

Welcome to

## Holy Trinity Parish

407 Cherry St.  
Weston, MO 64098  
www.holytrinitycatholic.org

## Twelve Apostles Parish

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Platte City, MO 64079  
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### 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time February 12, 2017



*Blest are they who follow  
the law of the Lord*

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In today's Gospel, part of his Sermon on the Mount, Jesus does not speak of replacing the law of the Old Testament. He goes beyond it. He obliges his followers to work at being holier than even the strictest of Pharisees. But the work is not accomplished by following a religious "law", it requires growing in love for other human beings. Followers of Jesus know they are required to be good stewards of others. In what way will you exercise good stewardship over other people this week?

#### **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.

**6th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 12, 2017  
Readings: p. 66 in *Breaking Bread***

**MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS**

**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

**Mon, Feb 13, 8am-HT** Private Intention

**NO MASSES ON WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY THIS WEEK**

**Fri, Feb 17, 8am-HT** +Owen Hull

**Saturday, February 18**

**5:00pm--XII** +Dorothy Vail

**Sunday, February 19**

**7:30am-HT** +Grant Michael Kleman

**9:00am--XII** Parishioners of XII Apostles

**10:45am-HT** Parishioners of Holy Trinity

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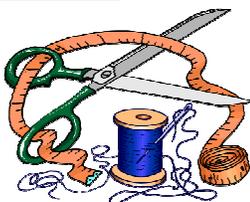
**ADULT PARISH VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION PARTY  
"AROUND THE WORLD..."  
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24 6:30pm—Social, 7pm—Dinner  
at Twelve Apostles**



**ADULT VOLUNTEERS** of our parishes—we are so appreciative of your gift of time and talent in the work of our parishes! If you volunteer in any way 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 this Friday, February 18.** Costumes encouraged, but optional.

**SEWING GROUP MEETS THIS MONDAY AT XII**

Our parishes' Sewing/Quilt Group will meet this Monday, February 13, at 10am, at XII Apostles to finish the decorations for the Volunteer Appreciation dinner. Join us! We need people to cut, pin, and sew. Please bring a lunch item to share. Questions? Call Lori Mathews at 807-3220.



**CATHOLIC CHARITIES EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE APPEAL**

Since 1879, millions of lives have been transformed through Catholic Charities, making our community a much different — much better — place. Next weekend is the annual Catholic Charities Emergency Assistance Appeal. Your gift helps the lives of many in need throughout northwest Missouri. Please be generous in next week's 2nd collection.

**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.)  
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**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 this weekend 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.

**DEVOTIONALS WILL BE AVAILABLE FEBRUARY 17**

- 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** for Monday group at Greg & Audrey Hoffman's, 12870 N. Apple Blossom, Platte City (Seven Bridges)

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**Mark your calendars: 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.

**NEW ENDOW COURSE FOR WOMEN: ST. CATHERINE**

Peggy Greene and Mary Ann Sadler will co-facilitate "St. Catherine of Siena", an 8-week Endow For Women course. The first class will begin Tuesday, March 7, 2017, 9:30 AM at Peggy Greene's house, 13730 Wagon Pass Rd, Platte City. Go online to [www.Endowgroups.org](http://www.Endowgroups.org) to join the group and order your book. Looking forward to going on this St. Catherine journey with you. For questions email Peggy at [pfbgreene@yahoo.com](mailto:pfbgreene@yahoo.com) or Mary Ann at [maryannsadler@gmail.com](mailto:maryannsadler@gmail.com).

**A statement of the Missouri Catholic Bishops on Refugees and Migrants can be found at:**

<https://kcsjatholic.org/statement-of-mo-catholic-conference/>

## HOLY TRINITY NEWS

### CHOCOPALOOZA



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

**PANCAKE and SAUSAGE BREAKFAST NEXT SUNDAY** in the parish hall, after both Masses, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Free will offering.

**SAVE-THE-DATE: WOMEN'S GUILD FISH FRY** is scheduled for March 10 from 5:00-7:00 pm at the Parish Hall. Your help is needed to ensure success! We need volunteer workers and food donations. Contact Mary Esther at [stevnmar44@aol.com](mailto:stevnmar44@aol.com) or 816-640-5816.



**PALMS FOR ASHES:** Ash Wednesday is March 1! You may bring back last year's blessed palms the next two weeks to be burned for ashes.

## RETROUVILLE

A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

**Matrimony: A calling to forgive! "Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope."**

Retrouville offers a welcoming and loving space to couples who have been living with the misery of a failing marriage. Retrouville offers hope: hope that it is not too late, hope of a different and better marriage. Retrouville helps couples to show each other mercy through the opportunities it provides to listen, to forgive, to be reconciled and to move into their futures believing that God loves them and with His help and their efforts, their marriages can be healed and restored. Retrouville provides help for marriage problems/difficulties/crises. For more information about an upcoming Retrouville Weekend program for couples, contact registration team: Local Telephone @ 800-470-2230 or visit our website: [HelpOurMarriage.com](http://HelpOurMarriage.com)

### KATIE'S CORNER YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS



**Confirmation:** This Sunday, February 12, 6-8pm at Holy Trinity. We'll be eating dinner together! Next Sunday, Feb. 19: 3:00pm Confirmation practice! At Holy Trinity.

#### 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.

## TWELVE APOSTLES NEWS



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

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETS THIS MONDAY,** February 13, at 7pm, in the lower level at Twelve Apostles.

**VISITING AFTER MASS:** How wonderful to have parishioners who are happy to see and know each other! Visiting after Mass is most welcome but, in order not to disturb those who remain in the church to pray after Mass, and to allow easy access to the holy water/baptismal font for others leaving, we ask that everyone move out to the narthex after Mass where conversations may be continued. Thank you!

**FIND THIS AND MORE AT OUR LIGHTHOUSE CD STAND:** Drama-free relationships...do they even exist? Today's dating scene is more complicated than ever, especially with social media, texting, and endless pressure of the world's expectations. Learn how to navigate through the confusion and discover the freedom that comes from living a virtuous life. Sarah Swafford is the founder of Emotional Virtue Ministries, and speaks to teens and young adults about how to live a drama-free life. She lives in Kansas with her husband and children.

EMOTIONAL VIRTUE  
SARAH SWAFFORD



### MEMBERS INVITED FOR CONFIRMATION CHOIR



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 practice this Wednesday, February 15, at 7pm, at Holy Trinity. Questions? Contact Barb Bopp at 816-665-5775.

**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 816-616-5975, Donna Webb 402-613-3829, or Pam Wittmeyer 816-804-0855. Read more about the difference Hillcrest has made in families who were sponsored at <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

**Christ's Peace House of Prayer** in Easton, KS will hold a **Lenten preparation retreat** February 25 - 26. The retreat will have 4 or 5 talks, daily Eucharistic Adoration, Mass at the local parish on Saturday at 5 pm, and time for quiet reflection, walks in the forest, spiritual reading and prayer. The cost is \$85 for individuals and \$125 for couples. The first talk is at 9am Saturday; the retreat ends at 4pm Sunday. Christ's Peace House of Prayer is located at 22131 Meagher Road, Easton, KS 66020. If interested, contact [info@christspeace.com](mailto:info@christspeace.com) or 913-773-8255.



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

**Holy Trinity Council 12288 Monthly meeting** 16 Feb

2017 at the Parish Hall starting at 7 pm with praying the

Rosary. Bill Collier organizing Fraternal time following the meeting.

Thanks to all those who participated and helped with the Basketball Free Throw contest in January and the District Championships last Sunday.

Holy Trinity Council Pancake Breakfast following Sunday Masses on 19 Feb 2017.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS DUE** Monday, Feb. 13, 2017. Available from Missouri State Council. Apply online at [mokofo.org/scholarships](http://mokofo.org/scholarships).

**CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK YOU** to the following Members of Twelve Apostles Knights of Columbus Council No.16189 of Platte City who have:

(1) Completed 25 YEARS OR MORE OF SERVICE to the Order and;  
(2) Attained HONORARY LIFE or HONORARY STATUS in the Knights (determined by age and number of consecutive years of service):

- \* Father Steven Rogers--(Honorary Life Member)
- \* Ed Chomicki--64 Years (Honorary Life Member)
- \* Walt Dowd--57 Years (Honorary Life Member)
- \* Steve Steiger--41 Years (Honorary Life Member)
- \* Larry Von Tersch--39 Years (Honorary Member)
- \* Jack Greene--37 Years (Honorary Member)
- \* Bob Shinogle--31 Years
- \* Randy Walsh--27 Years
- \* Napper Curley--25 Years
- \* Rob Barmann--25 Years

**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. Sunday, February 12 at Atchison, KS; the Formation (2nd) and Knighthood (3rd) Degree Ceremonials will also be conducted on this date at Atchison.
2. Sunday, February 12 at Independence, MO.
3. Monday, February 20 at Grandview, MO.
4. Sunday, February 26 at Kearney, MO. The Formation (2nd) and Knighthood (3rd) Degree Ceremonials will also be conducted on this date at Kearney.
5. Sunday, March 12 at Topeka, KS (Council No.4254); the Formation (2nd) and Knighthood (3rd) Degree Ceremonials will also be conducted on this date at Topeka. Another opportunity to receive all 3 Degrees on the same day.
6. Monday, March 13 at St. Therese Parish (Council No.7199) in Parkville, MO
7. 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.

## Parkville Women's Clinic "Fatherhood" program to begin:

### Greeting Fellow Dads and Mighty Warriors of God!

Why do I call you mighty warriors? Perhaps many of you, like Gideon, are surprised by that phrase. The truth is, the greatest assault against the family in America is the absence of fathers and positive male models/mentors in the home. We are desperately in need of men who will stand with the broken and forgotten of our society, and teach them the truth that says, "Anyone can make a baby, but it takes a man to hang in there and be a dad." The road will probably be very long, and cluttered with all the distractions of life and culture. We need men who will not bail when the situation becomes difficult, discouraging, or inconvenient. The need for a fatherhood program exists because too many men have simply refused to stick it out.

If these words resonate with you and cause a gut response that says, "Change must come, and I will be a catalyst to bring it," then we'd love for you to be part of this program. The initial fatherhood meeting is slated for Feb. 21 and we will have a planning get together before then. Please contact me by phone or email to get involved. Remember, "We are male by birth, but men by choice."

In His Service,

Chaplain Mike Lehnher

913.680.1585, [mike-lehnher@kc.rr.com](mailto:mike-lehnher@kc.rr.com)

### Programs at Marillac Center, retreat/spirituality center of the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth.

**The Mystics Are Back!** Join the staff of Marillac Center on Sunday afternoons, 2 to 3 p.m. for presentations about mystics Julian of Norwich (Feb. 12 and 19), Catherine of Sienna (Feb. 26 and March 12) and Meister Eckhart (March 19 and 26). Sessions will discuss and explore their lives and writings. No fee. Location: O'Shea Conference Room, Mother House of the Sisters of Charity, 4200 South 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Leavenworth, Kan. Call 913-680-2342 or email [schase@scls.org](mailto:schase@scls.org).

### Experience Taizé prayer; open to the community

You are invited to participate in Taizé prayer on Thursday, March 2 at 7 p.m. in Annunciation Chapel on the campus of the Mother House of the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth, 4200 S. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Leavenworth, Kan. For more information about this meditative, candlelit service, visit [www.marillaccenter.org](http://www.marillaccenter.org) or call 913-680-2342.

### Lenten Day of Prayer to focus on seasonal symbols and scripture

Marillac Center hosts "Dust and Ashes, Water and Wine: Symbols and Scripture for Lent" led by John Winkels, Kansas City area liturgist and musician. Time for prayer and reflection, Saturday, March 4, 9:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Ross Chapel, Mother House of the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth, 4200 South 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Leavenworth, Kan.; \$40 registration fee (includes lunch). Register by emailing [retreats@scls.org](mailto:retreats@scls.org) or calling 913-758-6552; for more info, [www.marillaccenter.org](http://www.marillaccenter.org).

### Linger Over Coffee – Lent 2017

Marillac Center staff will host a series reflecting, sharing and praying with the "Question: Who Is Jesus," Tuesdays, March 7-April 4, 10:30 a.m. to noon at the retreat center, 4200 South 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Leavenworth, Kan. Come to one or all sessions; each session can stand alone. Freewill offering. For information or questions, 913-758-6552 or [retreats@scls.org](mailto:retreats@scls.org).

### Mardi Gras and Family Dance

Good Shepherd Catholic Church, 18601 N. 169 Highway, Smithville  
Saturday, February 25, 2017 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Join us beginning with a simple supper of chili & other soups. Followed by a Mardi Gras Parade. We ask all children bring masks and/or crowns for our parade. The night will continue with our dance. Think wedding dance without the wedding—chicken dance, hokey pokey, and cake walks. Plus an ice cream sundae bar. All are asked to bring a favorite ice cream topping along with 2 dozen cookies. Good clean, FREE, fun for the WHOLE family. All invited. For information call Linda Nelson at 816-781-4301.