

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:

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Mrs. Judy Sloan, Child Care Coordinator (offered during
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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.

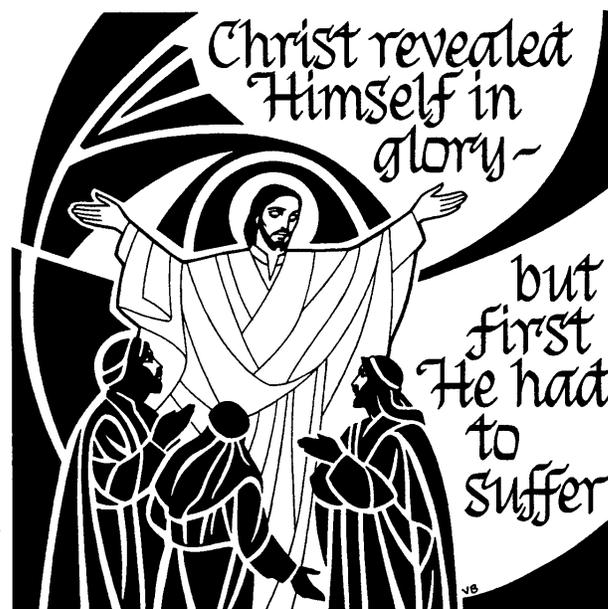
Second Sunday of Lent

March 1, 2015

The Gospel story of the transfiguration of Jesus holds many lessons; the most prominent being the transformation of Jesus from simply being perceived as a wise and gifted prophet to the one who has fulfilled the sacred traditions of the Mosaic law and the hope of the prophets - the Messiah, the Christ. The Lord calls his stewards personally to participate in His redemptive activity. Heeding this call requires transformation, being willing to renounce patterns of behavior that draw us away from God and to embrace habits that reveal goodness and generosity.

In this coming week of Lent, let us pray for the wisdom to be transformed in our daily lives, so that we may walk more authentically in the footsteps of Jesus.

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Second Sunday of Lent — 1 March 2015

Readings: p. 80 in *Breaking Bread*

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 28

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

Sunday, March 1

7:30am-HT Parishioners of Holy Trinity

9:00am--XII Parishioners of XII Apostles

10:45am-HT James Purnell, rip

Mon, March 2, 8am—HT Jarred Dunn, rip

Wed, March 4, 8am—HT Joe Shimek, rip

Thu, March 5, 6pm--XII Private Intention

Fri, March 6, 8am-HT Private Intention

Saturday, March 7

5:00pm--XII Michael Horgan, rip

Sunday, March 8

7:30am-HT Chris Bollin

9:00am--XII Parishioners of XII Apostles

10:45am-HT Parishioners of Holy Trinity

RCIA meets this Wednesday, Mar. 4, 7pm, at Holy Trinity.

TWO LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES FOR GUIDED PRAYER

BASICS OF PRAYER & EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Featuring Father Mirco Sosio, *Apostles of the Interior Life*

Have you ever wondered what to do during Adoration — how to act, what actions mean, how to pray? Father Mirco will teach as he leads us. We'll learn as we pray!

THURSDAYS — 6:45 - 7:45 p.m.

Twelve Apostles, **March 5; Holy Trinity, March 12**

FIVE-FINGER PRAYER & THE ROSARY

Chris Patterson will teach and lead us in a simple method of prayer shared by Pope Francis, combined with the Rosary we know and love. Simple enough for a child, or a Pope!

THURSDAYS — 6:45 - 7:45 p.m.

Twelve Apostles, **March 12 ; Holy Trinity, March 19**

Stations of the Cross this Friday, March 6, at 7pm, at XII Apostles, led by the Twelve Apostles Women's Group.



DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS CONTINUE

*Holy Trinity following Masses

*XII Apostles 20 minutes prior to Masses

AS YOU ARRIVE, please pick up a prayer sheet and/or pamphlet and pray **The Chaplet of Divine Mercy** with the congregation. The Image of Divine Mercy shows a gentle Jesus with blessings flowing from His merciful heart and inscribed "JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU". His Mercy is never ending and ours for the asking.

OUR PARISHES' PENANCE SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY

Our Lenten Communal Penance Service will be held next Sunday, March 8, at 2pm, at Holy Trinity. Additional priests will be on hand to assist Father Rogers.



ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Hearts Afire: Wisdom & Works of Mercy: Monday, 7-8:30PM, Holy Trinity.

Understand Jesus as Priest, Prophet, and King

Featuring Father Robert Barron's video series in 3 sessions

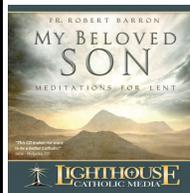
The better we understand Jesus, the better we understand ourselves. But who was Jesus, this itinerant preacher whom many called the Messiah? In **Priest, Prophet, King**, you'll discover Jesus as the Anointed One—the ultimate priest, prophet, and king foreshadowed throughout the Hebrew Scriptures. Using biblical insights and engaging stories, Father Barron affirms that we see Jesus most clearly through the lens of the Old Testament.

SUNDAYS— 10:15 - 11:45 a.m.

At Twelve Apostles, March 1, 15, and 22.

Looking for a simple way to grow in your faith and become closer to Jesus this Lent? Just pick up a CD or book at the Lighthouse stand and enjoy it in the comfort of your own home. New CD's & Books have arrived at the Lighthouse stand in the vestibule of our churches!

My Beloved Son: Meditations for Lent - FR. ROBERT BARRON



Fr. Robert Barron offers five sermons on the spiritual discipline we must cultivate in the Lenten season, a discipline centered in Christ. These meditations cover topics such as finding our identity in God, prayer as the key to mission, our thirst for God, how to end our alienation from God, and how to joyfully embrace the way of happiness.

For Men Only - Consoling the Heart of Jesus - begins this Sunday, March 1, 10:15 - 11:30, at the Seven Bridges Clubhouse. Books will be provided at no cost. Don't miss out on this unique, comfortable opportunity to grow closer to Jesus with other men. For questions or more information, contact Jared Welch at 816-935-9024, Chris Barman at 816-589-9148, or Scott Webb at 816-506-6121.

Women of Faith book group will meet every Wednesday, after the 8:00 Mass (8:30 am) in Holy Trinity's parish hall. We have begun reading and discussing **The Prayer of the Presence of God** by Dom Augustin Guillerand. Books available at meeting. Come and go as you are able. Questions? Contact maryannsadler@gmail.com.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS for all

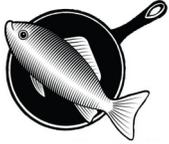
Knights of Columbus Order-wide Recruitment Drive in March – Council 12288 will be making a concerted effort to increase membership and have 1st Degree members participate in the 2nd and 3rd Degree ceremonials in March, in anticipation of the creation of a new Knights of Columbus Council for XII Apostles Parish before the fraternal year that begins 1 July 2015. The goal of our Order's founder, the Venerable Fr. Michael J McGivney, was to have a Knights of Columbus Council for every parish. Join the Order that donated over \$170 Million & 70 Million volunteer service hours to charity last year.

Prospective members attending the **1st Degree (Admission) ceremonial** on **Monday 9 March** at St. Therese in Parkville will carpool from the Commuter parking lot north of Price Chopper in Platte City at 6:10PM ; returning to Platte City by 8:30PM. A Membership Application (Form 100) must be completed by all prospective members BEFORE attending the FREE Admission Degree Ceremonial. Complete your **2nd and 3rd Degree (Knighthood)** on **Sunday, March 22, 2015**, at the **Church of the Good Shepherd**, 18601 N 169 HWY, Smithville, MO 64089. **4th Degree Exemplification** will occur **Saturday, April 18, 2015**, at the KCI Hilton. If planning to attend any degree ceremonial, contact Steve Steiger (816) 431-6506 or email scsteiger@yahoo.com to complete your form and confirm your attendance.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS next weekend!

"Spring ahead" one hour next Saturday night!

HOLY TRINITY NEWS



FISH FRY! MARCH 13, 5-7PM at Holy Trinity. Sponsored by the Women's Guild. Fish and potatoes, or mac 'n cheese plate, both with green beans, cole slaw, roll, dessert and drink. \$8-adults; \$4 children; \$25 family max (parents and dependent children)—tickets available after Mass at Holy Trinity this weekend or at the door.

Rosary for the Unborn: Our monthly rosary for the safety of the unborn is this Sunday, March 1, at 10:05 am, in the church.

Women's Guild meeting: this Monday, March 2, at 6pm, in the parish hall. We'll be discussing the upcoming Fish Fry and Easter Vigil reception. All women of the parish are considered members and are invited to attend.

ADORATION ON FIRST FRIDAYS: Join us for Eucharistic Adoration on Friday, March 6, from 8:30-9:30am.(after 8am Mass). Confessions will be available during this time.

EASTER VIGIL CHOIR: Anyone interested in participating in the choir for the Easter Vigil is welcome! You will need to attend three practices at Holy Trinity, at 7pm on Wednesdays, March 18, March 25, and April 1. The Easter Vigil will be Saturday, April 4, at 8pm, at Holy Trinity. Questions? Contact Barb Bopp at 640-2453.

ON OUR WEBSITES—A DAILY LENTEN REFLECTION by Fr. Robert Barron
There's a new reflection every day. Check it out.
<http://holytrinitycatholic.org/> or <http://www.twelveapostlescatholic.org/>

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN training: We will offer a daytime Protecting God's Children training on Wednesday, March 18, from 8:30-11:30am at Holy Trinity. This presentation is a diocesan requirement for volunteers who work with children in any way and is also open to anyone interested. If you are considering volunteering with our children/youth and would like to sign up, please contact the parish office: 816-640-2206 or secyht-xii@kc.rr.com.

Maur Hill-Mount Academy High School in Atchison is receiving applications for next fall. Deadline for scholarships is March 30, including the Haverty Family Scholarships that cover tuition for all 4 years. Visit www.mh-ma.com for more information. Please contact Deke Nolan with any questions at 913-367-5482

KATIE'S CORNER--YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS



Grades 7-12

This Sunday: *I'm Full* - How does a bottle of water connect to your faith life? Come see as we put bottles of water to the test - watch out, you might get wet!
6:30-8pm at Holy Trinity

Next Sunday: March 8: Beef up on your Wheel of Fortune skills to be prepared for "**The Real Fortune.**" Amazing prizes available! Don't want to play? We can use a Vanna White!
6:30-8pm next Sunday at XII Apostles.

Save the dates:

- The Confirmation group & Youth group will lead Stations of the Cross on March 13 - 6:00-7:30pm. The night will include a free dinner at the Women's Guild Fish Fry. Come at 6:00pm for dinner and practice. Stations start at 7:00pm and end around 7:30pm.
- Annual Float Trip - June 29-July 1
- National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) - November 19-21

TWELVE APOSTLES NEWS

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR) NEWS:

Parents as Catechists Meeting this Sunday, March 1. Parents, please consider joining us—we'll be talking about prayer.
10:20-11:30am in the cafeteria at the Northland Career Center

LENTEN ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

THIS Sunday, March 1, 2015

Here I am. Jesus, lead me in this Lenten season for I'm ready to journey with you to Easter.
Adoration 5:00 – 6:00 pm



DCCW (Diocesan Council of Catholic Women) has requested our support for their **Lenten Shoebox Shower** for women and children in women's shelters. DCCW has requested re-closable, clear plastic bags containing necessary items/products needed when women and children are forced to leave home in a hurry, e.g. shampoo, toothbrush and toothpaste, comb, socks, deodorant, etc. Ziploc bags containing a suggested list of items will be located in the narthex. Please stop by and pick up a bag (or more) to fill for this cause and return by March 6. Thank you.

Women's Group meeting. We will meet in the church basement this Tuesday, March 3, at 6:30 pm. Hope to see you there. (A good chance to bring your "shoebox shower" bag if you have one!)

PHOTOS AVAILABLE: If you opted to have your Lifetouch photo sent to the parish office, it is available on the table in the narthex.

Easter Egg Hunt at XII Apostles Catholic Church Palm Sunday, March 29, 2015



Hunt starts at 2:00pm
for children ages 0-10 years
from Twelve Apostles and Holy Trinity
Rain or Shine

Fun, Fellowship & Refreshments for all ages
Please bring your own Easter basket/bag for gathering eggs

Also we invite you to check out the updated
XII Apostles Social Events Facebook page
(previously known at the 12 Apostles Fall Harvest page)

Looking for religious gifts?

First Communion, Confirmation, Baptism, Graduations, Bibles, Religious books & pamphlets, rosaries, medals, statues, etc.
Visit Our Lady's Gift Shop @ St. Therese Church, 9 Highway, Parkville. We have what you are looking for. Open before and after weekend Masses: 4:30 PM –Saturday, 8, 10, 12, 5 PM on Sunday
For special requests, contact us at: ourladysgs@hotmail.com

LECTOR AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING

The diocese is hosting a training workshop for new lectors and Eucharistic Ministers on Saturday, March 21, at the Catholic Center, 9th & Baltimore, KCMO. The schedule is as follows:
8:30 am - Reader (lector) training begins
9:45 am – Break; Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC) check in
10:00 am -Theological presentation for both EMHC & Readers
11:00 am -Theological presentation will end (Reader training is complete and Readers are free to leave)
10:00 am – 1pm – EMHC training
If you are interested in becoming a lector and/or Eucharistic Minister and would like to attend this training, please contact Father Rogers or the parish office at 816-640-2206.

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

Activity! We are consumed with ACTIVITY! We lead active lives. We live on active streets. We have active households. We are ravished by active appetites. We have active minds. Our hearts are active, satisfying selfish desires and longings. We are active morning, noon and night. Life is supposed to reward activity. We are taught active people are healthy people, activity transforms life and relationship. Activity means we see and are seen. We judge activity as a sign of strength, inactivity represents weakness. Get up, get out, and go, Go, GO!

We are active in our rest, in our work and in our recreation. Our earthly desires and thoughts are active during prayer. Activity drives ambition; we are driven by activity. We equate activity with doing good and being good. At school, at work, at home, activity is recognized as the essential component to success and longevity.

However, we fool ourselves into thinking activity is productivity, but it isn't. At the end of an active day there is sadness because we have produced nothing. People reward themselves for being active, not productive. Quite often, the person who looks active is the one who gets the prize, when in reality he has produced nothing. After being active, people indulge themselves with pleasures and delights and treats of every kind, to satisfy their active appetites, even with things that are unfit, harmful and unhealthy. Still, we go, Go, GO! ACTIVITY!

We have active minds and non-productive hearts. We have been told a good relationship is supposed to be full of activity, and yet too much activity causes relationships to suffer, the heart withdraws and forgets. We deceive ourselves into thinking activity is fruitful, that running in every direction is a good thing. We fool ourselves into believing activity is beneficial to a good life now and in the life to come. When activity fails and disappoints, it is no wonder we crash and burn. That should be a wake-up call, but instead, in our weakness and fatigue we seek things that will boost our activity.

We are like little stressed-out hamsters on the wheel of promise and potential, churning and spinning faster and faster and faster, too busy to find out, we are going nowhere and getting there fast. We fear that if we stop we will die, even though we are dying to the people and things that are essential to the good life and vital to holy, happy and healthy relationships. And still we go, Go, GO! ACTIVITY!

The world tells us to become more active and we will overcome our fears and achieve all our dreams, but activity is not a cure. Activity is not therapy for what ails us. We don't need more activity, we need to be more productive. There is a big difference. People can be active and produce nothing. People can do little and produce much. Productivity has the power to transform life and relationship, not activity. What we produce has lasting value. Lasting value is not contained in how active we are, running in all directions, to please and be pleased.

Yes, we have true needs; however, there is no activity that we can do that will help. We are in need of a mountaintop experience. Going to and up the mountain is not an activity. It is not something we do to see and be seen, rather, it is something that is done to us and for us by Jesus. The only activity we have before us is to follow Jesus up the mountain. When we follow Jesus up the mountain, he will produce in our hearts that which will transform our lives.

Jesus always went up to the mountain to pray and then teach his disciples. Productivity is a fruit of prayer. When his disciples were still, and allowed themselves to be present to Jesus, they were transformed. When they listened to God's will and not their own, Jesus produced much fruit through, with, and in them. When his disciples quieted their minds and their egos and their pride and their insecurity and their selfishness, and allowed Jesus to be active in their hearts, they were transfigured.

Jesus produced in them wisdom and counsel and understanding. Jesus brought them courage and fortitude. Jesus transported them into productive relationships, into a holy, happy and healthy relationship with each other. Jesus produced in them a desire for the eternal kingdom of God. Jesus showed them love and mercy. He turned off the noise of activity and silenced the wheel of promise and potential, and turned on in them faith, hope and love.

On the mountaintop Jesus showed his disciples what is essential to a good life now and in the life to come. He showed them how to relinquish the things of the earth, those pleasures and treats we like so much, and to embrace the things of God. Jesus showed them the things that will pass away and the things that endure. He showed them death and life. He convicted them and equipped them to fully participate in his mission, the salvation of the world. Transformation quiets the activity of our minds and produces lasting effects in our hearts.

Lent is meant to be a mountaintop experience for each of us. If we follow Jesus up the mountain, his light will consume any darkness within us. The more we listen to his teachings and apply them to our daily lives, the more we become like him. And the more we become like Jesus, the more our lives are transfigured by his light, and the more our lives then transfigure the world around us.



In Christ,

Father Steven C. Rogers