



Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church

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27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 3, 2021

Mass Times

Daily: Monday-Saturday, 8:00 am

Saturday: 4:00 pm & 5:30 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am

Confessions

Wednesday: Noon-1:00 pm

Saturday: 2:45-3:45 pm

Our readings this week speak to each of our domestic churches — the little churches that we call our families.

The First Reading from the book of Genesis takes us to the beginning of creation when God made man and woman. When Adam sees the woman he says, “This one, at last, is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called ‘woman.’”

We can almost hear the longing, gratitude, and appreciation in Adam’s voice when he meets Eve as he says, “at last.” She was a gift because she was an equal partner to him.

This was before the fall of man, meaning sin had not entered the world. Adam and Eve only viewed each other in total acceptance and love.

Our Gospel brings us to life after sin had entered the world — a time that is familiar to us. As the Pharisees

questioned Jesus about divorce, He expressed that Moses permitted it because of the hardness of man’s heart. However, Jesus was calling them to deeper holiness. He was calling them to restore the original plan God had intended for marriage, “A man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.”

Jesus’ words still apply to us here and now in each of our domestic churches. It is the task of families to tirelessly work to restore God’s original plan for marriage and family life — homes filled with gratitude, acceptance, and love.

It takes a daily commitment to live out our call to holiness to restore our families to this beautiful image.

— Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

CAMPAIGN
UPDATE 



Walls and Parking Stalls! Our new addition is taking shape. The lines have been painted for the new handicap parking stalls and the drive is now open.



Every October the Catholic Church in the United States celebrates *Respect Life Month*, and the first Sunday of October is observed as *Respect Life Sunday*. As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning to the end of their lives, and at every point in between. During the month of October, the Church asks us to reflect more deeply on the dignity of every human life.

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October 2/3 ~ All Masses

- **Knights of Columbus Baby Bottle Collection** ~ bottles will be handed out following Mass. Return with your contributions at the end of October. Donations received will go to Marys' Choices Clinic, which provides pregnancy tests, sonograms and medical consultation for women contemplating abortions. They also provide mothers-to-be with parenting classes, medical advice and counseling.
- **In preparation for the Kansas Value Them Both Amendment**, there will be a table at the south entrance after Mass. You may register to vote and request advance ballots.
- **Special message from Archbishop Nauman** highlighting the importance of Respect for Life and the urgent need to pass Value Them Both.

October 3 ~ Following 7:30 & 9:30 Masses

- **Pro-Life Breakfast** in O'Connor Hall



Respect Life Rosary, Thursday, October 14 & October 28, 6:30 pm, in the Church, and every 2nd & 4th Thursdays of the month. Join the Most Pure Heart of Mary Pro-Life Committee and the Knights of Columbus to pray for the passage of a state constitutional amendment rejecting abortion as a constitutional right. Bring your rosary and be a warrior for the cause of dispelling this grave evil of our day! For more information contact Kathleen Weaver, 213-9726.

Topeka Region

Topeka Life Chains, October 3 at 21st & Wanamaker and 29th & California 2-3:30 pm. Signs are provided. Stay as long as you're able. Questions? Wanamaker site--Bibi, 969-2706. California site--Sue, 640-5185.

Special Men's Choir If you are a gent who would like to sing in a choir at church but don't generally have the time, join other like minded men for the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, October 10, for a one-time choir experience. We will practice in the choir loft at 8:30 and sing for Mass at 9:30, with no other commitments. Please let Lucas Tappan know if you are interested, or just show up that morning (and bring a friend!).

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) If you would like more information on the Catholic Church, want to become Catholic or wish to renew your faith ~ this is for you. For more information contact Sarah Holthaus at sholthaus@mphm.com



Honestly addresses the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, especially those relating to their roles as husbands and fathers. The program harmonizes current social and medical science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of man fully alive!

That Man Is You: "All Things New" will meet in the Culhane Room on Saturday mornings, 6:30-8 am, beginning October 9. Program videos will also be available online and through the That Man Is You app. Register for free for both in-person session and online access: www.tmiy.org select the class for "Most Pure Heart of Mary Church, Topeka, KS" or send an e-mail or inquiries to: abnio@hotmail.com, or come in-person to the meeting!

Stewardship of Treasure Update Fiscal Year July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022

Weekly Total September 26, 2021

Envelopes	\$23,032
Electronic Giving	\$20,340
Plate/Loose checks	<u>\$ 1,746</u>
Total	\$45,118

Maintenance and
Improvement Fund \$ 860

Thank you...

**to all who helped with the Funeral Lunches
for Rodney Gardner on Thursday, September 23
and Ann Hanrahan on Friday, September 24**

Funeral Lunch Workers: Ann Powell, Judy Willett, Eileen Lake, Jackie Breymeyer, Rose Mary Malm, Kathy McCoy, Jan Funnell, Julane Hovorka, Sally Hubbell, Vera Lackey, Dona Nordstrom, Sharon Watkins and Pam Ferrell

Food Donors: Karen Gross, Tammy Forshee, Debbie Haas, Maggie Ferguson, Sheryl Curry, Sharon Geist, Lannie Buford, Terese Crow, Vickie Estes, Marty Clark, Mary Ellrich, Helen Fry, Anita Dreiling

Callers: Mary Jo Wurtz, Kathy McCoy

Thanks and God Bless: Pam, Janice, Joan, Jan, Judy, Julane, Anita

BOOK CLUB Most Pure Heart of Mary Book Club meets October 6 at Noon and the 1st Wednesday of each month in the Culhane Room. For questions or more information contact Rene Smith, 640-1436.

Hayden Catholic High School is accepting applications for the 2022-2023 school year. Early bird tuition reduction for incoming Freshman if application filled out by Thanksgiving. Contact haydencatholic@haydencatholic.net

Hayden offers tours for families interested in attending. Families are partnered with a Student Ambassador for a tour and question and answer session. Send an email request to: info@haydencatholic.net

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has asked Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas to help in the resettlement of Afghani citizens. If you are interested in assisting CCNEK in their mission to "Welcome the Stranger Among Us", with household or financial donations, medical care, legal assistance, rental apartments or houses, or volunteering contact refugees@catholiccharitiesks.org. For more information visit <https://catholiccharitiesks.org/afghanistan-humanitarian-crisis/>

Project Andrew Events for Young Men in High School, 1-4 pm, Sunday, October 3, Church of the Ascension, Overland Park or Sunday, October 10, Christ the King, Topeka. Come and see how your next few years can be more fulfilling, rather than risk getting lost in the culture and temptations of the day. This is an invitation every young man should take seriously. Register at <https://archkck.org/vocations/events/project-andrew>. Questions, email vocation@archkck.org or call 913-647-0303.

My House Workshop for Men, October 14-16, Savior Pastoral Center, KCKS. This is a Catholic/Christian confidential workshop for men seeking freedom from pornography addiction and other unwanted sexual behaviors. Register to attend at <http://www.centerforhealingkc.com> or call 816-786-6063.

Catholic substitute teachers, Pre-K thru 12 grade needed for the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas Catholic schools. For questions contact Allison Carney, 913-721-1570 or email acarney@archkckcs.org or complete application at <https://archkck.org/catholicschools/employment/substitute-teaching-application-page/>

The Secular Discalced Carmelite (OCDS) community of St. Joseph and The Little Flower extend an invitation to their monthly meetings this fall to Catholics who would be interested in learning more about us, with an eye to possibly discerning a call to join us. For more information, please contact: Marian Ganser, OCDS, mgocds99@gmail.com or Paula Wierman, OCDS, wireman.skater@gmail.com

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 2/October 3

4:00 pm*: † Frances Holman
 5:30 pm: Special Intention-Patty Ouellete and family
 7:30 am: † Lois Andres
 9:30 am: Most Pure Heart of Mary Parishioners
 11:30 am: † Jean Schreiner

Monday, October 4

8:00 am: † Ruth and Ernest Bell

Tuesday, October 5

8:00 am: † Joe Bonnel

Wednesday, October 6

8:00 am: † John Bonnel

Thursday, October 7

8:00 am: † Lee Schreiner

Friday, October 8

8:00 am: † Jeffrey Pointer

Saturday, October 9

8:00 am: *Collective Mass** † Eli Devlin;
 † Emily Stueve; † Peter Nash

Saturday, October 9/October 10

4:00 pm*: † Frances Neria (1st Anniversary of Death)
 7:30 am: † John Williamson
 (2nd Anniversary of Death)
 9:30 am: † Jeff Steinbock
 (22nd Anniversary of Death)
 11:30 am: Most Pure Heart of Mary Parishioners
 *Saturday evening Mass

PRAYER CORNER

Prayers/Health Issues: Ana Aguilar, Darrell Alexander, Mary Alexander, Bill, Lorine Bloodworth, Rosemary Boston, Bruce Clarke, Carter Compton, Susan Proctor-Jacobs, Hank King, Katherine Kotsch, Jana Larson, Kelly Lenz, Bill Martin, Alice McDonald, Braden McGraw, Cathy Mies, Alan Muckenthaler, Chris Oshel, Ridge Overholt, Michael Pauley, Joan Rossetto, Mary Anne Satterthwaite, Dan Shaughnessy, Bob Sutton, Dustin VanWagoner, Doris Washburn

Homebound/Long Term Health Issues: Susan Adams, Vickie Barr, Betty Casper, Marie Clemons, Clara Cooper, Alice Harnisch, Mary Hohman, Joe Hovorka, Susie Hubbs, Janice Johnson, Beverly Keffer, Mary Lou Kiene, Patricia Kratina, Cynthia Markula, Charlotte Morley, Juanita Raab, Melinda Ridgway, Bob Schaeffer, Phyllis Shaw, George Sittenauer, Emily Stafford, Nancy Weber, Lorrie West

Souls of Kathleen Prochaska, mother of Jean DeLay, **Cora Marie Joy Ford**, infant granddaughter of Allan & Vickie Holthaus, and **all the faithful departed**. May they rest in the peace of our Lord.

Intentions at St. John of the Cross Kronum, Kumasi, Ghana, said by Fr. Michael Kantanka

Living & Deceased Members of the Ronnebaum & Welch families ~ 6:00 am: October 4, 2021

† Mary Bueltel ~

6:00 am: October 5, October 6, 2021

† Zeda Gartner ~ **7:00 pm:** October 7, 2021; **6:00 am:** October 8, 2021; **8:30 am:** October 10, 2021

† Frank J. Hagen ~ **6:30 am:** October 10, 2021

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October Parish Prayer Intentions

Pope Francis:

† **Missionary Disciples** ~ We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of life that has the flavor of the Gospel.

Archbishop Joseph Naumann:

† For renewed respect for every human, recognizing that every human life is created in the Divine Image and each human being is of such worth that Jesus gave His life on Calvary

† For families and individuals to commit or recommit to praying the daily rosary.

We pray for peace and our men and women in uniform especially:

Air Force: Braden Falley, Garrett Mazachek, Amy McInteer

Army: Brad Buyle, Brodie Cronister, Jerry Monasmith, Zach Ramirez, David R. Stahl, Jr., Derek J. Waterworth

Marines: Pedro Mendina Del Real, Greyson Ghio, J.P. Ralstin

Navy: Chris Archer, Jackson Sittenauer

Law Enforcement: Eric Clinton, Bryce Cronister, Ron Gish, Joe Harrison, Emily Hren, Mike Hren, Dan Masilionis, Laura Meyer, Chris Miller, Lenora Nioce

We pray for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life from our parish, that the Lord of the harvest will send out laborers for his harvest, and for those in formation from our parish,

† Will Sutherland—priesthood

† Deacon Sudeep Kodigandla—priesthood

† Tom Doyle—permanent diaconate



October is Respect Life Month we pray that the life of every person, from conception to natural death, will be protected in our laws and cherished in our hearts.

Stay Connected

Flocknote: Many of our ministries and other groups use Flocknote to communicate. Sign up by clicking the Flocknote button at the bottom of mphm.com (it looks like a little white sheep). We send out important updates through email as soon as they occur. You can also sign up for specific communications to stay in the loop.

News and Notes: Our weekly newsletter includes an electronic version of our bulletin, upcoming events and special messages from Fr. Nathan, the Archdiocese, our ministries or our staff.

Facebook: We love to keep in touch with our community on Facebook. Be sure to follow Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church (Look for our logo) to stay up to date. The school also has a Facebook page that uses a similar logo so be sure you verify which one you are following - We suggest you follow them both so you can see what great things our school is up to!

MPHM app: From our app you can read the bulletin and weekly newsletter, view our prayer wall, look for the daily readings, sign up for the Bible in a Year, and so much more! Click on the link on the home page at mphm.com

mphm.com: Our website is full of information. From the home page you can get the app, keep up with upcoming parish events, support the parish by making electronic donations, sign up for email communications through Flocknote and register for FORMED.

St. Joseph

Faithful Protector of Mother and Child

The infant Christ “came into our world in a state of great vulnerability. He needed to be defended, protected, cared for and raised by Joseph” (PC 5). The humble and often hidden carpenter of Nazareth accompanied Mary in her pregnancy, assisted at the birth of the Messiah in a stable, presented Jesus in the Temple, fled with his family far from their homeland to protect them, and lovingly raised Jesus as his own son in the years to come.

While the angel of the Lord appeared to Mary to announce that she would bring forth the Savior of the world, it was revealed to Joseph in a series of dreams how God’s plans would be brought to fulfillment. As Pope Francis highlights, “God trusted Joseph, as did Mary, who found in him someone who would not only save her life, but would always provide for her and her child” (PC 5).

Dear St. Joseph,
help us to
imitate your
faithful trust and
courage.

Like every other human family, the Holy Family had to confront real and concrete challenges. Yet, “in every situation, Joseph declared his own ‘fiat’” (PC 3). His “yes” to the Lord meant that regardless of the hardship and personal sacrifice to himself, he consistently chose to put the needs of Mary and Jesus before his own. Joseph’s devotion helps reveal to us our own call to show special care for the lives of those whom God has entrusted to us.

During this Year of St. Joseph, each of us can find in him “an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble” (PC, Intro). Joseph shows us how to say “yes” to life, despite our own fears, frailties, and weaknesses. For it is Joseph who was “chosen by God to guide the beginnings of the history of redemption. He was the true ‘miracle’ by which God saves the child and his mother” (PC 5).

May we, too, be miracles in the lives of those who are most in need, especially at the beginning and end of life. Dear St. Joseph, you who were “able to turn a problem into a possibility by trusting always in divine providence” (PC 5), help us to imitate your faithful trust and courage.

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