

ADULT CATECHISM CLASSES

Please join us on Wednesday nights after the 6 pm Mass.

Next Week's Topics:

- God the Supreme Being
- The Perfections of God
- Unity of the Blessed Trinity

The class is open to all persons. *Registration is **not** required.*
Questions - please contact Terry Miller at millert832@gmail.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING- SEPTEMBER 21

There will be a training session for altar servers on September 21st. This is for current servers wishing to learn new roles and new servers who would like to join in assisting Fr. Drew at the altar

PLEASE JOIN ME IN SUPPORTING CATHOLIC RADIO!

Dear Friends,
Like many of my brother priests throughout Kansas and Missouri, I will be joining Catholic Radio Network on the air during their upcoming Fall Appeal, September 16-19. I will be on the air with them on **Friday, September 19th from 1:00-3:00 pm**. I hope you will listen in! There are pledge cards in the back, by the bulletins, if you would like to mail in a pledge or call in. We would love to mention your pledge on the air!
In Christ, Fr. Drew

Please Call: **888.447.2425**

Wednesday, September 24: An Evening of Conversation for Parents with Bishop Johnston on The Way: St. Therese North, Parkville

Bishop Johnston invites all parents of the diocese to join him for an opportunity to discuss the elements of the diocesan vision known as The Way: Youth to Young Adult Initiative (learn more at kcsjcatholic.org/theway).

All sessions will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will conclude at 8:00 p.m.

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MONDAY - FRIDAY 11:00 AM

FR. DREW'S HOMILIES AIR AT 3:50 PM

Tune into Catholic Radio at 1090 AM or go catholicradio.com and click on "Listen Live".

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 if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. report the suspected abuse to the Diocesan Ombudsman, ombudsman@ombudsmankcsj.org 6024 816-213
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, at 816-714-2357 or victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org for more information

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Commandment of the Month for September

The 1st Commandment

"I am the Lord your God: you shall not have strange gods before me."

Why do you suppose God made the Commandment: "I am the Lord your God: you shall not have strange gods before me," the FIRST commandment, and not the second, fifth or tenth? What thoughts do your family and friends have about this? An easy way to remember that this is the First Commandment is to point your index finger, like a "1" upward to heaven and say, "there is only one God, He loves me and always wants what is best for me." Have some fun teaching this to the children in your life, and have a fun discussion with them about why God should always be first in their lives.

To help you prepare for discussing this Commandment, go to IfULoveMe.org/ten-commandments.

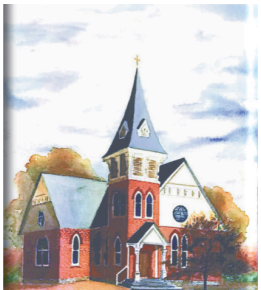
HAPPY BIRTHDAY, POPE LEO XIV

Pope Leo XIV turns 70 on September 14, 2025. All are encouraged to pray for him and his intentions (listed inside this bulletin).

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ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH



THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

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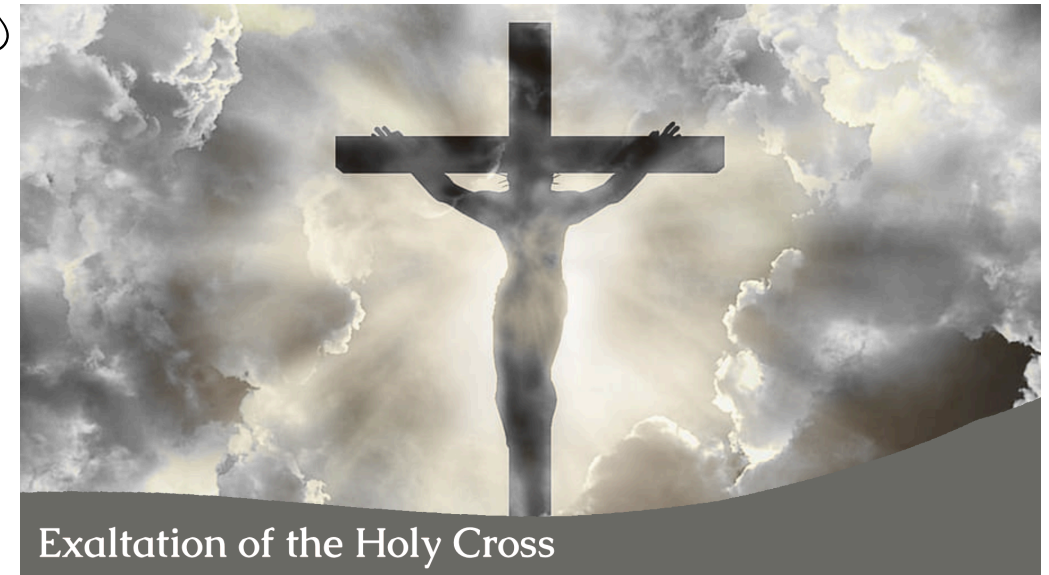
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Exaltation of the Holy Cross

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

This is my body given for you. Luke 22:19

WEEKEND MASSES

Sunday - 10:45 AM
Saturday - 4 PM

DAILY MASS

Wednesday - 6 PM
Tues/Thu - 12 PM

CONFESSION

Repent, therefore and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away. Acts 3:19

WEDNESDAY
5:30 PM

SATURDAY
3:00 PM

Contact Fr. Drew for Appts

ADORATION

The greatest love story of all time is contained in a tiny white host. - Sheen

Wed, Oct 1st @ 6:30 PM - Thurs, Oct 2nd @ Noon

Please sign up in the narthex.

BAPTISM

Please contact the Pastor

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the office 816-539-2634 follow instructions.

MATRIMONY

Please contact the Pastor 6-9 months before the proposed date.

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ALTAR SERVERS

SUN, SEPT 14 - 10:45 AM
MC - Angelo Moraille
T - Brogan Noll
A - Mark Durando
A - Pierre Moraille
S - David Woody

R - Terry Miller

SUN, SEPT 21 - 10:45 AM
MC - Jonathan Friedl
T - Grant Schuster
A - Ambrose Green
A - Pierre Moraille
S - Tyler Walock

R - Dino Durando

MASS INTENTION REQUEST
Mass intention envelopes are in the narthex. Place your Mass intention envelope with your \$10 stipend in the basket. Thank you!

PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY
We pray for our elderly, infirm, and homebound:

O God, your Son accepted sufferings to teach us the virtue of patience in human illness. Hear the prayers we offer for our sick brothers and sisters. May all who suffer pain, illness or disease realize that they are chosen to be saints, and know that they are joined to Christ in his suffering for the salvation of the world, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen

Vicki Anseume, Allen Bence, Kenneth Carey, Etta Mae Carlson, Pat Clingan, Edward Cook, Nancy Conley, Paul Daily, Lori Echols, Janice Fristoe, Cindy Gaines-Walter, Martha Gerling, Cara Green, Jean Harris, Tom Kutz, Sylvia McCollester, Bill & Julie Petesch, Don Price, Lee & Barbara Schwery, Amy Spriesterbach, Bob Swope, Steve VanHorn, Marie VanHorn, Tonia Vigilante, William Wolford Jr, Meryle Young, Claudia Ziegler, Lindsay Plathe

In Loving Memory
Eternal Rest Grant unto them, O Lord, and let Your perpetual light shine upon them.
May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

Anne Martin
To add or change a name please email - stannplattsburg@gmail.com.

COLLECTION	
SEPT 6, 2025 - SEPT 7, 2025	
Offertory:	\$ 2,999.00
Online:	\$ 410.00
Total:	\$ 3,409.00
\$3718.56 needed weekly to meet our budget. The monthly operating budget is distinct from the capital campaign. Thank you for your generosity!	

MASS INTENTIONS

SAT, SEPT 13 - 4 PM
Ann Martin +
By: Diane Hon

SUN, SEPT 14 - 10:45 AM
Orin & Evelyn Miller +
By: Terry & Carleen Miller

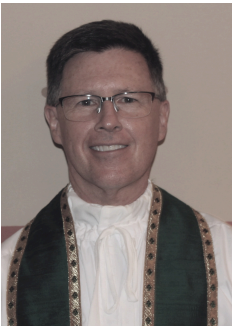
TUES, SEPT 16 - 12:00 PM
Jacob, Rachel & Sebastian Johnson
By: Emily Friedl

WED, SEPT 17 - 6:00 PM
FMary Cecilia Moran
By: Abigail Krysals

THURS, SEPT 18 - 12:00 PM
Michael Gacki +
By: Theresa Krysak

SAT, SEPT 20 - 4 PM
Ann Martin +
By: Diane Hon

SUN, SEPT 21 - 10:45 AM
Rosie Miller
By: Diane Hon



A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR
FR. KEVIN DREW



EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS, SEPT 14TH

Moses made a bronze serpent and mounted it on a pole. Anyone bitten by a real serpent that looked at the bronze serpent lived.

The saraph serpents were poisonous snakes. They were covered with fiery red spots and stripes and the wounds from their bites burnt like fire, and caused a deadly inflammation. These poisonous reptiles lurked around the camp and slithered their way into tents. In short order the whole camp was full of the cry of sick people. So they went to Moses and told him they had sinned and sought forgiveness from God.

Now, this whole business of looking at a bronze serpent up on a wooden pole in order to be healed makes no sense at all. It makes no sense until Christ tells us in the 3rd chapter of John that the bronze serpent is a figure for Him: And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.

Someone wrote: Whoever was bitten by a poisonous snake was cured by turning his eyes in faith to the brazen serpent. So we, when are souls are wounded by the infernal serpent, shall be healed of our sins, if we, being full of faith, turn our eyes to our crucified Savior (Knecht, Commentary 183).

The bronze serpent hanging on the tree wasn't poisonous, even though it had the form of a poisonous snake. Thus, Jesus Christ, though free from the poison of sin ...took the form of sinful man, loaded himself with the sins of the world and suffered himself to be raised on and nailed to the cross in order to save all men from sin and eternal death (184).

Had there been no cross, Christ could not have been crucified. Had there been no cross, life itself could not have been nailed to the tree. And if life had not been nailed to it, there would be no streams of immortality pouring from Christ's side, blood and water for the world's cleansing...Had there been no cross, death would not have been trodden underfoot, nor hell despoiled. The cross was the means by which the devil was wounded and death conquered; the barred gates of hell were smashed, and the cross became the one common salvation of the whole world (St Andrew of Crete, Office of Readings, Sep 14).

What a weapon we have in the cross. In 1938, the year before World War II erupted, Fulton Sheen wrote: Take a gun away from Hitler, take tanks away from Stalin and let these men stand on their own moral responsibility with no other power to command than their honesty, their love of truth and their purity of heart, and see how long they could command. Our Lord has commanded obedience from the world for twenty centuries with no other weapon than a defenseless cross (The Cross and the Crisis, 95).

So we bow our head and bend our knee at the name of Jesus. We honor the Cross of Christ, our battle standard, our trophy, our weapon. See the Cross of the Lord; let all his enemies flee in terror; the lion of Judah, David's seed, is victorious, alleluia. All of us, poisoned by sin, who gaze on Him in faith shall be healed; we who turn our eyes to our crucified Savior.

CATHOLIC MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

SEVEN SORROWS OF MARY

Mary, full of sorrows, remember the anguish you felt in your heart during the suffering and death of your Son, Jesus Christ. Intercede for us and obtain for us the grace to endure our trials with faith and courage.
Amen

1. The Prophecy of Simeon (Luke 2:25-35): Simeon's prophecy foretold the suffering Mary would endure, predicting that a sword would pierce her heart as she witnessed the future trials of her son, Jesus.

2. The Flight of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph into Egypt (Matthew 2:13-15): The Holy Family's escape to Egypt to save Jesus from King Herod's massacre was a time of fear and hardship, reflecting Mary's anguish in protecting her child from danger.

3. The Loss of Jesus in the Temple (Luke 2:41-52): Losing Jesus for three days in Jerusalem brought immense sorrow and anxiety to Mary and Joseph as they searched for their beloved son, only to find him in the temple.

4. Mary Meets Jesus on the Way of the Cross (Luke 23:26-32): Encountering Jesus as He carried His cross to Calvary, Mary felt the weight of His suffering, sharing in His agony and pain.

5. Jesus Dies on the Cross (John 19:17-30): Witnessing the crucifixion, Mary stood by Jesus' side as He took His final breath, her heart breaking with each moment of His torment.

6. Mary Receives the Dead Body of Jesus (Luke 23:50-56): Holding her lifeless son in her arms, Mary experienced profound grief, yet remained steadfast in her faith.

7. Jesus is Placed in the Tomb (John 19:38-42): The sorrow of laying Jesus in the tomb marked the culmination of Mary's suffering, as she said goodbye to the physical presence of her son.

VIRTUE: PRAYER

OPORTET SEMPER ORAS ET NON DEFICERE---WE MUST ALWAYS PRAY, AND NOT FAINT.---
LUKE 18:1

PRAYER WELL MADE GIVES MUCH PLEASURE TO THE ANGELS, AND THEREFORE IT IS MUCH ASSISTED BY THEM; IT GIVES GREAT DISPLEASURE TO THE DEVILS, AND THEREFORE IS MUCH PERSECUTED AND DISTURBED BY THEM.---ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Bishop Johnston's Prayer intentions for the month of September

Please join me in praying for the desperate people of Gaza, for an end to the conflict there and the gift of a lasting and just peace.

The Holy Father's Prayer intentions for the month of September

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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
REV. DENIS KEILY COUNCIL #9401

Upcoming Events:
October 11-12: Tootsie Roll Drive
Business meetings:
2nd Saturday of each month - 9AM
For more info please contact :
Eric Niemann, Recruiter, at eniemann@1791.com

VISITATION SODALITY

The Visitation Sodality is an organization made up of all age ladies, dedicated to serving the parish and our Priest. We strive to support the liturgy and the altar, social functions and funerals. Please consider joining us in our mission to serve our parish family.

UPCOMING EVENTS

DONUT SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 21 @ 11:45 AM
MONTHLY MEETING - SEPTEMBER 24 @7 PM

Come check out our store located in the Parish Hall. We have sacramentals, gifts, books, veils, and more! All proceeds go to serving our Church and our Parish Family.

Contact Shannon Hansen for more info :
hansenfamily1999@gmail.com

ALTAR FLOWERS AT ST. ANN

You can sponsor flowers for \$40 a week in honor or memorial of a loved one. Their name and yours will be listed in the bulletin. Please make your checks payable to the Visitation Sodality and in the memo write flowers. Your gift will be assigned the next available week, unless you have a specific week in mind. Envelopes for flowers are in the back of the church and can be placed in the collection basket.

PLATTSBURG NURSING HOME APOSTOLATE

Members of our parish are currently visiting residents at Oakridge and Nick's Healthcare Center here in Plattsburg.

If you would like to be a part of this ministry, contact Terry and Carleen Miller at (816) 930-2976

LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary is a world wide lay apostolic association of Catholics dedicated to praying and working for Mary for the salvation of souls.

The parish needs people willing to give a little of their time to Mary.

There's not a better person to pray and work for but Mary, and not a better reason to pray and work than for the salvation of souls.

Meetings are Sunday mornings at 9:15 AM in the Rectory.

Questions: call Sherry Kutz (217) 260-7338