

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:

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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.

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 19, 2014

In today's Gospel we hear proclaimed a profound teaching by Jesus on stewardship. What belongs to Caesar? What belongs to God? Christian stewards recognize that everything they have belongs to God. God created them, and God has claims on every part of their existence. They also realize that the sovereign is an institution whose nature and purpose is to promote the common good and protect the welfare of its citizenry. As long as it accomplishes this mission while treating every single person with deep respect, justice and compassion, it merits the steward's support and cooperation. Christian stewards know what belongs to the Lord, and they are better citizens when they live their lives according to His Gospel.

International Catholic Stewardship Council Oct 2014



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29th Sunday in Ordinary Time—10-19-14

Readings: p. 220 in *Breaking Bread*

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

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.

Mon, Oct 20, 8am-HT Rev. Charles Schaefer, rip (pastor 1885-98)

Wed, Oct 22, 8am-HT Private Intention

Thurs, Oct 23, 6pm-XII Jim Hoffman, rip

Fri, Oct. 24, 8am— HT Bernadette Youngblood, rip

Saturday, Oct. 25

5:00pm—XII Kyle & Cecily Mendenhall

Sunday, Oct. 26

7:30am-HT Private Intention

9:00am-XII People of Twelve Apostles

10:30am-HT People of Holy Trinity

MISSION SUNDAY COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

Today is World Mission Sunday. We are invited today to reach out and help build the Church in Mongolia, the world's youngest Catholic Church, as well as local churches throughout the missions. Your prayers and generous gift to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith in the second collection today help the work of priests, religious and lay leaders in Mongolia and throughout the Missions who offer the poor practical help and the experience of God's love and mercy, His hope and peace. Please keep the Missions in your daily prayers and please be as generous as you can to today's collection.

In addition to your envelope packs, envelopes for this collection are available on the table with the bulletins. For more information, please visit www.IAmAMissionary.org

2015 Catholic calendars are now available in the vestibule of each church.

ARE YOU REGISTERED IN A PARISH? 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!

TRAINING for NEW LECTORS & COMMUNION MINISTERS:

The Diocese will host a liturgical training workshop for new Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on Saturday, November 15, at the Catholic Center, 20 W. 9th St. Kansas City, MO 64105. The schedule is as follows:

8:15 am - Check in for Lectors

8:30 am - Lector training begins

9:45 am - Break and EMHC check in

10:00 am -Theological presentation for both EMHC and Lectors

11:00 am -Theological presentation will end (Lector training is complete and Lectors are free to leave)

10:00 am - 1pm - EMHC training

You may complete either or both trainings this day, if desired.

If you are interested, please contact the parish office by Nov 10.

BAPTISM DVDs still missing— PLEASE RETURN

We are still missing a couple copies of our "Your Baby's Baptism" DVDs needed for baptism prep. If you have one, please return to the office. Thank you!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

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

Continues October 21 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 pm @ Twelve Apostles

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

Women's Faith Sharing—Wed., Oct. 22, 8:30am, at Holy Trinity.

Endow meeting—Letter to Women — Thursday, October 23, at 6:45pm at XII Apostles.

Endow - Mother of the Redeemer (*Redemptoris Mater*) will meet for 8 sessions on alternating Tuesday afternoons 1 - 2:30pm, 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. 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.

For Men Only: 33 Days to Morning Glory - Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary will be offered on Sunday mornings after Mass at XII Apostles, beginning November 2. All men are invited to join us from 10:15 - 11:30am for six Sundays. Contact Scott Webb 816-506-6121, Chris Barmann 816-589-9148, or Chris Smiley 816-799-5178 to sign up or for more information. If you don't have the "33 Days" book, the cost is \$10 and will need to be pre-ordered prior to the first session.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS for all

"Do More, Be a Knight!" All Catholic gentlemen 18 years and older are prospective members of the Knights of Columbus. Upcoming Ceremonials:

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 scsteiger@yahoo.com for more information.

Save the Dates

Parish Mission @ Twelve Apostles Church
Together, Moving Forward as a Spiritual Community
Presented by The Apostles of the Interior Life
December 9, 10 & 11
All are invited!

Defending Families in a Digital World

November 14, 2014 at the Savior Pastoral Center or Live-streamed. \$20 includes lunch or \$7.00 for Live Stream to your home or parish computer. Register at my www.myhousekc.com. Co-sponsored by Archdiocese of KCK and the Diocese of KC-St. Joseph, featuring Archbishop Naumann, Dr. Peter Kleponis, Dr. Todd Bowman and other notable experts. The program involves critical training for clergy, parents and families on how to protect your loved ones.

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, 8:30am–12:30pm** at St. Therese Parish, 7277 Missouri 9, KCMO 64152 Sponsored by FertilityCare Center of Kansas City, www.fertilitycarekc.com 816-858-0198 \$15 advance registration.

HOLY TRINITY NEWS



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 next **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 bowls 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 at [816.804.0855](tel:816.804.0855) or pamwittmeyer@gmail.com, or Maureen Vernon at marve49@aol.com.

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 and to Parkville Women's Clinic.

MASS TIME CHANGE NOVEMBER 2

All registered parish families recently received a letter about an upcoming slight change to the 10:30 Mass time.

A reminder that the 10:30 Mass time will change to 10:45am beginning Sunday, November 2.

WE REJOICE IN THE BAPTISMS of



Leah Christine Hansen, daughter of Chris and Emily Hansen, and **Gavin Jacob and Daphne Grace Ecker**, children of Charlene and Steve Ecker, baptized on Sunday, October 12, at Holy Trinity. May these new children of God and their families always know God's blessings.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES GALA: Please join Chairs Peggy & Mark Schmittlein 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 or 816.659.8216. We look forward to seeing you there! www.catholiccharities-kcsj.org

KATIE'S CORNER--YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS



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.

Confirmation: Next Session, **October 26—"The Plan"** - 8:45-10:15am at Holy Trinity; 4:30-6:30pm at XII Apostles. Don't forget to bring your Bible and YouCat! Find the couple kissing behind the Bible for a special prize!

Grades 7-12: Are you ready for another great TV game show? This month it will be **Faithful Feud.** Start watching reruns 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 - the prize bucket has been refilled after last game night! Oct 26, 6:30-8pm at XII Apostles.

TWELVE APOSTLES NEWS

PSR News: REMINDER to 6th grade - this week and next week, October 19 & 26, we will be having class in the Church.



Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast charitable fundraiser at the **Northland Career Center in Platte City THIS Sunday Oct. 19—10am—11:15am.** Free will offering.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

THIS Sunday, October 19, 2014

Every day He is opening new doors, inviting me to move forward in faith. Here I am, Lord, take me by the hand.
Adult Adoration 5:00 – 6:00 pm in the church

ALTAR SERVERS CLASS BEGINS THIS WEEK!—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!!

MINISTRY FAIR NEXT WEEKEND 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 next weekend. See the Ministry booklet in the bulletin for a list describing the available opportunities. If you want to know more, representatives will be available after Masses the weekend of Oct 25-26 to answer your questions.

WE REJOICE IN THE BAPTISMS of

Eleanor Catherine Hoelscher, daughter of Jeffrey and Elizabeth Hoelscher, on September 20, 2014, and **Claire Emma Jane Craine**, daughter of Matthew and Sara Jane Craine, on October 4, 2014.



May these new children of God be blessed in their gift of faith.

BUILDING FUND UPDATE:

September 2014 Building Fund Contributions: \$ 8,651.
Minimum Monthly Principal (\$9K) & Interest pmt: \$14,450.
September Building Fund Deficit: **\$5,799.**
Current Loan Balance: \$1,781,000.00

Catholic Charities of Kansas City – St. Joseph will be the beneficiary of an event to be held at Ten Thousand Villages, 7947 Santa Fe Drive, Overland Park, KS 66204 on Sunday, October 26, 2014 from Noon to 4:00 p.m. Fifteen percent of net sales will be donated to Catholic Charities.

Trivia Night: The Holy Family Men's Club will hold its annual trivia night Saturday, November 8. Doors open at 6 p.m. and trivia begins at 7 p.m. Cost is \$10 per person. Teams of four to eight people are accepted. The night is open to those 21 or older. Guests may bring appetizers for the social hour preceding trivia, as well as their own adult beverages. Soda and bottled water available for a donation. Holy Family is located at 919 NE 96th Street, Kansas City, MO 64155. The event benefits the Holy Family Memorial Garden. For more information, contact Rob at mensclub@holyfamily.com



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

When I was in the eighth grade, I was encouraged to enter a speech contest. The local chapter of Kiwanis International, a philanthropic organization with a mission to change the world through the sharing of time and resources, wanted a strong candidate they could sponsor who could go all the way to the national competition and win. All eyes were on me, that precocious, outgoing, extroverted child with a reputation for being creative, outspoken, a real go-getter and overachiever. Actually, I was the only one who didn't say no.

After winning a few preliminary competitions, the director of the state competition brought in a consultant to tighten up and improve the skills of the top candidates, myself included. The consultant coached us on posture and poise, personal style and presentation, self-confidence, being yourself, being properly attired from head to toe, eye-contact and facial expression, gesturing, projecting, breathing and all the other aspects of public speaking.

It was like she had a big cookie cutter mold and aggressively pushed and pulled, stretched and kneaded each of us into compliance and poked and prodded us to fit the mold exactly. Blue suit, white shirt, red tie, glossy wing-tipped shoes, hair jelled and slicked down to the skull so tight it wouldn't budge even during a freak accident. After all, amateur competitions are accustomed to freak accidents. We were tucked in so tightly we couldn't breathe, much less be ourselves, which is what got us into the competition in the first place.

We were told to put on the face of the organization, to put on the face of success and to put on "only" the face she had coiffed and primped and molded, the one that was sure to impress the judges and motivate them to cast a vote in our favor.

The theme for the speech contest was, "Our Challenge: Involvement!" In the minds of overachieving eighth graders, that was no problem. Before the competition started, the contenders were seated on stage behind the speaker's podium. That way, we could support and encourage one another. For an eighth grader, that's no way to be involved! To support and encourage one another was the last thing on our minds. It was a competition! Everyone was trying to remember how to gesture, when to gesture, when to smile, when to pause, how to work the room and how to impress others, especially the judges.

The first speaker bombed! There was a deafening gasp from the audience when they realized the pause wasn't dramatic and intentional. The poor boy was so wrapped up in all the superfluous and superficial details that he completely forgot where he was and who he was. Before he collapsed from stage fright, he smiled and surveyed the audience, hoping they wouldn't notice. The consultant had taught us how to do that.

The second speaker was quite impressive. His parents and sponsoring chapter applauded every other word he spoke, even the ifs, ands, and buts. The more they applauded, the more he gestured. His facial expressions were wild and intense. Impressive! He was sure to score extra points because he had remembered most of what the consultant had instructed.

There were seven speakers and I was the last to deliver a speech. After having heard six speeches, six pretentious and artificial presentations, I completely put aside all the advice and consulting I had received. All I could remember is the superb coaching my parents had given me a couple hours before, "Don't embarrass us!" My parents knew I had a flare for being me.

Discarding all the surefire speaking techniques, I decided to be true to myself. Seeing and hearing the others, it had appeared to me that being authentic was the greater challenge over and above being involved in anything. I loosened my tie, messed up my hair, removed my suit coat and shot a wink and a grin at the consultant waiting in the wings, "I got this!" The horror on her face read, "Freak accident!" She wanted to kill me.

At the podium, I stood tall, well-poised and confident. Panning the audience and the judges, I held the silence in the room in the palm of my hand. People leaned forward on the edge of their seats. My parents wilted and slumped down into their seats and closed their eyes, preparing to be embarrassed.

I raised high the pages of my speech and then released them to freely blow about the floor in front of the judges. It was a symbol for being set free from the restrictions of being someone other than who God created me to be, not an act of defiance.

That got everyone's attention. Then, I spoke to them from my heart, as me, as an eighth grader in a speech contest. "When other people look at your life, what do they see? When God looks at your life, what does He see? That's not only 'Our Challenge'; it is a guide for how we are to become 'involved' in life and relationship! We are to be authentic and true and generous."

After all the clever remarks and niceties were spoken that night, I had an urge to keep God in the equation. Our hearts should belong to God and God alone. If we belong to God, Jesus is engraved on our hearts. Whose image do others see when they look at our lives? When people see you do they see Jesus engraved upon you? To the extent that they do, that's the extent to which you belong to the Kingdom of God. That's our challenge no matter what we are involved in, no matter who is telling us to do otherwise.

I ended my speech just like all the other contenders had begun theirs that night, with a call for world peace. Those words were music to the consultant's ears. Relieved, she picked herself up off the floor and joined in on the applause. My father glanced over at my mother with shock and disbelief on his face. I had won the competition. That didn't matter to me. I wanted everyone to know about God. In all the competitions from then on, more people raised and dropped their speeches than ever before. Now, that is being involved.



In Christ,

Father Steven C Rogers