

Welcome to

Holy Trinity Parish

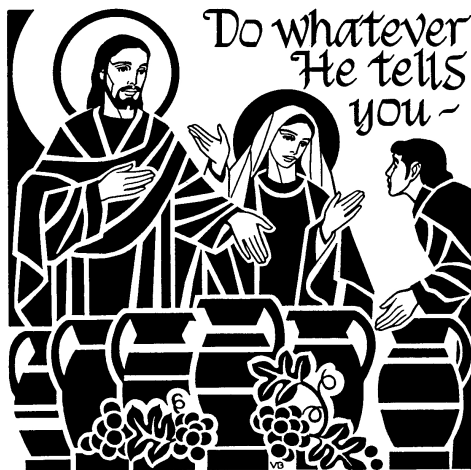
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Twelve Apostles Parish

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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 17, 2016



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In today's second reading, Saint Paul makes a list of gifts dispensed to members of the Christian community by the Holy Spirit. Each gift bestowed has a specific purpose for the person for whom it is intended: wisdom, knowledge, faith, healing, mighty deeds, prophecy, discernment, tongues, and interpretation. Good stewards know these gifts are not meant to be kept hidden by the recipient but to be shared with the community and beyond. As we begin a new year, let us reflect on the gift the Holy Spirit has given to each of us. Do we recognize this gift? How was it intended that we use this gift? Are we being good stewards of this gift?

International Catholic Stewardship Council E-news January 2016

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: Saturdays: 3:15-3:45 PM at Holy Trinity; 4:15-4:45 PM at XII Apostles; 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. Judy Sloan, Child Care Coordinator (offered during 7:30am & 10:45am Masses at Holy Trinity)
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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), and
 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 Kathleen Chastain at 816.392.0011 or victimadvocate@diocesekcsi.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.

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - 17 Jan 2016
Readings: p. 61 in *Breaking Bread*

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 16

5:00pm--XII +Rev. John Wandless

Sunday, January 17

7:30am-HT +Rev. Max Pils (pastor 1978-82)

9:00am--XII Parishioners of XII Apostles

10:45am-HT Parishioners of Holy Trinity

Mon, Jan 18, 8am (HT) Private Intention

Wed, Jan 20, 8am (HT) +Fr. Francis Schreiber (pastor 1859-61)

Thu, Jan 21, 6pm (XII) +Don Giffie

Fri, Jan 22, 8am (HT) Private Intention

Saturday, January 23

5:00pm--XII +Special Intention

Sunday, January 24

7:30am-HT +Rev. John Wandless

9:00am--XII Parishioners of XII Apostles

10:45am-HT Parishioners of Holy Trinity

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS COLLECTION TODAY

The Catholic Home Missions Appeal will take place this weekend. One way this appeal works to support home missions is by supporting seminarian formation in poor dioceses in the United States. Your support is needed for these young men so that they might go back and serve their parishes. Please **strengthen the Church at home** by making a generous gift to this week's appeal. Envelopes can be found in your envelope support packs, on the table with the bulletins, or e-givers can donate online by going to your parish website and clicking on the "donate now" button.

RCIA classes will resume this Wednesday, January 20, at 7pm, at Holy Trinity. They will then meet weekly through March 16, with the exception of Ash Wednesday, February 10, on which you are encouraged to attend Mass.

Twelve Apostles-Holy Trinity Quilt Group



SPECIAL QUILTING TIMES/DATES THIS HOLIDAY WEEKEND!

We are beginning our ministry by working on blankets for the homeless during this Year of Mercy.

We will meet at Holy Trinity for special sessions THIS Sunday, Jan. 17, 2-7pm & Monday, January 18, 10am-6pm!!!

Meals will be provided! Join us for any amount of time that you are available this holiday weekend. We need people to cut, pin, iron, etc., as well as for sewing, so anyone is welcome to join us.

WE COULD USE MORE JEANS!

If you have old JEANS, blankets, flannel sheets, or batting to donate, or a donation towards needed supplies, please bring to Holy Trinity or contact Lori Mathews at 816-807-3220, lori.mathews4@gmail.com.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Sunday Morning Adult Faith Formation Group will meet each Sunday from 9:00- 10:30 AM in Holy Trinity Parish Hall for coffee, fellowship and faith formation. We will be watching some inspiring talks by Bishop Robert Barron followed by group discussion. Please join us! No advance preparation is required! For more info contact Cathi O'Malley 816-916-0446; cathi.theomalley@gmail.com.

Join us for a fresh start on your spiritual journey with **33 Days to Morning Glory**, an easy DIY retreat in preparation for consecration to Jesus through Mary! Whether it is your first or repeat consecration, all are welcome! It truly changes everything! Meetings will be held on Monday evenings, from 6:30-8:30 PM, for six weeks, beginning February 15, in the home of Lisa Mancin, 18385 371 Hwy, Platte City. Consecration day is the Annunciation, March 25. Some books available! Please call or text Shirley Goode, 816-225-4274, to register or for questions.

20s & 30s Young Adult Group: We will have class at the home of Chris & Katie Barmann, 17605 N Braeburn Ct., Platte City, on Mondays, January 18, 25, and February 1, from 6:30-8pm. Free childcare is provided at Seven Bridges Clubhouse; drop off at 6:15pm. On January 18, we will be joined by Fr. Paul from Conception Abbey, who will be teaching on Lectio Divina in a class he titles: "Live in the world, pray like a monk." Questions, call Katie Barmann 608-347-4757 or Chris Barmann 816-589-9148. If you've thought about coming, we would love to have you!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS for all.....

Holy Trinity K of C Council 12288 will meet this Thursday, 21 Jan 2016 at 7 pm at Holy Trinity Parish Hall.

1st (Admission) Degree Ceremonials for those interested eligible Catholic men wanting to become members of the Knights of Columbus at Weston or at Platte City:

-Wednesday, January 20--Belton, MO

-Sunday, January 31 -- Leawood, KS

-Monday, February 8--at O'Hara Council in Kansas City, MO.

-Thursday, February 11--Holy Family (north Kansas City)

Contact Steve Steiger at (816) 431-6506 if you are interested in attending any of the above in order to join either Twelve Apostles Council No.16189 or Holy Trinity Council No.12288.

Current members who want to participate in 2nd and 3rd Degree Ceremonials may do so on:

-Sunday, January 17-- at Olathe, KS.

-Sunday, January 31- at Conception, MO, and at Leawood, KS..

Contact Steve Steiger at (816) 431-6506 or at

scsteiger@yahoo.com for information.

Applications for Knights of Columbus scholarships, fellowships and grants are due at the Missouri State Council and at the National Office on the following dates. (Scholarships are available to Members of the Knights of Columbus and their families.)

(1) FEBRUARY 15, 2016 DEADLINE for submitting scholarship applications to the Missouri State Council. Contact mokofc.org for application forms and information, or contact Mike Deamos, Scholarships Chairman at (660) 584-7234.

(2) MARCH 1, 2016 DEADLINE for submitting scholarship applications to the National Office of the Knights of Columbus. Contact the Department of Scholarships, at (203) 752-4332 or at kofc.org/scholarships.

The Knights of Columbus Councils at Holy Trinity and at Twelve Apostles extend **Happy Birthday wishes** on January 19 to our Former Pastor and Council Chaplain **Father Charles Rowe**.

HOLY TRINITY NEWS



PANCAKE BREAKFAST THIS SUNDAY

Holy Trinity Council 12288 Pancake and Sausage Breakfast after Masses at Holy Trinity on Sunday, 17 Jan 2016. Free will offerings accepted for Knights of Columbus charitable activities.

CHAIRPERSONS NEEDED FOR ASH WEDNESDAY SOUP SUPPER & CHOCOPALOOZA

As is our long-time tradition, we will host a free soup supper after our 6pm Ash Wednesday Mass on February 10.

The Women's Guild will also again host "Chocopalooza" — a celebration of all things chocolate—after both Masses on Valentine's Day, Sunday, February 14.

Can you chair either of these? If so, or if you have questions, please contact Women's Guild President Pam Wittmeyer at 804-0855, or pamwittmeyer@gmail.com.

Living Mercy in the Jubilee Year of Mercy KNOW! GROW! GO!

In this Jubilee Year, we are asked to make acts of mercy a priority in our lives and to live out the compassionate love of God—Pope Francis asks us to learn about mercy, grow in it, and put it in motion! For the remainder of January, we will be collecting items, such as warm clothing, to help "Shelter the Homeless" who are served by Uplift of Kansas City. Please see the flyer on the table with the bulletins for a complete list of items needed.

MISSOURI RIGHT TO LIFE MASS AND PRAYER VIGIL

Friday, January 22, 2016 (In recognition of the anniversary of Roe v. Wade)

10:30 a.m. – Mass in Our Lady of Ephesus Chapel, at The Catholic Center, 20 West Ninth Street, Kansas City, 64105

11:30 a.m. – Walking pilgrimage (5 blocks) to Federal Courthouse, 400 East Ninth Street, Kansas City, 64105

12:00 p.m. – Silent 1-hour Prayer Vigil at Ilus W. Davis Park (In front of Federal Courthouse)

KATIE'S CORNER YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Youth Group (Grades 7-12)

March for Life in Kansas City

An evening for you to experience a small taste of the March for Life in Washington D.C., without committing a large amount of time or resources. We will begin at St. Patrick Parish, (1357 NE 42nd Terr, Kansas City) walk to Divine Mercy Park, listen to an excellent testimony, have Mass and Adoration, all in support of the smallest among us.

When: this Thursday, January 21

We will leave Holy Trinity at 4:00pm, XII Apostles at 4:20pm

We will return to XII Apostles at approximately 8:30pm, Holy Trinity at 8:45pm. **Please RSVP by Monday, January 18.**

Your entire family is welcome! **Parents, we will need chaperones / drivers! Please contact Katie if you are interested.**

Also, please keep our Confirmation candidates in prayer as they are on their retreat this weekend.

Confirmation: Next Session: Jan. 31, 9am at Holy Trinity, 3pm at XII Apostles. Youcat Challenge: Find the drawing of the person joyfully skipping out of the confessional. Tell Katie or Jim the page number to earn a special prize!

HT/XII



Youth Group

TWELVE APOSTLES NEWS

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

THIS Sunday, January 17, 2016

Come and bow down in worship before Our Lord who made us. Sit quietly.

He will do the rest. Lord Jesus, thank you for inviting me into your home.

Adoration 5:00 – 6:00 pm



DE-DECORATING

If you donated a poinsettia for the Christmas season, you are welcome to take one home. Thank you for your contribution to beautifying our churches for Christmas.



Did you know there is a team of Extraordinary Ministers at Holy Trinity and Twelve Apostles who are available to visit, pray with, and bring the Eucharist to the sick and shut-ins in our parishes? Please call the parish office if you or someone you know would like a temporary or weekly visit from one of the team. We are also beginning a new ministry to bring the Eucharist to inpatients at North Kansas City Hospital several times per month. If you are an Extraordinary Minister to the Sick and Shut-in or an Extraordinary Minister of Communion, and would like to help, please contact Shirley Goode at 816-225-4274 or s.goode@att.net

The 23rd annual "SUPPORT OUR SEMINARIANS" Benefit Dinner is dedicated to Our Lady of Kibeho, Rwanda, and the Rosary of the Seven Sorrows of Mary, Friday, January 29, 2016 at a NEW LOCATION. This event benefits seminarians from the Archdiocese of Kansas City, Kansas, the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph and Conception Seminary College. It promises to be an evening filled with fun and laughter, celebrating our Catholic faith, dining on wonderful food, and socializing with our priests and seminarians! We have a wonderful speaker this year, Monsignor Stuart Swetland, President of Donnelly College, Kansas City, KS. S.O.S. will be held at the **Union Station**, 30 West Pershing Road, Kansas City, MO 64108. The reservation price is \$175.00 per person at tables of ten people. To reserve your place, or an entire table, or donate to the marketplace or VIP silent auction, contact Martha Hodes at 913.207.9893 or mmhsos512@gmail.com.

Sophia Spirituality Center, Atchison, KS

February Offering, 2016

**Lectio Divina -- Listening With the Ear of Your Heart
February 13-14 Saturday, 10:00 am – Sunday, 2:00 pm**

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 is led by Sister Micaela Randolph, OSB, a staff member of Sophia Center, 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.org

A message from the US Conference of Catholic Bishops: An EMERGENCY COLLECTION will be taken up Jan 23-24 for the humanitarian and institutional Church needs created by the storms in the South and Midwest regions of the United States that began before Christmas 2015. From the MCC/Missouri Catholic Conference: The end of 2015 left Missouri in a state of emergency after days of continuous rain resulted in record-breaking floodwaters. In Missouri alone, 200 roads were closed due to flooding during the first week of the year, leaving many residents isolated and unable to reach safety. The damage to homes, buildings and lives goes beyond monetary value. Those affected have and will continue to undergo emotional stress in their struggle to rebuild their lives. Catholic organizations around the state, especially in the St. Louis area, are working to help those affected by giving them shelter and assistance in getting their lives back in order. Please consider a generous gift to the special collection for flood relief next weekend.



Beginning Experience

is a weekend experience for adults grieving the loss of a love relationship caused by death, separation or divorce. Program participants are those individuals who are ready to come to terms with their loss and are open to the dialog and self reflection necessary for personal growth.

The next weekend will be February 26-28, 2016, at the Society of the Precious Blood Retreat Center in Liberty, MO, from 7pm on Friday night to Sunday afternoon at 4:30pm.

For more information, please call: (785) 766-6497 or [visit their website: beginningexperiencekc.org](http://beginningexperiencekc.org).

**St. Therese Boy Scout Troop 261
5th Annual Chili Supper and Silent Auction
Sunday, January 31, 2016 11:00-5:00
St. Therese Good Shepherd Hall (school cafeteria)
7277 N.W. Highway 9 , Kansas City, MO 64152
\$5.00 per Person – Under 5 Free
All you can eat chili, beverages and desserts
Tickets available from Troop 261 Scouts
and after Masses the two weekends before.
Contact: Jerry Adams - [816-379-5694](tel:816-379-5694) for
more information**

FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN....

Two years ago on January 17, 2014, I said Mass at Holy Trinity and Twelve Apostles for the first time. I moved into the rectory on that day and hit the ground running and have been traveling at warped speed since. It is hard to believe two years have passed. The joy I started with two years ago is the same joy that animates my spirit today.

Having a second anniversary here is as important to me as a Jubilee of many years. It is a blessing to be pastor of two marvelous communities of faith. I thank God and my lucky stars every day. It is easy to see the stars living in Weston, serving here and in Platte City, and some of them are in the skies. Most of the stars in my life now shine brightly in the people I am happy to call members of my parish families.

It is amazing how God works his magic each and every day. God pressed the fast forward button two years ago, and for us it has been a fast ride. It is strange and wonderful how two whole years can become a blur. I embrace every miracle and blessing he has bestowed upon us and for what he will do for us in the future. Thank you for coming into my life. Thank you for allowing me into your lives.

I am especially thankful for the laughter we exchange, the sweetness of life and relationship, the remedy for the old and the new, the tired and the energetic, the worn and the novel. I am grateful for the memories we make and share so beautifully, for the stories we live in real time, for the moments of sadness and grief, for the times of healing and growing, for the hope and promise of a better tomorrow, for faith, friends and family at Holy Trinity and Twelve Apostles. God is truly awesome and I thank him each morning, noon and night for the chance to learn and grow and experience life through, with and in all of you. Celebrating Mass here has rewarded me with more joy than there are words to define it.

I would like to recline and savor the moment of a second year anniversary, but there is a voice clamoring in my ear, "What are you doing? It isn't over! It's only two years. Get up and get going. There is no rest for the wicked. Stand still and moss will start to grow. There are two roofs needing to be repaired, two other toilets to unclog, two lawns to get mowed, two parking lots to build, two great schools of religion to nurture, two large groups of new parishioners to know, two more babies to baptize, two more pot-luck dinners and parties to host, two years and two more of everything. Just wait until it is four!"

It is a strange voice for sure, a combination of all the voices of my life mixed with my own, my old boss Norman, my mother Delores, my father Richard, my sister Dalana, most of my friends and acquaintances, the Holy Spirit and Pope Francis and everyone I have ever met in my life. It is inspiring when they all come down with the chats at the same time, "Two down and more to go!" I guess we better get busy. I'll see you in the fast lane. If it is anything like the first two, bring it on.

Thank you for a great two years. Thank you in advance for many more.

In Christ,

Father Steve C. Nege