

JANUARY 19, 2025



HOLY NAME SOCIETY Meets on the 2nd Sunday of each month @ 8AM in the Monsignor Moriarty Hall (Church basement). Join us for coffee, donuts, & fellowship after 9AM Mass on the 2nd Sundays of each month!

Legion of Mary Meets on Wednesdays at 9AM in the Casper Erk Room. Please join us to learn about our mission!

Music

Entrance Antiphon
Opening: #775 The Church's One Foundation
Gloria: #106 Missa de Angelis
Offertory: #479 Come, Holy Ghost
Mystery of Faith: #102 Missa de Angelis
Communion Antiphon
Communion: #563 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say
Marian: #573 Immaculate Mary
Closing: #638 Now Thank We All Our God

READINGS: Isaiah 62:1-5/1 Corinthians 12: 4-11/ John 2:1-11

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:30PM
Sunday: 9:00AM & 11:15AM
Monday: 8:00AM
Wednesday: 8:00AM
Friday: 8:00AM

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:30PM
Sunday: 8:30AM & 10:45AM
Monday: 7:30AM
Wednesday: 7:30AM
Friday: 7:30AM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday: 8:30AM - 6:00PM
*Confessions : 5:30PM - 6:00PM

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & HOMEBOUND

Gina Smith
Joseph Thiltges
Shirley Miller
Josie Gilbert
Steve Steiner
Richard Coleman
Melissa Riches

Mass Intentions for this Week

Saturday, January 18:
4:30PM - John Pugh †
Sunday, January 19:
9:00AM - Larry Miljavac †
11:15AM - Special Intention

Monday, January 20:
*Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr
Saint Sebastian, Martyr
8:00AM - Raymond Pankau †
Wednesday, January 22:
*Saint Vincent, Deacon and Martyr
8:00AM - Brian Lawrence

Friday, January 24:
*Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
8:00AM - Fr. Duane Ryan †
Saturday, January 25:
*Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle
4:30PM - For the People

Thoughts by Father Benjamin Fenlon

People often complain about 'Catholic guilt', and assume, based on Nietzschean principles for the most part, that Catholicism, God, comes to take something away from us. If God takes things from us, we can be assured that it is to make us into something better. It is preferable to BE more than to HAVE more. That's obvious... right? The virtues are a beautiful, positive side of our faith. To win heaven, to become holy, to become ourselves, we must become virtuous. These are actions that we repeat and that grow to be stronger in us - just like muscles. Virtue literally means strength. The Cardinal virtues are four crucial virtues upon which all of the other ones hinge - Prudence, meaning applying the rules to real life situations. If your wife is giving birth in your car, you apply the law to the situation and step on the gas - and when you reach an intersection you slow all the way down and stop, so that you can pass without causing an accident. That's prudence - the writer of the law would have done the same. Justice is about giving God what he deserves - so if we arrive late for Mass, or are distracted at Mass, we commit an injustice. Or it involves giving our neighbor what they deserve - so hoarding wealth to ourselves, cheating others, bullying, etc, are forms of injustice. Temperance is the moderation of our lower appetites, referring to food, sleep and for those who are married, making love. These pleasurable aspects of life must be engaged in and ordered reasonably, because otherwise they can obstruct our human dignity and leave us out of control. Fortitude involves doing the right thing even when it is arduous to do so - a judge who condemns a mob boss to jail or to death, even when he knows they will come after him, acts with heroic fortitude. A mom who grounds her children despite the temper tantrums she can expect, acts with fortitude. How can you apply these virtues to your life?

Correction: Father Davis can be contacted through this email address: frjdavis@saintjamescatholic.church. Please disregard the email address on the cover of this bulletin.

Stay up-to-date with the Altar Society's activities and events on Flocknote! Just text ALTARSOCIETY6450 to 84576

Saint Francis Xavier Parish is accepting applications for a MUSIC DIRECTOR. The successful candidate will direct, coordinate and/or perform liturgically appropriate music for liturgies and other designated celebrations. The Music Director may plan for the needs of ensemble and cantors and provide direction. Please send resumé with salary requirements to: Fr. Mark Yates, C.P.P.S., St. Francis Xavier Parish 2618 Seneca Street, St. Joseph, MO 64507. You may email your information to myates@sfxstjoe.com.

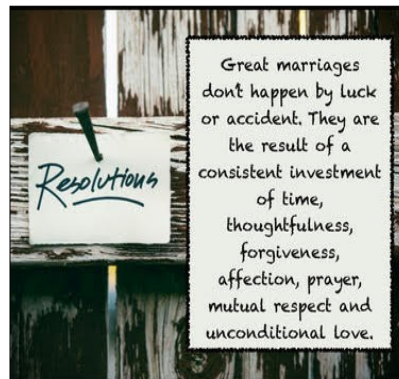
OPEN HOUSE



Saint James School is having an open house event on January 26th at 10AM. Everyone in the parish is invited to attend!

Card 'Knight' at St. Francis Xavier. Come Join Us for Our Card Party. Playing 10-point Pitch. Cash Prizes for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Place. PITCH TOURNAMENT DATE Saturday, January 25, 2025

Bring a Partner (If you don't have a partner, we will try to find one for you!) Cost: \$10.00 a person. Doors open at 5:00pm -- Games Start at 6:00pm. St. Francis Xavier Parish Center 2613 Penn Street (Enter through the East doors)



Make 2025 the year you resolve to invest in your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. For information, or to apply for an experience, visit www.wmwe.org, email greaterKC.wmwe@gmail.com, scan the QR code or call 816-286-4557.

Upcoming 2025 Dates: March 7-9th - Carthage, MO; March 28-30th - Kansas City, KS; June 13-15th - Kansas City, KS; August 8-10th - Kansas City, KS



Mir House is going digital! Please consider signing up for a 'We Adore Him' account. There you can view the current schedule, sign up for hours, request automatic substitutes, receive reminders for your holy hour, and get closings/changes updates by text, email, or call! Sign up with the QR code or by visiting mirhouseofprayer.weadorehim.com/en/signup



SCRIP CARDS Did you know Scrip cards are available anytime in the school office? Use them for shopping or as a gift! Stop by to purchase one to your favorite grocery store, restaurant, department store, or online shopping! HELP RAISE FUNDS FOR OUR PARISH!

St. Vincent de Paul will have their collection boxes available in the vestibule for your convenience. You may drop off items listed below when visiting the Church.

- ITEMS NEEDED: Peanut Butter & Jelly, Canned Goods, Tuna, Pasta Sauce, Pasta, PAPER PRODUCT: Kleenex, Toilet Paper, Napkins

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Interested in joining the Catholic Church? Perhaps you've been away from the Church for a while and want to come back to full communion? If this describes you, please email or call the parish office to register.

You are now able to access your 2024 donor summary for your taxes through Flocknote! If you need assistance, please contact the parish office for a copy!

Offerings: ENVELOPES/COLLECTION PLATE: \$8,813.26; MASS INTENTIONS/MEMORIALS: \$0.00; MAINTENANCE: \$20.00; TOTAL: \$8,833.26; JANUARY TOTAL: \$14,178.94

BOOKKEEPER position available! We are seeking an experienced bookkeeper who will work under the supervision of the pastor and will be responsible for handling the details of the parish's budget, financial transactions, keeping accurate records, and ensuring all payments are processed. A part-time position working 20-24 hours per week. If interested, view the full job description at kcsjatholic.org/start/job-openings/ and apply!

Saint Francis Mr. & Mrs. Club Valentine's Day dinner and Music Bingo! All married couples are invited to join us at the St. Francis Parish Hall on February 15th at 6PM! Please make your reservation at mrandmrsstfrancis@gmail.com by February 7th! Grab your sweetheart and join us for lasagne, wine, beer, fellowship, and fun! Dress is casual! \$20 per member couple / \$50 per non-member couple

Springtime Pilgrimage to Italy! March 25th - April 2nd A very special Lenten experience during the Jubilee Year with Fr. Davis! Includes Assisi, Loreto, San Giovanni, Montecassino, and Rome! It's a trip you'll treasure for the rest of your life! Extension to Medjugorje available. Please contact Mark Wyble at (816) 233-8427 or religiousramblers@gmail.com

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January Prayer Intention Pope Francis: Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected. Bishop Johnston: Let us pray for all who live and suffer in countries impacted by war, especially children and vulnerable people. For an end to war and for peace in the New Year.