

Welcome to

Holy Trinity Parish

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Twelve Apostles Parish

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24th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 11, 2016

Among the primary themes in today's gospel when we hear Jesus' well-known parable of the Prodigal Son is forgiveness and the need to repent.

But from a stewardship point of view what is also interesting is one of the secondary themes: the failure to use responsibly the gifts that have been so generously bestowed. The youngest son who demanded his inheritance and left home, broke no laws or religious commandments. His wrongdoing was that he wasted his inherited wealth, the abundant gifts given to him. His sin

was in his extravagant living; squandering his gifts in pursuit of selfish pleasures.

Good stewards acknowledge that everything they have comes from God, and they are required to cultivate these gifts responsibly. What are our God-given gifts? Do we use them responsibly? Do we exercise good stewardship over them?

International Catholic Stewardship Council E-news September 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 the sacraments must have completed the prior year of religious education.

**24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 11, 2016
Readings: p. 213 in *Breaking Bread***

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 10

5:00pm--XII +Isabelle Speichinger

Sunday, September 11

7:30am-HT Parishioners of Holy Trinity

9:00am--XII Parishioners of XII Apostles

10:45am-HT +Griffin Crawford

Mon, Sept. 12, 8am-HT Sr. Carmen Rose Azaroff (1st vows)

Wed, Sept. 14, 8am-HT +Gillman & Beatrice Dunn

Thu, Sept. 15, 6pm-XII +Duane Henson

Fri, Sept. 16, 8am-HT +Brian Hoffman

Saturday, September 17

5:00pm--XII +Special Intention

Sunday, September 18

7:30am-HT Parishioners of Holy Trinity

9:00am--XII Parishioners of XII Apostles

10:45am-HT +LeRoy & Juanita Morrison

**SECOND COLLECTION TODAY for
MISSIONARY PLAN OF COOPERATION**

We welcome Father Richard Reece, who will celebrate Mass with us this weekend and speak on behalf of the Missionary Plan of Cooperation. There will be a second collection today for this effort.

EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINE

Articles for the bulletin of September 25 (as well as Sept. 18) are due by this Wednesday, September 14. Thank you.

COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA NEXT WEEKEND—a second collection for the needs of the Catholic Church in Latin America will be taken up next weekend. There are envelopes in your support pack for this annual collection.

SEWING/QUILT GROUP MEETS MONDAY, SEPT. 12



Our parishes' sewing ministry will be working on baby blankets and "lovies" for Children's Mercy Hospital's NICU and Parkville Women's Clinic. **Let's get together Monday, September 12, from 11am—3pm at Holy Trinity!** If you don't sew, join us anyway and bring scissors! If you sew and can bring a machine, please

do! We are also looking for donations of flannel, cotton, and ribbon. If you have materials to donate, and/or can join us that day, please call Lori Mathews at 807-3220 or email lori.mathews4@gmail.com so we can plan accordingly. Bring a dish to share for lunch. We'll also discuss future projects.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

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. **It's not too late to sign up!** Contact Peggy Green for more information at 478-397-2277.

On the Dignity and Vocation of Women (Mulieris Dignitatem) - Endow course for women - begins 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. To register, search by diocese or facilitator Donna Webb at www.endowgroups.org.

Of Human Life (*Humanae Vitae*) — Endow course for women — note change in start date. This is Pope Paul VI's controversial encyclical, issued in 1968, that upholds the Church's ban on artificial contraception. It speaks of Catholic love and marriage and family life. **Class begins Monday, Sept. 19, 7-8:30pm** at the home of Edie Hays, 119 Platte River Rd., Farley. To register, search for class name or facilitator Maureen Vernon at www.endowgroups.org.

"You Did It To Me: A Practical Guide to Mercy in Action" - a 5-week course will begin Thursday, September 29, at 7pm, at Holy Trinity in Weston. To sign up, contact Vonda Ovaitt at vkovaitt@kc.rr.com or 816-674-5709.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS for all....

Thanks to all the Knights who helped on Saturday, 10 Sept, with the Hillcrest Ministries Work Day in Platte City. This is a quarterly service project by Holy Trinity Council 12288 to help maintain Hillcrest Ministries' housing and grounds.

Twelve Apostles Council will distribute Prayer Cards following both Masses at Twelve Apostles this weekend, asking everyone to pray during **"The Knights of Columbus World Day of Prayer for Peace"** Sept. 11. Let us never forget 9-11

OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS on MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2016, 7:00 PM, at St. Therese Parish in Parkville, MO. Contact Steve Steiger, Grand Knight of Twelve Apostles 16189, at (816) 431-6506 or at scsteiger@yahoo.com to join the carpool or for information.

Twelve Apostles Council No.16189 will hold its next monthly meeting on Wednesday, September 14, in the lower level (basement) at Twelve Apostles. Rosary at 6:45 PM; Meeting at 7:00 PM, followed by social time.

Holy Trinity K of C Council monthly meeting Thursday 15 September, Rosary at 7pm, followed by meeting and social time.

Pancake & Sausage Breakfast at Holy Trinity Sunday 18 Sept following 7:30 Mass until 10am. Free will donations go to the charitable works of Holy Trinity Council 12288. Contact Bill Collier (wcollier1957@gmail.com) to volunteer.

Pancake & sausage FUNDRAISER breakfast sponsored by Twelve Apostles Knights of Columbus on Sunday, Sept. 18. Set up at 8:30 AM; serving 9:50 AM -11:00 AM at the Northland Career Center cafeteria in Platte City. Free-will donations accepted. Contact Paul Bobowski at (816) 668-7199 to volunteer to help.

YOUTH SOCCER CHALLENGES NEXT WEEKEND

ALL Boys and Girls, ages 9-14, are invited to participate in ONE local challenge.

1) Holy Trinity K of C Council 12288 Soccer Challenge, Saturday, 17 Sept on the Weston Soccer Fields behind Trex Mart. Contact Dan Rees (aliveflyer@gmail.com) for more information, or to volunteer to help.

-or-

2) Twelve Apostles K of C Council No.16189 Soccer Challenge, Sunday, Sept 18, 1:00-3:00 PM at Platte Ridge Park north of Platte City. Contact Jim Begani at (816) 891-7166 or (816) 529-8205 to volunteer or for info.

Free of charge; come and register, kick the soccer ball, compile points with penalty kicks, have fun. No teams; no goalie; no physical contact.

Winners will move to the District level and possibly the State Championships.

HOLY TRINITY NEWS

Parish School of Religion begins this Sunday, September 11!
Parents and students, meet at 9am—in the church.



ALTAR SERVER APPRECIATION PARTY
Pizza & Games—This Sunday 11:45am—2pm
Holy Trinity Parish Hall
(If attending 7:30 am Mass, you can start playing games after PSR.)

The WOMEN'S GUILD WILL MEET this Sunday, September 11 @ 5pm, in the parish hall. All women of the parish are members and are invited to attend.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETS THIS MONDAY, September 12, at 7pm, in the parish hall.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST NEXT SUNDAY, September 18, 8:30-10am, in the parish hall. A free will offering will be accepted for the charitable works of the Knights.

TWELVE APOSTLES NEWS

Parish School of Religion (PSR) News:

PSR Classes begin this Sunday, September 11, 10:20-11:30am at the Northland Career Center. (We are still in need of two people to co-teach Kindergarten. If you can help, please contact Katie Troup at drexii@kc.rr.com or 816-640-2206 x304.)

WOMEN'S GROUP WILL MEET

TUESDAY, SEPT. 13, at 6:30pm in the church basement. Taco supper provided. All women of the parish are considered members and are invited to attend!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST NEXT SUNDAY, September 18, 9:50am—11am, or until all are served at the Northland Career Center cafeteria. Free will offering.



It's going to be a fun filled Fall Harvest event, October 15, 2017, 6-9pm.



The committee has been working hard to get things rolling and we are off to a great start with new adventures and "can't be beat" wagon rides, s'more's, chili, silent auction, games, photo booth and more!
We can't wait to share the evening celebrating this year's Harvest with our friends, family, church and community!

If you would like to donate to the silent auction, volunteer or need additional information, text or call Nikie at 816-507-5159, email nikiejo61@gmail.com or message on Facebook.



Don't forget to check out Facebook/12 Apostles Social Events for the latest!

9:00 Choir News: The 9:00 Mass choir practice has moved to Thursday evenings at 7pm. Also, pianist(s) are wanted for 9am Mass. Contact Jeanne Witsken at Witsken@hotmail.com or 913-306-4344 for more details.



2017 CHURCH ART CALENDARS ARE HERE: You may pick one up in the vestibule of either church.

Save-the-Date: There will be a class to train new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on November 5 from 9am-12 Noon, at Holy Trinity. More details will be forthcoming.



OUR PRAYERFUL CONDOLENCES are offered to Bud Shaw and all the family and friends of Ginny Shaw, who passed away on Sunday, September 4, 2016. May she rest in peace and may God comfort all who mourn her loss.



KATIE'S CORNER YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

CONFIRMATION RETREAT for all Confirmation candidates NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18—10AM—6PM, at Holy Trinity Parish Hall.



High School Students Lunch and Catholicism
Usually the first 3 Sundays of each month!
Beginning September 18th 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

ending a little earlier on Youth Group days.

We'll have lunch at Chris and Jan Patterson's, then explore various aspects of our Catholic faith.

1417 Hale Avenue, Platte City
For more info contact Chris Patterson 807-1411;
Jan Patterson 718-8516; Joe Henson 804-5147; or
Jenny Henson 913-449-7919

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS & VISITORS!

Welcome to Holy Trinity and Twelve Apostles! If you are just visiting, we pray that you have a wonderful visit and a safe return journey. If you are new to our parish, please take a moment to introduce yourselves and register with us. Forms are available in the vestibule of the churches or from the parish office (816-640-2206).

Join Catholic Charities in Honoring Our Pastors!

Each year, Catholic Charities honors someone who has made a significant impact in the lives of the poor. In this Year of Mercy, our pastors have been selected as the 2016 Mother Teresa of Calcutta award recipients! Help us celebrate by joining them for Celebration of Hope on Friday, October 14, 2016 at the Muehlebach Hotel in Kansas City. Visit www.celebration-of-hope.org or call the Catholic Charities Foundation offices at 816.221.4377 for further information.

HILLCREST THRIFT SHOP in Platte City is looking for more volunteers. If you can help or would like more info, please contact them at (816) 858-7717.

St. Joseph Pregnancy Resource Clinic Fundraiser
Speaker: Alveda King (niece of Martin Luther King, Jr.)
Tuesday, Sept. 13, Civic Arena, St. Joseph, MO
6:30pm dessert; 7:30pm program

For more info on the event and/or to carpool, contact Pat Baker: 816-807-7349, or jimpatbaker@hotmail.com.

4th ANNUAL LIFE DAY WALK/RALLY

Three pro-life events combined on October 2 in St. Joseph:

- 1) **The Walk** begins from Frederick Baptist Church, 5502 Frederick Ave, St. Joseph, at 1:50pm (3.7 mi.). Second group can join at Missouri Western Sports Complex (2.2 miles); third group can join at East Hills Library (1 mi.) to Bishop LeBlond H.S.
- 2) **Life Chain** begins at 2PM in front of Bishop LeBlond High School for those who cannot do the Walk. Bring folding chairs or blankets. Be a witness to traffic driving by. Life Chains are being held all over the USA on October 2.
- 3) **Rally** begins at 3:30pm at Bishop LeBlond stadium, with speakers and music.

Be a "Voice for the Voiceless" and participate in one or all three events. Shuttle buses will be available. All are welcome. More info on the bulletin board or contact Pat Baker: 816-807-7349, or jimpatbaker@hotmail.com.

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 emerging from the darkness of grief into the light of a new beginning.

The next Beginning Experience Weekend is **October 14-16, 2016 at Sanctuary of Hope, Kansas City, KS**. For more information visit: www.beginningexperiencekc.org, email: register.bekc@gmail.com, or contact Kim 816-739-4733.

Sophia Spirituality Center, a ministry of the Benedictine Sisters of Mount St. Scholastica, 751 South 8th Street, Atchison, KS

Mid-late September Offerings 2016

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.

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

Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship

Sunday, September 25, 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Catholics and all people seeking to improve society will find principles to help form consciences, to contribute to civil and respectful public dialogue, and to shape political choices in the coming election in light of Catholic teaching. Come hear the Catholic principles that foster democracy and share in some reflections and discussions. Presented by S. Barbara McCracken, OSB. (Offered at no charge. Donations welcome.)

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

Growing with God: A Plant Lover's Retreat

Wednesday, September 28, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Benedictines, with their commitment to a place, have always had a special relationship with the earth around them. S. Judith Sutura, author of the *Vinedresser's Notebook* (Abingdon Press), will reflect on how one can learn much about life and the love of God from what grows in the earth and how it is tended.

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

Benedict's Vision: Work Made Holy

A Series for Young Professionals Thinking About Life as a Benedictine Sister

Sundays, 2:30-4:30 p.m.: Sept. 25, Oct. 25, Nov. 20

The wisdom of St. Benedict embraces work, life, and human emotions. Benedict saw the value of work but especially the value of the worker. As you delve into the writing and teachings of Benedict, prepare to see the workplace as worthplace, a place where all can find meaning, wholeness and connectedness – a bridge to the spiritual.

Participants will read and discuss *St. Benedict's Guide to Improving Your Work Life: Workplace as Worthplace*, by Michael Rock. Women who attend this series are welcome to join the sisters for Sunday evening praise at 5:00 p.m. and to stay for an evening meal in the monastery dining room following prayer. S. Cecilia Olson, OSB, and a team of sisters and Benedictine oblates will lead the group.

For more information or to register, call 913-360-6173 or visit Sophia Spirituality Center's website at www.sophiaspiritualitycenter.org
Books will be provided for participants.