

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
10:45 AM – 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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7:30am & 10:45am Masses at Holy Trinity)
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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.

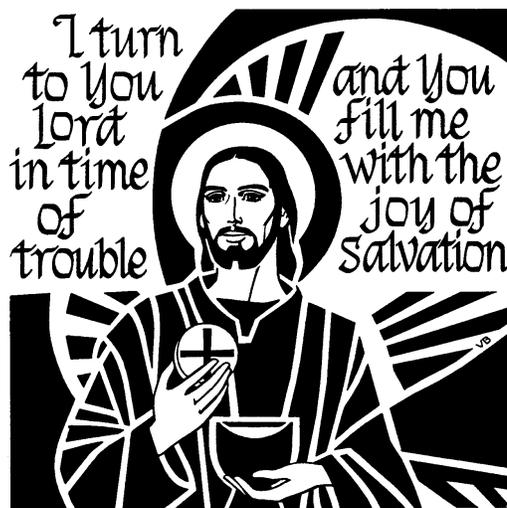
First Penance/Eucharist, Confirmation: Children preparing for these sacraments must have completed the prior year of religious education.

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time February 15, 2015

The fate of a leper is a great tragedy at any time and place. In Jesus' time, lepers were considered condemned, part of the plagues God sent as punishment. They were cast out of society and abandoned. St. Mark's Gospel reveals the unthinkable. Jesus reaches out and touches a leper. He risks catching the contagious disease and heals the man. As the Gospel story teaches, no one is abandoned in Christ.

Are there those in our society or in our personal lives for whom we ascribe no hope, who we have abandoned, treated like lepers? Or as Christ's stewards of our sisters and brothers, do we risk reaching out and touching those who may seem to us to be "unclean" or not worthy of our time or attention?

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6th Sunday in Ordinary Time — 15 Feb 2015

Readings: p. 70 in *Breaking Bread*

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 14

5:00pm--XII Jerminal Urena, rip

Sunday, February 15

7:30am-HT For Parishioners of Holy Trinity

9:00am--XII For Parishioners of XII Apostles

10:45am-HT James Michael Roebing, rip

Mon, Feb 16, 8am—HT Private Intention

ASH WEDNESDAY—Wednesday, February 18

6:30am—Twelve Apostles

6:00pm—Holy Trinity

7:00pm—Twelve Apostles

Thu, Feb 19, 6pm-XII Private Intention

Fri, Feb 20, 8am-HT Private Intention

Saturday, February 21

5:00pm--XII Special Intention—L. Morrissey

Sunday, February 22

7:30am-HT Agnes Tracy and Lillian Piasecki, rip

9:00am--XII Parishioners of XII Apostles & Holy Trinity

10:45am-HT Jim Hoffman, rip

CATHOLIC CHARITIES EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE APPEAL



CATHOLIC CHARITIES
KANSAS CITY - ST. JOSEPH

To change the world, we must be good to those who cannot repay us."

--Pope Francis

Every day, thousands of families in our diocese struggle to afford food, utilities and rent. They come to Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph in their times of greatest need. Together, with the Lord's help, we work to transform their lives.

Your support helps us serve our neighbors in need. This weekend, February 14/15, please donate to the second collection for the **Catholic Charities Emergency Assistance Fund**. All donations are used to help local families break the cycle of poverty – permanently.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

There will be no Adult Bible Study at Holy Trinity today, February 15, due to the Lenten family day activities. We will meet next week at 9am to study/discuss Chapter 10 in the book of Matthew. We look forward to seeing you!

Hearts Afire: Stage 2 - Wisdom and Works of Mercy

Monday, 7-8:30PM. Holy Trinity Parish Hall.

New BHI Class to begin: Social Doctrine will meet at XII Apostles on February 25, March 4, 11, 18, and 25, from 6:30-9pm. For more info or to register, go to mybhi.org.

LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA: New titles are being added to the Lighthouse stands in the vestibules of our churches — take a look!

LENT BEGINS THIS WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18



ASH WEDNESDAY MASS TIMES
Masses, with distribution of ashes, will be held at:

6:30am—Twelve Apostles

6:00pm—Holy Trinity (followed by a simple soup supper)

7:00pm—Twelve Apostles

Stations of the Cross will be held each Friday of Lent at 7pm, alternating between parishes, beginning at XII Apostles this Friday, February 20, led by the Knights of Columbus.



LENTEN REGULATIONS

During Lent, Catholics prepare for renewing our baptismal vows at Easter through traditional practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving (helping the poor.)

Ash Wednesday is a day of fast and abstinence, as is Good Friday.

Fast binds all those 18 through 59 years of age.

On days of fast, one full meal is permitted. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted; liquids are allowed.

Abstinence binds all those over the age of 14. On days of abstinence (Ash Wednesday and every Friday during Lent), no meat is allowed.



THE CHAPLET of DIVINE MERCY begins next weekend and continues throughout the Lenten Season. The Chaplet will be prayed/sung **immediately following Masses at Holy Trinity and 20 minutes prior to weekend Masses at XII Apostles.**

DAILY MEDITATION BOOKS FOR LENT

Two daily meditation books for Lent, *Let Jesus Lead the Way* and *Lent for Families*, are available on the table with the bulletins. (The 2014 date on the cover of the *Lent for Families* book is a misprint by the publisher — the dates and readings inside are correct.) Help yourself.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

KNIGHTS to MEET this Thursday, February 19, at 7pm, at Holy Trinity.

HOLY TRINITY NEWS

PSR NEWS: Lenten Family Day today!

ASH WEDNESDAY SOUP SUPPER:

Join us for our simple soup supper after the 6:00 PM Mass on Ash Wednesday, February 18. Everyone is welcome; free of charge, no RSVPs — just come!!



EASTER VIGIL CHOIR: Anyone interested in participating in the choir for the Easter Vigil is welcome! You will need to attend three practices, at 7pm on Wednesdays, March 18, March 25, and April 1, as there are several Psalms and other music to learn. The Easter Vigil will be Saturday, April 4, at 8pm, at Holy Trinity. If you have any questions, please contact Barb Bopp at 640-2453.

AROUND THE AREA:

Holy Family Church is holding a mini-retreat Sunday, March 1, from 12:15-2:30 p.m. The topic is **Mercy, Forgiveness, Healing and Hope: The Francis Effect**. Please bring a potluck item. RSVP to mike@hollyfamily.com.

Holy Family is located at 919 NE 96th Street, Kansas City, Mo., 64118. For more information, call 816-436-9200.

ANNUAL MASS FOR THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

This Mass will be held on Saturday, March 7 at 10:00 a.m. at Curè of Ars Parish, 9401 Mission Road, Leawood, KS 66206. This Mass is held every year jointly between the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas and the Diocese of Kansas City- St. Joseph in Missouri, and is sponsored by the Order of the Knights and Dames of Malta.

KATIE'S CORNER--YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS



HT/XII
Youth Group

Youth Group Grades 7-12:

This week, February 15, 6:30-8 at Twelve Apostles - **Dove, fire, or wind? Who is the Holy Spirit?** Come find out who the Holy Spirit is while having fun at the same time!



Float trip - you should have received an email to mark your preference for float trip dates. If you did not receive it, please check your spam folder and then contact Katie. We want to make sure we get a date that will work for the most people! The survey will close on **Feb.15** so we can reserve our date!

Youth Group next Sunday at Holy Trinity—6:30-8pm.

TWELVE APOSTLES NEWS

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR) NEWS: This week: **Lenten Family Day grades preK-4.** Parents, please come with your child for activities to help your family enter fully into Lent.



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT **THIS** Sunday, February 15, 2015

In preparation, begin this Lenten Season with an hour of Adoration. Sit quietly and welcome Jesus. Let Him speak to you. Try to sense His presence around you. Ask for the strength and courage to live this season faithfully.

Adult Adoration 5:00 – 6:00 pm

PANCAKE BREAKFAST NEXT SUNDAY:



The Knights of Columbus will serve a pancake and sausage breakfast next Sunday, February 22, from 10:00-11:30am at the Northland Career Center cafeteria. Open to all. A free will offering will be welcome.

JOB OPENING: Hillcrest in Platte City is expanding! We are in need of a case manager to help families move from homelessness to self-sufficiency. If you are interested, please contact Debbie Williams at [816-431-6914](tel:816-431-6914) or [913-961-4452](tel:913-961-4452).

Sign up for Retrouvaille – Do you feel alone in your marriage? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels, including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about or to register for the February program, beginning with a weekend on Feb 27-March 1, 2015 email: retrokc@gmail.com or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com or call [800-470-2230](tel:800-470-2230).



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. The next Beginning Experience Weekend is **MARCH 27-29 at Precious Blood Center, Liberty, MO.** For more information visit: www.beginningexperience.org, email: register.bekc@gmail.com or contact Lynne 816 457-0391, or Jerry 785-843-2079.

Retreat offering from the Abbey Guest Center at Conception Abbey:

Lenten day of reflection: Lent with Pope Francis.

Wednesday, March 4, 2015

Join Abbey Guest Center staff for a day of reflection on the writings of Pope Francis that will inspire and enrich your Lenten journey. We'll begin with coffee and rolls at 9:00. 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 3:00 pm. (Suggested offering for conferences, lunch and material: \$20 per person). For reservations contact the Abbey Guest Center: phone 660-944-2809 or email guests@conception.edu.

HOLY TRINITY WOMEN'S GUILD FISH FRY:

Mark your calendars for Holy Trinity Women's Guild's annual fish fry, **Friday, March 13**, 5-7pm at the Parish Hall.

ST. JOSEPH'S—NORTONVILLE, KS— Fridays, Feb. 20 through March 27, 5-7pm. Fried and baked fish, fried shrimp, potato, salad, roll, dessert, beverage — \$10 age 11 & up; \$5 ages 4-10, free for ages 0-3.

St. James Catholic Church Lenten Fish Frys

The St. James, Liberty, Knights of Columbus Council #6780 is hosting their 19th annual Fish Frys on Fridays February 27, March 13, and March 27. Adult dinners are \$10 and dinners for children are \$5. Choose from fried fish, baked tilapia, hot spiced boiled shrimp, cheese pizza, and our made-to-order pasta bar. Take-out is available. New this year for those 21 and older – beer will be available for \$4 and wine will be available for \$3. Dinner will be served from 5:00 to 8:00 PM in the school gymnasium, 309 S. Stewart Road, Liberty, MO. Please call the parish office at 816-781-4343 for more information.

MONASTIC EXPERIENCE WEEKEND, MARCH 20-22, 2015

During the Year of Consecrated Life, experience Benedictine monastic life at Conception Abbey from March 20-22. Men between the ages of 18-35, who are considering a vocation to religious life, are invited for a discernment retreat. This weekend will be an excellent opportunity to draw closer to God through prayer, silence, community life, and reading the Scriptures. You will meet and spend time with the monastic community and grow in knowledge and understanding of monastic life and our practices. There is no cost or obligation for the weekend. For more information, please contact Fr. Paul Sheller, Vocation Director at Conception Abbey at 660.944.2857 / e-mail: monks@conception.edu /or visit www.conceptionabbey.org

Sophia Spirituality Center, Atchison, KS - March 2015 Retreats

Lectio Divina

Wednesday, March 4, 10am through Thursday, March 5, 2:00pm

This ancient art of prayerfully reading Scripture leads to a contemplative attitude and changes our perspective on life. Come and experience a time of sharing, silence, solitude and reflection. This retreat will be conducted by Sister Micaela Randolph, OSB, member of the Sophia Center staff, director of the Souljourners' program, spiritual director and retreat leader.

For more information or to register, call 913-360-6151 or visit Sophia Spirituality Center's website at www.sophiaspiritualitycenter.com

Thomas Merton & Anthony DeMello: Living in God's Presence
Friday, March 13, 7:00 pm through Sunday, March 15, 2:00 pm

These two spiritual writers call us, as St. Benedict does, to a greater awareness of the Divine Presence. Reflections, stories, silence and listening will awaken us to a deeper inner life on our pilgrimage to God. This retreat will be conducted by Benedictine Sisters Sheila Carroll and Gabrielle Kocour, members of the Sophia Center staff.

For more information or to register, call 913-360-6151 or visit Sophia Spirituality Center's website at www.sophiaspiritualitycenter.com

A Spirituality of Imperfection

Friday, March 27, 7:00pm through Saturday, March 28, 4:00 pm

We strive for perfection, yet we usually come up short. Twelve-step recovery people have learned the gift of a spirituality of imperfection. It is a gift that leads to freedom. This retreat will be led by Sister Melissa Letts, OSB, spiritual director and gourd artist.

For more information or to register, call 913-360-6151 or visit Sophia Spirituality Center's website at www.sophiaspiritualitycenter.com

Dead Man Walking...the Journey Continues

A lecture by Sr. Helen Prejean, C.S.J.

March 7, 2015, 9am-3pm (lunch provided)

St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, 2618 Seneca Street, Saint Joseph, MO 64507. Reservations required. Contact Br. Daryl Charron, C.P.P.S. at daryl.charron@yahoo.com.

In honor of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood, Kansas City Province's 50th anniversary and the 200th anniversary of the worldwide Missionaries of the Precious Blood, Sr. Helen Prejean, C.S.J., author of *Dead Man Walking*, will be a guest lecturer as part of our Peace and Justice series. Sr. Helen has walked the journey with six prisoners awaiting the death penalty, and has devoted her life to educating the public about the prison system in America.

Lenten Speaker: Mr. Robert Rogers

Topic: "Dare to Hope: During painful times, dare to hope in God's faithfulness."

Date: Wed. March 4th * **Time:** 6:30pm

Place: St. Andrew the Apostle Parish, 6415 NE Antioch Rd, Gladstone, MO

Cost: Free-will donation. Hosted by St. Andrew's Parish.

Robert Rogers lost his wife and all four children in a flash flood while driving home from a friend's wedding in Kansas in August 2003. Despite this great personal tragedy, he maintained his faith and trust in God's goodness and has started the Mighty in the Land Ministry, to teach others how to know God and to live a life of no regrets. You are welcome to bring the entire family! Daycare is provided, but you must RSVP for this service by calling St. Andrew's Parish Office at (816) 453-2089 ext. 5.

Lenten Speaker: Fr. Jacques Philippe

Topic: "Growing in Faith" **Date:** Fri. Mar. 13th * **Time:** 6:30 – 8:30pm

Place: St. Andrew the Apostle Parish, 6415 NE Antioch Rd, Gladstone, MO

Hosted by diocesan Bishop Helmsing Institute (BHI)

With over 500,000 copies sold in 18 languages, Fr. Jacques Philippe's writings on themes such as prayer, interior freedom, and peace of heart have become classics of modern Catholic spirituality. After joining the Community of the Beatitudes in 1976, he spent several years in the Holy Land studying Hebrew and the Jewish roots of Christianity. He has also preached retreats regularly in France and abroad and has consolidated his principal retreat themes into five books on spirituality. In recent years, he has devoted himself primarily to spiritual direction, preaching retreats, and working for the development of the Community in Asia and Oceania, where he travels frequently.

Daycare: Parents must RSVP for this service at least 1 week in advance by calling St. Andrew's Parish Office at (816) 453-2089 ext. 5. Walk-ins for daycare will not be permitted as we need to ensure that enough staff are on hand.

Important Information for women in Clay & Platte Counties

Keeler Women's Center is partnering with the Center for Women's Care at St. Luke's North to offer a free mammogram screening event on Wednesday, March 11. Our target audience includes women from Clay and Platte counties who meet these criteria: 35 years of age or older; uninsured; not currently experiencing any breast tenderness, pain, lumps, or discharge; not recent history of breast cancer; not currently being followed from a previous abnormal mammogram.

If you or anyone you know meets these criteria for a free mammogram, please call the Center for Women's Care, St. Luke's North, at [816.891.2273](tel:816.891.2273). Be sure to indicate that you are calling to make an appointment for the Keeler Women's Center's event on Wednesday, March 11. Call soon. We will wait several weeks to see if there are any slots still available before we advertise this outside the Clay and Platte County area. (Criteria for women outside Clay/Platte will be slightly different.)

Keeler Women's Center, a ministry of the Benedictine Sisters is located at 2220 Central Ave., KCK. All programs are free. Donations are welcome. Call 913.906.8990 or register on-line at www.keelerwomenscenter.org