Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church

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Third Sunday of Advent ~ December 11, 2022

Mass Times		Confessions	
Daily: Monday-Saturday, 8:00 am		Wednesdays	Noon
Saturday: 4:00 pm & 5:30 pm		Saturdays	2:45 - 3:45 pm
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am		1st Saturdays	7:00 - 7:45 am

Good news, Christian stewards — we are gaining ground on our Advent mountain climb and it is time to take a moment to rejoice in the Good News that our Savior will come again in triumph one day. Today's readings on this Gaudete ("Rejoice") Sunday are filled with reminders of God's final victory over suffering and injustice, and encouragement to remain steadfast in our mission to live as faith-filled disciples.

Such a day almost seems too good to be true, especially when we look around at the dire circumstances we face in our world at present. But by faith, we know this day is coming. Lest we grow weary as we await the glorious day of Christ's return, St. James, in our second reading, offers wise counsel. "Be patient, brothers and sisters, until the coming of the Lord... Make your hearts firm… Do not complain, brothers and sisters, about one another, that you may not be judged."

This is excellent advice for us Christian stewards as we face the challenges of everyday life in our broken world, especially in the hectic days that precede Christmas when stress can make us and those around us less than our best selves. St. James reminds us that we can choose our response to both the great strains and the minor annoyances of life. In other words, we can be good stewards of our attitude, "making our hearts firm" by practicing patience with others and refusing to give in to the temptation to complain.

We can choose to see and rejoice in God's presence with us, no matter the circumstances surrounding us.

— Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

Knights of Columbus Breakfast, Sunday, December 11, following the 7:30 am & 9:30 am Masses. Proceeds benefit MPHM band & choir.

Craft & Bake Sale, Sunday, December 11th in O'Connor Hall following the 7:30 am & 9:30 am Masses. Proceeds will benefit Marys' Choices

St. Martha Circle Christmas Lunch, Thursday, December 15, 11:30 am, at LaRocca's Pizza, 3100 SW Gage Blvd. Please RSVP for a reservation, by email, to December Hostess - Susan Howarter at smhowarter@gmail.com.

Living Nativity, presented by Franciscan Servants of the Holy Family, Sunday, December 11, 2-5 pm, Community Indoor Arena, Douglas County Fairgrounds, 1930 Harper St, Lawrence. Live animals, music and more. Free-will donations accepted.

The Light Has Come Advent Concert with Sarah Kroger band, Saturday, December 17, 6-8 pm Sacred Heart, Sabetha and Sunday, December 18, 6-8 pm, Eleanor's White Barn, Scranton. All ages welcome. Free will donation accepted. For more information visit, archkck.org/rural/youth

Retreat for Newly Married Couples ~ January 21-23, Queen of the Holy Rosary in Overland Park. For more information go to archkck.org/livinginlove

49th Annual Snow Ball, Saturday, January 21, Overland Park Convention Center. Funds raised support Catholic Charities' mission of providing help, hope, and hospitality to the most vulnerable in our communities. For more information visit snowballgala.org

Archdiocesan March for Life DC Adult Trip - January 19-22. Participants will make their own travel arrangements to DC then join in community for the Rally & March for Life as well as several prayer opportunities with Archbishop Naumann. For more information and to reserve a room in the Archdiocesan block of hotel rooms, visit https://archkck.org/national-march-for-life

Save the Date! Tuesday, January 24, 2023
Kansas Mass, March & Rally for Life
Visit www.archkck.org/ignite

Topeka Regional Advent Penance Services
December 10 through December 15, 2022

Saturday	December 10	9:30 am	Most Pure Heart of Mary	3601 SW 17th St
Sunday	December 11	2 pm	Mother Teresa	2014 NW 46th St
Monday	December 12	7 pm	St. Matthew	2700 SE Virginia Ave
Tuesday	December 13	7 pm	Christ the King	5973 SW 25th St
Wednesday	December 14	7 pm	Our Lady of Guadalupe	201 NE Chandler St
Wednesday	December 14	7 pm	Sacred Heart	312 NE Freeman Ave
Thursday	December 15	7 pm	Mater Dei - Holy Name	1114 SW 10th Ave

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

Weekly Total December 4, 2022	
Envelopes	$26,803
Electronic Giving	$ 2,541
Plate/Loose checks	$ 3,111
Total	$32,455
Maintenance and Improvement Fund	$ 141

CAMPAIGN UPDATE ONE heart

Preparing for Phase 3

Plans for phase three have begun. In this next phase, we will be updating the interior of the church. Stayed tuned for information

Total Received	$ 2,591,683
Donations Last Month	$ 18,075
Outstanding Pledges	$ 454,859
Anticipated funds for Phase 3	$ 72,207

Presented by trained peer leaders. Includes insightful talks, reconciliation, adoration, prayer time & optional small groups. For information and to register: archkck.org/LGW

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IN MEMORY OF _____
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IN HONOR OF _____
(Please print)

GIVEN BY _____ PHONE _____
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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday/Sunday, December 10/December 11
4:00 pm*: † Tom Zeller (4th Anniversary of Death)
5:30 pm*: For the Sanctity of Human Life
7:30 am: Most Pure Heart of Mary Parishioners
9:30 am: Special Intention-Lise Hund
11:30 am: † Mike Long

Monday, December 12
8:00 am: † Pat Robinson

Tuesday, December 13
8:00 am: Special Intention-World Youth Day

Wednesday, December 14
8:00 am: Special Intention-Joe and Anne Steinbock

Thursday, December 15
8:00 am: † Anna Dumelle

Friday, December 16
8:00 am: † Julie Schneider (1st Anniversary of Death)

Saturday, December 17
8:00 am: *Collective Mass** † Frank Brentine; † Eli Devlin; † Joseph Lee Johnson; † Emily Stueve; Special Intentions-Michael Johnson; Eden Johnson

Saturday/Sunday, December 17/December 18
4:00 pm*: † Leonard Rickelman
5:30 pm*: For the Sanctity of Human Life
7:30 am: Most Pure Heart of Mary Parishioners
9:30 am: † Graciela Berumen
11:30 am: † James Warner
Saturday evening Masses 4:00 pm and 5:30 pm

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: December 12, 2022

Living & Deceased Members of the McGivern families ~ 6:00 am: December 14, 2022

PRAYER CORNER

Prayers/Health Issues: Ana Aguilar, Darrell Alexander, Mary Alexander, Jeff Amrein, Patricia Anguiano, Lorine Bloodworth, Rosemary Boston, Leo Cangiani family, Karen Erpelding, John Harrington, Jacqueline Howard, Susan Proctor-Jacobs, Janel Meier Ketter, Vera Lackey, Kelly Lenz, Liz Little, Zach Macinski, Bill Martin, Roger Matzke, Alice McDonald, Guy McDonald, Sheryl Michaud, Cathy Mies, Alan Muckenthaler, James Patrick Neel, Sr., Teagan Neel, Ridge Overholt, Michael Pauley, Greg Pechin, Becky Reyer, Pat Robison, Mary Anne Satterthwaite, Schuh Family, Kirk Smith, Bob Sutton, Mike VanLeeuwen, Dustin VanWagoner

Homebound/Long Term Health Issues: Robbie Armentrout, Romona Arp, Vickie Barr, Susan Gonzalez, Alice Harnisch, Mary Hohman, Laraine Holland, Joe Hovorka, Suzi Hubb, Janice Johnson, Beverly Keffer, Mary Lou Kiene, Patricia Kratina, Cynthia Markula, Charlotte Morley, Phyllis Shaw, George Sittenauer, Emily Staford, Nancy Weber,

Souls of Don Flynn, Salome Wirtz, husband of Evelyn Wirtz, **and all the faithful departed**. May they rest in the peace of our Lord.

If you or your loved one is better please let us know and we will update the prayer list.

Marriage Banns

Luke Seymour & Bridget Sutherland
Friday, December 17, 2022

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