



26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

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OUR PARISH MISSION: PUTTING HEARTS ON A
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WEEKEND MASS

Sat: 4:30 PM

Sun: 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM,
4:30 PM

WEEKDAY MASS

Mon - Fri: 6:30 & 8:05 AM

Thu: 6:00 PM
Sat: 8:05 AM

RECONCILIATION

Mon, Tues, Fri: 7 - 8 AM

Wed: 6-7 PM

Thu: 5 PM

Sun: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM

PASTOR

Fr. Jaime Zarse

ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Fr. Joseph Asante

EVENTS OVERVIEW

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ASSISTANCE TO MASS

Are you having trouble getting to mass? We have volunteers ready to assist you with rides. Please contact the office 913-422-5700 and speak to Erin to arrange assistance.



GOLF TOURNAMENT



Join us for our 25th Annual Golf Tournament on October 12 at Falcon Lakes Golf Club. The entry fee is \$125 per person, or \$500 for a four person team. The fee includes 18 holes of golf, a cart, lunch, dinner, 2 drink tickets, prizes, and fellowship! Proceeds will be going towards funding a new playground for the school.

Interested in sponsoring (families and businesses welcome)? Contact Tara Green at tara.green@shoj.org



Interested in giving towards the playground?

Scan the QR code and select "Playground donation" on the drop down menu.



COFFEE & DONUTS



Help us keep the coffee brewing and fellowship going after our 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Sunday Masses! Volunteers help with set-up, serving, and clean-up. Come serve, meet some fellow parishioners, and enjoy a donut or two!



PURIFIED EVENT



Join Jason Evert for Purified, an engaging evening exploring love, chastity, gender, and the theology of the body, on October 7 at 6:00 - 9:15 PM at St Michael's in Leewood. The evening includes two powerful talks, Eucharistic Adoration, Praise & Worship, and an opportunity for Confession. The night is \$25 per person and is for 13+.



WOMEN'S RETREAT



All women 18+ are invited to Camp Tekakwitha Women's Retreat on October 16 - 18 at Prairie Star Ranch. This retreat brings women into the life-giving, Christ-centered, and naturally beautiful experience of Camp Tekakwitha.

ADORATION HOURS



At Sacred Heart, we are blessed to have Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration. To continue sustaining this beautiful opportunity to spend time with our Lord, we need at least one person every hour throughout the week – but we currently have openings. Please discern these available times and how the Lord might be calling you towards our parish's Foundation Stone of Eucharistic Encounters.

Available Holy Hours:

Monday: 5 PM

Tuesday: 3AM

Wednesday: 1AM, 2AM

Thursday: 2AM

Friday: 11AM, 8 PM

Saturday: 4AM, 10AM, 6PM, 8PM, 10PM, 11PM

Sunday: 1AM, 2AM, 3AM



TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus will be collecting donations for their Annual Tootsie Roll Drive to support People with Intellectual Disabilities after all Masses the weekends of October 10–11 and October 17–18. Don't forget to bring your cash or spare change to help support this important cause!



NAVIGATING US RETREAT



Join Richard and Elizabeth Albertson for

"Navigating Us" Marriage Retreat on November 6-8

in the MPC. Navigating Us is an opportunity to intentionally invest in the relationship that matters most with practical tools on how navigate marriage together.

Registration is \$50 per couple.

ANNUAL REPORT



Thank you for your continued generosity!! Because of your support—and the blessings we received this year—we are putting hearts on a collision course with the Sacred Heart of Jesus! Checkout our 2025/26 Annual Report for more information, last year's finances definition, future goals, and more.



COUPLES BOOK STUDY HOSTS

This January, Sacred Heart is inviting married couples go through a five-week small group experience based on "The 21 Undeniable Secrets of Marriage." We're looking for couples who would be willing to open their home and host a small group – with flexibility on dates, time, and how many couples you would host. You don't need to be a marriage expert—just willing to create a welcoming space. Contact Emily Dumler at emily.dumler@shoj.org if you are interested in hosting?

DAILY MASS AND RECONCILIATION UPDATES

Due to the Priest Convocation, Daily Mass and Reconciliation will be cancelled September 28 - October 2nd. The parish offices will be closed October 2nd.

ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION

Help the Knights of Columbus provide grants and gifts to our seminarians, deacons, Catholic college students on mission trips, and many other ministries by donating your aluminum cans! Please bring your aluminum cans wrapped in a plastic grocery bag or tall kitchen bag to the Knights of Columbus Bin and trailer located in the North parking lot on Johnson Drive. We only accept cans (no trays or foil.)





WAR ON MEDIOCRITY

Do you keep finding yourself confessing the same sins over and over again?

In his latest podcast, Fr. Zarse gives the ultimate guide to breaking free from habitual sin. He digs into why certain sins can become so difficult to shake, how repeated choices begin to shape us, and what it looks like to keep fighting without falling into discouragement. What does it actually take to break the cycle?



[Listen Here!](#)

CONSTRUCTION UPDATES



Find all updates about construction on our website.

<https://shoj.org/capital-campaign>



-MASS INTENTIONS-

Monday, September 28

6:30 - No Mass- Priest at Convocation

8:05 - No Mass- Priest at Convocation

Tuesday, September 29

6:30 - No Mass- Priest at Convocation

8:05 - No Mass- Priest at Convocation

Wednesday, September 30

6:30 - No Mass- Priest at Convocation

8:05 - No Mass- Priest at Convocation

Thursday, October 1

6:30 - No Mass- Priest at Convocation

8:05 - No Mass- Priest at Convocation

6:00 - No Mass- Priest at Convocation

Friday, October 2

6:30 - No Mass- Priest at Convocation

8:05 - No Mass- Priest at Convocation

Saturday, October 3

8:05 - Fallen away parishioners and the reparation of sinners

4:30 - Carol Rorick +

Sunday, October 4

8:30- Joe Hamilton

10:30 - Juan Pablo Rodríguez Tapia +

4:30 - Lawrence Bolin

BECOMING CATHOLIC



Interested in becoming Catholic? Our new year-round OCIA process welcomes unbaptized inquirers at three different start times each year. Already baptized? You may begin right away. To learn more about the process pick up a flyer at the information desk.

Fr. Joseph Asante Sunday Reflection

INTRODUCTION

The readings for this Sunday focus on God's justice, mercy, and the importance of actions over words. They call on us to reflect on personal responsibility, the sincerity of faith, and the importance of living out one's beliefs through concrete actions. We are also encouraged to embrace humility, serve others, and seek reconciliation with God.

EXPLANATION OF THE READINGS

In the First Reading (Ezekiel 18:25-28) God addresses complaints about fairness, emphasizing that each person is accountable for their own choices. Repentance leads to life, and turning away from sin restores hope. God's ways are just. A virtuous person who turns to iniquity will face consequences, but if they repent, their life will be preserved.

The Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 25) is a prayer for guidance and mercy and trust in God's compassion and justice. The psalmist seeks God's guidance and asks for instruction in truth. Remembering God's compassion, the psalmist asks for mercy and guidance. The Lord, good and just, leads sinners and the humble in righteousness. The Second Reading (Philippians 2:1-11) encourages unity and humility. True greatness comes from serving others, following Christ's example. Christ's selflessness and humility serve as an example, leading to exaltation and acknowledgment of His lordship. The Gospel Reading (Matthew 21:28-32) is the parable of the two sons to illustrate that obedience and action matter more than words. One son initially refuses his father's request but later obeys, while the other agrees but does not act. Jesus teaches that those who repent and act rightly enter the Kingdom of God. The lesson here is that actions, not words, reveal true obedience and righteousness. Tax collectors and prostitutes enter God's kingdom due to genuine belief.

WHAT WE MUST KNOW – PRACTICE

God's Justice is Fair: Everyone is accountable for their actions, and God judges with truth.

Repentance Leads to Life: Turning away from sin and seeking God's mercy restores life and hope.

Actions Speak Louder than Words: Faith is demonstrated through obedience and concrete deeds, not merely verbal affirmation.

Humility and Service: Following Christ's example of humility brings true honor and unity among believers.

CONCLUSION

Jesus's parable teaches that words alone are not enough. Promising to do good means little if we do not follow through. Many people say they will do what is right but never act on it. Others may resist at first but later change their ways. Jesus shows that real obedience comes from action, not empty promises. The religious leaders in Jesus' time talked about righteousness but did not live it. Meanwhile, tax collectors and sinners listened to John the Baptist and changed their lives. They did not seem like holy people at first, but their actions showed real faith. This was why they were entering God's kingdom.



Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic School

2026-2027



"Whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God." - Corinthians 10:31

CYO sports have officially kicked off, and our student athletes are ready to represent our parish!

By rooting sports in faith and virtue, student athletes grow not just in skill, but in spirit. There is no better venue for this mission than in the arena of athletics - where competition meets compassion, and victory is defined by virtue.

Please pray for our student athletes. Cheer for them loudly. And remind them - the greatest trophy is the one that never rusts!

CYO Sports are open to all students in our parish! Check out www.cyojwa.org for more information.

For information about our parish school, please visit www.school.shoj.org or contact our principal, Mr. Jared Herzet: jared.herzet@shoj.org / (913) 422-5520



LOVE BOX

Love Boxes are available at the Greeters Counter and in the Parish office. Each box inspires a mom who is unexpectedly pregnant to be brave and choose life and also includes an invite to a local Embrace Grace group.

SASH CHRISTMAS TRIP



The Sacred Heart of Jesus 55+ Community is hitting the rails for Hermann, Missouri! Join us December 11-12 for a memorable adventure. Sign up to receive information and links to purchase your train tickets and reserve your hotel accommodations. It's the perfect chance to enjoy some time together!



FORMED



Sacred Heart provides every parishioner with FREE access to FORMED—a Catholic streaming platform with thousands of resources for every stage of faith including Bible studies, movies, children's programs, podcasts, audiobooks, and more. Ready to get started? Visit shoj.org/formed for instructions and to create your free account today!

ROSARY FOR IMMIGRANTS

Rosary for Immigrants is an initiative that invites the faithful to come together in prayer for our immigrant brothers and sisters, asking God to help us recognize the dignity of every person created in His image and to foster justice, compassion, and unity within our communities. The monthly Rosary gatherings will be held at 12:00 p.m. at Washington Square Park, across from the Immigration Court, on the following dates: October 21, November 18, and December 16.



FINANCIALS



Your continued support helps sustain our ministries, form our students, and care for our parish community all year long. Please prayerfully consider what you can give as an expression of gratitude for God's ongoing blessings. Thank you for being part of this mission!



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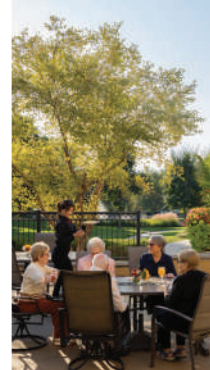
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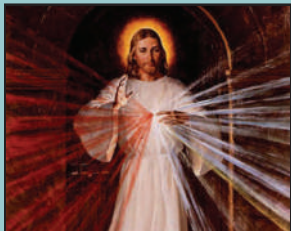
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