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Mass Schedule

Currently No Masses are Scheduled due to the Coronavirus

Confessions

Sunday - 10:00am to 10:30am

Baptism

Please call the office as soon as possible at 816-532-4344. Baptismal prep for the parents is required for first child.

First Penance/First Eucharist

Contact Tessa Rielley in the parish office.

* Children who are to prepare for the sacraments of Penance, Eucharist, or Confirmation must have completed the prior year of religious education.

High School Confirmation

Contact Tessa Rielley in the parish office.

Marriage

Please consult with pastor at least nine months before anticipated marriage. Must be registered for one year prior to initial contact with pastor.

RCIA (Christian Initiation of Adults)

Contact Ron Sondag in the parish office.

Parish Council

President - Teresa Fantasma

Vice President - Connie Hill

Secretary - Sharmila McCauley

Members-at-large - Renee Johnson, Joe Albers, Charlotte Albers, Barb

Pruett, Mary Ann Armstrong, Shane Alexander, Glenn Harmon, Erin & Alex

Yendrek, Roxanne & Tony Ratzloff

Finance Council

Chairperson - Lee Ann Fadler

Mario Fantasma, Scott Ready, Mike Thompson

Altar Society

President - Polly Harter

Vice President - Helen Smith

Social time 6:30 to 7pm

Meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 7pm.

Knights of Columbus

Meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7pm. Call John Wise (816-532-0703) or go to www.kofc9272.com for more info.

Mass Intentions

For the week of April 26

Saturday, April 25 5:00pm	(No Mass)
Sunday, April 26 7:30am 10:30am	(No Mass) (No Mass)
Monday, April 27 (No Mass)	(No Mass)
Tuesday, April 28 9:00am	(No Mass)
Wednesday, April 29 9:00am	(No Mass)
Thursday, April 30 9:00am	(No Mass)
Friday, May 1 9:00am	(No Mass)
Saturday, May 2 5:00pm	(No Mass)
Sunday, May 3 7:30am 10:30am	(No Mass) (No Mass)

Grateful Stewardship to God

April 12

Envelope.....	\$4455.00
Plate	\$000.00
Online Giving	\$2301.00
Children's Collection	\$00.00
Debt Reduction	\$250.00
Holy Land Collection	\$85.00

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting 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, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or crayon@ombudsmankesj.org, 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 the Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chas-tain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

Announcements

We want to see YOU!

Write and email and send a picture, or make a short video (any smartphone can do it) of you and/or your family with the following:

- Identify yourself/yourselfs
- Say something about how you're doing at this time
- Say something encouraging to your parish family
- If you want, you may request a prayer, or say a prayer for God's healing grace.

Email with pic to gscemo@gmail.com. (Video clips are too big to email, so drop them off on a memory stick or bring your phone/ipad/tablet in to the office and we will download it.

Videos should be brief, so plan ahead. We will post the videos on our website.

Call Ron at the parish office (532-4344) for questions.



New Online Giving Portal and App for reoccurring contributions, or for one-time contributions

- [Click here to set up or download](#)
- [Click here for a video tutorial](#)



Helping the Smithville Community

Every Saturday during this shut-down the Knights of Columbus and the Altar Society will have our doors open to accept donations for the Smithville Food Pantry and for [Synergy Services](#). You may pull up to the church and drop off your donations between the hours of 11am and 1pm.

Items especially needed for the food drive:
mac & cheese, soups and paper products - any dry or canned food items are appreciated.

Items especially needed for Synergy Services:
Toiletries (full size), toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, soap, feminine items, baby items, socks (all sizes), underwear (all sizes), T-shirts (all sizes)



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We will have our regular first Sunday Adoration from 12pm to 12am. Participants are asked to ring the door bell on the east side entrance to the Narthex. Someone will come open the door to let you in.



Good Shepherd Calendar

SATURDAY, April 25

- Collection of Food and Toiletries, 11am to 1pm (drive up and drop off)

SUNDAY, April 26

MONDAY, April 27

TUESDAY, April 28

WEDNESDAY, April 29

- Online Bible Study, 3pm

THURSDAY, April 30

FRIDAY, May 1

SATURDAY, May 2

- Collection of Food and Toiletries, 11am to 1pm (drive up and drop off)

SUNDAY, May 3

- Online Bible Study, 9am
- Exposition/Adoration 12pm until Midnight

For the monthly calendar, please visit the parish website: www.gscmo.org



The suspension of public Masses has been extended to May 15.

"WE ARE
THE EASTER
PEOPLE AND
hallelujah IS
OUR SONG."

ST. JOHN PAUL II

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LIVE THE LITURGY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Is God a real Being for you or simply an idea to be entertained? Often, we reduce God to a set of ideas, theories, and principles and neglect to see Him as the One who takes joy in helping us understand all of the events and mysteries of life. God delights in journeying with us and is the only One who can fill us with joy and make our hearts burn with excitement and jubilation. He is the One who assists us in recognizing the truth that is before us and interpreting not only the jewels of Sacred Scripture but the events of history. If we recognize God, we can also see that He inspires us to see the divine meaning of our own lives as well. Sometimes it takes us a little time. After all, even Jesus' closest friends had to walk with him for a while on the road to Emmaus before their eyes were opened in the breaking of bread.

The readings for Mass can be found at:

www.usccb.org/bible/readings

Click on the calendar day to view the daily readings.

PLEASE CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING

Our parish is grateful for your continued support at this time. Thank you!



GOSPEL MEDITATION THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

What does it take for our eyes to be opened? Every day, a man laboriously walks down Main Street of town. With great difficulty but graceful determination, he places one foot in front of the other, uses a crudely made staff for support, and walks. His pace is slow, but he walks. What does he hope to see? Where does he want to go? What does he find? We all walk through life. The type of “walking” life requires is not always physical but is most assuredly emotional and spiritual. We walk, we look, we encounter, and we seek. How we do these things and what we actually find is determined by what we carry and what we allow ourselves to discover along the way.

If walking is too challenging for us, we may choose to isolate and stay alone. If we are afraid to walk, we may become overly dependent on others providing for us and abandon the journey. We can walk and pay attention only to what is in front of our feet and never notice the immensity of what is happening around us. The road is never the same twice. The journey is always different.



What kinds of things do you notice as you walk through life? It seems that the disciples of the Road to Emmaus missed a lot at first. We do as well.

We are called to walk with purpose, to listen, and to notice things that may not at first be apparent. We have to allow the One who has a special claim on our soul to enlighten, instruct, and inspire us. The incarnate mystery of God is pulsating in and through all of creation, where the presence of the Word who became flesh can be discovered. He has been

with us all along. How could we have missed Him? Our journey brings us back to the breaking of the bread, and something begins to stir within us. We begin to understand, and things look differently. Bread, body, wine, and blood bring us to see that everyone and everything is a “Eucharistic” encounter. We become what we eat and we see what we eat. We continue to walk. Our eyes are now opened, and we recognize Him. Our hearts burn. Stay with us. Please stay with us.

And it happened that, while [Jesus] was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. - Lk 24:30-31

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HEALTH & WELLNESS

3 EASY STEPS

To Keeping Yourself & Others Healthy!

We are cautioned to be especially careful during the Coronavirus outbreak. Here are some simple ways to keep sickness away.



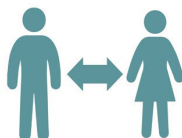
Wash Your Hands

Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds using soap and water. If you can't wash your hands, use hand sanitizer frequently.



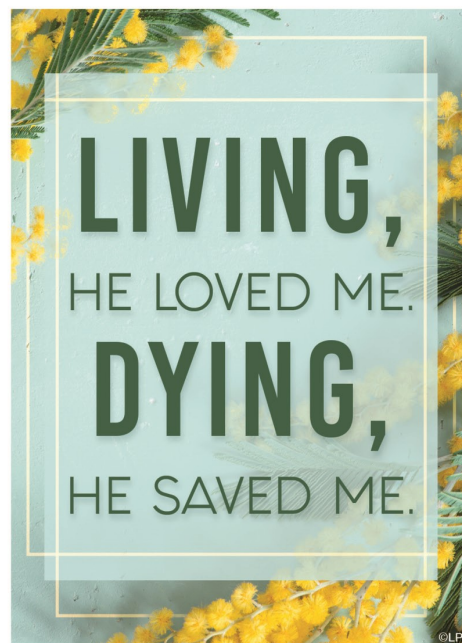
Don't Touch Your Face

Especially around the eyes, nose and mouth. If you must sneeze, use a tissue or your arm.



Keep Your Distance

Practice social distancing during this epidemic and stay away from large groups. Instead, call, email or check up on family and friends using social media.



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