

Welcome to

Holy Trinity Parish

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Twelve Apostles Parish

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Put your hand in My side ~
do not persist in unbelief ~
believe!



2nd Sunday of Easter/Divine Mercy Sunday April 23, 2017

In today's first reading, the four activities of the earliest church are introduced to us as priorities of the church: devotion to the teachings of the apostles, communal fellowship, the Eucharist and prayer. The early members of the church saw themselves as devoted stewards of these activities. These were not options. They were the fruits of a genuine conversion to a life in Christ. Sharing in the Eucharist was the most intimate expression of fellowship, while the most common expression of fellowship in the New Testament was that of sharing financial resources – giving. It was not a perfect community, but one

that gave evidence of God's active presence in its midst. This early community offers us an excellent example of how to better exercise stewardship in our own parish families.

International Catholic Stewardship Council E-news April 2017

Weekend 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, 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 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.

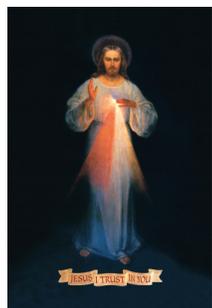
Baptism: Expectant parents should contact the parish office comfortably prior to the baby's birth for baptism preparation.

First Penance/Eucharist, Confirmation: Children preparing for these sacraments must have completed the prior year of religious education.

Divine Mercy Sunday
April 23, 2017
Readings: p. 148 in *Breaking Bread*

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 22	
5:00pm--XII	Parishioners of XII Apostles
Sunday, April 23	
7:30am-HT	Parishioners of Holy Trinity
9:00am--XII	+Darrell Legault
10:45am-HT	+Frank & Helen Morrison
Mon, April 24, 8am-HT	+Fr. Tom Waterman (pastor 1982-88)
Wed, April 26, 8am-HT	Private Intention
Thu, April 27, 6pm-XII	Private Intention
Fri, April 28, 8am-HT	Private Intention
Saturday, April 29	
5:00pm--XII	+Lorene Sabo
Sunday, April 30	
7:30am-HT	Parishioners of Holy Trinity
9:00am--XII	Parishioners of XII Apostles
10:45am-HT	+Joan Keogh



Divine Mercy Sunday Celebration
This Sunday, April 23, 2017

All are invited to participate in Jesus' "Ocean of Mercy" available THIS SUNDAY, Divine Mercy Sunday, at Holy Trinity Parish Hall/Church

Schedule of Events

12:00 P.M.	Welcome, Prayer and Potluck Luncheon
12:45 P.M.	Dessert; DVD on Divine Mercy & Fatima
1:20 P.M.	Short presentations on Divine Mercy, St. Faustina and our Lady of Fatima followed by discussion and reflections
2:00 P.M.	Holy Hour/Eucharistic Adoration
3:00 P.M.	The Chaplet of Divine Mercy in Song (Holy Trinity Choir)

SPRING CLEANING ON YOUR MIND?



Good! The Youth Group will be having a garage sale at Holy Trinity on June 2-3 and we need lots of donations! Start setting aside things you no longer want or need. We can begin accepting donations on Monday, May 8.

You've read the Gospel of Matthew!
Now watch it!

A MATTHEW MOVIE RETREAT

Friday, April 28, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.
 Saturday, April 29, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 At Holy Trinity Parish Hall

WHAT IS A MATTHEW MOVIE RETREAT?

Visual Bible has produced an incredible movie of the Gospel of Matthew, which is a word-for-word version of the entire gospel. The movie takes its time with the Gospel (4.5 hours), so it is best consumed in a retreat setting. Chris Patterson will be leading the retreat. *"It is the best portrayal of Jesus I have seen! The movie has had a great impact on my life!"* – Chris

We'll watch the Gospel of Matthew in movie form, combined with worship, prayer, reflection and discussion (and fellowship and food)!

This retreat will be limited to the first 16 who sign up! Register by contacting Chris Patterson at 816-807-1411 or cpatterson@pattersonlaw.net.

HONORING OUR LADY OF FATIMA
PRAYING FOR PEACE

Saturday, May 13, 12:00pm
 Cathedral of St. Peter, 416 n. 14th St., Kansas City, KS

The Cathedral of St. Peter in KCK will be hosting the National Pilgrim Virgin statue of Our Lady of Fatima in honor of the 100th anniversary of our heavenly Mother's appearance at Fatima with Her message of peace for our troubled world. Blessed by Pope Paul; BI, the statue will be present on the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima, May 13. There will be a global living Rosary, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, and Holy Mass, offered by Archbishop Joseph Naumann. All are invited.

JOB OPPORTUNITY

Program Coordinator: Young Adult Ministry

Position Summary:

This position will be responsible for assisting the Director of Young Adult Ministry in drawing young adults to Jesus Christ. The position will be responsible for conducting the marketing and promoting activities of the office, primarily for City on a Hill, for communicating with all constituents including young adults, for supporting fundraising efforts to support programs, and for administrative office needs. This is a full-time, exempt position based upon a schedule of 40 hours per week, and is eligible for health and welfare benefits, paid time off, and participation in a defined benefit retirement plan. This position is located at the Chancery.

For full job description and to apply:

<https://careers.hireology.com/>

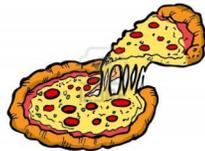
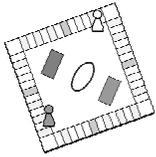
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HOLY TRINITY NEWS

ALTAR SERVER APPRECIATION PARTY TODAY:

This Sunday, April 23, 11:45am-1:15pm in the parish hall basement.

Join us for pizza and board games! All current altar servers and anyone interested in learning more about serving are invited!



ITEMS NEEDED FOR MOTHER'S/FATHER DAY GIFT BASKETS

Holy Trinity Women's Guild will be assembling gift bags for elderly/nursing homes in the local area for Mother's and Father's Day. Please drop off any donations in the basket in the parish hall by May 10. Suggested items include: Chapstick, comb/brush/small mirror, nail polish, scarves, lotion, prayer cards, large print puzzle books, sport items, cards with stamps, small notebooks and pens. Thank you for your generosity.



Holy Trinity Knights of Columbus Council 12288 will offer a **Pancake and Sausage Breakfast** after Masses next Sunday, 30 April 2017. Free-will offerings go to the charitable works of the Council.

4th Annual Pitching for Priests Softball Game Friday, June 2nd at 7:00 PM Community America Ballpark – T-Bones Stadium

Priests from the Kansas City - St. Joseph, Missouri Diocese
VS

Priests from the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas!

Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children and can be purchased at: PitchingforPriests.com

ALL TICKET SALES GO TO SUPPORT VOCATIONS!

KATIE'S CORNER YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Youth Group: Grades 7-12—

The Youth Group Easter Social originally scheduled for today has been canceled.

Next Sunday — "Crafty Time" - 1:30—3pm, at Holy Trinity.

Coming to your mailbox soon: Summer Schedule

Grades 5-12: Save the Date! Float Trip July 5-7.

If you would like more info on Camp Savio (grades 5-8) and Camp Bosco (grades 9-12), please contact Katie.



TWELVE APOSTLES NEWS

MERCY IN MOTION: Today at Twelve Apostles we are putting Mercy in Motion! This is YOUR opportunity to be involved in building a Community of Caring in our parish!



With an easy personal gift of a meal, prayer, friendly visits, helping with household chores, professional services, or multiple other talents, YOU can be involved in helping to care for a fellow parishioner in crisis. It doesn't have to

take much time or effort and can be done by an individual, a family, or a group of friends. By taking care of each other we will build community and get to know each other, as well as follow the instructions of Jesus to "use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace" (1Peter4). Please take a flyer as they are handed out after Mass today, complete it and place it in the box in the Narthex this coming month. We need YOU!

FIRST COMMUNION MASS NEXT SATURDAY:

Thirteen Second Graders will make their First Communion at our 5:00pm Mass next Saturday, April 29. Please keep them in prayer.



PANCAKE BREAKFAST NEXT SUNDAY



The Knights of Columbus will serve a pancake and sausage breakfast next Sunday, April 30, from 9:50am till all are served, in the Northland Career Center cafeteria. Open to all. A free will offering will be welcome.

BUILDING FUND UPDATE

It is through the generous and consistent giving of many of our parishioners that we are making headways on paying down the debt incurred in the building of our beautiful church. This debt needs to be paid down substantially before we are able to obtain another loan for finishing the basement and adding additional parking lots. Thank you to all who donate to this fund for your ongoing support! (There are gold Building Fund envelopes, both in your envelope pack and in the church narthex, for donations to this fund.)

Building Cost: \$3.17 million

Current Loan balance: \$1,367,000.00

Monthly loan pmt: \$9,000 minimum

Monthly Interest pmt: \$4,758.56

March 2017 Building Fund Donations: \$9,777.17.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: May Crowning May 14:

The Little Flowers Girls Club will be crowning the image of Mary on Sunday, May 14, at 8:45 am. ALL children of the parish are invited to bring a flower(s) to lay at Mary's feet.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS & VISITORS!

Welcome to Holy Trinity and Twelve Apostles! If you are just visiting, we pray that you have a wonderful visit and a safe return journey. If you are new to our parish, please take a moment to introduce yourselves and register with us. Forms are available in the vestibule of the churches or from the parish office (816-640-2206).



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS for all.....

PANCAKE BREAKFASTS APRIL 30

Holy Trinity Knights of Columbus Council 12288
Pancake and Sausage Breakfast after both Masses on
Sunday, 30 April 2017. Free-will offerings go to the charitable
works of the Council.

Sunday, April 30 (NEW DATE)--Pancake and sausage FUNDRAISER
breakfast sponsored by Twelve Apostles Knights of Columbus Council No.
16189 at the Northland Career Center cafeteria in Platte City. This will be
the FINAL breakfast of the PSR school year. Free-will donations gladly
accepted. Contact Chairman Paul Bobowski at (816) 668-7199 to sign up
to volunteer to help or for information. All are invited to enjoy a delicious
breakfast, while assisting our CHARITABLE PROJECTS.

Cleaning of the wooded area at Twelve Apostles--Cutting and cleaning
has begun in the wooded area northwest of Twelve Apostles Church. A
work day will soon be held by Twelve Apostles Council No.16189 in
conjunction with Boy Scout Troop No. 28 of Platte City. Contact Chairman
Jim Begani at (816) 891-7166 or at jbegani@qvmsservices.com to
volunteer to help or for information.

FUTURE EVENTS OF INTEREST:

* Sunday, June 4--**Knights of Columbus Family Day at Kauffman Stadium. Royals vs Cleveland Indians.** Tickets available to Knights, their families and ALL guests at discounted prices. Individual ticket price of \$36 includes the game, tailgate meal and donation to the MO Special Olympics. **Ticket sales end May 7.** Contact Steve Steiger at (816) 431-6506 for information.

* August 1, 2, 3 and 4--Knights of Columbus 135th International Convention in St. Louis, MO. Knights and their families from around the world will be in attendance. The official website is now open under the Missouri State Council's website at mokofc.org

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 who is being considered for sainthood in the Catholic Church. Last year, we raised and donated over \$175 MILLION to CHARITY and more than 73.5 MILLION HOURS to charitable and benevolent causes. Our top-rated \$107 Billion Insurance Program that Father McGivney established is 135 years old.

A) Monday, May 8--Admission (1st) Degree Ceremonial at St. Therese Parish (Council No.7199) in Parkville, MO. Opportunity to join the Knights of Columbus here at Twelve Apostles or at Holy Trinity. This will be one of the last opportunities available to join during the spring and summer months. Contact Steve Steiger at (816) 431-6506 or at scsteiger@yahoo.com for carpool and all other information.

B) KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERSHIP WEEKEND Saturday, May 20 and Sunday, May 21 at Twelve Apostles Church. Open invitation to all eligible practicing Catholic men, age 18 or older, to become members.

C) A prospective member may also join the Knights by special arrangements using the Knights of Columbus Admission Degree Ceremonial DVD if your schedule does not allow you to attend an Admission Degree Ceremonial. Contact either Jim Rooney or Steve Steiger at the numbers below, 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 an Admission Degree Ceremonial.

CALLED TO CARE FOR CREATION

Both Saint Francis of Assisi and Pope Francis remind us that it is a Gospel imperative that we be good stewards of the earth. What better way to remind us of their teaching than to observe Earth Day 2017 and be good stewards of this precious planet year-round. Earth Day is observed worldwide on April 22. The first Earth Day was held in 1970, activating 20 million Americans and helping to pass legislation including the Clean Air Act.

Today, Earth Day is a global event and possibly the largest civic observance in the world. For the Catholic steward, this day is an affirmation of Pope Francis' call to the world to embrace the ethical dimensions of climate change and our response to it in his 2015 encyclical, *Laudato Si*.

During the 47 years since the first Earth Day, the world has become more conscious of environmental degradation and humans' role in it.

It can feel overwhelming, and we ask, what can one person do? Pope Francis acknowledges technological fixes, global guidelines, international protocols. He praises solar energy and calls for a decrease in the use of non-renewables. But the pontiff calls for something more radical, more spiritual, and for the Christian steward more deeply challenging: "profound interior conversion." Climate change, environmental destruction and a change in weather patterns, he reminds us, exert their greatest damage on the world's poor. The poor are a major theme of *Laudato Si*, as they are of Francis' papacy. He challenges us to examine the profit motive that often engulfs respect for nature. He challenges us to consider how the powerful and the rich of this earth are affecting the powerless.

Pope Francis reminds us that care of creation is rooted in the Book of Genesis. He begins his encyclical, the first ever dedicated solely to the environment, with a quote from St. Francis of Assisi, and quotes frequently from his predecessors. This, he is telling us, is a spiritual and Catholic issue.

In honor of Earth Day, consider what changes – perhaps some radical – you might make. "Live simply so that others may simply live," has long been a mantra of the Christian steward. Begin by turning down the thermostat and promising to eschew one-use plastics. Take a reusable bag to the grocery and a reusable container to the coffee shop. Cut down on frivolous buying. Consider what the "throwaway culture" of which Francis speaks means in your own life. Prayerfully consider your personal relationship to the poor. Make your environmental concerns known to your legislative representatives.

"Teach us to contemplate you in the beauty of the universe," Pope Francis prays to a generous God, *"for all things speak of you."*