

Welcome to

Holy Trinity Parish

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Twelve Apostles Parish

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7th Sunday in Ordinary Time February 19, 2017

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?

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:

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Mrs. Darlene Darby, Office Assistant, x202
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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.

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Readings: p. 69 in *Breaking Bread***

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

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

Mon, Feb 20, 8am-HT Mike Bollin—Special Intention

Wed, Feb 22, 8am-HT Austin Blair—Special Intention

Thu, Feb 23, 6pm-XII Private Intention

Fri, Feb 24, 8am-HT Julie Rippinger—Special Intention

Saturday, February 18

5:00pm--XII Parishioners of XII Apostles

Sunday, February 19

7:30am-HT Parishioners of Holy Trinity

9:00am--XII +Darrell Legault

10:45am-HT +Kenneth Suttner

CATHOLIC CHARITIES EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE APPEAL THIS WEEKEND: Since 1879, millions of lives have been transformed through Catholic Charities, making our community a much different — much better — place. Today is the annual Catholic Charities Emergency Assistance Appeal. Your gift helps the lives of many in need throughout northwest Missouri. Please be generous in this week's 2nd collection.

CONFIRMATION THIS MONDAY EVENING



Confirmation for our young men and women will take place this Monday evening, at 7pm, at Holy Trinity, with Bishop James Johnston presiding. All are welcome to attend. Please pray for a powerful coming of the Spirit to our candidates: Kyle Bean, Stephen Bobowski, Austin Cass, Karlee Chase, Kathryn Corcoran, Matthew Dubreuil,

Spencer Fisher, Clayton Grisham, Gabriel Harmon, Megan Hartleroad, Jackson Hughey, Mary Kush, Brian Lee, Emma Marsh, Max Renner, Kyle Rogers, Rhett Spell, Patrick Tobey, Logan Wasinger, Samantha Whitt, & Jaylee Wiedmer.

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



This is for ADULT VOLUNTEERS of both our parishes—we are so appreciative of your gift of time and talent in the work of our parishes! Heritage or other costumes from around the world are encouraged, but optional.

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 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.

Copies of the devotional are available in the vestibule/narthex of the church. They are FREE! Please take one and go through it even if you do not plan to take the class!

- 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)

Prepare for Lent

PRE-LENT RETREAT FEB 26: THE MINISTRY of PRESENCE

How does God call us to be present to one another? You are invited to an afternoon retreat on Sunday, February 26, at Noon, 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 OF SIENA

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 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 or Mary Ann at maryannsadler@gmail.com.

A statement of the Missouri Catholic Bishops on Refugees & Migrants can be found at: <https://kcsjccatholic.org/statement-of-mo-catholic-conference>

HOLY TRINITY NEWS

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



ASH WEDNESDAY SOUP SUPPER:



In keeping with tradition, Holy Trinity will host a Simple Soup Supper following the 6:00PM Ash Wednesday Mass on March 1. We are looking for 15 people to share a crockpot of meatless soup, and several people to donate a simple loaf/loaves of French or Italian bread. Please contact Martha Carletti at mcarletti@benedictine.edu or 816-8510-4013 if you can help. Thank you so much for your time.

THE ANNUAL WOMEN'S GUILD FISH FRY will be held 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 or 816-640-5816.



In marriage, communication is more than just talking. At some point, did you stop sharing about the things that were important to you? Did your spouse?

Improving a marriage takes time and a conscious effort to learn about your spouse. Growing closer in a marriage does not happen automatically. **Retrouvaille** is a marriage program dedicated to helping couples grow closer and develop a stronger bond. You give your heart and soul to everything you do, between your work and your family. Are you giving your heart and soul to your marriage? Sometimes the distance between a husband and a wife can seem so wide that it cannot be repaired. Retrouvaille is a marriage program designed to bring couples closer together. 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



Confirmation: This Sunday, Feb. 19: 3:00pm
Confirmation practice! At Holy Trinity.

Youth Group:

Grades 7-12, join us this Sunday, 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.

Next Sunday, "Carnival Games" — it's Mardi Gras time! Join us at XII Apostles next Sunday, Feb. 26, 1:30-3pm.

Emails went out about the float trip. If you did not receive one, please contact Katie - ymht-XII@KC.rr.com

Parents of soon to be high school graduates: an email went out about the grad Mass. If you did not receive this email, please contact Katie.



TWELVE APOSTLES NEWS

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

THIS Sunday, February 19, 2017

There, in His quiet place in this quiet time we find healing for our hearts and the joy and peace that only God can give.

Adult Adoration 5:00 – 6:00 pm



WOMEN'S GROUP MEETS THIS TUESDAY, Feb. 21, at 6:30pm, in the lower level of the church. All women of the parish are considered members and are invited to attend!

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!

LIGHTHOUSE CD STAND: Check out the Lighthouse CD stand in the vestibule of the church for many offerings, including "That They May All Be One" by Matt Maher, an internationally acclaimed Christian singer, song-writer, and eight-time Grammy Award nominee, who shares the amazing story of his spiritual journey. He emphasizes the importance of forming relationships with others in order to be effective witnesses of the Gospel and help bring about the unity desired by Christ.

A Virtus: Protecting God's Children session is scheduled for Thursday, March 2, 6:00pm at Holy Trinity. **This is for anyone who works with children or vulnerable adults in a parish setting and has not yet completed this portion of the diocesan Safe Environment program.** Sign up is online at www.virtusonline.org; click on registration. Please contact Katie Troup at ymht-xii@kc.rr.com if there are any issues.

PALMS FOR ASHES: Ash Wednesday is March 1! You may bring back last year's blessed palms next weekend to be burned for ashes. Place on the table in the church vestibules.

LENTEN REFLECTION BOOKLETS AND PRAYER CARDS are now available in the back of the churches.

Ministry Opportunity - Hillcrest Platte County is a Christian, non-profit organization that offers homeless families/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



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS for all.....

DISTRICT NO. 5 FREE THROW CHAMPIONS—Holy Trinity Council No.12288 in Weston and Twelve Apostles Council No.16189 in Platte City wish to congratulate the following Boys and Girls, ages 9-14, who won the Knights of Columbus **District Free Throw Championship** February 5 at St. Andrew the Apostle School in Gladstone, MO:

BOYS' DIVISION:

All representing Twelve Apostles Council No.16189:
Ryan Johnson (Age 11), Kevin Hughes (Age 13), Tyler Racy (Age 14)

GIRLS' DIVISION:

Abby O'Connor (Age 9)— Twelve Apostles Council No.16189
Madisyn Matlick (Age 11)—Holy Trinity Council No.12288

These winners will advance to participate in the Kansas City Regional Championship sponsored by the Knights of Columbus on February 26 at St. Thomas More School in Kansas City, MO. The champions at the Regional will move on to take part in the Missouri State Championship Finals on March 12 in Columbia, MO. Good Luck to all of these District Champions as they represent Holy Trinity and Twelve Apostles Councils.

Thank you to Kent Eagen from Holy Trinity Council No.12288 and to Jim Begani from Twelve Apostles Council No.16189 who served as Chairmen of the local contests held in January 2017 at Weston and at Platte City.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWEST 3RD DEGREE KNIGHT—The Knights of Columbus would like to extend CONGRATULATIONS to Randy Spell from Twelve Apostles Council No.16189 who participated in the Formation (2nd) and Knighthood (3rd) Degree Ceremonials held on February 12 at Atchison, KS.

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. We were founded in 1882 by Father Michael J. McGivney. Last year, we raised and donated over \$175 MILLION to CHARITY.

There are several opportunities to JOIN the Knights of Columbus in February and March—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) Monday, February 20 at Grandview, MO
- (2) Sunday, February 26 at Kearney, MO; the Formation (2nd) and Knighthood (3rd) Degree Ceremonials will also be conducted on this date at Kearney. Opportunity to receive all 3 Degrees on the same day.
- (3) Sunday, March 12 at Topeka, KS; 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.
- (4) Monday, March 13 at St. Therese Parish in Parkville, MO (Admission Degree Only).
- (5) Tuesday, March 14 at Lee's Summit, MO
- (6) Sunday, March 26 at Good Shepherd Church (Council No.9272) in Smithville, MO; the Formation (2nd) and Knighthood (3rd) Degree Ceremonials will also be conducted on this date at Smithville. Great opportunity to receive all 3 Degrees on the same day.
- (7) Join by special arrangements using the Knights of Columbus Admission Degree Ceremonial DVD. Contact either 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:

- * Sunday, February 26—Knights of Columbus Kansas City Regional Free Throw Championship at St. Thomas More, KCMO. Competition begins at 12:00 Noon.
- * Wednesday, March 8—XII Apostles Council No.16189 Rosary, Meeting and Social Period at Twelve Apostles Church in Platte City.

RETREATS AT SOPHIA CENTER, ATCHISON, KS— a ministry of the Benedictine Sisters of Mount St. Scholastica

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

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.

Lent With Saint Benedict

Friday, March 3, 2017 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Lent is the only liturgical season to which St. Benedict devotes a whole chapter of his rule. Sister Judith Sutura, OSB, author of the book "Lenten Wisdom from St. Benedict" will guide retreatants to consider the challenges and joys of a Benedictine approach to the season.

Lenten Retreat Day with Handel's Messiah

Sunday, March 12, 2017 1:00 – 4:30 pm

Prepare for Easter by reflecting on the Scriptures and texts from Handel's Messiah, parts two and three. Sister Susan Barber will facilitate the retreat. Sister Mary Irene Nowell, OSB, will offer scriptural background for the texts and Sister Micaela Randolph, OSB, will lead a lectio experience. The retreat will conclude with a viewing of the Messiah and an opportunity to follow it with the score.

Coffee and Silence

Tuesday, March 14, 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.

Growing a Mandala through Contemplation

Wednesday, March 15, 2017 1:00 - 4:30 p.m.

Mandalas are a form of a spiritual prayer experience that requires no drawing skills. Through centering, one taps a source of praying from within our own innate, undiscovered creativity. Sharon Highberger, an oblate of Mount St. Scholastica, is a certified chaplain and grief counselor. She is a graduate of the Souljourners spiritual direction program, Sophia Center, Atchison, Kansas.

Christ's Peace House of Prayer in Easton, KS will hold a **Lenten preparation retreat March 4-5** (change of date from last week's notice). 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@christspce.com or 913-773-8255.