

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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### 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time November 13, 2016

In today's gospel Jesus tells his followers there will be plenty of time for them to bear witness to what he taught and did. He helped them understand that the Holy Spirit would guide them and help them persevere in their own stewardship of his gospel even when friends and family betrayed them. Do our friends and neighbors, or classmates and colleagues, know we are disciples of Jesus Christ? How do we bear witness to Christ each day? Do we hide our faith out of fear of rejection? Or are we bold in our witness to others? Are we good stewards of Christ's gospel?



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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  
10:45 AM – 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.

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November 13, 2016  
Readings: p. 234 in *Breaking Bread***

**MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, November 12**

5:00pm--XII Parishioners of Twelve Apostles

**Sunday, November 13**

7:30am-HT Parishioners of Holy Trinity

9:00am--XII +Isabelle Speichinger

10:45am-HT +Mary Ann Nagle

**Mon, Nov 14, 8am-HT** Private Intention

**Wed, Nov 16, 8am-HT** +Rev. Patrick Tobin

**Thu, Nov 17, 6pm-XII** Intentions of Ryan Paul Grisham

**Fri, Nov 18, 8am-HT** Intentions of Patrick Adam Grisham

**Saturday, November 19**

5:00pm--XII +Special Intention

**Sunday, November 20**

7:30am-HT +Ginny Shaw

9:00am--XII Parishioners of Twelve Apostles

10:45am-HT Parishioners of Holy Trinity

**CLOSING CELEBRATION FOR YEAR OF MERCY**

Pope Francis' declaration of a **Year of Mercy from December 2015 to November 2016** has been a year of learning, prayer, and action in our parishes. We thank everyone for their attention and thoughtful and generous participation. Our final month's focus for our works of mercy is "To Pray for the Living and the Dead." Our call to share God's mercy, of course, is never over, and we will continue as we are called!

**Please join us for a closing celebration of the Year of Mercy this Sunday, November 13, at Noon at Holy Trinity.** We'll have lunch, provided by Holy Trinity Knights of Columbus, review the year, talk about where to go from here, and close the year with prayer. All are invited!

**Tomorrow's Priests Second Collection on November 19-20**

Our diocese is blessed with 33 men studying for the priesthood at six different seminaries. At the moment, our diocese has more parishes than we do parish priests, so the need for more vocations to the priesthood is significant. We are truly fortunate to have such a large number of quality seminarians in formation.

It is a blessing that also comes with a cost. The average rate per seminarian per year is nearly \$35,000 for tuition, room and board. Funding seminary education can only be accomplished with your generosity. Please help us to support our seminarians, "Tomorrow's Priests" in the second collection Nov 19-20.

**CALLING ALL BAKERS of Twelve Apostles and Holy Trinity!** Our Youth Group's 14th annual "Christmas-Cookies-by-the-Pound" Sale will take place the weekend of Weston's Holiday Homes Tour, December 2-4. If you can help by donating six dozen or so of your special homemade Christmas cookies, please sign up by following this link - <https://goo.gl/D8tZDY> or by emailing Katie ([ymHT-XII@kc.rr.com](mailto:ymHT-XII@kc.rr.com)). Thank you!!

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

**Women of Faith** group meets every Wednesday following 8:00am Mass\*, 8:30-9:45am, in Holy Trinity's parish hall. We will finish our current book, *Availability: the Challenge and the Gift of Being Present* by Robert J Wicks, in 3 to 4 weeks, then begin a new book in January. Each chapter stands alone; no homework. Come as you are able. Questions, contact Maureen Vernon at 816-616-5975 or [marve49@aol.com](mailto:marve49@aol.com) (\*If no Mass, no group study\*)

**ENDOW Class: "Letter to Women"**, this Tuesday evening in the XII Apostles' Cry Room from 7-9pm. Questions? Contact Katie: 608.347.4757 or Amy: 816.294.6648.

**BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE:** There is a Book of Remembrance at each of our churches in which you may write the names of loved ones to be remembered during this month of All Souls. At Holy Trinity, the book is on St. Joseph's altar; at XII Apostles, on a table to the side of the Divine Mercy image.

**QUILT/SEWING GROUP MEETS THIS MONDAY**



Our parishes' Quilt/Sewing Ministry will meet this Monday, November 14, from 11am-3pm, this month at Holy Trinity. We will be finishing the baby blankets for Parkville Women's Clinic and Children's Mercy NICU, and will discuss our next projects. Please bring a dish to share for lunch. If you have completed any "lovies" or baby blankets and will not be able to attend, please turn them in to Lori Mathews (816-807-3220) as soon as possible as we will be delivering them shortly.

**FATIMA CENTENNIAL U.S. TOUR FOR PEACE** coming to our diocese: The world-famous International Pilgrim Statue of Fatima is on a 2-year tour of America to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the apparitions at Fatima and is coming to the diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph this month! You are invited to hear the story of Fatima and venerate this beautiful statue at the following locations:

- Wed., Nov. 16—Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 416 W. 12th St, KCMO. 11am—5pm. Fatima Statue talk: 11:30am, Mass: 12:15pm followed by Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary on the hour, Benediction at 4:30pm
- Fri., Nov. 18—Co-Cathedral, 519 N 10th St., St. Joseph, MO. 8am-5pm. Mass 8am followed by Fatima Statue talk, Rosary on the hour.
- Learn more about the tour, other locations/dates, and the statue at [www.fatimatourforpeace.com](http://www.fatimatourforpeace.com)

Sponsored by the World Apostolate of Fatima, USA.

**WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY AT HOLY TRINITY**



All women of both parishes, age 21 and over, are invited to the Holy Trinity Women's Guild Christmas Party, Tuesday, December 6, at Holy Trinity Parish Hall. Social hour begins at 6:30pm with dinner at 7pm. Again this year we will have the honor of being served by Knights of Columbus members. \$15 per person. Please RSVP to Pam Wittmeyer, text/phone 816-804-0855 or

email [pamwittmeyer@gmail.com](mailto:pamwittmeyer@gmail.com). Send payment to Maureen Vernon, 4 Pearl Drive, Apt D, Weston, MO 64098. Checks payable to Holy Trinity Women's Guild. Deadline for reservations is November 30.

## HOLY TRINITY NEWS

### PANCAKE BREAKFAST THIS SUNDAY

The Knights of Columbus will serve a pancake and sausage breakfast in the parish hall this Sunday, November 13, after 7:30 Mass. Open to all. A free will offering will be welcome.

**“Giving for God’s Kingdom”** — The Annual Catholic Appeal is underway and Holy Trinity parishioners are asked to consider a gift toward the important work of our Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. Thanks to the 13 families who have pledged/contributed \$5,325 towards our goal of \$10,560. We are trying to achieve 100% participation; 8.7% of our families have contributed thus far. There are more than 30 ministries supported by ACA funds that assist people - both Catholic and non-Catholic - throughout the diocese. Envelopes are available in the pews. Please read the bulletin each week to learn more about how these ministries are important in the lives of Holy Trinity parishioners.

*“Classes taken through the diocese-supported Bishop Helmsing Institute have been eye opening. I am a cradle Catholic and have learned more in the past five years than I did in 60 years! History, Vatican II, social issues, and the Catechism are just a small sample of topical studies offered through the Institute. The instructors are very knowledgeable and have many years of studies for their degrees and expertise. I was able to be certified as a Catechist in Catholic Studies. To sum it up the offerings are FANTAS-TIC. Also, I was able to purchase books at a reduced cost for the classes or just my reading enjoyment. I’m very thankful for BHI.”*  
--Patty Roebing, Holy Trinity

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETS this Monday, November 14, 7pm.**



### *Mass of Thanksgiving November 20 Luke 21: 1-4*

Please join the Triniteens for a special Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday, November 20, 2016 at 10:45 am. The Triniteens will plan and lead this special Mass and parish-wide Food Drive. Your generous offering of bags of rice, flour, canned goods, or other non-perishables will be shared with Platte County families in need. A large basket will be placed in the back of church for those who attend 7:30 Mass and cannot join us at the later Mass. Please support our parish teenagers and local families in need!

**PSR News:** All are welcome to take part in our Autumn Collection, which benefits our local Hillcrest Transitional Housing, with a collection of QT gas cards, paper towels, and/or toilet paper. Paper goods can be dropped off at the Parish Hall on Sundays or during office hours. Please hand deliver QT gas gift cards to a PSR teacher, or the office during the week. Collection ends the first Sunday of Advent, November 27!



**Thank You, LORD!**

### **THANKSGIVING DINNER & PRAYER SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY**

Holy Trinity is hosting the Weston Community Thanksgiving Dinner and Prayer Service next Sunday, November 20, at 6pm. Meat, potatoes, rolls, and beverages will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share and join us in thanksgiving as we welcome our Weston neighbors!

## TWELVE APOSTLES NEWS

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST THIS SUNDAY:** The Knights of Columbus will serve a pancake & sausage breakfast in the Northland Career Center cafeteria this Sunday, Nov. 13, 9:50am till all are served. Open to all. Free will offering welcome.

**WOMEN’S GROUP MEETING:** this Tuesday, November 15, at 6:30pm, in the lower level at Twelve Apostles.

**SAVE THE DATE:** Please mark your calendar for 12 Apostles Women’s Group annual Christmas Party on Monday, December 12 at 6:30 p.m. at Bravo Cucina Italiana in Zona Rosa. All women of the parish are invited. More details will follow.

### **“GIVING FOR GOD’S KINGDOM” ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL:**

Thank you to the 27 households from Twelve Apostles who have pledged or contributed \$8,485 thus far towards our parish goal of \$15,963. We are trying to achieve 100% participation; 9.3% have pledged/contributed thus far. If you are still considering your ability to join the Appeal, please realize that we all benefit by the diocesan programs and services that the Appeal supports. There are pledge cards/envelopes in the narthex.

Keep Christ in your life. This Christmas give a meaningful gift. A variety of affordable items are available in the Narthex gift case, Advent Calendars, Candles and much more. All proceeds are invested for new items to better serve our Parishioners. Thank you for your support.



**PSR News:** Thank you to the families who donated candy for our troops overseas. We collected two grocery bags full!

**Practices for the annual Christmas Pageant and Children’s Choir** will begin Sunday, November 27, 2016, in the church, immediately following PSR classes. Children in 1st-8th grades interested in participating in the annual Christmas Pageant and Children’s Choir on December 24, 2016, before and during the Children’s Christmas Eve Mass (3:30pm) are invited. Practices will last approximately 1 hour. A few parents are needed to help with the practices, before and after the pageant and during Mass on Christmas Eve. This is fun way to instruct our Children about the story of the birth of Christ and a way for them to participate in the music ministry of the Christmas Eve Mass.

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



### **Youth Group—grades 6-12**

Grades 5-8 and parents: Camp Savio Informational meetings. Saturday, November 12, 6pm at XII Apostles or Sunday, November 13, 5pm at Holy Trinity. If you are interested but unable to attend either of the meetings, please contact Katie.

**November 13: Candy, Candy, More Candy.** There will be candy (and other non-food items) up for grabs in this afternoon of games. Come see how much you can win! 1:30-3pm at Holy Trinity

**Cookie Sale –Dec. 2-4:** Sign up to work the cookie sale is now online. Please visit [www.holytrinitycatholic.org/youth](http://www.holytrinitycatholic.org/youth) or [www.twelveapostlescatholic.org/youth](http://www.twelveapostlescatholic.org/youth) to sign up.

**Confirmation: Next session, Living Legacy: November 13,** 3-5pm at Holy Trinity. Youcat Challenge: Find the woman praying with a REALLY long Rosary for a special prize!



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

### Holy Trinity K of C Council 12288 Pancake and Sausage breakfast

Sunday 13 Nov following 0730 Mass in the Parish Hall.

Holy Trinity K of C Council 12288 will serve lunch at Noon on Sunday 13 Nov for the End of the Year of Mercy celebration in the Parish Hall.

**Twelve Apostles Knights of Columbus Council No.16189 will be serving a pancake and sausage breakfast** on Sunday, November 13. Serving begins at 9:50 AM, and will continue until all are served at the Northland Career Center cafeteria in Platte City. Free-will donations will be accepted.

**The monthly meeting of K of C Council 12288** is at Holy Trinity on Thursday, 17 Nov 2016 starting at 7 PM with the Rosary.

### OPPORTUNITIES TO JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS--

Practicing Catholic men, age 18 or older, wishing to become members of the Knights of Columbus either at Holy Trinity or at XII Apostles may do so on the following dates:

- (1) Sunday, November 13 at Topeka, Kansas (**2nd and 3rd Degree** Ceremonials will also be conducted on this date at Topeka. This is a great opportunity for a NEW member to complete his 1st, 2nd and 3rd Degree Ceremonials all in the same day.)
- (2) Monday, Nov. 14, 7:00 PM at Council No.7199 (St. Therese) in Parkville
- (3) Wednesday, November 16, 7:00 PM at Council No.5586 in Belton, MO;
- (4) Sunday, December 4, at Council No. 8915 in Kearney, MO
- (5) Join by special arrangements using the Knights of Columbus Admission Degree Ceremonial DVD.

Contact Steve Steiger at (816) 431-6506 for more information.

**Youth Soccer Challenge Congratulations** -- The Knights of Columbus would like to congratulate Daniel Bunge for finishing in 3RD PLACE at the Missouri State Council Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge State Championship. Daniel represented Twelve Apostles Council No.16189 of Platte City.

### Offerings at Abbey Guest Center:

#### Praying the Liturgy of the Hours - Friday-Sunday November 18-20

Learn how to pray the Liturgy of the Hours in your home. This introductory workshop gives you the resources and practice to pray the Liturgical prayer of the Church. The weekend also includes the historical background of this ancient prayer practice that is still being used to make holy the various hours of the day. There will be quiet time for reflection and opportunity to pray with the monastic community. (Retreat costs lodging, meals, conferences and reception: \$165 for single accommodations, \$135 per person for double accommodations).

#### Advent day of reflection, Wednesday December 7

Spend the day at the Abbey to reflect on the true meaning of Christmas. See how the Advent season prepares us to celebrate in a very rich way Christ's coming into the world and into our hearts. The day begins with coffee and rolls at 9:00 followed by a conference, Mass and lunch follow. There will be more quiet time and a concluding conference at 2:30 pm. (Lunch and retreat fee: \$20 per person).

#### New Year Retreat, Friday-Sunday December 30-January 1, 2017

Join the Abbey Guest Center Staff and Archbishop Jerome Hanus in a reflective time of prayer and spiritual talks to help bring in the New Year. There will be time for quiet reflection and prayer, a holy hour on New Year's eve, with the opportunity to celebrate Reconciliation, and enjoy a festive New Year's reception. (Retreat cost for lodging, meals, conferences and reception: \$170 for single accommodations, \$140 per person for double accommodations).

For reservations for any of the above, contact the Abbey Guest Center: phone 660-944-2809 or email [guests@conception.edu](mailto:guests@conception.edu).

**Join us for St. Francis Xavier School's 1<sup>st</sup> Reindeer Run 5k and Kids' Santa Scamper** to benefit the scholarship fund. The fun begins at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 10 at Bartlett Park in St. Joseph with the 0.7 mile Santa Scamper for kids in K-5<sup>th</sup> grade. The 5k starts at 10:30am. Early Elf registration to guarantee a t-shirt ends Nov. 20: \$20 for 5k, \$10 for kids' run. From Nov. 21 thru day of event: \$25 for 5k, \$15 kids' run. Email [maureen013@hotmail.com](mailto:maureen013@hotmail.com) or call (816) 232-4911.

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**The 24<sup>th</sup> annual "SUPPORT OUR SEMINARIANS" Benefit Dinner**, dedicated to the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima, is scheduled for Friday, January 27, 2017. This event benefits seminarians from the Archdiocese of Kansas City, KS, 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 two wonderful speakers this year, Fr. Richard Storey, pastor of Cure of Ars Parish in Leawood, KS and Cruz Gallegos, a senior at Conception Seminary College. SOS will be held at **Union Station, 30 West Pershing Road, Kansas City, Missouri**. The reservation price is \$175.00 per person with ten seats per table. To reserve your place, or an entire table, or donate to the marketplace or VIP silent auction, contact: Martha Hodes (913) 207-9893 or [mmmhsos512@gmail.com](mailto:mmmhsos512@gmail.com). Check out our new website: [www.supportourseminarians.com](http://www.supportourseminarians.com).

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**ROSARY RALLY:** Please join us for the November Holy Rosary Rally in Honor of Our Lady of Fatima—which will be held on Sunday November 13<sup>th</sup> from 3 pm to 4:15 pm at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, 2552 Gillham Road, Kansas City, MO 64108. We will pray the Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious mysteries of the Holy Rosary followed by Benediction and the opportunity for attendees to enroll in the Brown Scapular. For more info visit [www.rosaryrallieskc.org](http://www.rosaryrallieskc.org)

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### **Married Couples...Take Some Time**

**Time Together!!** A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is a weekend full of fresh love, rebirth and new beginnings. All married couples deserve a richer, fuller life together. The next Weekends in Kansas City are **November 18-20, 2016 and January 27-29, 2017**

For more information or to apply, please visit our website: [www.wwme4youandme.org](http://www.wwme4youandme.org) or call Tony & Barb Zimmerman, 816-741-4066.

### **News from Leavenworth Regional Catholic Schools:**

**NFL Play Along Fundraiser:** The LRCSS would like to invite you to purchase our NFL Play Along tickets at half price. For just \$10, you can partake in this great fundraiser in support of our schools. Please contact our school Admin Offices at (913) 682-7801 to purchase tickets or look for us at your Parishes.

**LRCSS Catch the Spirit:** To be better stewards of our finances, the LRCSS has gone digital with our monthly Catch the Spirit publication. Please go to our website, [www.leavenworthcatholicschools.org](http://www.leavenworthcatholicschools.org), then click the About Us tab. You will find the Catch the Spirit publication under News and Media.

**GREENWAY Auction Save the Date:** The LRCSS will host our annual Greenway Auction and Dinner on Saturday, February 25, 2017 at the McGilley Field House on the campus of University of Saint Mary. If you would like to volunteer, or for more information, please contact Barbara Fitzgerald, LRCSS Director of Development, at (913) 682-7801.