

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  
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  
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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

## Divine Mercy Sunday

April 12, 2015

**When the risen Christ encounters his disciples in the locked room, he adds a new Beatitude to the ones we've heard proclaimed before: Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed. Stewards of the mysteries of God's love do not need proof of the risen Christ. They know it because their lives have been transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit who has breathed new life into them. As stewards of this great gift, it is appropriate to reflect on how we in turn add new life into our parish communities.**

International Catholic Stewardship Council April 2015

Put your hand into  
My Side - do not persist  
in your unbelief but  
believe!



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**Divine Mercy Sunday — 12 April 2015**  
**Readings: p. 153 in *Breaking Bread***

**MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, April 11**

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

**Sunday, April 12**

7:30am-HT Parishioners of Holy Trinity

9:00am--XII Parishioners of XII Apostles

10:45am-HT Stanley Lesniak, rip

**Mon, April 13, 8am-HT** Jim Hoffman, rip

**Wed, April 15, 8am-HT** Fr. Tom Waterman, ann. (pastor 1982-88)

**Thu, April 16, 6pm-XII** Kathy Fritz

**Fri, April 17, 8am-HT** Rev. Conrad Tintrup, ann (pastor 1857-59)

**Saturday, April 18**

5:00pm--XII Rev. Francis Schuele, rip

**Sunday, April 19**

7:30am-HT Randall Stanton, rip

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

10:45am-HT Repose of the soul of Julian Werth



**Divine Mercy Retreat this Sunday afternoon:**  
**On the Feast of Divine Mercy, this Sunday, April 12, all are invited to take part in special devotions to obtain complete forgiveness of sins.**  
**Join us at Holy Trinity!**  
**All are welcome!**

**Schedule:**

- 1:00 Welcome and Divine Mercy Film
- 2:15 Adoration and the Sacrament of Reconciliation
- 3:00 Chaplet (in song)
- 3:30 Refreshments

**Adults in your 20s and 30s**

**BIBLE 101: DISCOVERING GOD'S WORD**

Mondays, April 13, 20, 27

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. @ Chris & Katie Barmann's Home

Join us as we continue our journey through the Bible to unpack the central story of salvation that is woven throughout Scripture. Learn how the Biblical stories all work together to point us to Christ. In this 3-week session we will explore the stories of King Solomon as well as the division and exile of the Kingdom of Israel in the Old Testament.

This is a great opportunity to connect with others in their 20s and 30s while deepening your understanding of the Bible. We hope you will join us!

Free childcare is provided. For more information or directions, contact Chris Smiley at christopher.g.smiley@gmail.com or (816) 799-5178.

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

**Adult Bible study group at Holy Trinity** will be viewing a special film on Divine Mercy this Sunday, April 12, at 9 AM in the parish hall. All are welcome! ***Oceans of Mercy*** ~ At the dawn of the 20th century, three voices rose up from Poland to proclaim an urgent message, a message powerful enough to alter the course of an age plunging into spiritual darkness. This true story examines and chronicles the phenomenal lives and spiritual legacy of Saint Faustina Kowalksa, Saint Maximilian Kolbe, and Blessed John Paul II, modern day "Apostles of Mercy".

**Women of Faith book group** meets every Wednesday, at 8:30 am in Holy Trinity's parish hall. Books available at meeting. Come and go as you are able.

**For men only - Consoling the Heart of Jesus** meets April 12, 19, & 26, 10:15 - 11:30am, in XII Apostles' church basement.

Hearts Afire meets this Monday, 7pm, at Holy Trinity  
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**ENDOW (Educating on the Nature and Dignity of Women)**

For more information about Endow, contact Donna Webb at [dwebbjoy@gmail.com](mailto:dwebbjoy@gmail.com) or 816-858-7224 or 402-613-3829.

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**New BHI course begins April 15: Leadership and Evangelization**

This course is designed to familiarize students with the basics of evangelization. Students will be exposed to basic leadership, group dynamic skills, and how to actively listen to others. We will focus specifically on what is meant by the New Evangelization and how that might be carried out today. Held at **Holy Trinity Parish Hall**, April 15, 22, and 29, 6:30-9:00pm. This 3-week course costs \$25 or \$40 (married couple). Register at [mybhi.org](http://mybhi.org) or at the first night of class.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS for all.....**

**"Special" 1<sup>st</sup> Degree ceremonial** will be conducted at XII Apostles at 7 PM on Wednesday, 15 April (Tax Day). It's "Special" in that a 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Team will come to XII Apostles to induct prospective members of the Knights of Columbus and is a prime opportunity for those wishing to be charter members of the new Council forming at XII Apostles. Contact Steve Steiger, Council 12288 Membership Director, at [scsteiger@yahoo.com](mailto:scsteiger@yahoo.com) or (816) 431-6506 at any time if you need a Membership Application form, or if you have any questions.

**The monthly meeting of Council 12288** will be Thursday 16 April at 7 PM at Holy Trinity. Current members who wish to transfer their membership to the new Council being developed for XII Apostles need to complete a Form 100 to become a Charter Member. All prospective Charter Members must have completed their 1<sup>st</sup> Degree prior to the request for Charter submission.

Reminder for those 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree members who have already submitted their application: 4<sup>th</sup> Degree exemplification is Saturday, 18 April at the KCI Hilton.

**PANCAKE and SAUSAGE BREAKFAST** at the Northland Career Center on Sunday, 19 April after the 9 a.m. Mass at XII Apostles. Knights willing to volunteer their time to help, contact Bill Collier at [wcollier1957@gmail.com](mailto:wcollier1957@gmail.com).

**New Knights of Columbus Council at XII Apostles Organizational Meeting**

will be held Wednesday, 22 April 2015 at 7 PM. Current members of Council 12288 who wish to transfer (please complete a Form 100) and any new 1<sup>st</sup> Degree members from XII Apostles Parish are invited to attend this important meeting. Selection of officers and preparing the application for Charter will be done at this meeting. To be elected to one of the officer positions, a member must be a 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree member of the Council. Contact Jim Rooney, Grand Knight Council 12288 ([JRooney640@aol.com](mailto:JRooney640@aol.com) or 816.674.4268) if you are planning on transferring to the new Council at XII Apostles.

## HOLY TRINITY NEWS

**MONTHLY ROSARY** for the unborn this Sunday, April 12, at 10:05am, in the church. Please join us.



### MONTHLY ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

**THIS Wednesday, April 15, 6:30—7:30 pm**  
In the church

**CAN YOU ORGANIZE OUR ANNUAL ICE CREAM SOCIAL?** Our annual Ice Cream Social will be Sunday, August 2. This year's proceeds will go towards the necessary replacement of the air conditioning in church. We are in need of someone/s to volunteer as chairperson/s. It is never too early to get started, but planning must be underway by May. Detailed records from past years are on file to assist you. Contact the parish office to take a look!

**Missing:** a tablecloth from the parish hall — do you have it?

**A Funeral Luncheon Survey** was included in the bulletin two weeks ago — more copies are available on the table in back of church. Please return at your earliest convenience.

## TWELVE APOSTLES NEWS

**Beginning this weekend, the 5:00 Mass** will be using the Heritage Mass service music, found in the missalette at #886-892.

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING THIS MONDAY**, April 13, 7pm, in the lower level of the church.

**WOMEN'S GROUP MEETING THIS TUESDAY**, April 14, 7pm, in the lower level of the church.

### CHURCH CLEANING SATURDAY, APRIL 18 at 9am



by members of Team Two: Pat Fundom, Janet Regan, Jackie Menk, Stephanie Fisher, Jeanne Shupe, Bridget Poldberg, Helen Poldberg, and Pat Canning.

### PANCAKE BREAKFAST NEXT SUNDAY

The Knights of Columbus will serve a pancake and sausage breakfast next Sunday, April 19, beginning at 10am at the Northland Career Center cafeteria. Free will offering for the charitable works of the Knights.



**The Confirmation of Adults** will be celebrated at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on Wednesday, June 3, 2015 at 7:00 pm. If you are a Catholic adult (over age 18) who has never been confirmed and are interested, please contact Father Rogers.

**Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph** works to transform lives and communities with hope-filled care, services and advocacy. Catholic Charities is now hiring for the following full-time positions: Accounting Manager/Controller, TurnAround Case Manager, Veterans Workforce Development Specialist. To learn more or apply for one of these positions, visit the **Contact Us** page at [www.catholiccharities-ksj.org](http://www.catholiccharities-ksj.org), and choose **Careers**.

**The diocesan Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday May 31, 2015.** Bishop Finn will preside at the Mass honoring the Golden Wedding couples. A card and gift will also be presented to each couple. Immediately following the liturgy, there will be a dessert reception at the Catholic Center in the Cardinal Baum Room. The event is for the couples and their immediate family. We are pleased to share their joy and to give public recognition for their long lasting faithfulness in their marriage vows and demonstration of the stability and nobility of marriage. **If you are celebrating your 50th wedding anniversary anytime in 2015, please notify the parish office by May 11.** A card and gift will be sent if the couple is unable to attend the Mass.

**Spring cleaning on your mind?** Good! The youth group will be having **our annual garage sale** in Weston May 29-30 and we need lots of donations! Start setting aside things you no longer want or need. We will begin accepting donations on Monday, May 4.



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL—We will be offering Everest: Conquering Challenges with God's Mighty Power**

**THANK YOU!!** To Rhonda Schneringer who has volunteered to head up Vacation Bible School which will be held at Holy Trinity this summer! Watch the bulletin for dates and times to be announced.

## KATIE'S CORNER--YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS



**Youth Group (Grades 7-12) This Week, April 12: 6:30-8pm at Holy Trinity: Bible Baseball!** Played similar to regular baseball, we will test your knowledge of faith-based things. LOTS of prizes up for grabs!

### YOUTH GROUP NEXT SUNDAY AT XII APOSTLES

April 19, 11:30-4:00pm at XII Apostles (or whenever you are able to help) - Join the 2nd graders helping make a special craft. Lunch included. If you need service hours, this is the perfect way to spend them!

#### Save the dates:

Grades 6-12 - Annual Float Trip - June 29-July 1

Grades 6-8 - Camp Savio - June 15-20

Grades 8-11 - National Catholic Youth Conference Nov 19-21

### RETREAT AT CONCEPTION ABBEY

**Friday evening through Sunday noon, April 17 – 19, 2015**

**Easter Retreat: On the Road with the Risen Christ.**

Your retreat team, Archbishop Jerome Hanus, Fr Timothy Schoen and Karen Ceckowski will take you on a journey where we will look more closely at the Easter mystery in the Gospels, as expressed in poetry, art and music. Ponder the richness of Easter, the heart of our faith with the stories told by the joyful people from the Gospels during this season of the church. **This is the weekend of the Emmaus gospel and the retreat will use that theme throughout.** You will be invited to join the monks in praying the Liturgy of the Hours and the monks and seminarians for celebrations of the Eucharist. **Happy Easter everyone.**

*(Suggested offering for lodging, meals, conferences and reception: \$160 for single accommodations, \$130 per person for double accommodations).* For reservations or more information, contact the Abbey Guest Center: phone 660-944-2809 or email [guests@conception.edu](mailto:guests@conception.edu)

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

We are to live resurrected lives, lives that have been forever changed by Jesus Christ. To live a resurrected life means we readily give glory to God in all that we say and do, in all that we think and feel. To live a resurrected life means we live in peace, and are ambassadors and instruments of the Lord's peace, wherever we are, and whatever we do.

Just think of how wonderful life on earth would be if each of us truly lived the peace of Christ. With peace there is joy. With peace there is true happiness. With peace there is hope. With peace there is generosity. With peace there is unity. With peace there is kindness and mercy. With peace there is gentleness and goodness. Peace motivates us towards all that is holy, happy and healthy.

There are people who are truly at peace; peace with who they are, and peace with what they do. They are at peace with what they have, and they are at peace with what they do not have. Everything connected to them is an expression of peace, the peace that comes from Jesus Christ. They express a knowing in the Lord's peace, the peace the world cannot give, the peace the world cannot take away. No matter what happens in life and relationship, their response is always motivated by peace, a knowing that God is God, and that God is in charge, and that God will make good on all his promises. Their peace comes from the Resurrection. Their hope comes from the Resurrection. Their faith comes from the Resurrection. Their trust comes from the Resurrection. Their knowing comes from the Resurrection.

Nothing this side of the Resurrection makes any sense. Too often we are distracted by the things of this world that work to rob us of our peace. We twirl and flail as we try and sort out those things. We toil and spin, night and day, over those things. We lose sleep. We lose patience. We lose focus. We lose hope. We lose peace. We exchange valuable energy and precious time, that could bring glory to God, for things that create everything but glory. We become the driving force behind chaos and confusion and conflict and disunity. Jesus comes to each of us and reminds us, "Peace be with you! My peace I give you. My peace I leave you!"

My friend Rick Conway was a man of peace, kind and faithful. He was a man of true resolve. A talented man who was generous all around. He was an accountant by day and a caterer on nights and weekends, a tremendous Uncle and a steadfast friend to many. He was the quintessential crafter in all that he did.

He decorated the whole Church, Our Lady of Lourdes, on every holiday. One day the Church would be lifeless and bare, and the next, it would flourish with his creativity, all pointing toward the glory of God. He was on constant lookout for beautiful things that would brighten up life and relationship. He secured great bargains, and great quantities, too.

Rick had a knowing and a peace in all that he did. He could reconcile the books faster and more accurately than a Wall Street tycoon, only he was far more generous with his money, especially to the people that were important to him. He would give it away faster than he could make it, if it helped someone, or if it brought joy and encouragement to his family, especially his nieces and nephews. When each of them started grade school, he would give them a dollar for every A on their report card. Each year he would increase it by a dollar. By the time they were ready to graduate, he would give them twelve dollars for every A. He nearly went broke. Yes, they were very good students, but they liked money more.

He was honest and professional and trustworthy. He never cooked the books, but he could cook up a storm for fifty or five hundred at the drop of a hat. His specialty was church dinners and banquets. Noteworthy for his Pecan Pork and Lemon Cream Cake, he could whip up a Watergate Salad, a Casserole of Five Beans, and a mean Mac-And-Cheese, with just a hint of notice. He was intuitive as well. He prepared full meals, big meals, in advance, freezing large pans of his favorites, knowing it would never go to waste. Someone would always call and need him to do something quick. I called him a lot, and he always delivered. Literally, he always prepared and packed up the meals and delivered them. Complete meals. Complete service. Worry free meals. Worry free service.

Rick was a quick study. Early on he learned that my favorite treat was his iced sugar cookies. I would eat them in all shapes and sizes. He would hand decorate each cookie down to the finest detail. Christmas cookies with bows and sparkles. Valentine's Day cookies with roses and chocolate. St. Patrick's Day cookies with green galore. Easter cookies of crosses, eggs and bunnies, all signs of the Resurrection. Fourth of July cookies with confetti goodness. Every day was a holiday, and no holiday went without a plate of iced sugar cookies. Joyfully prepared, those cookies brought joy to me, and so many more. They were so good I didn't want to share them. I never had to share them, because he made dessert for everyone.

Everything Rick did was an expression of beauty, of peace, of hope and faith, of love, the peace and love that only God can give. He fought hard to hold onto his peace, but more importantly he fought harder to always be a source of peace for others.

Rick died two weeks ago, Palm Sunday weekend. The Mass of the Resurrection for him was held this past Friday. It was a privilege and honor to serve him and his family. He taught me something essential. He taught me peace. A bond of relationship is born of peace and trust and hope. The bond of relationship is not destroyed by death, the bond continues, and peace will flourish. Jesus shows us this in his passion and death and he proved it in the Resurrection. Rick knew where he was going, to where he most longed to be.

"Peace be with you! My peace I give you. My peace I leave you!" Rick believed in the Lord's peace. With his life's example he shows us how to live in peace. I say, put a little Rick in everything you say and do and you will find the same peace and joy that he has found. Adjusting to his absence, I will call on the Lord's peace.

St. Bernard said it best, "I can never lose one whom I have loved unto the end; one to whom my soul cleaves so firmly that it can never be separated does not go away, but only goes before." Daily keep the Resurrection before you.



In Christ,

*Father Steven C. Rogers*