

Welcome to

Holy Trinity Parish

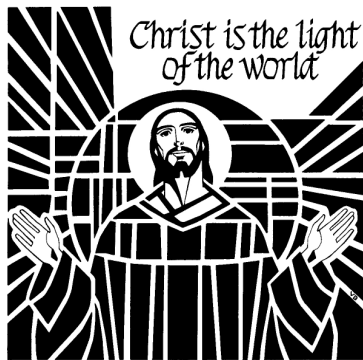
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Twelve Apostles Parish

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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time February 5, 2017



In this weekend's readings and psalm, the prevailing theme is that of light: We are the light of the world; our light breaks forth like the dawn; our light shines in the darkness; our light reflects generosity and justice. Good stewards know they are the lamp, and Christ is the flame that, through them, illuminates the earth. They know that they carry Christ's light in their hearts, and let it shine through their words and deeds. What are we doing to shine Christ's light on the hungry, the homeless and others most in need of God's mercy? How do we exercise good stewardship over the light of Christ that burns within each of us?

International Catholic Stewardship Council E-news February 2017

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@diocesekcsi.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.

**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 5, 2017
Readings: p. 64 in *Breaking Bread***

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

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

Mon, Feb 6, 8am-HT Cooper Patrick Adams—Spec. Int.

Wed, Feb 8, 8am-HT Greg Cicha—for healing

Thu, Feb 9, 6pm-XII +Dorothy Laughlin

Fri, Feb 10, 8am-HT +Owen Hull

Saturday, February 11

5:00pm--XII Parishioners of XII Apostles

Sunday, February 12

7:30am-HT +Rob Kahl

9:00am--XII +Raymond Rake

10:45am-HT Parishioners of Holy Trinity

**ADULT VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION PARTY
“AROUND THE WORLD...”**

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24 6:30PM—Social, 7pm-Dinner



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. Reservations due by Friday, February 18, 2017. Costumes encouraged, but optional.

SEWING GROUP MEETS MONDAY: The Sewing/Quilt Group will make decorations for the Around the World party, **this 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.

Prepare for Lent

PRE-LENT RETREAT: THE MINISTRY of PRESENCE

How does God call us to be present to one another? Mark your calendars for An afternoon retreat on Sunday, February 26, on “The Ministry of Presence.” Led by Peg Ekerdt, Pastoral Associate at Visitation Parish, we’ll be learning about and reflecting on our call to be present to one another. The afternoon will begin with a potluck luncheon at Noon, at Holy Trinity. The retreat will last from about 1-4pm. Hosted by your Adult Faith Formation and Year of Mercy Teams.

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.)*

LENT WITH ST. MATTHEW

Lent begins March 1. This Lent, let St. Matthew lead us as we grow in our relationship with Jesus! We’ll do this through three opportunities:

- 1. By reading the entire Gospel of Matthew in manageable daily readings.** We will use our own Bibles, but we’ll give the verses to read each day. Reading this Gospel, start to finish, will allow us to experience Lent in a way we may never have in the past. By Easter we’ll know Jesus better, more deeply.
- 2. By using an accompanying daily devotional - *Lent with St. Matthew*.** If reading Matthew without help seems intimidating, this one-page-per-day devotional written by Chris Patterson will give you confidence. It will be available soon in the parish lobbies. You’ll see how this 2000 year old Gospel applies to your life today, and how Jesus wants you to know Him as He knows you.
- 3. By attending a 4-week class on the Gospel of Matthew.** You won’t need to be a Bible pro to come to this class. Nor do you need to read this Gospel or the devotional over Lent to participate (although it’ll help if you do). Come and join friends who together will unpack portions of Matthew.

Classes will be at the following dates, times and locations:

Holy Trinity — Parish Hall

Thursdays - 6:45 — 8:15 p.m.
March 9, 23, 30, April 6

Twelve Apostles — Downstairs

Sundays — 10:15-11:45 a.m.
March 12, 19, 28, April 2

20s-40s Group—Seven Bridges Clubhouse

Mondays — 6:30 - 8:00 pm
March 13, 20, 27, April 3

FREE CHILDCARE at Greg and Audrey Hoffman’s,
12870 N. Apple Blossom, Platte City (Seven Bridges Addition)



Please keep our Confirmation candidates in your prayers this weekend while they are on retreat at Conception Abbey.



**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 into the light of a new beginning. The next Beginning Experience Weekend is **MARCH 3-5, 2017 at Precious Blood Center, Liberty, MO.**

For more information visit: www.beginningexperiencekc.org, email: register.bekc@gmail.com, or contact Lynn [785-282-8964](tel:785-282-8964), or Teresa [816-529-9002](tel:816-529-9002).

HOLY TRINITY NEWS

Rosary for the unborn this Sunday: 10:05am in the church.

Women's Guild will meet this Monday, February 6, at 7pm. All women of the parish are invited. We will be discussing upcoming activities such as our Ash Wednesday soup supper, Fish Fry, etc.

CHOCOPALOOZA

Holy Trinity Women's Guild will again host "Chocopalooza" - a celebration of all things chocolate—after both Masses next Sunday, February 12. Come over to the parish hall next Sunday!



WESTON COMMUNITY PRAYER BREAKFAST NEXT SATURDAY, February 11, 8am, Christian Assembly Church. All are invited. Free will offering.

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. Anyone interested is invited to join us. There will be practices on Wednesdays, February 8 & 15, at 7pm, at Holy Trinity. Questions? Contact Barb Bopp at 816-665-5775.



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

KATIE'S CORNER YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Youth Group:

Grades 7-12, join us February 19, 1:30-3pm at Holy Trinity for "The Problem". Join us as we play some games and learn a little bit more about Jesus.

Coming soon: survey about float trip dates. Keep an eye on your email inbox and mailbox.

Confirmation: Next session: February 12, 6-8pm at Holy Trinity. We'll be eating dinner together!



TWELVE APOSTLES NEWS

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT This Sunday, February 5, 2017



Put aside the concerns of life. Come and just focus on the Lord. Expect wondrous things to happen. Boldly ask God to fill you with His presence and speak to your heart.

***** Family/Children Adoration 4:30 – 5:00 pm today *****

Adult Adoration 5:00 – 6:00 pm

CHURCH CLEANING THIS THURSDAY, February 9, at 9am by Members of Team 1: Loretta Ralston, Julia Perez, Nikie Glasbrenner, Mary Ann Sadler, Trudy Vertin, Jeanne Shupe, Rhonda Boddicker and Jan Patterson. Any and all other willing hands are welcome and appreciated.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST NEXT SUNDAY at Northland Career Center cafeteria, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, 9:50 am till 11:15am or until all are served. Free will offering.

Ministry Opportunity - Hillcrest Platte County is a Christian, non-profit organization that offers homeless families and singles a disciplined educational program within a caring, supportive environment. As sponsors of an apartment in Platte City, Twelve Apostles and Holy Trinity are looking for an individual, a couple or a small team of 2-3 people to be the contact person(s) and liaison between Hillcrest, the apartment resident and the men and women of our parishes who work in this ministry. If you would be interested in learning more about this, or other ways you could be involved, please feel free to contact Katie Barmann 608-347-4757, Maureen Vernon 817-616-5975, Donna Webb 402-613-3829, or Pam Wittmeyer 816-804-0855. Read more about the difference Hillcrest has made in families who were sponsored by visiting <http://hillcrestplatte.org/about-us/>. *Then they will answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison, and not minister to your needs?' He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.'* Matthew 25:44-45

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.**



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS for all.....

COUNCIL MEETING NOTICES--

Twelve Apostles Knights of Columbus Council No.16189 will hold its Rosary, Meeting and Social Period in the lower level at Twelve Apostles Church beginning at 6:45 PM on Wednesday, February 8, 2017. All council members are invited, including members of other councils.

Holy Trinity Council 12288 will meet Thursday, February 16, 7pm, at Holy Trinity.

PANCAKE AND SAUSAGE BREAKFAST sponsored by Twelve Apostles Knights of Columbus Council No.16189 at Northland Career Center cafeteria, Platte City on Sunday, Feb. 12. Volunteers needed at 8:30 AM. Serving 9:50-11:15 AM or until all are served. ALL parishioners and guests are invited to support our FUNDRAISER to fund charitable programs. Contact Chairman Paul Bobowski at (816) 668-7199 for info

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS DUE Monday, Feb. 13, 2017. Available from Missouri State Council. Apply online at mokofc.org/scholarships.

CONGRATULATIONS--Twelve Apostles Council No.16189, Knights of Columbus of Platte City, extends congratulations to the following boys and girls who were named Champions of our Free Throw Championship held on January 22 in Platte City: **BOYS DIVISION:** Age 10--Caleb Hornbeck; Age 11--Ryan Johnson; Age 12--Parker "P.J." Amos; Age 13--Kevin Hughes; Age 14-- Tyler Racy. **GIRLS DIVISION:** Age 9--Abby O'Connor; Age 10--Morgan Utte; Age 12--Samantha Teufel; Age 13--Alicen Hornbeck. Winners will compete in the District No.5 Free Throw Championship on Sunday, February 5 at St. Andrew the Apostle Grade School in Gladstone, MO.

THANK YOU to the following members, wives and guests who volunteered to conduct the local Annual Free Throw Championship sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. The contest in Platte City was sponsored by Twelve Apostles Knights of Columbus Council No.16189. Volunteers: Chairman Jim Begani; District Deputy Josh Neuweg and his wife Jill; Bob Bailey; Kathy Bailey; Wilmer Caraballo; Jim Glasbrenner; Mark Magennis; Julie Magennis; Steve Steiger; Boy Scouts and their Leaders.

MEMBERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES--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, founded in 1882 by Fr. Michael J. McGivney. There are several opportunities to JOIN the Knights of Columbus this month-- Practicing Catholic gentlemen, age 18 or older (there is no maximum age to join), 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 in Kansas City (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 at Atchison.
- (3) Sunday, February 12 at Independence, MO.
- (4) Monday, February 20 at Grandview, MO.
- (5) Sunday, February 26 at Kearney, MO. The Formation (2nd) and Knighthood (3rd) Degree Ceremonials will also be conducted on this date at Kearney.
- (6) 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 either 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.

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS:

* Saturday, February 18--Formation (2nd) and Knighthood (3rd) Degree Ceremonials will be conducted at St. Peter's Council No.13988 in Kansas City, MO (south of the Missouri River).

* Saturday, April 1, 2017--The 4th (Patriotic) Degree Ceremonial will be conducted at the Kansas City Airport Hilton Hotel in Kansas City, MO. This will be the ONLY time that the 4th Degree will be exemplified in western Missouri in 2017.

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

The February Holy Rosary Rally in Honor of Our Lady of Fatima will be held on Sunday, February 12, 3 pm to 4:15 pm at St. Joseph Parish, 11311 Johnson Drive, Shawnee, KS 66203. 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 driving instructions or future dates for the Kansas City monthly Holy Rosary rallies, visit www.rosaryrallieskc.org

JOB OPENING: St. Benedict Parish, Atchison, Business Office has an immediate opening for our Parish Business Administrator position. This position is responsible for Accounts Receivable, Accounts Payable, Payroll, Human Resources, and management of Business Office for Parish & School locations, including Variety Store and cemeteries. At least 3 years accounting experience required. Accounting degree preferred. Must be reliable and able to work as needed. The ideal candidate must be self-motivated, detail oriented, extremely well organized, and able to meet required deadlines in various areas of daily work, have excellent written and verbal communication skills as well as being proficient in QuickBooks, MS Word, Excel, and Google Docs. Must be able to handle sensitive information with the highest degree of integrity and confidentiality. Must be able to pass a background check and complete Virtus Training. Application and full job description are available on our parish website under Announcements at www.st.benedictatchison.org. To apply please submit cover letter, resume - with references, and application to Fr. Jeremy Heppler, OSB, jheppler@benedictine.edu.

Nationally Known Speaker/Author Melissa Ohden to Speak at St. James Catholic Church on Tuesday, 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, Benedictine Sisters of Mount St. Scholastica, 751 S. 8th St, Atchison, KS-February Offerings

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

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" — Wed., Feb. 22, 9:30 am - 3:00 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. Led by Sister Thomasita Homan, OSB, emerita professor of English at Benedictine College and current director of oblates for the Mount community..

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.