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Parish Bulletin

August 4, 2024 | The 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Parish Mission: Putting hearts  on a collision course with the Sacred Heart of Jesus

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Here*




Fr. Jaime Zarse
Pastor

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

I AM
THE BREAD
OF LIFE.

— JOHN 6:35 —



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Weekday Mass	Mon - Friday: 6:30 & 8:15 am Saturday: 8:15 am	Sunday Mass	Saturday: 4:30 pm Sunday: 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 am
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Reconciliation Mon, Tues, Friday: 7 - 8 am
Wednesday: 6-7 pm
Saturday: 3-4 pm

Parish Office Hours
Summer Hours:
Monday - Thursday 8:00am – 4:00pm
Friday 8:00am – 12:00pm
Starting September 2:
Monday - Thursday 8:00am – 4:30pm
Friday 8:00am – 3:00pm

Perpetual Adoration Adoration Chapel is open 24/7.
To sign up for a weekly holy hour or for access code, email adoration@shoj.org

Hospitality

“LET MUTUAL
LOVE
CONTINUE.
DO NOT
NEGLECT
HOSPITALITY,
FOR THROUGH
IT SOME HAVE
UNKNOWINGLY
ENTERTAINED
ANGELS.”

– Hebrews
13:1-2



Welcome to Sacred Heart!

- The Dillon and Liz Vestecka Family
- Dale and Sherry Huffman
- Mary and Jackson Allen
- Jo Ann Nilges
- Skylar Cain
- Codi Martinez and Nicholas Vallejo
- The Scott and Margaret Donoho Family

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RCIA PROCESS

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is a year-long process of prayer, learning, and reflection designed for those seeking to become Catholic, those seeking the sacrament of Confirmation, and for those simply exploring the Catholic faith.

Information Night is on Tuesday, August 27, 7:00-8:30 p.m. Ask questions, learn more!

Classes are Tuesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. (Sept - May) in the church meeting rooms.

You can register now at www.shoj.org/rcia
SPONSORS NEEDED - register at the URL

For questions, contact Char Mies at 913-422-5700, ext. 241 or charlene.mies@shoj.org



COMING UP:

Mother's Circle
Friday, August 8 @8:00 pm

SHoJ Golf Tournament
Friday, August 9

St. Mary's Food Kitchen
Tuesday, August 13

RCIA Information Night
Friday, August 27 @7:00 pm

Do you receive our weekly email updates? If not, scan the barcode below to join!



Week at a Glance

	MONDAY 8.5.24	TUESDAY 8.6.24	WEDNESDAY 8.7.24
Mass Times/ Mass Intentions	6:30 a.m. The Intentions of Mason Myers 8:15 a.m. Ryan Whalen †	6:30 a.m. Susan Weller † 8:15 a.m. Barbara Rogers †	6:30 a.m. The Intention of Hardin Graham 8:15 a.m. Allan Pickert †
Daily Gospel Readings	First Reading: Jer 28:1-17 Gospel: Mt 14:13-21	First Reading: DN 7:9-10, 13-14 Gospel: Mk 9:2-10	First Reading: JER 31:1-7 Gospel: MT 15:21-28
Reconciliation Times	7:00 - 8:00 a.m.	7:00 - 8:00 a.m.	NO CONFESSIONS
Feast Days or Memorials	The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major	The Transfiguration of the Lord	St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest

Reflect on the Word

First Reading: God heard the plea of the Israelites who feared they would die of starvation in the desert and in response, God sent them quail and bread to eat. What will you pray for this week?

Second Reading: Paul taught the Gentiles of the Ephesian church to give up their former way of life and live with renewed minds in the truth of Jesus. What have you gained by being a believer in Jesus?

Gospel: Jesus teaches the crowds in Capernaum that he is "the bread of life" who feeds all who believe in him. Is there someone you know hungry for Jesus?



Gospel Meditation

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Since my college days I've loved a song called "Dance with You" by the rock band Live. It touches on the deep mystical hunger of our heart: "I've tasted all the wines/ a half a billion times/ came sickened to your shore/ you showed me what this life is for." These lines resonate with anyone who has feasted on the good things of this world only to be left spiritually hungover and unsatisfied.

We see a similar dynamic evoked by Jesus' words after he feeds the crowd with bread and fish. To teach them to hunger for God, he recalls God's gift of manna-bread for the hungry ancient Israelites. Those folks had grown spiritually sick from the idolatrous food of Egypt yet still longed for more worthless pagan food. So, God sent heavenly bread to nourish their bodies, but also to heal their distrustful hearts. His people - like us - must learn to hunger and thirst for God alone. Before we can receive that which will not disappoint, we first must cease expecting that earthly goods will satisfy us.

We will get to the Lord's teaching on the Eucharist in the next two weeks. But first, he asks us: do you trust me to take care of you? Do you trust me to give you what you need for each day, and to not worry about the next day? Do you see that when you hungrily stuff yourself with the things of this world you become sick and lose your taste for the bread of life? So, our hungry hearts cry out: Lord, help us to trust that you'll provide for our every need & to use only what we truly need. Help us hunger for the goodness of your Son, who is the true bread from heaven. That is what this life is for.

"HAVE NO ANXIETY AT ALL, BUT IN EVERYTHING, BY PRAYER AND PETITION, WITH THANKSGIVING MAKE YOUR REQUEST KNOWN TO GOD."

Philippians

4:6



THURSDAY 8.8.24	FRIDAY 8.9.24	SATURDAY 8.10.24	SUNDAY 8.11.24
6:30 a.m. Bill Porter † 8:15 a.m. The Intentions of Kathy Younger	6:30 a.m. Ralph and Francis Rucinsk † 8:15 a.m. The Intentions of Lois Ann Stephan	8:15 a.m. Marsha Hoelting † 4:30 p.m. Tony Macek †	8:00 a.m. Geraldine Sullivan † 9:30 a.m. Sacred Heart Parishioners 11:00 am Mary Ann Tepper †
First Reading: Jer 31:31-34 Gospel: Mt 16:13-23	First Reading: NA 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7 Gospel: MT 16:24-28	First Reading: 2 COR 9:6-10 Gospel: JN 12:24-26	First Reading: 1 Kgs 19:4-8 2nd Reading: Eph 4:30—5:2 Gospel: Jn 6:41-51
	7:00 - 8:00 a.m.	3:00 - 4:00 p.m.	
<i>St. Dominic, Priest</i>	<i>St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr</i>	<i>St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr</i>	

Youth Formation

“I, THE LORD, YOUR GOD, TEACH YOU WHAT IS FOR YOUR GOOD, AND LEAD YOU ON THE WAY YOU SHOULD GO.”

– Isaiah
48:17



Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic School
Faculty Spotlight **New Assistant Principal**

2024-25 **STRENGTH IN SURRENDER**

Our theme for the 2024-25 School year is "Strength in Surrender". We still have openings at SHOJ in K-3! Call us today at 913-422-5520!

And....Welcome, Mrs. Rockers! Mrs. Angela Rockers has joined the SHOJ School leadership team as Assistant Principal. She has a deep commitment to Catholic education. She began her career at Our Lady of the Presentation in Lee's Summit and has spent 10 years teaching in the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas. As a SHOJ parishioner, we could not be more excited for her to join the mission of SHOJ School.

BACK TO SCHOOL

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained **Confession**



Question: If God knows everything we do, why do we need to go to Confession?

Answer: Another term for the Sacrament of Confession is the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We go to this sacrament not only to confess our sins, but to be reconciled with God. Of course, this begs the question, "If I can pray to God on my own, why can't I be reconciled to God on my own?" In the seven sacraments, we recognize the importance of community. Sacraments like baptism or matrimony happen in the context of the wider church to remind us of the communal impact of our lives. We are not alone in our walk of faith!

We don't need to confess our sins in front of the whole community – thank God! But going to the Sacrament of Reconciliation is a tangible reminder that our sins affect not only ourselves and our relationship with God, but others as well. Jesus gave his Apostles authority to forgive sins in his name. Through this sacrament, we are really, truly forgiven by God Himself. We receive an outpouring of grace and strength to sin no more and our relationship with Christ and his Body, the Church, are restored.

Youth Formation

Volunteers
needed



Catechists Needed

We are looking for individuals to join our School of Religion catechist team! This important role involves guiding our youth and helping them grow in their faith. Remember, God doesn't call the qualified; He qualifies the called. If you have a heart for the Catholic Church and a desire to serve His people, you are already equipped for this role. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Emily Warn emily.warn@shoj.org.

4:30 Session

Kindergarten – 1 lead catechist and 1 assistant (so we can create two small classes instead of one large class)

1st grade - 1 assistant

3rd grade – 1 assistant

5th grade – 1 co-lead and 1 assistant

6:30 Session

Kindergarten - 1 assistant

**Classes are Wednesday evenings throughout the school year.

Small Group Mentors

Our Small Groups Mentors are the heart and soul of the High School & Middle School Youth Ministry and Confirmation experience. Our mentors come from all different backgrounds and have different gifts. One of the main tasks of mentors is to lead discussion and activities during the Youth Ministry & Confirmation meetings with a partner. Session plans will be e-mailed in advance so leaders can review and prepare for each session. Small group mentors remain with the same small group throughout the entire year, which allows for the mentor and teens the opportunity to develop a meaningful relationship. See below for more!!

Middle School & High School Youth Ministry kick off in September. Contact Jen Zans, Youth Ministry Coordinator at jen.zans@shoj.org to sign up.



Small Groups for Youth Ministry **Called to share the Gospel with others**

Why small groups? *Teens need to feel like they belong in order to believe.* Small groups give them an environment where they are known, loved and cared for. Other tasks of small group mentors may include helping out with opening and closing prayers, giving a witness/catechetical talk and performing in skits to the larger group. A good small group mentor listens to, encourages and builds relationships with the young people and is first and foremost, a disciple of Jesus themselves.

Small Group leadership qualities

- Loves teens and feels called to meet them where they are at in their spiritual journey.
- Loves God and has a desire to continue their own spiritual development.
- Has a humble desire to serve others and a welcoming/invitational attitude.
- Works well with a partner or a team.
- Has a desire to listen to, encourage and build relationships with young people.

Around the Archdiocese

Retirement Planning Workshop

On Tuesday, August 13, 2024, the Catholic Foundation of Northeast Kansas is hosting a Retirement Planning Workshop at Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church in the Culhane Room- 3601 SW 17th St, Topeka, KS 66604. The Workshop is from 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM, and Bill Hess, Vice President and Wealth Management Consultant at Commerce Trust, will present on Retirement Basics: An Overview of the Retirement Planning Process.

Register by visiting www.cfnek.org/events/retirement-planning-workshop or by contacting Mitch Nolan at 913-647-3070 or mnolan@archkck.org.



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More information and questions: ldupont@archkck.org.

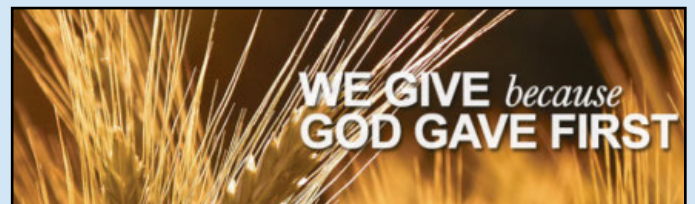


“ Everything has changed. I feel like our desire for each other has been baptized and brought into an eternal perspective. ”

William & Elizabeth

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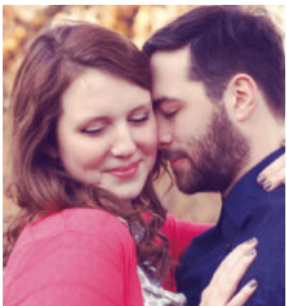
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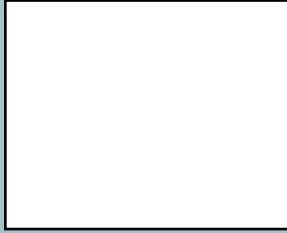
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