. I have been in a marching band and I have been a member of a parade mob. In the sixth grade we got news of a new band director that had been hired to help improve the marching band. Administration looked to my class as the only hope for future parades and they hired Mr. Seward as the new band leader that would eventually get us to a better place. A town hall meeting was called and he was introduced to the community. Mr. Seward sported a corporate, pin-striped, navy blue three piece suit. Oddly, his delivery had a hip vibe and a beatnik attitude, buoyant, cosmic, personal and eccentric. He had carved out a groove reserved only for the free thinking, daring, gifted, determined and independent.

Upon his arrival, he immediately became the talk of the town. Nothing gets a small town going like a mysterious, scandalous band director who is unbelievable and intriguing. When he was introduced to the faculty and student body, the much loved principal asked him to share with everyone his thoughts on band and the music program. He responded, "It's a gas!" His voice was rhythmic, manic, cool and trendy.

Silence covered the gymnasium and a stillness blanketed the hallowed halls. Even the disciples of the music program scratched their heads in wonder as eyes rolled throughout the room. He highlighted his glee with, "I'm jazzed!" and "Blow man blow!" Transported to a world only a few men have ever travelled, everything he spoke started and ended with "Cool!"

Saying, "I'm jazzed!" everyone thought he said, "I'm juiced!" Actually, that would have corresponded better to his performance, it certainly would have been more believable. That happens in most situations when someone new is brought into an established system. Ever since Harold Hill turned up in River City, town folk have been wary and suspicious of fast talking, tuba wielding con artists. But town folk love a parade and parades just aren't parades unless they have a good marching band.

At first, he was regarded as an interloper and didn't belong, but within a few short weeks many of his opponents started emulating him. He was so fascinating people wanted to be just like him. Mothers, while sharing 5-ingredient recipes at the local Piggly Wiggly supermarket, began to speak with a swag and style, "It's a gas!" The local Lion's Club adopted a new motto, "Blow man blow!" The look and feel of the town changed. Once it was blocked and boring but now it had a beat and a vibe, it was "jazzed!" Better yet, every student in the school suddenly wanted to be in the marching band. Band wasn't just for the Goth kids anymore. Once taboo and set aside for unusual kids, band became cool.

Mr. Seward was no longer just a novelty—he became a respected member of the community, the go-to genius and virtuoso. His uniqueness was matched by equally high standards. His reorganization of the music program put an emphasis on talent, discipline and technique. Maestro demanded excellence morning, noon and night.

Band was in demand. Students were challenged, self-motivated and competitive. They would sleep, eat and dream band. Tough guys pounded syncopated rhythms into their lockers instead of preps. Bad girls clicked their fake finger nails on their desks to a classical beat. Budding musicians actually practiced playing their instruments. Musical scales could be heard all over the town. Even children who were different could be heard appropriately beating their drums. Band, band, band!

Members of the band sought the honor and distinction of being first chair, second chair or third chair, nothing else mattered. They feared the dreaded no chair. No chair was a dishonor. It meant no marching. It meant you sat on the bench. No chair meant no parade. A brutal and cruel fate for those who dropped a beat or fouled a note; first chair today, no chair tomorrow. Worse, the only option for a no chair to be in a parade was to be a clown.

Mr. Seward, who had been ridiculed and rejected, became a permanent fixture in the school and was held in the highest regard, next to trophy cases lining the hallways that displayed his students' achievements, state titles, presidential awards, special invitations to football bowl games and a parade of pictures of all the parades the marching band had ever participated in. In addition to the marching band, he expanded the music program to include an orchestra, a jazz band, a concert band, a rock band, a big band and even a jug band. Parades were never the same.

That's what the Gospel teaches us. "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; by the Lord has this been done, and it is wonderful in our eyes!" That's how it works. We are to open our arms wide and embrace even those who are unusual, unconventional, unique, bizarre and different. We are to open our minds and hearts to receive them well. God connects us to his plan through them. With God's help they can become the foundation of our lives, the cornerstone of our growth. That is, if we allow them to share their gifts and talents for the greater good.

We lose something vital to our well being if we remain closed and blocked. "The kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit." Now that's a wake-up call!

People love parades. If you want a great parade, join a marching band.

In Christ,

Father Steven C. Rogers