

Welcome to

Holy Trinity Parish

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Twelve Apostles Parish

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33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time November 19, 2017



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In today's Gospel, Jesus delivers the parable of the talents; using the example of money rather than abilities or skills. It's a story about investments, risks and returns. Stewards understand that God has given them an abundance of spiritual gifts. They know God doesn't want them to simply receive these blessings and bury them in fear, but to multiply them; to use these gifts to serve Him and others; to spread Christ's Good News; to go and make disciples of others. Good stewards invest what God has given them in the service of others and are prepared to render an account when the Lord returns. Reflect this week on how you are returning your own God-given gifts back to God with increase.

International Catholic Stewardship Council E-news Nov 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

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Mrs. Judy Sloan, Child Care Coordinator (offered during 7:30am & 10:45am Masses at Holy Trinity)

Ms. Jenn Swanson, 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.

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Readings: p. 224 in *Breaking Bread***

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 18

5:00pm--XII Parishioners of Twelve Apostles

Sunday, November 19

7:30am-HT Parishioners of Holy Trinity

9:00am--XII +Delores Rogers

10:45am-HT +Debbie Morgan

Mon, Nov 20, 8am-HT +Holy Souls in Purgatory

Wed, Nov 22, 8am-HT Private Intention

Thanksgiving Day Mass:

Thu, Nov 23, 9am-XII In gratitude for our many blessings

Fri, Nov 24, 8am-HT Private Intention

Saturday, November 25

5:00pm--XII Parishioners of Twelve Apostles

Sunday, November 26

7:30am-HT Parishioners of Holy Trinity

9:00am--XII The Legault Family

10:45am-HT +Robert Hadley, Ann.

The Parish Office will be closed this Thursday & Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Stay tuned for Christmas Mass Times!

Attention Parents, Grandparents, & anyone interested in volunteering with the children of our parish!

We will have a Virtus: Protecting God's Children class at XII Apostles on Saturday, January 27, 9:00am. This class is required for anyone wanting to volunteer with our children. It's also highly suggested for parents and grandparents. You may sign up online at www.virtusonline.org. The class should take about 2 hours. Questions? Contact Katie Troup at dreXII@kc.rr.com

**TUESDAYS AT THE BOULEVARD:
YOUNG ADULT MASS**

November 21: Join us beginning with Rosary & confessions at 6 p.m. at Sacred Heart-Guadalupe Parish, 2544 Madison Avenue, Kansas City, 64108, followed by Mass at 6:30 p.m., & then a walk across the parking lot to Boulevard Brewery for their best brews and Waldo Pizza! Your Mass program is your entry ticket, along with \$10 cash or check at the door. For more info & upcoming events, visit www.kansascityonahill.org.

Annual Catholic Appeal During the past couple of weeks, we have invited you to prayerfully consider a gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) and many of you have pledged your support. We thank you. If you have not made a gift or a pledge, please make a difference today by finding a pledge card in the back of your Church. Every gift makes a difference and we are aiming for 100% participation. No gift is too small. Please join our effort.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

"Men's Bible Study" continues at Holy Trinity. We meet on Mondays at 7:00pm in the parish hall. All men are invited; come as you are able. For more information, contact Jim Sullivan at 816-213-5468 or sullivan500@gmail.com



Women of Faith group will not meet this Wednesday.

Women's Book Study: Please join us as we read and discuss, "Style, Sex, and Substance: 10 Catholic Women Consider the Things that Really Matter." by Hallie Lord. We'll be meeting at the home of Donna Webb, 12700 N Overbrook Dr, Platte City, on Thursdays at 7:15 pm, beginning on November 30th. We'll be discussing the first two chapters that night. If you have any questions or need help getting the book, please contact Katie Martinez at katie.a.mrtanz@gmail.com.

Thanksgiving Prayer

Gracious and loving God, as the autumn season continues its transformation; and the days become shorter, the earth cooler; as we anticipate joining family and friends in joyful celebration on Thanksgiving Day, we pause to give You thanks and praise for the abundant blessings You have bestowed upon us:

For life and health, safety and comfort, food and nourishment, we are sincerely grateful. Through your Spirit, open our hearts so that we may be even better stewards of these rich and unmerited gifts.



Show us how to be a blessing for the poor, sick, lonely and all who suffer.

And help us nurture the gift of faith, revealed to us by your Son, Jesus Christ, our greatest gift, who reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

**KATIE'S CORNER
YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS**

Youth Group: Grades 6-12

What does it mean to have faith? Do you ever struggle having faith? Join us on November 26th to find the answers! 1:30-3pm at Holy Trinity.



Confirmation—Next class: December 10
9:00am Holy Trinity Candidates
3:00pm XII Apostles Candidates

Don't forget to be researching saints! Katie needs to know your saint by January 20.

Cookie Sale Fundraiser: December 1-3, grades 6-12. Emails went out about signing up for the cookie sale fundraiser. Didn't get it? Contact Katie at ymht-xii@kc.rr.com so you can get on the email list!

HOLY TRINITY NEWS

Celebrating 175 years

PSR—COLD WEATHER COLLECTION: We are collecting new (or gently used) mittens, gloves, and sweatpants for children in our community, size SM-XXL. We will accept items during Parish office hours or you can bring your donation with you next Sunday, before or after either Mass! A donation box is located in the Parish Hall. Nov. 19 is also the Triniteens' Thanksgiving canned food drive for which the children of PSR were invited to participate in as well. We are so thankful for faith-sharing opportunities like these! If you have any questions about either collection, please call or email Elysha Ferguson, dreht@kc.rr.com, (816) 674-1024.

Roses for The Faithful Departed

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Please write the name you want to memorialize in the Remembrance Book located on the St. Joseph altar. Take a rose in memory of your loved one & place in the vases located in the front of the altar. They will be displayed during the month of November.



Altar Server Pizza Party: Sunday, Nov. 19, 11:45am. All current or interested servers are invited.



Mass of Thanksgiving: Please join the Triniteens for a special Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday, Nov. 19, 2017 at 10:45 am. The Triniteens will plan and lead this special Mass & Parish-wide Food Drive. Your generous offering of bags of rice, flour, canned goods, or other non-perishables will be shared with Platte County families in need. A large basket will be placed in the back of church for those who attend 7:30 Mass & cannot join us at the later Mass. Please support our parish teenagers & local families in need!

Volunteers Needed! The Women's Guild would appreciate volunteer help for the Weston Homes Tour preparations

Food sign-up link- <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b4da9ae2fa2f58-food>

Volunteer time - sign-up link- www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0B4DA9AE2FA2F58-volunteer

Women's Guild Christmas Dinner: All women of the parish are invited to our Christmas Dinner being held Monday, Dec. 4th. 6:30-7pm appetizers, 7-8pm meal & door prize drawings. Please bring a spice to be donated to the local Soup Kitchen. Price \$16/ea. Mail check to the church office or drop your payment in the collection basket marked "Women's Guild". We encourage all to come! If you find the cost a hardship, contact Julie in the parish office, or Karen Lee 816-217-9282.

Weston Ministerial Alliance Hosts Thanksgiving Dinner followed by a Thanksgiving Service
Sunday Nov. 19, 6 p.m.
Salem Christian Church
Bring 1 side/salad or dessert to share



R.C.I.A Continues!

Classes continue **Wednesday, November 29** at 7pm.

TWELVE APOSTLES NEWS

PSR: Parents of PreK-4th graders, you are invited to join us for Advent Family Day, November 26, during PSR class time. Grades 5-8 will have regular class.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

THIS Sunday, November 19, 2017: Adult Adoration 5-6 pm

Lord, thank you for inviting us to gather around you. We bring offerings of joyful, grateful, and loving praise. We come with hearts full of love.

WE REJOICE IN THE BAPTISM of **Luke John Burley** son, of Brian & Jaime Burley, on November 4, 2017. May this new child of God and his parents always know God's many blessings in their lives.



The Women's Group Christmas party will be Monday, December 4th at the Seven Bridges clubhouse. 6:30 Happy Hour, 7:00 Dinner

The meal will be \$18.00 per person, prepared and served by The Farmers House. Please sign up (& pay) in the Narthex after Mass this weekend & next or you can email Paige Scheetz at pscheetz@kansascityhomes.com or text/call at 816-223-6551.

The menu is: Salad, Slow Roasted Beef Bourguignon, Mashed Potatoes, Glazed Carrots, Rolls & Butter, Apple & Cranberry Cobbler. ALL WOMEN of the parish are INVITED.

Mercy in Motion is a comprehensive program designed to help parishioners care for each other during serious illness, surgery, childbirth, or other times of crisis. Services might include Communion or friendly visits, prayer partners, light housekeeping/yard work, hospital or serious illness support, even providing some meals. Full implementation is expected early in 2018. Until then if you or someone you know could benefit from any of these services, please contact Shirley Goode at 816-225-4274 or s.goode@att.net. If meals would be helpful, contact Shannon Demory, Team Leader at 913-522-2493 or shanny15@hotmail.com. We also are in need of more volunteers to provide meals. This can be a home cooked meal, or a meal you pick up & deliver! To help, contact Shannon.

Shop at smile.amazon.com/ch/26-2416033 and Amazon will donate 0.5% of your purchase total to Twelve Apostles Parish.

This Christmas, keep Christ in your gift giving. Such gifts are available at the Gift Case in the Narthex. This is also a great way to support XII Apostles Parish.

CALLING ALL BAKERS of XII Apostles & Holy Trinity! Our Youth Group's 15th Annual "Christmas-Cookies-by-the-Pound" Sale will take place the weekend of Weston's Holiday Homes Tour, Dec. 1-3. If you can help by donating 6 dozen or so of your homemade Christmas cookies, contact Katie ymHT-XII@KC.rr.com or 816-640-2206 x304. Thanks!!! You may drop cookies off at XII Apostles on Thursday, Nov. 30 from 6-6:30pm or at Holy Trinity on Thursday, Nov. 30 or Friday, Dec. 1st from 9am-3:30pm. You may also drop off at the Masonic Lodge on Friday, Dec. 1st from 3:30-4:30pm. If none of these times work for you, contact Katie Troup 816-640-2206 x304

We want your old car! Any make, any model, any condition. When you donate a used car, truck, RV or boat to **Cars4KC**, you help Catholic Charities prevent & reduce poverty right here in our community – & you get a tax deduction.

Cars4KC is a joint program between **Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph** and **Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas**. Together, the 2 agencies serve about 250,000 people across the region every year. Your vehicle donation helps make that possible!

Donate today! Go to www.Cars4KC.com or call 1-866-430-9499.

Catholic Charities offers meaningful programs focused on helping individuals & families find a path out of poverty. Our services include emergency assistance, workforce readiness & job placement, financial literacy, homelessness prevention and more.

Grief Share- help & encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member, or friend. GriefShare is a support group that meets weekly. You'll find it to be warm, caring environment & will come to see your group as an oasis on your long journey through grief. There are 3 parts to GriefShare: Video Seminar-Support Group-Journaling & personal study exercises. Each session stands alone. Feel free to join at any time.

Thursdays 6:30-8:30pm Sept. 7 - Nov. 30th (Thanksgiving week meets on Monday, Nov. 20th)

Friday mornings 9-11am Oct. 6 - Dec. 29

Where: First Baptist Church Education Building, 229 Main Street Platte City, MO.

Questions, call Ann Harris 816-868-4751.

Holy Family is hosting an amazing Nativity Exhibit this Advent with over 100 nativity sets on display from over 30 countries. This is a great opportunity to view the nativity through the eyes of many cultures, materials and art forms. The exhibit is free and self-guided.

Dates and times: 12/8: 1-2p.m. & 7-8p.m.; 12/9, 12/16, 12/23: 6-7p.m.; 12/10, 12/17: 9:30-10:30a.m. & 12-1 p.m.

Located at Holy Family Catholic Church (919 NE 96th St., KCMO 64155) in the library, at the bottom of the stairs.

These nativities are from the collections of John Winkels and Fr. Michael Coleman.

Please help **PARKVILLE WOMEN'S CLINIC** celebrate the season of Thanksgiving *#GivingTuesday*, **November 28, 2017**, is a global day of giving that encourages philanthropy and celebrates generosity worldwide. To celebrate this day of gratitude, join us:

Parkville Women's Clinic Open House Popcorn Party from 5:30-7pm

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The 25th annual "SUPPORT OUR SEMINARIANS" Benefit Dinner is scheduled for **Friday, January 26, 2018**. This event benefits seminarians from the Archdiocese of KCK, the Diocese of KC-St. Joseph & Conception Seminary College. It promises to be an evening filled with fun & laughter, celebrating our faith, dining on wonderful food, & socializing with our priests & seminarians! We have wonderful speakers this year.

SOS will be held at **Union Station, 30 West Pershing Road, KC, Missouri**. The price is \$175.00 per person at tables of ten. To reserve your place, an entire table, or donate to the marketplace or VIP silent auction, contact: Martha Hodes (913) 207-9893 or mmhhsos512@gmail.com. Visit www.supportourseminarians.com

Offerings at Sophia Spirituality Center, Atchison, KS

Reclaiming a Sense of Wonder: An Advent Journey

Friday, Dec. 1, 7pm through Saturday, Dec. 2, 4pm

Advent is a season of inner renewal—a time for watching and waiting for the sacred to be reborn in our hearts. It is also a time to reawaken the wonder we have pushed to the margins of life in the bustle of summer and autumn. In this Advent retreat, journalist and poet Judith Valente will help participants awaken their slumbering sense of awe by exploring how poets and writers have tapped into the wonder of ordinary life. She will also introduce some simple practices that can be used during the Advent season to explore what gives light to our lives.

Advent Music Retreat

Sunday, December 10, 1:00 to 4:00 pm

Advent music is a wonderful way to tune our spirits to prepare the way of the Lord. In this afternoon retreat, we will explore the spirituality of traditional and contemporary Advent hymn texts and music. The retreat will include prayer with the Word (lectio divina) and music (audio divina). The afternoon will conclude with an Advent song fest!

Coffee and Silence: A Prayerful Day Away

Tuesday, Nov. 21, Thursday, Dec. 7, & Tuesday, Dec. 12 9am–4pm

Here's an opportunity to build some reflective time into Thanksgiving week and your Advent season: come to Sophia Center at Mount St. Scholastica in Atchison, Kansas, for a day of silent prayer, reading, and rest. Coffee will be provided; bring a sack lunch and enjoy a prayerful day away!

Silent Directed Retreat

Friday, December 8 through Saturday, December 10

Advent is an ideal time to spend one or two days in quiet time with God and to meet with a spiritual director. Come to Sophia Center at Mount St. Scholastica to renew your spirit during this holy season!

For more information or to register, call 913-360-6173 or visit www.sophiaspiritualitycenter.org

Christ's Peace House of Prayer's cabins have been enjoyed by many retreatants over the years. They have held up well for many years but now are beginning to show their age. Please help us to replace some cabin shingles & repair some termite damage and spruce up our cabins by participating in *#iGiveCatholic* on Giving Tuesday, Nov. 28th. You can donate by visiting iGiveCatholic.org on Nov. 28th. Search for Archdiocese of KCK & then Christ's Peace House of Prayer. You may use your credit card to donate. Minimum donations are \$25. You can pre-register your donation from Nov. 10 – 26 & it will be posted to your credit card on Nov. 28.

Experience Taizé prayer; open to the community

You are invited to participate in Taizé prayer on Thursday, December 7 at 7 p.m. in Annunciation Chapel on the campus of the Mother House of the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth, 4200 S. 4th Street, Leavenworth, Kansas.

For more info about this meditative, candlelit service, visit www.marillaccenter.org or call 913-680-2342.