

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
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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, 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.

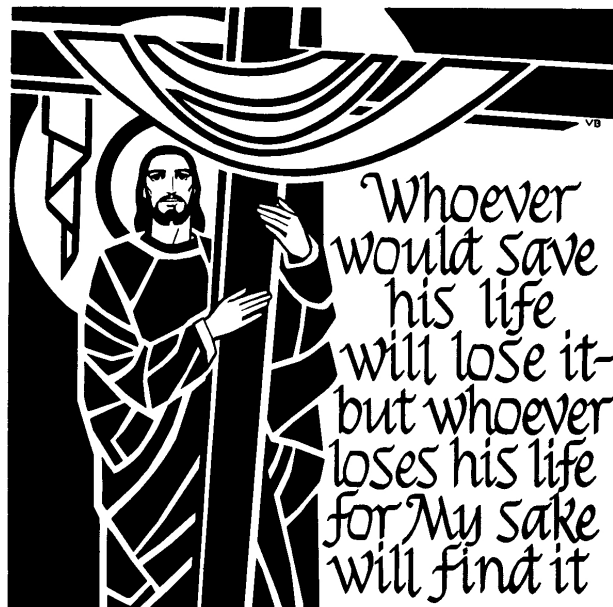
Baptism: Expectant parents should contact Fr. Rogers comfortably prior to the baby's birth for baptism preparation.

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

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 26, 2014

There is one word or command that summarizes today's Gospel - love. For Jesus, there is no distinction between these two commands of loving God and neighbor. One naturally flows from the other. In fact, for Jesus, these commands constitute a way of life for Christian stewards; a unique approach to life and to their relationship with others. Our neighbors include everyone with whom we come into contact: family members, friends, people we don't like, strangers and particularly those most in need of our love and compassion. Love is always for doing well and helping others grow closer to the Lord. What are ways in which we might do better at following Christ's love command?

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30th Sunday in Ordinary Time—10-26-14

Readings: p. 222 in *Breaking Bread*

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

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

Mon, Oct 27, 8am-HT Private Intention

Wed, Oct 29, 8am-HT Private Intention

Thurs, Oct 30, 6pm-XII Private Intention

MASSSES FOR THE FEAST OF ALL SAINTS holy day -

Fri, Oct 31, 6:30pm—HT

Sat, Nov 1, 9am—XII

Saturday, Nov 1

5:00pm—XII Judy Morrissey, r.i.p.

Sunday, Nov 2

7:30am-HT People of Holy Trinity

9:00am-XII People of Twelve Apostles

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

RCIA THIS WEDNESDAY

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) will meet on Wednesday, October 29, at 7:00pm, at Holy Trinity.

Questions? Contact Father Rogers at 640-2206.



TRICK-OR-TREAT!

Halloween is just around the corner and Father Rogers is hoping families will come trick-or-treat at his Halloween porch. Rumor has it that little dogs Ocho and Cinco will be sporting their favorite costumes. Plan to stop by the rectory

(407 Cherry St., Weston) this Friday between 4:30 and 6pm and then stick around for 6:30 pm All Saints Day Vigil Mass.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS NEXT WEEKEND

Remember to "fall back" one hour next Saturday night!

2015 CATHOLIC CALENDARS are now available in the vestibule of each church — you may pick one up at any time.

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.

ARE YOU REGISTERED IN A PARISH?

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ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Sunday Morning Bible Study: Please note that we will not meet this Sunday morning Oct. 26, due to a previously scheduled event. Join us again next week!

Endow - Mother of the Redeemer (*Redemptoris Mater*) will meet for 8 sessions on alternating **Tuesday afternoons 1:00- 2:30pm, beginning this Tuesday, 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 1st, 2nd and 3rd Degree Ceremonials:

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

Monday, 10 Nov, 1st Degree (Admission) at ST Therese in Parkville MO
Contact Steve Steiger, Immediate Past Grand Knight and Membership Chairman at 816.431.6506 or at scsteiger@yahoo.com for more information.

The Star Council Award 2013-2014 was presented by K of C District Deputy Chris Teel at the monthly Council meeting 16 Oct at XII Apostles. Only about 10% of the Knights of Columbus Councils receive this prestigious award which recognizes Councils that have been awarded ALL THREE recognitions: the Fr. Michael J. McGivney Award, the Founders Award and the Columbian Award. Congratulations go to Steve Steiger, Grand Knight 2012 - 2014, and to all members of Council 12288 at Holy Trinity and XII Apostles parishes that helped achieve this special recognition.

2014 TOOTSIE ROLL Drive for Persons with Developmental Disabilities

was a great success raising \$323 more than in 2013. Special thanks to all the Knights and family members that collected \$2406 during the last two weekends. Besides collections after Masses at XII Apostles and Holy Trinity, we couldn't have done as well as we did without the following businesses supporting our efforts: Sharp's Market and O'Malley's Pub/Weston Brewing Company in Weston; and Apple Market and Price Chopper in Platte City.

The FIRST Annual XII Apostles Fall Festival was a great time for family and friends to meet after the 5 pm Mass Saturday 18 Oct. Thanks to all the Knights and their family members that volunteered to support this event. No one would have thought we would serve 228 hot dogs and nearly 9 gallons of chili!

Thanks to the Pancake and Sausage breakfast volunteers who donated their time to work at the Northland Career Center cafeteria last Sunday, October 19: Bill Collier, Jim Rooney, Larry Von Tersch, Terry Morrison, Doug Beatty, Al Vertin, Judy Zidanic, Judy and Steve Steiger.

The next Council meeting will be on 20 November 2014 at Holy Trinity in Weston starting at 7 pm with praying the Rosary, then a short business meeting followed by fraternal fellowship period (Italian on the menu). Contact Jim Rooney, Grand Knight, HT-XII K of C Council 12288; c: 816.674.4268 or via email at JR Rooney640@aol.com for more information.



FOOD COLLECTION: Next weekend is the monthly food collection for United Services food pantry (located in Tracy). This organization gives food and other items to those in our community who need it. Any non-perishable item will be appreciated. Place your items in the marked box located at the back of both churches. Thanks for your generosity.

HOLY TRINITY NEWS



JOIN US THIS SUNDAY for the "**1st Annual Chili Cook-Off**" hosted by Holy Trinity's Women's Guild **following 10:30 Mass in the Parish Hall. Free will donation.** Monies will go to assist youth going to World Youth Day and Parkville Women's Clinic.

MASS TIME CHANGE NEXT WEEKEND

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

Remember to adjust your clocks for daylight savings time as well!

ROSARY FOR THE UNBORN —

Our first-of-the-month rosary will be offered in the church at 10:05AM next 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. Please note the time change due to the Mass time change.



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.



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.

KATIE'S CORNER--YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

CONFIRMATION CLASS: *The Plan* — this Sunday, Oct. 26, 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!

YOUTH GROUP—

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?!



HT/XII
Youth Group

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. This Sunday, Oct 26, 6:30-8pm at XII Apostles.

Grades 9-12

Do you have the kind of faith that could move mountains? Wondering how to get that kind of faith? Come learn more - and maybe move a mountain or two. Next Sunday, November 2, 6:30-8:00pm at XII Apostles.

TWELVE APOSTLES NEWS

PSR News:

Parents as Catechist (PAC) meeting will be next week Nov. 2 during PSR class time 10:20-11:30am, at the Northland Career Center. All parents welcome! - come get support from fellow parents on how to teach and demonstrate our faith in the home.

MINISTRY FAIR THIS 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 this weekend. Representatives from the different ministries will be available after Masses to answer your questions.

A VERY BIG THANK YOU to ALL who volunteered, donated and attended our very first Fall Harvest! Everyone had a great time. Be sure to check out all the photos on **Facebook: 12 Apostles Fall Harvest**

PARISH FUND RAISING REMINDER

We hope you can join us for our CITIZEN newspaper "ad inserting" this Wednesday, October 29, starting at 8:30 AM and ending before noon. 1110 Branch St, Platte City. Questions, call Loretta Ralston @ 431-6304 .

NEW: Use this link if/when you shop on Amazon and 0.5% of your purchase amount will be donated to Twelve Apostles:
<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/26-2416033>

CEMETERY SUNDAY – NOVEMBER 2, 2014

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

At 2:00 PM on Sunday, November 2, 2014 a Prayer Service will be held at each of the 4 Diocesan Cemeteries to pray for and remember our beloved deceased. Join the Community of Faith at:

In Kansas City:

Mt. Olivet – 7601 Blue Ridge Blvd

Resurrection – 5001 NE Cookingham Drive

St. Mary's - 2201 Cleveland Avenue

In St. Joseph: Mt. Olivet – 26th and Lover's Lane

Cemetery staff members will be at all locations to answer any questions you may have.

Women's Health Care: Why It Matters

A Program for the Layperson, the Clergy who care for them and their Medical Providers
Learn authentic health care for women's reproductive disorders, including infertility, featuring Dr. Catherine Keefe, OBGYN, Pope Paul VI Institute Physicians, a witness couple and a pastor's testimony.
Nov 1st, 0830-1230 at St. Therese Parish. \$15 advance registration.
813.858.0198. www.fertilitycarekc.com

HAVE YOU TOLD YOUR KIDS TO WAIT FOR MARRIAGE? ARE YOU SHOWING THEM SOMETHING WORTH WAITING FOR?

Take a weekend to make your marriage the best it can be! The next opportunity in Kansas City is February 6-8, 2015.

For more details about a Weekend, please visit our website:

wwwme4youandme.org

or call Tony & Barb Zimmerman, 816-741-4066

or email tonybarbz@prodigy.net



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

A year after my father died, close to the anniversary of his death, my mother and I decided that we needed to take a break from heartache and sorrow and do something for ourselves and for each other, that would help us heal and move forward.

That "year of firsts" can be a real doozy! There was silence that first Thanksgiving without him. We were good little robots that first Christmas, well programmed and highly functioning, going through the motions, but not present to what we were doing like in years past. All the first big things were sad, but worse than that, all the first little things somehow were magnified and took on a significance that only amplified the sorrow. Even though Valentine's Day hadn't been a big deal before, losing the possibility of celebrating it with her husband was another first and it had made my mother very sad. The cruel reality of the first "should-have, would-have, could-have" exposed layer upon layer of hurt and loneliness.

Feelings buried deep and packed solid and tight seem to be the only way to control an emotional eruption. That year of firsts is salt to an open wound; every breath you take, marks each moment of your life moving forward without the one you love. Breathing is hard, it hurts. The fear of that deep hurt never being healed does not leave you even for a nanosecond during that first year. But it is a good thing to breathe. It opens a way to healing, recalling and rejoicing all the blessings of life and relationship.

We decided to go to Branson, Missouri for a few days to take our minds off that dreaded day and to commemorate my father's life in a special way for that first anniversary. A lot of people with the blues go to Branson. Most people go there to get away from their troubles, to escape that which is all too familiar to them. We were in good company.

The first couple of days were great. My mother had lots of energy and was genuinely excited about all the healthy distractions: shows, shopping, dining, miniature golf, museums and galleries. We did things and saw things and ate things we never thought we would do, see or eat. Our days were filled with activities morning, noon and night and our hotel room was filled with sacks of stuff we had given ourselves permission to purchase. Stuff we wanted but didn't need. Stuff certain never to be used. Stuff that would expire long before we could ever eat it all. Stuff in a year we would wonder why we bought it in the first place. We had gone wild.

Excess is the best distraction to trouble. No one wants or needs eight pounds of fudge. The buy-three-get-one-free promo, at first, is an enticing cure for the blues, but it can compound fast when you are on a sugar high from all the sampling the shop owners encourage. Afterward, it isn't such a good thing. With it being just me and my mother, there was no one to stop us or call us back to reality. However, reality does kick in, eventually.

At dinner, during our last night in Branson, my mother's energy and focus took a turn. She didn't talk, she didn't eat, she didn't laugh, she didn't cry. She sat motionless, vacant and empty, near the window with a view overlooking the scenic trails below. She had been immobilized by something. Something big. Something bigger than me. Something bigger than her. Something bigger than the loss of my father.

I rambled on, anxiously chatting about everything but saying nothing. My mother had taught me how to entertain myself with a brown paper bag; she taught by example. I found myself in the uncomfortable position of being with someone, yet very much alone, without a brown paper bag. Where did my mother go?

My mother looked square into my eyes and said, "Who am I?" I stopped rambling. "I am no longer somebody's daughter - I am fully grown. I am no longer somebody's mother - all you kids are grown and gone! I am no longer somebody's wife - my husband is dead! Who am I?" I fumbled and shuffled around in my seat, the view had become very opaque. "Mother, you are still all those things!" "I know," she said. "But who am I? I have to start figuring that out now!"

My mother who had been everything to so many was now in the position to become something and someone for herself. My mother had come through the worst experience of her life and was standing on the other side. For the first time in a year, I saw my mother's grief lift from her. All the shopping and eating and doing, all the distractions had paid off. Success! Or so I thought, until she shared something far more profound.

"I had a dream last night. It was more than a dream. Richard came to me and sat down beside me on the bed. He took my hand and he smiled at me. For the first time, I wasn't sad. For the first time, he said things to me that I always wanted him to say. He said I was a good wife, mother and daughter. For the first time he said he still loves me. For the first time, he told me to take care of myself, to love "me" as I have loved all of you!" And for the first time, I couldn't speak a word. I was 'verklemt' choked with emotion, at what my mother had said.

Here is what my mother and I had learned together: Our own needs are important and we are responsible for seeing that our needs get met; otherwise we don't have enough to share with others - enough energy or enthusiasm or kindness or patience. And we must focus on others in order to love them. We cannot focus so much on ourselves that we neglect the needs of others.

We find the right balance only after we have put God first and make our relationship with him our highest priority. This divine friendship is what heals us. It's what empowers us to love others even during the difficult times. With God, we are never alone. God will break through the darkness to heal us and help us move onward and upward.

From that moment on, my mother moved with a sense of certainty, courage and resolve. We have taken many trips to Branson since my father died. Every time on the way to Branson we say we aren't going to buy any more fudge, but we always do. I think fudge is God's way of saying he still loves us. Plus, that buy-three-get-one-free promo is the best!



In Christ,

Father Steven C. Rogers