

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  
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### 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 18, 2016

In Jesus' parable of the Unjust Steward, we encounter a financial manager who has wasted his master's wealth and faces dismissal from his position. To overcome the crisis confronting him, the steward reduces some very considerable debts owed by poor neighbors to his master in order to help them out. Though the steward has sinned against God and his master by squandering what belongs to someone else, both the prudent way in which he goes about resolving the crisis coupled with relieving people who are in need can be seen as a way to better steward the gifts entrusted to us by God. Although good stewards today acknowledge that they may never use their God-given gifts in a way that completely conforms to the demands of the Gospel, a commitment to using their gifts with prudence and for the purpose of helping their neighbors wins God's favor.



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#### **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  
Mrs. Julie Hoffman, Office Manager - x201, secyHT-XII@kc.rr.com  
Ms. Katie Troup -x304, Youth Minister--both parishes: ymht-xii@kc.rr.com; XII Apostles Dir. of Religious Education-dreXII@kc.rr.com  
Mrs. Elysha Ferguson, Holy Trinity Dir. of Religious Education-x200; dreHT@kc.rr.com  
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](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 Kathleen Chastain at 816.392.0011 or [victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org](mailto: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.

**25th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 18, 2016  
Readings: p. 216 in *Breaking Bread***

**MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS**

**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

**Mon, Sept. 19, 8am-HT** Tom & Lou McNamara family

**Wed, Sept. 21, 8am-HT** Private Intention

**Thu, Sept. 22, 6pm-XII** +Duane Henson

**Fri, Sept. 23, 8am-HT** +Spec. Int. Paul & Theresa Grisham

**Saturday, September 24**

5:00pm--XII Parishioners of XII Apostles & Holy Trinity

**Sunday, September 25**

7:30am-HT Intentions of Katie Hope Grisham

9:00am--XII +Isabelle Speichinger

10:45am-HT +Charles Loveless, rip

**COLLECTION for the CHURCH in LATIN AMERICA  
THIS WEEKEND—**

Today, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America. Your gifts to the collection will fund catechesis, pastoral programs, marriage and family life projects, seminarian education, and many other necessary programs in Latin America and the Caribbean. By funding these programs, the support you give today will provide seeds to grow the faith for years to come. Please support the Church in Latin America and be generous in today's collection.

**COMING UP:**

Mass time on **Thursday, September 29**, will be moved to **5:00PM**, due to obligations for Father Rogers at the Parkville Women's Clinic's "Evening on the Hill" fundraiser that evening. This time change is just for that date.

There will be no daily Masses on Wednesday, October 5, Thursday, October 6, and Friday, October 7, as Father will be away at the annual Priest Assembly Days.



**RCIA BEGINS OCTOBER 12**



Are you, or someone you know, interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic faith? There will be an Introductory Session of RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) on Wednesday, October 12, at 7:00pm, at Holy Trinity Parish Hall. The dates of following sessions will be determined by the availability of the group, but the next two sessions following the Intro are tentatively set for October 19 & 26.

If interested, please contact the parish office at 816-640-2206, or speak with Father Rogers, to be placed on the class list.

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

***Of Human Life (Humanae Vitae) — Endow course for women***

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](http://www.endowgroups.org).

**THE SPIRITUALITY OF ST. IGNATIUS**

The 20's and 30's group will meet next for a 3-part study on the spirituality of St. Ignatius, led by Mark & Katie Martinez. They will meet at Twelve Apostles Church, in the cry room, from 6:30 - 8 pm on Mondays, September 26, October 3 and October 10. Free child care will be offered at the home of Chris & Emily Smiley, 13045 NW Hawthorne Dr, Platte City.

St. Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Jesuits, wrote his Spiritual Exercises as a way for people at all stages of life to grow in love for God. We'll be discussing three of Ignatius' teachings found in the Spiritual Exercises.

First, the Rules for Discernment of Spirits are guideposts that assist us with navigating the desires and choices that comprise our daily spiritual lives. Second, The Examen is a daily prayer that St. Ignatius cited as the most important daily practice for consistent spiritual growth in the Christian life. Lastly, meditation and contemplation is a means by which we enter into and converse with God's living Word in scripture.

***"I was hungry, thirsty, a stranger, naked, sick, in prison ..."***

**Do you want to learn more about the works of mercy?**

Did you know that welcoming a stranger can be as simple as making eye contact and sharing a smile? This small act can show Christ's radiant love. Learn more about other simple (and not so simple) ways to share the works of mercy.

Beginning Thursday, September 29, Alicia Johnson and Vonda Ovaatt will lead a five week series: "**You Did It To Me: A Practical Guide to Mercy in Action.**" We will meet at Holy Trinity parish hall from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Coffee and dessert will be provided. You may come to all or just some of the sessions. We look forward to seeing you there!

**BISHOP'S AWARDS: Our heartfelt THANKS and CONGRATULATIONS to this year's recipients of the Bishop's Recognition Awards for service to their parish!**

From Holy Trinity: Lorienne Mathews and Paul Mozola  
From XII Apostles: John Boddicker, and Marlin & Frances Legault.

They will be recognized at a Mass and reception with the Bishop next Sunday, September 25. We are deeply appreciative of all that they, and all volunteers, do for our parishes!

**Sacrament of the Sick and Communion to the Sick:**

A reminder that those who know they are going to be hospitalized and would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick should contact us before they enter the hospital, if possible. Also when a person is hospitalized, they need to ASK to be put on the list to receive Communion. It is not automatically done when the person says he/she is Catholic. Ministers from all the area churches rotate to provide coverage, so patients may not see ministers from Holy Trinity or Twelve Apostles. On the other hand, our own sick and homebound visitors are blessed to visit parishioners in nursing homes or their own homes on a short or long term basis. Just notify the parish office and we will contact you!

## HOLY TRINITY NEWS



**THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST** has been re-scheduled for **NEXT SUNDAY**, September 25, after both Masses, in the parish hall. A free will offering will be accepted for the charitable works of the Knights.

*Holy Trinity Women's Guild is seeking volunteers for the offices of president, vice-president, treasurer and secretary for a 2-year term that would begin serving January 2017. As a member of the parish, all women are members of the Women's Guild and are eligible to serve. In this year of mercy, we are called to serve and the Women's Guild is a perfect way for women of our parish to minister to our parish community. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Pam Wittmeyer, 816-804-0855 or email [pamwittmeyer@gmail.com](mailto:pamwittmeyer@gmail.com).*

### **CLASS FOR NEW EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS TO BE OFFERED**

There will be a class to train new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on Saturday, November 5 from 9am-12 Noon, at Holy Trinity. This is for those interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister at Mass and/or it is the first step in training for bringing Communion to the sick.

After completing this training, those who are interested in visiting shut-ins in nursing homes, hospital or homes can continue with the training for sick and homebound ministers. The sick and homebound training can be done on an individual or group basis and is also available in our parishes to anyone who has already taken the "basic" training.

Individuals who are interested should let Father Rogers or the office know.



### **KATIE'S CORNER YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS**

**CONFIRMATION RETREAT for all  
Confirmation candidates THIS  
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 18<sup>th</sup>  
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

## TWELVE APOSTLES NEWS



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

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT THIS Sunday, September 18, 2016

All that is needed is that we come. He will give us rest, lift us up, feed us, and pour out His grace, mercy and forgiveness.

**Adult Adoration 5:00 – 6:00 pm**



**THANK YOU:** "It is going on nearly two years that a very nervous me approached Father Rogers with the idea of a coffee and doughnut Sunday. He said it would be a good fellowship event and to give it a try. I would like to thank the parishioners for the amazing support given to this wonderful project.

A very special thank you to all the 'doughnut angels' who just seem to show up and pitch in to help.

I must say it is not about the coffee or doughnuts; it's about taking time to associate with other members of our Church. The donations are all programmed for other social activities i.e.: Fathers Day, Easter Egg Hunt and other events for our parishioners. So come on down, we want to meet you! **THANK YOU!**"  
-- Frances J. Legault

### **It's going to be a fun filled Fall Harvest event, October 15, 2016, 6-9pm.**



### **Fall Festival**

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](mailto: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](mailto:Witsken@hotmail.com) or 913-306-4344 for more details.

**Save the date! There will be a Year of Mercy parish pilgrimage to St. Benedict's Abbey in Atchison on Sunday afternoon, October 23, 2016!** We will begin our tour at 1:30pm. Carpools will leave Twelve Apostles at 12:45pm, and Holy Trinity at 1:00pm. Watch for sign-ups and carpool information coming in early October.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS for all.....

**ALL are invited to a pancake and sausage FUNDRAISER breakfast sponsored by Twelve Apostles Knights of Columbus Council No.16189 on Sunday, September 18.** Set up at 8:30 AM; serving from 9:50 AM-11:00 AM or until all are served at the Northland Career Center cafeteria in Platte City. Free-will donations accepted. Contact Chairman Paul Bobowski at (816) 668-7199 to volunteer to help; to donate products; to make suggestions or for information.

September 18 (PM)--ALL Boys and Girls, ages 9-14, are invited to participate in **the 1st Soccer Challenge sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Twelve Apostles Council No. 16189, on Sunday, September 18 from 1:00-3:00 PM** at Platte Ridge Park north of Platte City. Free of charge; come and register, kick the soccer ball, compile points with penalty kicks, have fun. No teams; no goalie; no physical contact. You DO NOT have to know how to play soccer. Contact Chairman Jim Begani at (816) 891-7166 or at (816) 529-8205 to volunteer to help or for information.

September 21, 22 & 23--**Platte City Fall Cleanup Program.** Contact Grand Knight Steve Steiger, (816) 431-6506 if you can help in assisting the elderly and disabled.

October 6 (New Weeknight Date)—2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree ceremonials have been RESCHEDULED to Thursday, October 6, 2016. All First Degree members of the Knights of Columbus are invited to participate in the 2nd (Formation) and 3rd (Knighthood) Degree Ceremonials on Thursday, October 6 at Lenexa, KS. Contact Steve Steiger, Grand Knight of Twelve Apostles Council No.16189, at (816) 431-6506 or [atscsteiger@yahoo.com](mailto:atscsteiger@yahoo.com) for information.

TWELVE APOSTLES PARISH FALL HARVEST PARISH PICNIC--Volunteers from Twelve Apostles Knights of Columbus Council No.16189 are needed to assist the Women's Group from XII Apostles at the Fall Harvest on Saturday, October 15, 2016. Help is needed to set up in the morning; locate parking places for vehicles; cook hot dogs and chili dogs; clean up at 9:00 PM; and save clean, empty 2 liter plastic soft drink bottles in advance to be used for children's games. Contact Grand Knight Steve Steiger at (816) 431-6506 or at [scsteiger@yahoo.com](mailto:scsteiger@yahoo.com) to sign up to help.

### LOOKING AHEAD:

October 2--K of C leads Rosary for Twelve Apostles PSR students, teachers, parents, parishioners-10:20 AM, Northland Career Center cafeteria  
October 4--1st (Admission) Degree Ceremonial at St. Joseph, MO  
October 6--2nd & 3rd Degree Ceremonials at Lenexa, KS  
October 7, 8 and 9--Tootsie Roll Drive in Weston and Platte City  
October 12--Monthly Rosary, Meeting and Social--Twelve Apostles Council No.16189  
October 13--1st (Admission) Degree Ceremonial at Holy Family Council No.14266  
October 16--K of C Council No.16189 Pancake and sausage breakfast at Northland Career Center in Platte City  
October 22--2nd & 3rd Degree Ceremonials at Gardner, KS  
October 22--23--Knights of Columbus Membership Drive at Twelve Apostles Church

### 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).

## AROUND THE AREA:

**Mercy and Mary Retreat:** Father Michael Gaitley is coming to the Savior Pastoral Center in Kansas City, Kansas to offer the Marian Missionaries' **Mercy and Mary Retreat**. Come experience the Year of Mercy with Father Gaitley! There will be new talks by Father Gaitley, daily Mass, Adoration, quiet prayer time, comfortable accommodations, and meals with the Marian Missionaries. For more information, go to <http://events.marianmissionaries.org/>. If you are interested in sharing a quad room, please contact Shirley Goode:816-225-4274.

**Leavenworth Regional Catholic School System is proud to announce our annual Golf Tournament, "Fore The Green and White"** on Friday, October 7, 2016, at the beautiful Trails West Golf Course on historic Fort Leavenworth. The tournament will be held in conjunction with Immaculata Catholic School's Homecoming weekend festivities. We welcome all alumni, parents, grandparents, patrons, friends and community partners to join the momentum in supporting the LRCSS and the tradition of Catholic education in the Leavenworth community. Sponsors needed to support this great event! For more information, please call Barb Fitzgerald at (913) 682-7801 or visit [www.leavenworthcatholicschools.org](http://www.leavenworthcatholicschools.org).

### 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](http://www.celebration-of-hope.org) or call the Catholic Charities at 816.221.4377 for further info.

### 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 Oct. 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](mailto: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: [www.beginningexperienceckc.org](http://www.beginningexperienceckc.org), email: [register.bekc@gmail.com](mailto:register.bekc@gmail.com), or contact Kim 816-739-4733.