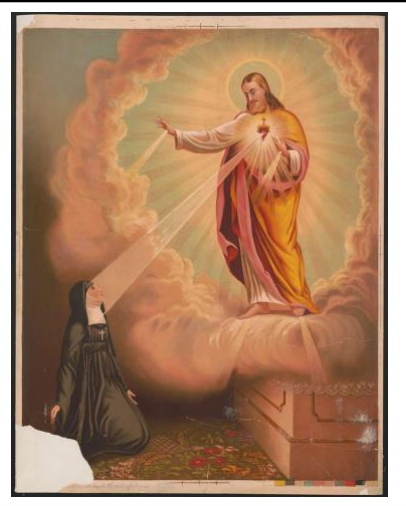


SEPTEMBER 22, 2024



Entrance Antiphon
Opening - 719 Praise to the Lord
Gloria - 106 Missa De Angelis
Offertory - 447 Be Thou My Vision
Mystery of Faith - 102 Missa De Angelis
Communion Antiphon
Communion - 669 O Lord I Am Not Worthy
Marian - 738 Salve Regina
Closing - 492 Crown Him with Many Crowns

Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 (6b)/Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37

MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday: 4:30PM
Sunday: 9:00AM and 12:30PM
Monday: 8:00AM
Wednesday: 8:00AM
Friday: 8:00AM

CONFESSIONS
Saturday: 3:30PM
Sunday: 8:30AM and 12:00PM
Monday: 7:30AM & 6:00PM-6:50PM
Wednesday: 7:30AM
Friday: 7:30AM
(Confessions are 30 minutes prior to Mass unless otherwise noted)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Monday: 6PM - 7PM

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & HOMEBOUND
Gina Smith **Richard Coleman**
Joseph Thiltges
Eugene Miller
Shirley Miller
Josie Gilbert
Baby Derek
Steve Steiner

If you or someone you know would like to be placed on this list, please contact the parish office.

Thoughts by Father Benjamin Fenton

Dear brothers and sisters,

As the elections draw nearer, here in Missouri we have a particular situation to deal with on that day, which is the proposed amendment to revise the Missouri constitution, enshrining abortion as a 'reproductive right'.

It is important for us all to understand that an unjust law, especially one that directly contravenes Divine Law, is not a law at all and should not be obeyed. Divine Law refers to the moral code that God Himself has taught us to be absolute, and which is revealed and promulgated in the **10 Commandments**.

So it is that when the first Christians were ordered to offer incense to the Roman Emperor, thus recognizing him as a god, they refused, because it would have broken the 1st of the 10 Commandments.

When some significant European protestant denominations approved abortion in the 1990's, St. John Paul II wrote the Encyclical Evangelium Vitae, meaning the Gospel of Life. In this encyclical, using the full weight of Papal authority, he gave us an absolute and definitive interpretation of scripture regarding abortion, stating that it is not morally acceptable to end the life of an unborn child, under any circumstances.

Since it declares mankind to be in the place of God, the proposed amendment to the Missouri constitution, for this reason, does more to undermine the rule of Law in this country than to help any particular person in need.

We have been asleep for too long in Missouri, not recognizing the encroaching claws of the culture of death around our very necks. Now the moment has arrived in which radicalized – and often times, victimized – individuals are forcing through laws that will destroy the state you knew and grew up in.

You and I need to talk to people about this issue. It is crucial that the vast number of indifferent, or superficially politically motivated people, know about what is on the ballot. If you have a Facebook account, is it not time to start posting?

If you have friends from different spheres of life, should you not reach out to them too?

And lastly, but first in importance, pray, pray, and pray. God can work miracles when our hearts implore Him humbly, with tears and whimpers, for the poor babies who will face execution because of this amendment.

God bless you, and let's do the work.



We are still accepting donations to be auctioned!



You may bring your donation to the parish office during business hours or mail them! There are forms in the vestibule to attach to your item of value! There are also forms available at the parish center, so bring your item and we'll attach your name and value!

OCTOBER 19TH IS THE DAY OF THE AUCTION

PLEASE JOIN US FOR SAINT JAMES SCHOOL'S BIGGEST FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR!

Mums

It's no too late to get your mums! Order opportunity has been extended until the 24th! Order forms are in the vestibule!

Mir House

House of Prayer
Located at 6492 MO-6, St. Joseph, MO Needs adorers. Please call the Church office if you'd like to sign on as an adorer.

We are still needing a few more people to sign on as adorers on Mondays to allow for all-day adoration of our Lord. You may sign the sheet on the podium in the back of the Church or call the Church office.

Offerings for Sept. 9 - Sept. 15

Envelopes/Collection Plate: \$9,375.63
Memorials/Mass Intentions: 00.00
Maintenance: \$345.00

Total: \$9,720.63
September Total: \$16,929.14

Thank You!

ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to provide altar flowers for any week in honor / memory of someone or an event, please contact the parish office.
Altar flowers this week are in loving memory of Josephine Flinn

The St. Serra Apostolate for Vocations will be meeting Tuesday, October 8th following the 6:00PM Mass at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish. Our speaker will be Fr. Joseph Powers. All are invited to attend!

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

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Interested (even a tiny bit) 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. Plans for classes are underway and we'd love to know if you're interested.

Holy Name Society

Meets on the 2nd Sunday of each month during the months of September - May @ 8AM in the Monsignor Moriarty Hall (Church Basement).

Altar Society

Meets on the 3rd Sunday of the month at 10AM in the Monsignor Moriarty Hall (Church Basement). All are invited to

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 21:

*Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist
4:30PM - Charisse Widener †

Sunday, September 22:

9:00 AM - Toni Lewis, Angie Taylor & Children
12:30PM -

Monday, September 23:

*Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest
8:00AM - Phillip & Mildred Zuptich †

Wednesday, September 25:

8:00AM - Charles Zuptich †

Friday, September 27:

*Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest
8:00AM - Patricia Evans †

We are seeking a 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 that payments are processed. This is a part-time position working 20-24 hours per week.

To view the full job description and apply, go to <https://kcsjatholic.org/start/job-openings/>

Servers

This Week: 4:30PM – Josh Green/Volunteer
9:00AM – John and Daniel Welchert
Next Week: 4:30PM – Jack Short/Volunteer
9:00AM – Aaden & Conner Pearce

Lectors

This Week: 4:30PM – Ashley Kountz
9:00AM – Mike Aberer
Next Week: 4:30 – Monica Purdy
9:00AM – Josh Bachman

"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." -Mk 9:35