

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
10:45AM – 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 & 10:45am 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, 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.

Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome November 9, 2014

In today's reading from Saint Paul's letter to the Christian community at Corinth, he suggests that we are all called to be "wise master builders" in the building up of God's temple, the local Church. Each one of us has been given gifts to offer this building enterprise, and we are called to be good stewards of this project, to build this church together, in communion with one another, according to God's plan, not ours. Jesus Christ is the solid foundation upon whom we are to build. Saint Paul further suggests that God will judge us according to the quality of our stewardship. Can we see ourselves as "master builder" of God's church? What gifts are we using to construct this holy place that God will call home?

International Catholic Stewardship Council Nov 2014



Dedication of the Lateran Basilica—11-09-14

Readings: p. 228 in *Breaking Bread*

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, Nov 8

5:00pm—XII Fr. Linus Link, r.i.p.

Sunday, Nov 9

7:30am-HT People of Holy Trinity

9:00am-XII People of Twelve Apostles

10:45am-HT Ruth Ovaitt, r.i.p.

Mon, Nov 10, 8am-HT For all Military Veterans

Wed, Nov 12, 8am-HT Rev. James Kiernan, rip (pastor 1941-42)

Thurs, Nov 13, 6pm-XII Private Intention

Fri, Nov 14, 8am-HT Private Intention

Saturday, Nov 15

5:00pm—XII Nicole Genova, r.i.p.

Sunday, Nov 16

7:30am-HT People of Holy Trinity

9:00am-XII People of Twelve Apostles

10:45am-HT In honor of St. Jude

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

Lectors: Handbooks for the new liturgical year beginning November 29/30 are available in the vestibule of each church. Please pick yours up. Thanks for your service!



WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY: Women of Holy Trinity and Twelve Apostles — save-the-date for a Christmas party, Monday, December 15, at Kozak's Lakeside Grill in Smithville. More details coming soon!

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. To be eligible to become a member of the Knights of Columbus, you must be a Catholic gentleman, age 18 or older (there is no maximum age to join) who is a practicing Catholic.

To join the Knights of Columbus, you only have to attend ONE First (Admission) Degree Ceremonial. Current members only have to participate in one Second Degree Ceremonial and one Third Degree Ceremonial.

Our Council No. 12288 here at Twelve Apostles and Holy Trinity does not charge any fees to join the Knights or to attend any of our ceremonials. Our local council pays all of your fees. You only pay your annual dues of \$30 in January of each year.

Upcoming 1st, 2nd and 3rd Degree Ceremonials:

Monday, 10 Nov, 1st Degree (Admission) at ST Therese in Parkville MO

Sunday, 23 Nov, 2nd and 3rd Degrees at Raytown, MO

Tuesday, 09 Dec, 1st Degree at Lee's Summit, MO

Contact Steve Steiger, Immediate Past Grand Knight and Membership Chairman at 816.431.6506 or at scsteiger@yahoo.com for more information.

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.

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!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Sunday Morning Bible Study: We continue our study of "Matthew" from 9-10:15am at Holy Trinity.

For Men Only: 33 Days to Morning Glory - Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary began November 2 and is offered on Sunday mornings after Mass at XII Apostles. 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.

Bible 101: Discovering God's Word (Part 3) continues

Tuesdays, November 11, 18; 6:30-8pm @ XII Apostles
In this 3-wk session, we study the stories of Moses, Joshua, David and Solomon. All are invited to join us. Free childcare provided. For more info, contact Chris Smiley at 816-799-5178 or Christopher.g.smiley@gmail.com.

ENDOW—St. Catherine of Siena-Tues., Nov. 11, 9:30-11:30am
ENDOW -Mother of the Redeemer - Tues, Nov 11, 1 - 2:30 pm
Both at the home of Donna Webb.

Take Church History II at Holy Trinity Parish (Weston) on Nov. 12, 19, and Dec. 3 & 10, from 6:30pm to 9:00pm with BHI's resident historian Dr. Claude Sasso. Part II of Church History is designed to examine the major moments and movements in Church history over the last six centuries. These include the Protestant Revolution and the Catholic Reformation, the formation of great religious orders such as the Jesuits, missionary endeavors in the New World, Vatican I and II as well as the reigns of popes John Paul II and Benedict XVI. As always the actions and promptings of the Holy Spirit within the Church are highlighted. The cost is \$25 or \$40/married couple. Register online at mybhi.org or call 816-714-2331.

RCIA — next meeting will be this Wed, Nov 12,
7pm at Holy Trinity

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 7:00–8:30pm

Nov 1-Dec 5 *Preparing the Soil for the Mission*
12 Prayer Warriors from Holy Trinity/XII Apostles
will be praying daily for the success of our mission.



TRAINING for NEW LECTORS & COMMUNION MINISTERS:



The Diocese will host a liturgical training workshop for new Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC) 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 interested, please contact the parish office by **this Monday, November 10**, and we will register you.

HOLY TRINITY NEWS

Baby Bottle Collection: Thanks to all who have filled and returned your baby bottles for the Parkville Women's Clinic. Please return as soon as possible if you have not yet done so.

Parish Council meeting, Monday, Nov 7, 7pm.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST NEXT SUNDAY

The Knights of Columbus will serve a pancake and sausage breakfast next Sunday, November 16, from 8:30-10:15am, in the parish hall. Open to all. A free will offering will be welcome.



CAN YOU HELP US RECYCLE? We are looking for someone who could check our recycling tubs in the parish hall kitchen each week and take them to recycling. Please contact the office if you can help.

A warm Holy Trinity welcome to new parishioners:

Carl **Wilson**; Daniel and Sarah **Rees**, Noah, Bryn, and Luke; Gerald and Mary **Dunn**, and Sean and Maresa **Fisher**. We are blessed to have you here and look forward to knowing you!



We want your old car. Any make, any model, any condition. When you donate a used car, truck, RV or boat to **Cars4KC**, you help Catholic Charities prevent and reduce poverty right here in

our community – and you get a tax deduction. **Cars4KC** is a joint program of **Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph** and **Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas**. Together, the two agencies serve about 250,000 people across the region every year. Your vehicle donation helps make that possible! **Donate today! Go to www.Cars4KC.com or call 1-866-430-9499.**

Catholic Charities offers meaningful programs focused on helping individuals and families find a path out of poverty. Our services include emergency assistance, workforce readiness and job placement, financial literacy, homelessness prevention and more.

December Retreat Offering, 2014 Sophia Center - Atchison, KS Advent Wisdom - Saturday December 6 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

St. Benedict urges us to see Christ in all the people and events of our lives. Join Sister Judith Sutera, OSB, author of Liguori Press's *Advent and Christmas Wisdom from St. Benedict* in preparing to welcome the coming of Christ every day this Advent. For more information or to register, call 913-360-6151 or visit Sophia Center's website at www.sophiaspiritualitycenter.org

KATIE'S CORNER--YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Figure out how to make prayer work! This Sunday, Nov 9—6:30-8pm at Holy Trinity.

Next Sunday "Bible Jeopardy" 6:30-8pm at XII Apostles.

Confirmation class meets next Sunday, 4:30-6:30pm at Twelve Apostles.

YOUTH GROUP—Grades 7-12: SAVE THE DATE: Cookie Sale, December 5—7. Sign ups coming soon!



TWELVE APOSTLES NEWS

PSR News: Today—please join us for a PARISH Rosary led by the 8th grade class. 10:20am in the cafeteria at Northland Career Center.

Would your child be interested in participating in a Christmas pageant before a Christmas Eve Mass? We need about 18 participants and some voices for the choir. Parent meeting next Sunday, Nov. 16, 10:20am, at the Career Center cafeteria. Practices will be at the church on Sundays, Nov 30-Dec 21, immediately following PSR.

WOMEN'S GROUP MEETS Tuesday, November 11, at 7pm, in the church basement. All women of the parish are invited to attend!



ALTAR SERVER training this week! Final session, this Thursday, Nov 13, 6:45pm at XII Apostles.

MINISTRY FAIR: Thank you to everyone who inquired about sharing your spiritual gifts. If you took a packet home, you may still turn in your sheets. The drop box will be in the Narthex a few more weeks.

Church cleaning Sat., Nov. 15 at 9am by Team 3: Katie Barmann, Shannon Demory, Meredith Domann, Joan Remmers, Valerie Bailey, Tammy Glick, and Mary Richter. Thank you!

Welcome New Parishioners! We are blessed to be a growing parish! We welcome Jeff & Liz **Hoelscher**, Eleanor and Reid; Wm. Scott and Yezika **Kelley** and Sofia; Chris and Sue **Vavrik**, Kimberly, Brian, Lisa, McKayla, Trinity, and Charles; Jordan & Rachel **Kratz** and Noah; Mark & Lisa **Mancin**, Charles and Jordan; and Jason & Cari **Smith**, Noah and Madilynn. May you find your new spiritual home a place of Christ's fellowship!

BUILDING FUND UPDATE:

October 2014 Building Fund Contributions: \$15,066.92

Minimum Monthly Principal payment: \$9,000.00

October Interest payment on loan: \$5,238.08

Current Loan Balance: \$1,765,933.08

Thank you for your support of our debt reduction! There are Building Fund envelopes in your envelope packs and in the back of the church for this purpose.

RETREATS AT CONCEPTION ABBEY

Common Book Retreat for Advent - Friday eve - Sunday noon, Nov 14– 16

*This year's book: **God with us: rediscovering the meaning of Christmas.***

We'll provide you with this beautifully illustrated book and spend the weekend getting you started on it with some initial thoughts on the season of Advent. Then take the book home and continue to read it during the Advent season. Our team will guide the weekend, which will include time for quiet reading, prayer and conversation. (\$170 for single accommodations, \$150 per person for double accommodations).

Advent day of reflection - Wednesday, December 10, 2014

A day of reflection with **Fr. Peter Ullrich, OSB**. The Advent journey: a time to wait and time to prepare for the Christmas feast. We'll begin with coffee and rolls at 9:00am. After the first conference at 9:30, you'll have time for quiet reflection and prayer. Mass and lunch follow, with more quiet time and a concluding conference at 2:30 pm. (*Suggested offering for conferences, lunch and materials: \$20 per person*).

New Year's Retreat -Tuesday evening-Thursday noon, Dec 30–Jan 1, 2015

Our annual New Year's retreat will focus on passages from Pope Francis that will inspire and help us review and set the tone for the New Year. Join **Archbishop Jerome Hanus, Fr Peter Ullrich and Karen Ceckowski** as we reflect and challenge ourselves in meaningful 2015 resolutions. You'll find ample time for quiet reflection and prayer, have the opportunity to celebrate Reconciliation, and enjoy a festive New Year's reception. (*Suggested offering for lodging, meals, conferences and reception: \$160 for single accommodations, \$130 per person for double accommodations*).

For reservations for any of the above, contact the Abbey Guest Center: phone 660-944-2809 or email guests@conception.edu



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

Before I entered seminary, I worked for an International Commercial Furniture Company with manufacturing facilities here in Kansas City. The company was privately owned by a business entrepreneur, industry maverick, and a self-made man. He was a man with drive. He was driven as well. He was a true workaholic. His obsession was making money. He made lots of it. He was generous with his wealth. He contributed to many worthwhile causes throughout Kansas City and in Israel. He desired to share his good fortune with others. He was well known for his white papers on "How to Get Rich."

He had the drive to do whatever it took to accomplish greatness. He was driven to the point that he made everyone he employed, work long and hard so he could make it big. He would start each day in the wee hours of the morning and drum up business well into the late hours of the night, sunrise past sunset. He would say, "I'm a good Jew!" He was hard working and called others to do the same.

He was a good man who could bring out the good in others even if it meant using unconventional means. He thought he was an effective motivator, but his employees thought he was aggravating and demanding. They would complain incessantly, but they always did what he wanted them to do.

He hired me as his right hand man, and he mentored me daily for several years. He would call me at all hours of the night and day, especially around four in the morning. Daily he reminded the clock was ticking that there were deadlines that needed to be met. When he called at four in the morning, he would demand, "Why are you sleeping!" I reminded him, there were only twenty-four hours in a day and I needed my rest. Still, he always got me up, out of bed and to work five hours before the work day was to begin.

Rather than say, "Good Morning," he would greet me at the front office rambling, "I'm going to ask God to give me four of your hours, because you aren't using them very well. I can do more than you can with them anyway!" He truly believed, "you can sleep when you are dead." There were many mornings I wanted to inform him those arrangements could be made. Only that would lead to an endless lecture of fault-finding and unfavorable banter, so I always held my tongue.

Morning after morning, he and I worked at a manic pace, well before the sun came up, to get everything in order for him to be able to control the day, especially his start-of-the-day meetings with management. These meetings were meant to kick start the day with gusto and fervor, but by the time he had dissected every detail, times five, the gusto turned to rage and the fervor to furor. At the moment the minds of management glazed over, he would individually and publically berate everyone in the meeting. Counterproductive? Not really, he made lots of money, or rather his employees made him lots of money.

He wasn't a greedy man, he just knew he could accomplish great things if he had the money to convince others of his greatness. His was a rags to riches story, which made him appealing and intriguing, and at the same time it made him repelling and repulsive, all depending on which side of the tracks you were from. Upcoming apprentices considered him the "man of the hour" while industry giants avoided him at every turn. He was intense and he knew it. He didn't excuse it, dismiss it, justify it or explain it. He lived it and lived it to the fullest. Sadly, at times his life and his relationships were in upheaval and they would hit the rocks. All the money in the world cannot undo the pain and aggravation this causes and he knew it.

A lot can be said about him, but there was one thing that redeemed his unrefined style and uncouth methods. Every year, in September and October, during Rosh Shoshanna and the ten days of atonement, he extended an invitation and opened his office to anyone who needed him to atone for any of his transgressions. He wanted to atone for any wrong-doing, any harm caused, any resentment, any indignation, or any grudge anyone held against him. He would sincerely ask for forgiveness, he would publically acknowledge his faults, errors, weaknesses and offenses, and he would make amends. He truly opened his heart to reconciling with those whom he had offended. He was more serious about atonement than he ever was about money.

People lined up in front of his office during the entire ten days, starting in the wee hours of the morning well into the late hours of the night, sunrise past sunset. At times the line would weave and wind around the whole office. People from within the company lined up, people who had no association with the business lined up, competitors, bankers, Christians and Jews lined up to have their day. His wife, children, and relatives and lots of others, who had any dealings with him over the past year, lined up to help him atone for his shortcomings. It was like his office had a revolving door; it was the most active time of the year. Funny, because no one ever wanted to be summoned or come to his office during the other times of the year.

After the ten days were exhausted, everyone seemed better off. For weeks following, his management team sustained their gusto and fervor as they worked around the clock to make year-end quotas and sales goals. Cha-ching! Cha-ching!

The feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome is a reminder to us to clean out the dust and dirt from the Cathedral of our hearts. It is a good time for atonement. It is a good time to be serious about reconciling with others for all of our shortcomings, offenses and transgressions. The door to our hearts is not always open. Whatever we do that blocks our heart and blocks the Holy Spirit's work in us, Jesus wants to overturn it, like the money-changers' tables we read about in the Gospel this weekend.

If your life or relationships are in upheaval, perhaps that's Jesus overturning some tables! Something needs to be turned over, turned around, something needs atoning. We need to work long and hard to drive out everything that is unholy, to drive out all that gets in the way of us being and becoming what God created us to be. If our hearts are truly open to the Holy Spirit, we will find the blessing in this work, and we will become a blessing to others.



In Christ,

Father Steven C. Rogers