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MIR HOUSE

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Altar Society

Please text

ALTARSOCIETYSJ to 84576

and stay informed of Altar Society events!



Our 1st Annual

Fall Parish Picnic!

Join us at 2PM at Hyde Park on September 28th!

Stay tuned for more details!

NEXT WEEK'S 2ND COLLECTION

- CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA



Thank you!

Weekly Offerings:

COLLECTION PLATE:	\$14,475.86
MASS INTENTIONS/ MEMORIALS:	\$536.01
BUILDING & REPAIR FUND:	\$2400.00
ONLINE GIVING:	\$445.00

Thank You!

TOTAL: \$17,856.87

SEPTEMBER TOTAL: \$17,856.87

St. Joseph Catholic Academy is looking for volunteers to help provide one-on-one reading support for students in need. No teaching experience is required—training and materials will be provided. Volunteers can choose their preferred grade level and commit just 1–2 hours per week. The only requirement is to be VIRTUS compliant. If you'd like to make a big difference with a small time commitment, please contact Sherry Russell at **505-688-6071** sherryr@stjoecatholicacademy.com

IT'S THAT TIME!
CCD Registration

WHO: Students in Grade K-8 who attend public schools or any students who would like to learn more about their faith.

WHEN: Sunday, Sept 14, 2025 after the 9AM Mass

WHERE: Saint James School Library

*If you have a child in kindergarten - 5th grade who attends a public school, CCD is for you or if your child is in 6th grade or above and hasn't received the Sacrament of Confirmation, this program is for you! **PICK UP A REGISTRATION FORM IN THE VESTIBULE!**

The St. Serra Apostolate for Vocations will be meeting Wednesday, September 17th at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish. The evening begins with prayer at 6:00pm followed by our speaker: Fr. Jonathan Davis with our business meeting to follow. **All are invited to attend.**

Lectors: 4:30PM: B. Stevenson
9:00AM: D. Mereness
Servers: 4:30PM: J. Short
9:00AM: Bartulica Brothers

October 11 at 5:30PM in the Saint James Gymnasium!

If you are unable to attend but still want to support the auction, just scan the QR code to make your contribution!



School Auction Time!



Altar Flowers

If you would like to provide altar flowers one week on behalf of your family or in memory of a loved one or event, please text or call Kelly at: **574-276-9378**

The Saint Monica Club is a city-wide apostolate founded in 2021 to pray for priests, vocations, and those away from the Catholic Faith. Join us in praying the rosary and Litany of the Saints on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month from 6:20-6:45PM at St. James Church. For more information or to receive reminders, text **THEMONICACLUB** to 84576 or visit www.themonicaclub.com

LEGION OF MARY

LAY MEN & WOMEN ASSISTING THE BISHOP AND THE PRIEST SINCE 1921
SAINT JAMES PRAESIDIUM, QUEEN OF THE UNIVERSE

The Legion of Mary is for the honor of the Blessed Mother, assisting the parish priest in his work for the salvation of souls. It is for the welfare of the one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church, doing every form of social service and Catholic action with the guidance of the parish priest.

Join our meetings on Wednesdays at 9AM in the Casper Erk Room!

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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETS THE 1ST MONDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7PM IN THE ERK ROOM. PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND!

Holy Name Society

Meets on the 2nd Sunday of each month @ 8AM in the Church basement. Join us after Mass for coffee, donuts, & fellowship!

St. Vincent de Paul

WILL HAVE THEIR FOOD-COLLECTION BOXES AVAILABLE IN THE VESTIBULE FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE. YOU MAY DROP OFF ITEMS LISTED BELOW WHEN VISITING THE CHURCH. **ITEMS NEEDED:**

*PAPER PRODUCTS

*NON-PERISHABLE FOODS

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & HOMEBOUND

Gina Smith

Joseph Thiltges

Dianne Pulley

Judith Reed

Josie Gilbert

Steve Steiner

Richard Coleman

Melissa Riches

Patricia Saulan

Henry Saulan

Denice Weinmann

Harlan Wood

Ron McDaniels



Mass Intentions for this Week

Saturday, September 13:

*Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

4:30PM - † Derc Belz

Sunday, September 14:

9:00AM - † Phillip & Mildred Zuptich

12:45PM - † Mary Sanger

Monday, September 15:

*Our Lady of Sorrows

8:00AM - † Mary Sanger

Wednesday, September 17:

*Saint Robert Bellamine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church; Saint Hildegard of Bingen, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

8:00AM - † John and Juana Masson

Thursday, September 18:

8:00AM - † Mary Sanger

Friday, September 19:

*Saint Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

8:00AM - Murray & Korte

Families, living and deceased

Saturday, September 20:

*Saints Andre Kim Taegon, Priest, Paul Chong Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs

4:30PM - † Charisse Widener

Sunday, September 21:

9:00AM - For the People

12:45PM - † Mary Sanger



Thoughts by Father Jonathan Davis

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross also known as the Triumph of the Holy Cross. In the year 312 A.D., the Roman Emperor Constantine had a miraculous vision before fighting a great battle. In his vision he saw a cross in the sky and heard a voice saying, "With this sign you will conquer." So then, Constantine ordered that all of his soldiers paint the Cross on the front of their shields of armor. The result, the following day Constantine and his army won the battle having fewer soldiers than the enemy. The following year Constantine made Christianity legal in all of the Roman Empire. Later, the mother of Constantine, Saint Helena, went to Jerusalem in order to find the cross on which Jesus died. After searching everywhere, an elderly Jewish man took them to a place where they discovered a place in the ground with three crosses near the tomb of Christ beneath a pagan temple. St. Helena had the temple destroyed and they unearthed the crosses. As a test, they touched each cross to a man who had just died. When the wood of the true Cross of our Lord touched the corpse, the man came back to life. Thus, they had found our Lord's true Cross. Later, the basilica of the Resurrection was constructed and was consecrated on the 14th of September in the year 334 A.D. above the tomb of Christ. Saint Helena took part of the Cross to Rome to protect it. It is a good practice to keep a crucifix in your homes and in your rooms and to make the sign of the Cross in difficult moments, and also when you wake up and before going to sleep in order to remember the saving victory and Passion of Jesus and to place ourselves beneath the protection of the Holy Cross. "God did not send His son to condemn the world but that the world might be saved through Him." On the Holy Cross, Jesus offered His life for our salvation. May the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ shine to all parts of the world as the source of life, true peace, and happiness for all peoples. In this Cross, on which our savior died for us, we find our happiness and strength in the difficulties of life. The sign of the cross is our only sign. As Catholics, we do not believe in astrological signs associated with our birthdays. We have only one sign... the Sign of the Cross. With this sign, we will conquer. May the Cross be our protection, our way, and our life. With the sign of the Cross, we will conquer and come to eternal life with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

An evening at The Cathedral, come walk through the doors of the Cathedral in Saint Joseph, MO for the Jubilee Year to receive a plenary indulgence. This pilgrimage can be a source of blessings, healing, and renewal of your Christian Life. Save the date - September 24th at the 6PM Mass at Cathedral! Confessions offered before and during the Mass.

Prayer to Saint

Michael

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

YOUTH ENCOUNTER

WHO: 12 - 17 year-olds
WHEN: September 20th
10AM - 4PM

WHERE: Mir House of Prayer
(6492 MO-6 in St. Joseph, MO)

DONATION: \$5

BRING: a Bible and an open heart!

For more information

(816) 500-2057

September Prayer Intentions



Bishop Johnston: For the desperate people of Gaza and for an end to the conflict there and the gift of a lasting and just peace.

Holy Father: Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.