

Welcome to

## Holy Trinity Parish

407 Cherry St.  
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.

### Parish Staff:

Father Steven C. Rogers - x203, pastorHT-XII@kc.rr.com  
Mrs. Julie Hoffman, Secretary/Bookkeeper - x201  
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Mrs. Judy Sloan, Child Care Coordinator (offered during  
7:30am & 10:30am Masses at Holy Trinity)  
Mrs. Darlene Darby, Office Assistant, x202  
Mr. Gary Loveless, Holy Trinity Custodian/Maintenance  
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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

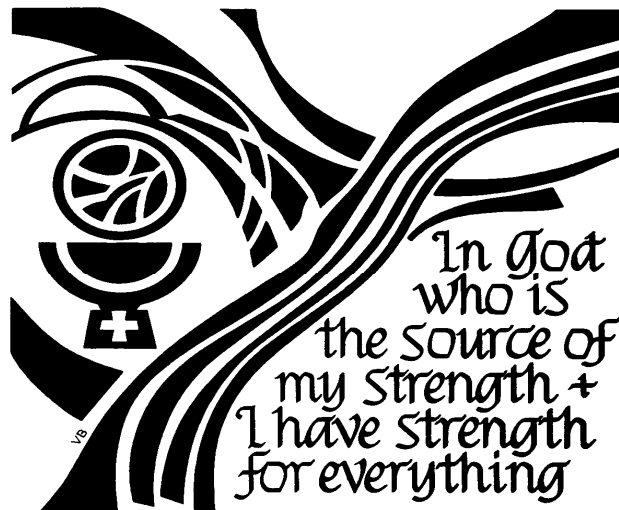
**First Penance/Eucharist, Confirmation:** Children preparing for these sacraments must have completed the prior year of religious education.

## 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 12, 2014

**There are certain Bible verses Christian stewards have memorized. One of them is in Saint Paul's letter to the Philippians found in today's second reading—**

**"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me" (4:13). Most people define themselves either by their problems or their possibilities. Fearful people wake up each morning ensnared by their problems. Christian stewards wake up reflecting on their possibilities with confidence and hope. Some stewardship reflection questions for the week: What challenges do you back away from because you doubt that you are up to them? What would you attempt tomorrow if you were sure God would help you?**

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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time—10-12-14

Readings: p. 218 in *Breaking Bread*

### MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

#### 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.

Mon, Oct 13, 8am-HT Dorothy Hoffman, r.i.p.

Wed, Oct 15, 8am-HT Private Intention

Thurs, Oct 16, 6pm-XII Judy Morrissey, r.i.p.

Fri, Oct. 17, 8am— HT Private Intention

#### Saturday, Oct. 18

5:00pm—XII Ivan Swift, r.i.p.

#### Sunday, Oct. 19

7:30am-HT People of Holy Trinity

9:00am-XII People of Twelve Apostles

10:30am-HT LeRoy & Juanita Morrison, r.i.p.

### RCIA THIS WEDNESDAY

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) began 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.

**RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY/MONTH:** October is Respect Life Month. To celebrate this, both of our parishes will be having a **“Change for Life” baby bottle drive** throughout the month of October. Bottles will be available for pickup after each Mass this weekend. 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 I-29 & 64th St. Thank you for your continued support of LIFE!

### MISSION SUNDAY COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Next weekend we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. This year we are invited to reach out and help build the Church in Mongolia, the world's youngest Catholic Church, as well as local churches in the most remote areas across our world. Through the work of these churches, the poor receive practical help and experience God's love and mercy, His hope and peace. Please come prepared next weekend to give generously to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. Envelopes for this collection can be found in your envelope packs and are also available on the table with the bulletins. For more information, please visit [www.IAmAMissionary.org](http://www.IAmAMissionary.org)

### BAPTISM DVDs still missing— PLEASE RETURN

We are missing a couple copies of our “Your Baby's Baptism” DVDs needed for baptism prep. Thank you!

### ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Adult Faith Formation Team Meeting this Monday, October 13, 6:30pm, at Holy Trinity.

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

Continuing October 14 & 21

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 pm @ Twelve Apostles

Join us as we continue our journey through the Bible to unpack the central story of salvation that is woven throughout Scripture. For more information contact Chris Smiley at [christopher.g.smiley@gmail.com](mailto:christopher.g.smiley@gmail.com) or (816) 799-5178.

**Sunday Morning Bible Study:** Please join us as we continue our study of "Matthew" on Sunday mornings from 9–10:15am at Holy Trinity. This Sunday we will look at Chapter 3. Please note that we will not meet on October 26 due to a previously scheduled event.

**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](http://endowgroups.org). For more information or questions, contact Donna at [dwebbjoy@gmail.com](mailto:dwebbjoy@gmail.com) or 402-613-3829.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS for all

**TOOTSIE ROLL Weekend is here!** Members and their families are collecting cash donations (or checks) for the Drive for Persons with Developmental Disabilities and handing out Tootsie Rolls. Thanks to Terry Morrison for organizing the Drive again this year and to all those who help with the collection at Apple Market in Platte City, Sharp's Market and O'Malley's in Weston this weekend. We will be collecting at Price Chopper in Platte City next Friday and Saturday so there is still time to volunteer or get some more Tootsie Rolls.

**Knights of Columbus Rosary** for XII Apostles PSR Students – Special thanks goes to Joshua Shupe and Jorge Orozco for delivering the Rosary instruction to the PSR classes this Sunday in the Northland Career Center cafeteria.

**Thanks** goes to DGK Phil Frost and Jerry Anderson for working NASCAR Race weekend Oct 3-5 to support our fundraising for charitable giving.

**“Do More, Be a Knight!”** All Catholic gentlemen 18 years and older are prospective members of the Knights of Columbus. Upcoming 1st, 2nd and 3rd Degree Ceremonials:

Tuesday, 14 Oct at 7pm, 1st Degree is scheduled at Lee's Summit, MO

Saturday, 18 Oct, 2nd and 3rd Degrees will be conducted at Topeka, KS

Wednesday, 29 Oct, 2nd and 3rd Degrees at Lenexa, Kansas

Contact Steve Steiger, Immediate Past Grand Knight and Membership Chairman at 816.431.6506 or at [ssteiger@yahoo.com](mailto:ssteiger@yahoo.com) for more information.



**Pancake Breakfast** charitable fundraiser at the **Northland Career Center in Platte City next Sunday October 19—10am—11:15am**. Free will offering.

**The next Council meeting will be 16 October 2014** at XII Apostles, starting at 7 pm with the Rosary, then a short business meeting followed by fraternal fellowship (chili on the menu). Contact Jim Rooney, Grand Knight, K of C Council 12288; c: 816.674.4268 or at [JR Rooney640@aol.com](mailto:JR Rooney640@aol.com) for more information.

## HOLY TRINITY NEWS

**ADORATION THIS WEDNESDAY**, October 15, 6:30-7:30PM at Holy Trinity.



**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! 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](tel:816.804.0855) or email [pamwittmeyer@gmail.com](mailto:pamwittmeyer@gmail.com); Maureen Vernon at [marve49@aol.com](mailto:marve49@aol.com) or 640-9956.

**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.

**Weston Senior Center — special program:** Brian Koechner of the FBI will present a program on "Elder Abuse" at the Weston Senior Center meeting this Tuesday, October 14, at 10am, at their new location — 523 Main St., Weston, MO. For more information, call Jack DeSelms at 816-305-6188.



### BEGINNING EXPERIENCE ~ A Weekend Away for a Lifetime of Change.

Serving the Widowed, Separated and Divorced; who are suffering the loss of a love relationship and may feel left out by their church, uneasy around married friends,

unsure of themselves and uncertain about their futures. Helps grieving persons focus on their experience, deal with the natural grief process and offers an opportunity to turn the pain of loss into an experience of positive growth emerging from the darkness of grief into the light of a new beginning.

**October 24-26, 2014 at Sanctuary of Hope, Kansas City, KS.**

For more information visit: [www.beginningexperience.org](http://www.beginningexperience.org), email: [regiter.bekc@gmail.com](mailto:regiter.bekc@gmail.com), or call Kim 816-739-4733, or Jerry 785-843-2079.

**Thanks** to the generosity of both XII Apostles and Holy Trinity parishes, our PSR programs were able to collect dozens of new bed pillows and bath towels for Hillcrest Transitional Housing in Platte City. On behalf of the PSR programs and the Consoling Hearts Ministry, we appreciate your participation and giving hearts.

## KATIE'S CORNER--YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

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Youth Group

### YOUTH GROUP—Grades 9-12:

Join us on October 19 for "AD 33." We will be playing games and learning more about why Jesus died for you. 6:30-8pm at Holy Trinity.

**Grades 7-12:** Are you ready for another great TV game show? This month it will be **Faithful Feud**. Start watching re-runs of Family Feud and reading up on your Bible. Who will walk away with the million dollar prize?! Come find out! Everyone will walk away with a prize of some sort - and I promise, the prize bucket has been refilled after that last game night. Oct 26, 6:30-8pm at XII Apostles.

## TWELVE APOSTLES NEWS

**PSR News:** Parish Rosary today led by the Knights of Columbus. Join us in the Northland Career Center cafeteria at 10:20am.



**REMINDER to 6th grade** - next week, October 19, we will be having class in the Church.

### TWELVE APOSTLES PARISH COUNCIL MEETS THIS MONDAY

October 13, at 7pm, in the church basement.

**WOMEN'S GROUP MEETS THIS TUESDAY**, October 14, at 7pm, in the church basement.

**FUND RAISING REMINDER:** Come join us for our "ad inserting" this Wednesday, Oct. 15, starting at 8:30 AM, CITIZEN newspaper office, 1110 Branch, Platte City. Questions, call Loretta 431-6304.



**Altar Servers Class**—there will be a 3-session class to train new altar servers on Thursday evenings, Oct. 23, Nov. 6 and Nov. 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

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



**All friends, family, church and community invited**

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

**RSVPs appreciated to help us plan food! Please RSVP by October 13 to Nikie at the contact info below.**

### A "Trick or Treat" Silent Auction

Open Mic for singers or musicians

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

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](https://www.facebook.com/12ApostlesFallHarvest)

If you would like to donate to the Auction or volunteer, message us or contact Nikie at [nikiejo61@gmail.com](mailto:nikiejo61@gmail.com) or [816-507-5159](tel:816-507-5159)

**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. See the bulletin insert for a list describing the available opportunities. If you want to know more, representatives will be available after Masses the

**Guardian Angels Parish invites you to its annual HUGE garage sale!** Saturday, November 1, 2014; 7:30 AM to 2:00 PM; 4232 Mercier, KCMO. Lunch and Desserts served. Bake Sale. Raffle (prizes include a handmade Quilt, \$500 Cash, \$200 BP gas card, \$100 Sun Fresh gift card and more).

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES GALA:** Please join Chairs Peggy & Mark Schmidlein on Saturday, November 8, for the **2014 Celebration of Hope Gala – A Special 135th Anniversary Celebration.** The evening will begin with cocktails at 6:00 pm, followed by dinner, auctions and dancing at the Westin at Crown Center in Kansas City. All proceeds directly support the mission of Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph, which provides poverty reduction and prevention programs to more than 150,000 people in our community each year. To reserve your table, contact Rachel Larsen at [rlarsen@ccharities.com](mailto:rlarsen@ccharities.com) or 816.659.8216. We look forward to seeing you there! [www.catholiccharities-kcsi.org](http://www.catholiccharities-kcsi.org)



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

There are few people in life who accept who they are and celebrate it from the very start, to be who God created them to be from the beginning, authentic, genuine, real and humble. My friend Judy was such a person. There was nothing fake or affected about Judy, nothing artificial, nothing altered, nothing distorted or misrepresented. Judy was Judy, head-to-toe, through and through, tried and true. Genuine and kind, Judy always made you smile.

Judy was original, creative and resourceful. She was the quintessential instrumentalist who could make any musical instrument come to life, piano, organ, saxophone, ukulele, didgeridoo, even the tuba. Even non-musical objects sounded musical if Judy had anything to do with it. She not only played music, she orchestrated scores, wrote songs, and published works from gospel to country, highbrow chant to lively polkas, church music, and music for the theater.

Judy was a unique person, to say the least, but her uniqueness was expressed more in what she didn't do than in what she did. She touched the lives of many by just being Judy, more than any of her accomplishments. Judy never tried to be someone she wasn't. What you saw is exactly what you got.

Judy was a joyous person, a mother of two gifted girls, and a devout Catholic. She was grounded in the rich traditions of the Church. She had an unwavering devotion to our Blessed Mother. She would travel far and wide to grow in her affection and zeal for the Lord, attending and performing at Marian Conferences and Eucharistic Congresses throughout America and beyond. Her 50-before-50 bucket list included visiting and praying at all the national and international shrines and Marion apparitions throughout the world, approved and unapproved. An amazing list, but even more amazing Judy accomplished her bucket list; she emptied it and filled it again, and again. Her joy was infectious, her zeal was contagious. Her pace was quick, rapid-fire, manic at times. She made you giggle. Judy graduated with honors from the school of hard knocks, grateful for learning the lessons of life and the church. Being able to laugh at herself helped her to re-set her focus, pick up the pieces, dust off the scandal and move onward like a good Christian soldier.

Laughing at herself, at times, was her only vocation. Divorced, rejected, terminated, criticized, abandoned. On the day her husband exchanged her for a younger model, she was also terminated as the director of music with her church, after having served twenty-two years. A few hours later, she discovered from her doctor that she had only a few months to a year to live; she was diagnosed with stage four lung cancer. Imagine having no one to turn to, no place to go, or not having much time if you ever got there.

Judy praised God and recalled her bucket of blessings as she fought despair and defeat. She needed a little celebration in her life now and thankfully the Dairy Queen, famous for thick-thick, chocolate malts, was close by. She planned to enjoy one with extra malt. Before she could begin her good cheer hunting, she needed cash and drove to the nearest drive-thru bank to withdraw enough money to cover her plans to humor herself with a large burger basket, a big-gulp cola and a chocolate malt with extra malt.

As she waited in the long line for the drive-thru teller, the emotion of the extra-trying day caught up with her. Her feelings scuffed, her soul scraped, her courage started to crumble, but just as she was about to lose it, there came a burning distraction that needed immediate attention. It had been a long day. Her lips had become chapped and were burning through her thoughts of devastation and uncertainty. They screamed for immediate attention.

She quickly fished through her purse for a tube of ChapStick while keeping an eye on the line in front of her. Her car was in disrepair. It murmured and moaned like her spirit. There was no rearview mirror, hadn't been for several years, but she had learned to apply makeup and attend to her children in the backseat without it. Slowly, the line moved forward.

She applied the balm to her lips generously. It felt good. She applied more. It felt better. She rubbed the balm in and around her lips. Dispensing with coloring in the lines, she colored top lip, bottom lip, side-to-side, around the nose and down her chin. She applied extra for good measure, finishing just as the teller greeted her. "May I help you?" Judy responded, "I need some money!" Startled, the young teller motioned for her to wait.

Judy began to sing one of her favorite hymns, "This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine!" Within seconds, every bank teller, loan officer, janitor and even the president of the bank pressed their faces to the teller window. With a gape and a gawk, they stared at Judy. Upon seeing the shock on their faces, Judy amused herself thinking, "Oh you wouldn't believe the day I have had!" She tilted her head slightly and smiled at them, innocent and childlike.

After a moment, she realized something was not quite right. "Oh, NO!" she thought. "It was a joint account with her husband and he had withdrawn all the funds!" The look on the teller's face said it all. She gently nodded and drove off without speaking a word. As she was about to exit the parking lot, another driver flagged her down shouting, "Mrs. Kelly? Mrs. Kelly! I am a friend of your daughter's. You look like you are having a bad day. Let me help you!" Fighting back tears, Judy stopped the car and rolled down the window. "I'm okay. I'll be alright. I'm okay."

The young driver persisted, "Mrs. Kelly, is something wrong? Did you know you have bright red lipstick all over your face?" Just then, Judy realized that she had fished out the wrong tube from her purse. Instead of ChapStick, she had applied copious circles of deep red lipstick all over her face, worse than a drunken clown. No wonder the bank employees stared at her. She wasn't a freak. She was only human. She laughed out loud. God had done it again. God had humbled her with a hilarious distraction. Just when she was about lose hope, God reminded her of his presence, his grace and mercy, her bucket of blessings. He kissed her with his profound love and supernatural sense of humor.

True to herself and true to who God created her to be, she laughed at how human she was. Then, she fished out enough change from her purse and the seat of her car to get a chocolate malt after all. Not the extra large one she had anticipated but the one God provided. On the day her bucket had been emptied, she remained authentic, true, real and faithful to herself and to God. God loves it when we do that. He filled her bucket to overflowing with hope and humor and the kindness of another human being. Makes you want to tilt your head slightly, innocent and childlike, and sing, "This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine!"

In Christ,

*Father Steven C. Rogers*