

Welcome to

Holy Trinity Parish

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Twelve Apostles Parish

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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time August 28, 2016



In today's Gospel, Jesus challenges the social structure of the Pharisees and teaches his hosts and their guests some profound lessons in humility. Pharisees maintained deep social divisions between who they considered "holy" and "unholy," rich and poor, honored and despised. They didn't invite someone to a banquet or dinner who couldn't reciprocate. And the lowly, the poor, the crippled, the lame and the blind had no capacity to reciprocate. Good stewards realize that if they embrace a humility that allows them to be generous to those who cannot repay them, they give evidence of having the kind of heart that will enjoy the Lord's intimate friendship. This week let's reflect on our attitude towards those who cannot repay our generosity. What is the extent of our hospitality toward others? Are we generous with those who cannot repay us?

International Catholic Stewardship Council E-news August 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)
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), 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@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 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 the parish office 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.

**22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 28, 2016
Readings: p. 209 in *Breaking Bread***

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 27

5:00pm--XII +Jeanne Ralston

Sunday, August 28

7:30am-HT Parishioners of Holy Trinity & XII Apostles

9:00am--XII +Elizabeth Welch

10:45am-HT Private Intention

Mon, August 29, 8am-HT Private Intention

Wed, August 31, 8am-HT Private Intention

Thu, Sept. 1, 6pm-XII Private Intention

Fri, Sept. 2, 8am-HT +Holy Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, September 3

5:00pm--XII +Special Intention

Sunday, September 4

7:30am-HT Parishioners of Holy Trinity

9:00am--XII Parishioners of XII Apostles

10:45am-HT +Randy Stanton

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR FLOOD VICTIMS

Calamitous floods in Louisiana have destroyed lives and property. During this Year of Mercy, we're reminded of the Lord's call to his Church to extend the compassion of Christ to those in need. To this purpose, the Bishops of the United States have called for a **special collection to help the victims of the flooding in Louisiana**. We will take up a **second collection for this purpose next weekend, September 3-4**.

Next Sunday, September 4 is also the date of the canonization of Saint Mother Teresa, who spent much of her life comforting the afflicted. Let us follow her example as we care for our brothers and sisters in crisis in whatever ways we are able. Please remember in your prayers all those affected by the recent flooding and please be generous in next weekend's second collection.

Youth Group Garage Sale: Sat., Sept. 10 at XII Apostles



(Platte City garage sale weekend.)

Your cast-offs welcome! You may drop off items to donate to the sale in the basement of XII Apostles before or after weekend Masses next weekend.

Parishioners are invited to come and shop early on Friday evening, Sept. 9, 7-9pm.

**August Work of Mercy:
To Clothe the Naked**

Thank you for your clothing donations for Parkville Women's Clinic, children in foster care in Platte County, and Journey to New Life. Your gifts will be delivered this week to those in need. May God bless you in your giving.



ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Sunday Morning Adult Faith Formation at Holy Trinity meets this Sunday, Aug. 28, at 9am.

***Of Human Life (Humanae Vitae)* — an Endow course for women** This is Pope Paul VI's long-awaited and controversial encyclical, promulgated in 1968, that upholds the Church's ban on artificial contraception. It speaks of Catholic love and marriage and family life. It addresses an area of Catholic morality that is often poorly understood. Class begins Monday, September 12, 7-8:30pm at the home of Edie Hays, 119 Platte River Rd., Farley. To register, search for the class name or facilitator Maureen Vernon at www.endowgroups.org.

Aquinas for Beginners Part 2—Endow course for women — will begin September 13 at 9:30 a.m. in Platte City. An 8-week course, this study is focused on the theological and cardinal virtues with Saint Thomas as our guide. It is not necessary to have taken Part 1. Please join us by signing up at the Endow website: www.endowgroups.org. Search by class name or facilitator—Peggy Greene/Kathy Anderson.

On the Dignity and Vocation of Women (Mulieris Dignitatem) - Endow course for women - beginning Tuesday, September 13, at 1:00 at 12700 N Overbrook Dr. in Platte City. In this 1987 encyclical, John Paul II draws on Scripture and Tradition to explain Mary's role in the story of salvation. We will read, discuss, and pray together as we learn to embrace Mary as the ultimate "feminine genius" to emulate. To register, search by diocese or facilitator - Donna Webb -- at www.endowgroups.org.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS for all.....

OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS on MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2016. Practicing Catholic men, age 18 or older, may join either Holy Trinity Council No.12288 in Weston, or Twelve Apostles Council No.16189 in Platte City, at St. Therese Parish in Parkville, MO. Contact Steve Steiger, Grand Knight of Twelve Apostles 16189, at (816) 431-6506 or scsteiger@yahoo.com to join the carpool or for information.

TWELVE APOSTLES PARISH FALL HARVEST PICNIC--Volunteers from Twelve Apostles Knights of Columbus Council No.16189 are needed to assist the XII Apostles Women's Group at the Fall Harvest Festival on Saturday, October 15--morning set-up, evening help with parking and grilling. Contact Grand Knight Steve Steiger at (816) 431-6506 or scsteiger@yahoo.com to sign up to help.

IMPORTANT DATES (KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS)

Sept 5--18th Anniversary of Holy Trinity Council 12288, Weston
 September 6 (Tuesday)--2nd and 3rd Degree Ceremonials at Lenexa, KS. All 1st Degree members are invited to participate.
 Sept 11--Knights of Columbus World Day of Prayer for Peace
 September 12 and 13--Opportunities for Catholic men to join the Knights of Columbus at Twelve Apostles and Holy Trinity.
 Sept 14--XII Apostles Council 16189 Monthly Rosary, Mtg & Social
 Sunday, September 18--Soccer Challenge open to ALL Boys and Girls, ages 9-14, sponsored by Twelve Apostles Knights of Columbus Council No.16189. Platte Ridge Park in Platte City, MO; 1:00-3:00 PM.
 October 2--2nd & 3rd Degree Ceremonials at Independence, MO
 October 4--Opportunity to join the Knights of Columbus
 Oct 7-8-9--Drive for Persons w/ Developmental Disabilities/Tootsie Roll Drive
 Oct 9 (Tentative)--Clean Humphrey's Rd. & Twelve Apostles Parish grounds
 Oct 22-23--Twelve Apostles Council 16189 Membership Recruitment drive
 January 2017--Free Throw Championships for Youth Ages 9-14 will be held in Weston, MO, and in Platte City, MO.

HOLY TRINITY NEWS



FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION at Holy Trinity,
Friday, September 2, 8:30-9:30am.

ROSARY FOR THE UNBORN —

Our first-of-the-month rosary will be offered in the church at 10:05AM next Sunday. Our prayer intention for the monthly rosary is for the protection of the lives of the unborn. All are invited to join us in prayer.



ALTAR SERVER APPRECIATION PARTY SEPT 11

All current Altar Servers AND

Anyone interested in becoming an Altar Server

Pizza & Games

Chat about your summer adventures

Sunday, September 11

11:45am—2:00 pm

(If attending 7:30 am Mass, you can start playing games after PSR.)



Holy Trinity Parish Hall

Please RSVP to Emerita Farnan:
(816) 640-2633; eafarnan@aol.com



MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE: Next weekend is the monthly food collection for United Services food pantry (located in Tracy). This organization gives food and other items to those in our community who need it. Most needed: oatmeal, cereal, peanut butter, tuna, canned chicken, crackers, soup, "box meals," pasta, pasta sauce, snacks, juice, and personal hygiene and cleaning items. Any non-perishable item will be appreciated. Place your items in the marked box located at the back of either church. Thanks for your continuing generosity.



KATIE'S CORNER YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Grades 7-12: Sunday, Sept. 4,
1:30-3pm, XII Apostles

Clap along if you feel like happiness is the truth. Ok, now that you've got that song stuck in your head...come find out about happiness and how you can get it.



Saturday, September 10: Pokemon Go.

Obsessed with catching Pokemon and finding Pokestops? Come do both! We will go on a mission to catch all we can. Friends invited (even if they aren't Catholic). Noon-2pm. RSVP by Wednesday, September 7.

Applefest fundraiser coming up! Look soon for sign ups.

Confirmation:

Next session: Praesidium, September 4, 3-5pm at XII Apostles

TWELVE APOSTLES NEWS

Parish School of Religion (PSR) News:

We are in need of two people to co-teach Kindergarten. If you are interested, please contact Katie - drexii@kc.rr.com or 816-640-2206 x304.

PSR Classes begin September 11, 10:20-11:30am at the Northland Career Center.

An email went out this past Wednesday to all those registered for PSR. If you did not receive an email, please contact Katie at drexii@kc.rr.com or 816-640-2206.

PSR Teacher meeting: Wednesday, August 31, 7pm at XII Apostles.

Little Flowers Girls' Club

The Little Flowers Girls' Club is a Catholic club for girls, grades K-5, focusing on what it means to be a Catholic girl and eventually, a Catholic woman. It's an opportunity for girls to learn about our Catholic faith/virtues, earn badges, enjoy fun activities, and build healthy relationships. Meetings are held monthly in Platte City from September – May. Girls from both our parishes are welcome. Registration forms are located in the back of the churches. For information, contact Katie Parkin: 816-273-2479, or chriskatieparkin@gmail.com

Wanted: Cleaning Team Members

Three volunteer cleaning teams keep our church looking beautiful! We need others to join us in helping...men and women are welcome, also high school students looking for community service hours.



Upcoming cleaning dates are:

Saturday, September 10 - Team 3 (needs more members!);

Saturday, October 8 - Team 2; Thursday, November 10 - Team 1

Saturday, December 10 - Team 3. Contact Trudy Vertin at

tvertin22@gmail.com or 816-262-0505 to be added to a team.

USHER MEETING: 7pm on Tuesday, September 6.

XII APOSTLES USHER MINISTRY is CALLING YOUR NAME!

Please join this Mass time service; you're here! You're needed!

*greet folks arriving for Mass, help with seating if needed.

*serve as 'eyes' over the congregation, the narthex, the entrance doors as a safety measure.

*man the passing of the collection plate.

*usher the proceedings for Holy Communion, pew by pew.

*hand out bulletins at end of Mass.

You're needed! Join us Tuesday, Sept. 6, at 7pm to learn more.

SAVE THE DATE! Fall Harvest Festival October 15.



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Plans are underway for our annual Fall Harvest Event on October 15--mark your calendars! Anyone wanting to join the 2016 Fall Harvest Committee, please contact Nikie Glasbrenner at 816-507-5159 or email: nikiejo61@gmail.com



LOOKING AHEAD:

Mass on Labor Day, Monday, September 5, will be at 9am at Twelve Apostles.

(No Monday morning Mass at Holy Trinity that day.)

MISSOURI CATHOLIC CONFERENCE ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

Celebrate the Year of Mercy! Plan on attending the Missouri Catholic Conference's 2016 Annual Assembly on Saturday, October 8, at the Missouri State Capitol building in Jefferson City. This free event is sponsored by the Missouri bishops; everyone is invited. The keynote speaker will be the new bishop of Springfield-Cape Girardeau, Bishop Edward Rice. Workshops will be offered on a number of issues, including how virtue meets a culture of violence and how Catholics can approach decisions for the 2016 election. Lunch is provided and the day will end with a Mass concelebrated by the bishops. More info is available in flyers on the table by the bulletin board. Please pre-register for the event by going to MOCatholic.org or calling 1-800-456-1679. See you on October 8!

First Annual Remembering Our Babies Ceremony

The Mothers of Alexandra's House, a hospice for terminally ill babies, will hold a *Remembering Our Babies* Ceremony at Loose Park Pavilion on October 8, from 6-8pm. This will give families all around the area a chance to come together as one heart to honor, remember, and share stories of their babies who died from any cause, including those most hidden losses of miscarriage and abortion, and no matter how many years have passed. All are invited. Find out more at www.weremember.alexandrashouse.com

BOWTIES FOR BABIES

Have you or do you know someone who may be pregnant and know their baby will die during pregnancy or soon after birth due to an adverse prenatal diagnosis, or has a newborn and has received a terminal diagnosis? Or are you a family who has experienced an unexpected loss of a child due to miscarriage, fetal demise, stillbirth, SIDS, or any cause? There is a place in Kansas City known as Alexandra's House and offers healing and support for parents and families, free of charge, during pregnancy and after the death of a child. To help support this nonprofit and its services, the Friends of Alexandra's House hosts a gala called Bow Ties for Babies. This year's event will be held on October 14 at the Grand Street Café Plaza with a silent and live auction and dinner. Tickets are \$150 per person. For more information visit bowtiesforbabies.com or call 816-931-5378. To learn more about this special ministry, visit www.alexandrashouse.com.

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GIVING FROM ONE'S IRA ACCOUNT IS ONE OF THE SMARTEST WAYS TO MAKE A REAL IMPACT FOR YOUR PARISH, DIOCESE OR FAVORITE MINISTRY!

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT CHARITABLE IRA GIVING:

What You Can Give. Contributions from traditional IRAs.

Age Requirement: must be 70 1/2 years old or older when the distribution is made.

Directly to the Charity. Distributions must be made directly from your IRA account to charity.

Professional Advice. Please consult with your tax or legal professional.

WHO BENEFITS FROM THIS TYPE OF GIVING?

Individuals who take required minimum withdrawals and want to avoid paying tax on the distribution. Give your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) directly to a qualified charity without having to report it as taxable income. Contact your IRA administrator to learn the amount of your RMD.

Taxpayers who don't itemize their deductions. An IRA charitable transfer most benefits the nearly two-thirds of Americans who do not itemize deductions on their tax returns and therefore do not receive a tax benefit for giving to charity.

Itemizing taxpayers who've reached the charitable giving limit. Donors who itemize their taxes are prohibited from deducting more than 50% of their adjusted gross income as charitable donations. Donations from an IRA are excluded from this limit, allowing individuals who have reached the 50% threshold to give more.

To learn more, please contact Greg Vranicar at 816-714-2363 or vranicar@diocesekcsj.org. We are happy to answer your specific questions.

Offerings from Sophia Spirituality Center, a ministry of the Benedictine Sisters of Mount St. Scholastica, Atchison, KS

Living with the Grief of Suicide

Tuesday, September 20, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Suicide grips hearts and minds with a vice that will not let go, and with feelings of overwhelming sadness, grief and loss. Sharing these feelings can help in finding hope and peace in your life. Come join certified grief counselor, S. Loretta McGuire, for a day of sharing, support and prayer.

The Art of Pausing:

Reclaiming A Sense of Balance In Our Lives

September 23-24

Friday, 7:00 pm – Saturday, 4:00 pm

In our intensely active, mobile and socially-connected society, we seem to have lost the simple pleasure of pausing. This retreat is based on ancient monastic practices. Come explore practical ways to slow down and seek greater balance, to give the mind a chance to reboot and recharge. This retreat is led by award-winning author, journalist and poet, Judith Valente.

For more information or to register for either of the above, call 913-360-6173 or visit Sophia Spirituality Center's website at www.sophiaspiritualitycenter.org

LEAVENWORTH CATHOLIC SCHOOLS:

LRCSS NFL PLAY ALONG TICKETS: LRCSS is proud to announce our annual NFL fundraiser is back! You may purchase tickets at Leavenworth Regional Catholic Schools' Administration office at 320 N. Broadway, Leavenworth, from 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m., or from any student enrolled in our schools. A \$20 donation buys a single NFL Play Along game ticket good for the 17 week NFL game season. There are 7 prizes given each week, for a weekly total of \$1100. Last year, this fundraiser helped us raise over \$60,000 for LRCSS. Thank you for your support!

LRCSS ANNUAL HOMECOMING GOLF TOURNAMENT: LRCSS will hold our annual "Fore the Green & White" Golf Tournament on Saturday, October 7, at Trails West Golf Course on Fort Leavenworth. For Player Registration or Sponsorship Information, please contact Barb Fitzgerald (913) 682-7801.

Rachel's Vineyard: Healing the Pain of Abortion, One Weekend at a Time

For women and men who have experienced abortion, they often feel as if a part of their very selves has died. But Jesus wants to touch these souls and raise them up to experience peace and joy. If you or someone you know is suffering from an abortion decision, we can help. Healing the pain of abortion one weekend at a time is Rachel's Vineyard's ministry. The next Kansas City retreat will be on September 16-18, 2016.

Please call (816) 679-4973 or email rvkcmo@gmail.com for confidential information and to start the healing.