

Welcome to

Holy Trinity Parish

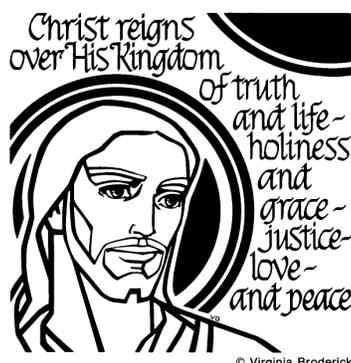
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Twelve Apostles Parish

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Feast of Christ the King November 26, 2017



In today's Gospel, Saint Matthew offers a compelling vision of the end-time, when the people of all nations are brought before the Lord to give an account of their lives and actions. Interestingly, the sheep, the righteous ones, are rewarded for having acted with love and compassion without having recognized the face of Christ in others. Good stewards recognize those in need of their care as gifts from God. They know that they are instruments of Christ's active, loving presence in the world. How will we treat others this week: our family members, neighbors, customers, strangers? What accounting will we make to the Lord for their care?

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
Mrs. Julie Hoffman, Office Manager - x201, secyHT-XII@kc.rr.com
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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)
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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November 26, 2017
Readings: p. 228 in *Breaking Bread***

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

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.

NO Weekday Masses This Week!

Saturday, December 2

5:00pm--XII +Don Tenholder

Sunday, December 3

7:30am-HT +Randall Stanton

9:00am--XII Parishioners of Twelve Apostles & Holy Trinity

10:45am-HT The Treat Family

Father Rogers is out of the office this week and next weekend. Fr. Lloyd Opoka will celebrate Masses with us next weekend.



Happy Birthday to Father Rogers next Saturday, December 2. Wishing you God's richest blessings!

MASS TIMES FOR CHRISTMAS:

The 4th Sunday of Advent will be celebrated on Saturday, Dec. 23; there will be no Masses on Sunday MORNING, December 24.

4th Sunday of Advent Masses:

Saturday, December 23

3:30 pm -- Holy Trinity

5:00 pm -- XII Apostles

There will be no confessions on Saturday, Dec. 23. (There will be numerous opportunities for confession during Advent at area Communal Penance Services, including ours on Sunday, Dec. 17, at 2pm, at Twelve Apostles.)

We will have our usual Christmas schedule of Masses:

Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24

3:30 pm -- XII Apostles

5:30 pm -- Holy Trinity (this will be said by Fr. Terry Bruce)

5:30 pm -- XII Apostles

7:30 pm -- Holy Trinity

Midnight -- Holy Trinity

Christmas Day, Monday, December 25

9:00 am - XII Apostles

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.

Currently XII Apostles is at 58% of its goal (\$11,355) & Holy Trinity is at 53% of its goal (\$7,972).

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 is reading "**Inside Islam: A Guide for Catholics**". *Inside Islam uses a question and answer format so all can learn the basics of Islam.*

Please join us on Wednesday mornings at Holy Trinity at 8:30am while we read and discuss together. As members of a community of believers, we are all on a faith journey. Through this book and our discussions, we have the opportunity to learn from each other's insight and experience. Come as you are able.

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 November 30. 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.

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

**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 this Sunday, 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.

Coming to your mailbox soon: The spring schedule! Exciting things to look forward to: Family Dinner, Movie night at AMC, Pizza with Jesus, Katie's Wedding, service opportunities & more!

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

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. If you have any questions about the collection, please contact Elysha Ferguson, dreht@kc.rr.com, 816-674-1024.



We will be participating in the annual Knights of Columbus' "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster contest. The poster paper & contest rules are provided by the Knights. Teachers will have the supplies available to give each child in their classroom to offer either as a classroom activity, or as one to take home & return.

No PSR - December 24 & 31

Volunteers Needed! The Women's Guild would appreciate volunteer help for the Weston Homes Tour preparations. Food sign-up- <http://www.tinyurl.com/HomesTour-food>
Volunteer time - sign-up- <http://www.tinyurl.com/HomesTour-volunteer>.

We also still need items for our Boutique! Drop off your items in the Parish Hall.

Women's Guild Christmas Dinner: All women of the parish are invited to our Christmas Dinner being held Monday, Dec. 4, at the Parish Hall. 6:30pm 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.



On Nov. 26, the Knights of Columbus will join the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops & other Catholic organizations in the "Solidarity in Suffering" initiative by sponsoring a Day of Prayer for Persecuted Christians. This kicks off a Week of Awareness for Persecuted Christians. The Knights are undertaking a \$2 million initiative to rebuild Karamles, a Christian town in Iraq formerly under the control of ISIS. Together, we can help Christian families return to the homes from which they were evicted.

Please support the Knights' efforts to aid persecuted Christians by making a donation, visit www.ChristiansAtRisk.org.

Rosary for the Unborn next Sunday, Dec. 3, 10:05am in the church.

CONDOLENCES: Holy Trinity Parish extends its deepest sympathy to the family of Kim Hays on the death of his father, Don Hays. May the love of God give them strength and peace in the days ahead.

"Thanks to all who helped with & attended the altar server pizza party last Sunday. We honored our three seniors: Anne Wurtenberger, Andrew Cicha, & Grant Eagen. I really appreciate everyone's cooperation & assistance." Emerita Farnan

You can pick up your 2018 Calendars & *Daily Reflections for Advent & Christmas* at the back of either church.

R.C.I.A News! No RCIA this week.

Classes continue **Wednesday, December 6** 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.



Join us next Sunday, December 3 during PSR time for the Rosary led by the 7th grade class.

Coming next week: The Angel Tree. During December we collect items for different charitable organizations in our communities. Please consider taking an ornament from the tree in the Narthex, purchasing the item, and bringing it UNWRAPPED to Church or PSR by December 17. Thank you!

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.



ALL WOMEN of the parish are INVITED.

If you are not able to attend the Twelve Apostles Women's Church Group meeting held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month, but wish to receive the minutes, please email our Secretary, Mary Ann Sadler at maryannsadler@gmail.com or our President, Louise Wells, at jdwells711@aol.com, and they will email a copy to you.

Support us when you shop on Cyber Monday. Start at smile.amazon.com/ch/26-2416033 and Amazon donates 0.5% of your purchase 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.

FOOD COLLECTION: Next weekend is the monthly food collection for United Services food pantry (located in Tracy). This organization gives food and other items to those in our community who need it. Any non-perishable item will be appreciated. Place your items in the marked box located at the back of both churches. Thanks for your generosity.

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.

**Conception Abbey Wednesday Reflection Day Series -
December 6 - #4: Advent day of reflection:**

Spend the day at the Abbey slowing down to ponder the true meaning of Christmas. Enter into the mystery and joy that comes with the celebration of Christ's coming into the world and into our hearts.

Snacks/lunch/Director fees: \$20/person—(9AM—3PM)

Contact us for more information or to make a reservation at (660) 944-2809, guests@conception.edu, or www.conceptionabbey.org/guests

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

#picturethisPWC, www.pwc4life.us, Text @PWC to 52014

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 Kansas City - 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 mmmhsos512@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 - 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

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 - 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.