

Welcome to

Holy Trinity Parish

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Twelve Apostles Parish

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4th Sunday in Ordinary Time January 29, 2017



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In today's Gospel, Jesus begins his Sermon on the Mount with a series of blessings, the Beatitudes. The Beatitudes are a summary of the fundamental attitude of a Christian steward. Make it a point to reflect on this Gospel reading during the week. Identify the blessing you relate to the most. Which one is the most challenging for you?

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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
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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@diocesekcso.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.

**4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 29, 2017
Readings: p. 62 in *Breaking Bread***

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 28

5:00pm--XII +Kay Norwood

Sunday, January 29

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

9:00am--XII +Isabelle Speichinger

10:45am-HT +Kay Norwood

Mon, Jan 30, 8am-HT +Isabelle Speichinger (ann of birthday)

Wed, Feb 1, 8am-HT Intentions of Patrick Adam Grisham

Thu, Feb 2, 6pm-XII Private Intention

Fri, Feb 3, 8am-HT Private Intention

Saturday, February 4

5:00pm--XII Private Intention

Sunday, February 5

7:30am-HT +Bob Dunn

9:00am--XII Parishioners of XII Apostles

10:45am-HT Parishioners of Holy Trinity

World Day for Consecrated Life will be celebrated on Thursday, February 2, 2017. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life (vows of poverty, chastity and obedience), and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

The Blessing of Throats will be offered after 8am Mass at Holy Trinity, on the feast day of St. Blaise, this Friday, February 3.

**VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION PARTY
"AROUND THE WORLD..."
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2017 6:30PM**



This is an appreciation event for our **ADULT VOLUNTEERS** from both parishes! We are so appreciative of your gift of time and talent! If you volunteer at either Holy Trinity or XII Apostles and would like to attend, please RSVP (spouses welcome) to 816-640-2206 or secyht-xii@kc.rr.com. Costumes encouraged (but optional).

SEWING TABLE TOPPERS: The Sewing/Quilt Group will make table toppers, for the Around the World party, this Monday, Jan. 30, 10am at Holy Trinity, and Monday, Feb. 6, at XII Apostles! Join us! We need people to cut, iron, and sew. Bring something to share for lunch. Questions? Call Lori Mathews at 807-3220.

**TRAINING FOR MINISTRY TO
THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND**

Training for Ministry to the Sick and Homebound is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 11, 9-Noon, at Twelve Apostles. If you are a Eucharistic Minister interested in expanding your role by visiting the sick, please call or text Shirley Goode at 816-225-4274.

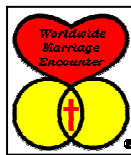
ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Women of Faith group meets on Wednesdays following 8:00am Mass*, 8:30-9:45am, in Holy Trinity's parish hall. We are reading "Women of the Gospels" by Stephen Binz, a bible study of the women friends and disciples of Jesus. All are welcome; come as your schedule allows. Questions, contact Maureen Vernon at 816-616-5975 or marve49@aol.com (*If no Mass, no group.)

LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA: Learn more about your Catholic faith in the convenience of your home or car—check out the many available CDs in the Lighthouse kiosks in the vestibules of our churches.

MARRIED COUPLES

The car gets a tune up. The house gets a painting. The job gets our all. When is there time to "brush up" on US? Carve out the time you so richly deserve and attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekend in Kansas City is **April 28-30, 2017**



For more information or to apply, visit our website: www.wwme4youandme.org or call Tony & Barb Zimmerman, 816-741-4066, or email tonybarbz@prodigy.net

Pre-Super Bowl Party Dance

Beginning Experience Fundraiser

Saturday, Feb. 4, 7:00 - 11:00 pm

St. Thomas More Hall, 119th and Holmes in Kansas City, MO

Everyone is welcome!

Questions: Contact Bruce at 816-807-7891

Wear your favorite team jersey or gear (pro or college, football or other!) for a little extra fun. The "tailgate table" will be loaded with a football-themed assortment of flavorful snacks, ice-cold beer and soda. The Zepster will be hitting the end-zone with "tunes and croons" so don't miss out! \$20/person.



Is your marriage going down the right road . . . or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage.

Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. **Next Retrouvaille Weekend is February 17-19, 2017.** For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact registration team: Local Telephone: 800-470-2230 or visit our website: HelpOurMarriage.com

HOLY TRINITY NEWS



AN HOUR OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION will be offered next Friday, February 3, after the blessing of throats following 8am Mass (approx. 8:30-9:30am). Confessions will be available during Adoration.

ROSARY FOR THE UNBORN NEXT SUNDAY

Our monthly rosary for the protection of the unborn will be said next Sunday, February 5, at 10:05am, in the church. All are invited to join us.



TWELVE APOSTLES NEWS

OUR PRAYERFUL CONDOLENCES are offered to Al and Berniece Laughlin and family on the death of his mother, Dorothy Laughlin. May she rest in peace.



DID YOU KNOW? Use this link if/when you shop on Amazon and 0.5% of your purchase amount will be donated to Twelve Apostles: <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/26-2416033>

CONTRIBUTION ACKNOWLEDGMENTS were mailed to all registered, contributing households on Thursday of this past week. If you have any questions about your statement, please do not hesitate to contact us at the parish office.

USING YOUR SUPPORT ENVELOPES whenever possible makes it easier for our volunteer collection counters to accurately record your contributions. Thank you!

CHOIR MEMBERS INVITED FOR CONFIRMATION

The young men and women of our parishes will be confirmed on Monday, February 20, at 7pm, at Holy Trinity, with Bishop James Johnston presiding. A choir is being formed to sing for the Mass. There will be practices on two Wednesdays, February 8 & 15, at 7pm, at Holy Trinity. Anyone interested is invited to join us. If you have questions, please contact Barb Bopp at 816-665-5775.

ARE YOU REGISTERED IN A PARISH?

Did you know....

⇒ That every Catholic adult who has completed school and is employed should be a registered member of a parish?

⇒ That Catholics who wish their children to receive the sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, & Confirmation, as well as Catholics who themselves wish to receive Matrimony, are expected to have been members of that parish for at least a year or, if recently moved, active members of their previous parish?

If you are an adult who regularly attends Mass at Holy Trinity or Twelve Apostles but have not registered, you may do so by filling out a registration form (found in the back of the churches or on our websites) and returning it to the parish office.

We look forward to knowing you!

FOOD COLLECTION: Next weekend is our monthly food collection for United Services food pantry (located in Tracy). Any non-perishable items, cleaning, or hygiene products will be appreciated. Place your items in the marked box located at the back of both churches. Thanks for your continuing generosity!

Catholic School News:

Catholic High School entrance exam:

Maur Hill - Mount Academy Catholic High School in Atchison, KS will administer their entrance exam on Saturday morning, Feb. 4. The exam is required for all 8th graders applying to MH-MA and families need to register their student for the exam in advance. Please visit the "Apply" page at www.mh-ma.com to register your 8th grader. Contact the admissions office with any questions at 913-367-5482 or admissions@mh-ma.com.

GREENWAY AUCTION: The Greenway Auction, on February 25, is the largest fundraiser for Leavenworth Catholic Schools and provides immeasurable support to our annual operating budget. Please consider sponsoring this memorable event, donating a gift, helping us gather gifts or volunteering time to ensure the evening is a success. Please contact Barb Fitzgerald or Denise Portice at (913) 682-7801 with any questions regarding the Greenway Auction.

XAVIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL Pre-K through 8th grade enrollment: Enrollment is now open for Xavier Catholic Preschool and Xavier Catholic School K-8th. Please visit our website at www.leavenworthcatholicschools.org or call Lisa Forge, Director of Enrollment at (913) 682-3900 with any questions.

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



There are many post-abortive women and men today who live in silent torment. They are slowly self-destructing. They believe that if their friends knew what they had done they would be rejected and condemned. Yet, Jesus' heart is moved and

He has pity upon them as they suffer in pain and grief. If you or someone you know is suffering from an abortion decision, discover Jesus' merciful heart which brings peace and comfort. Rachel's Vineyard retreats are all about healing the pain of abortion, one weekend at a time. The next Kansas City retreat is on February 24-26, 2017. Please call (816) 679-4973 or email rvkcmo@gmail.com for confidential information and to **start the healing**.

KATIE'S CORNER YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS



Youth Group:

Grades 7-12.

This Sunday, January 29: Movie night, 5-7pm at Holy Trinity. Popcorn and candy provided.

INCLEMENT WEATHER PLANS

We have had inquiries about Mass plans in the event of severe weather. In most instances, Father can say Mass in Weston no matter the weather. If the weather becomes too dangerous for Father to travel to Platte City, our plan is to communicate that via an email to parishioners, to post it on our websites, to put a message on our answering machine, and/or to notify the TV stations. So, generally, **"no news" means things are going on as scheduled**. Since the Sunday obligation is an important one for Catholics, priests hesitate to cancel Mass like many other churches do with their services. Barring dangerous conditions, Father will try to make it for Mass but wants parishioners to be prudent of their own situations and do what is best for them.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS for all.....

ALL Eligible Practicing Catholic Men are Invited to Become Members of the Knights of Columbus, the largest, Catholic, Family, Fraternal, Service, Lay organization in the world.

There are several opportunities to JOIN the Knights of Columbus in February 2017---Practicing Catholic gentlemen, age 18 or older, wishing to become members of the Knights of Columbus either at Holy Trinity in Weston or at XII Apostles in Platte City may do so on ONE of the following dates:

(1) Thursday, February 9 at Holy Family (north of the Missouri River).

(2) Sunday, February 12 at Atchison, KS; the Formation (2nd) and Knighthood (3rd) Degree Ceremonials will also be conducted on this date in Atchison.

(3) Sunday, February 26 at Kearney, MO; the Formation (2nd) and Knighthood (3rd) Degree Ceremonials will also be conducted on this date at Kearney.

(4) Or join by special arrangements using the Knights of Columbus Admission Degree Ceremonial DVD. Contact Jim Rooney, Steve Steiger or Field Agent Jorge Orozco ((816) 456-1010).

Contact Grand Knight Jim Rooney of Holy Trinity Council No.12288 at (816) 674-4268 or Grand Knight Steve Steiger of XII Apostles Council No.16189 at (816) 431-6506 for general information about the Knights of Columbus or if you wish to attend one of the above ceremonials.

FREE THROW CONTEST WINNERS in Weston

Congratulations to Holy Trinity Knights of Columbus Council 12288 winners of the **Basketball Free Throw Contest** held Saturday, 21 Jan at West Platte. Girls' Winners: Sophie Grier 9-yr-old, Madisyn Matlick 11-yr-old, Libby Handel 12-yr-old, Hannah Kleman 13-yr-old. Boys' Winners: Jacob Davis 9-yr-old, Vincent Merritt 11-yr-old, Luke Heili 13-yr-old, and Isaiah Pearson 14-yr-old. Winners will advance to the District Championship, Sunday 5 Feb 2017 at St. Andrew the Apostle School in Gladstone. Thanks to Chairman Kent Eagen and his crew of Knights and family members for putting on another successful Free Throw Contest.

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS:

* Sunday, January 29, 2017--ONLY the 2nd (Formation) and 3rd (Knighthood) Degree Ceremonials will be conducted at Olathe, KS.

* Sunday, January 29, 2017--2nd (Formation) and 3rd (Knighthood) Degree Ceremonials held at Conception Seminary in Conception, MO.

Sunday, February 5, 2017--Knights of Columbus District Free Throw Championship, 1:30-3pm, at St. Andrew the Apostle School in Gladstone. Free Throw Champions from Weston, Platte City and Gladstone will participate.

* Sunday, February 12--Pancake & sausage breakfast sponsored by Twelve Apostles Council No.16189 at Northland Career Center.

* Monday, Feb. 13--Application deadline for K of C Scholarships from the Missouri State Council. Website: mokofc.org/scholarships.

* Saturday, February 18, 2017--Formation (2nd) and Knighthood (3rd) Degree Ceremonials at St. Peter's, KCMO.

*Sunday, February 19--Pancake & sausage breakfast at Holy Trinity parish hall, after both Masses, hosted by Holy Trinity Council 12288.

* Saturday, April 15--2ND ANNIVERSARY--On this date in 2015, Twelve Apostles Council No.16189, Knights of Columbus, was chartered at Twelve Apostles Church in Platte City.

For information, contact either Steve Steiger or Jim Rooney at the numbers listed above.

Do something for your Valentine - attend! The FertilityCare™ System (Creighton Model) Introductory Session is offered monthly at a variety of area locations and long distance. Fulfills marriage policy requirement. Helpful for achieving/avoiding pregnancy plus medical applications. Better than IVF for infertility. Register at www.fertilitycarekc.com, or call (816) 858-0198.

World Apostolate of Fatima First Saturday Devotions will be held on **Saturday, Feb. 4** at Sacred Heart-Guadalupe, 2544 Madison Ave, KC, MO. Opportunity for Confession begins at **7:30am**; Rosary & 15 Minutes of Meditations at 8am, followed by Mass at **9am**. Our Lady of Fatima requests us to make reparation to her Immaculate Heart for offenses given by sins of people in the world. She promised to assist at the hour of their death, with the graces necessary for salvation, those who make these devotions on five consecutive First Saturdays. They may also be made in any church. More info: 816-255-9556.

Nationally Known Speaker/Author Melissa Ohden to Speak at St. James Catholic Church on February 7

Melissa Ohden, the survivor of a failed saline infusion abortion in 1977 will share her story at St. James Catholic Church in Liberty at 7pm on February 7. Despite the initial concerns regarding her future after surviving the attempt to end her life at approximately seven months gestation, she has not only survived but thrived. With a Master's Degree in Social Work, she has worked in the fields of substance abuse, mental health, domestic violence, sexual assault counseling, and child welfare and has testified before the U.S. House of Representatives and Senate. In 2012, she founded The Abortion Survivors Network (ASN). ASN seeks to educate the public about failed abortions and survivors while providing emotional, mental and spiritual support to survivors. She is the author of "You Carried Me, a daughter's memoir", her story about what happens when an abortion survivor finds and forgives her birth mother, who never knew her daughter was alive.

Sophia Spirituality Center, a ministry of the Benedictine Sisters of Mount St. Scholastica, 751 S. 8th St, Atchison, KS February Offerings 2017

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

Coffee and Silence - Tuesday, February 7, 2017

Come for a morning or a day. Spend time in silence. Walk our beautiful grounds. Visit our Saint Scholastica Chapel. Coffee is provided. Arrive any time after 9:00 a.m. Bring a sack lunch and spend the day. Leave by 4:00 p.m. We are often able to accommodate individuals on other days. Ask if you have a special day or time of interest to you.

Saints and How To Be One

Sunday, February 12, 2017 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Come and discover how the Church makes saints and how we can identify with them. Sister Judith, OSB, a member of Mount St. Scholastica and a writer, speaker and retreat director, will lead this retreat.

Give Beauty Back To God

Wednesday, February 22, 2017 9:30 am - 3:30 pm

How does one give beauty back to God, source of all beauty? We will ponder this question as we visit beauty in scripture, creation, literature, art and daily life. Sister Thomasita Homan, OSB, emerita professor of English at Benedictine College and current director of oblates for the Mount community, will lead this retreat.

New Hope for Depression

Saturday, February 25, 2017 9:00- am - 4:30 pm

Hear about the value of deepening spiritual practices to find new hope and discover one's own path to the God of grace and compassion. This retreat is conducted by Sharon Highberger, a certified chaplain, grief counselor and author.