



Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church

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THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ NOVEMBER 16, 2025

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

Wednesdays	Noon
Saturdays	2:45 - 3:45 pm
1st Saturdays	7:00 - 7:45 am

READINGS: Mal 3:19-20A; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

As we approach the end of the liturgical year, our readings offer a sober reminder that this life is not our aim and that God's justice will triumph in the end. Now is the time to get our priorities in order, putting God above all else as his faithful stewards.

This theme of right priorities is rolled out in no uncertain terms from the first verse of our first reading from Malachi. "Lo, the day is coming, blazing like an oven, when all the proud and all evildoers will be stubble and the day that is coming will set them on fire."

But there is good news for those who are faithful. "For you who fear my name, there will arise the sun of justice with its healing rays." All the trials, any sufferings, or injustices we endure for the sake of the Gospel, will be healed and we will be rewarded in the end by our loving God who cannot be outdone in generosity.

Our second reading, from St. Paul's letter to the Thessalonians, reinforces the message that we must order our lives so that they direct the attainment of holiness and nothing else. We see in this passage that conducting ourselves as good stewards involves not only action in certain areas (intentional prioritizing of our time, talents, and treasure); it also means refraining from certain actions and areas that are none of our concern.

St. Paul puts it this way: "some are conducting themselves among you in a disorderly way, by not keeping busy but minding the business of others." It can be tempting in family life, work life, and parish life, especially for those go-getters among us, to want to insert ourselves (to help, of course!) into others' way of doing things. But a good steward must have the humility to

recognize that God has given gifts to everyone and that the way others use their gifts is between them and God. Besides, with a strong stewardship plan of life, we should have plenty to focus on without worrying about how those around us are operating.

Finally, our Lord brings home the urgency of right priorities in our Gospel passage from Luke, reminding the people around him who were looking at the temple nearby, "All that you see here — the days will come when there will not be left a stone upon another stone that will not be thrown down." All in this world is passing, our Lord reminds us. We must keep our focus on eternity.

Yet before the eternal bliss of heaven, we should expect to be tried and tested. "Before all this happens, however, they will seize and persecute you, they will hand you over to the synagogues and to prisons and they will have you led before kings and governors because of my name."

Sounds scary. But if you are living a stewardship way of life, there is nothing to fear. You have a plan in place. All you need to do is stick with it. Put our Lord first in your time, with your talents, and through your use of treasure. This way of life is not meant to be easy. But Jesus promises it will lead to eternal salvation and the joy of union with Him. "You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed. By your perseverance, you will secure your lives."

Onward, Christian stewards, the struggle is worth the joy that awaits!

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Book of the Dead—During November, the Church traditionally prays in a special way for the faithful departed. You are invited to record the names of your deceased loved ones in our Book of the Dead, located at the South side altar. Kindly pray for the souls of all those recorded in this book.

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of Christ, rest in peace. Amen.

St. Theresa Sewing Group: Wednesday, November 19, 6-8 pm, at St. Vincent's, 1800 SW Stone, to tie and finish quilts for the needy. All are welcome to join us. For more details contact Mary Ann, 785-220-2693.



Attention MPHM Members & Friends!

- How often do you “intentionally” invest quality time into your most important relationship?
- How would your relationship be impacted if you committed to one date each month?

Now is the time to invest in quality time with your spouse!

This winter, join the DATE NIGHT CHALLENGE!
monthly date nights designed to bring more intentionality (and fun!) into your marriage or relationship.



Register and enter a chance to win an amazing prize!

[HTTPS://BIT.LY/MPHMDATENIGHTS](https://bit.ly/MPHMDATENIGHTS)



Join other “Widowed Women of FaiTh”, Tuesday, November 18, 11 am-1 pm, and every 3rd Tuesday of the month, for lunch and companionship in the back room at Perkins, 1720 SW Wanamaker Rd. No RSVP needed. Questions? Call Julie, 913-558-0191 or email WidowedWomenofFaith@gmail.com.

Christian Widow and Widowers Organization (*open to all faiths*) **Holiday potluck luncheon**, Thursday, November 20, 1:30 pm in the Culhane Room at Most Pure Heart of Mary (*note time change*). Bring a covered dish or dessert. Bring a \$5-10 value gift for exchange after dinner, can be a white elephant. For more information, text Gen Orozco, 785-230-2473.

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

Living & Deceased Members of the Ronnebaum & Welch families ~ 6:00 am: November 17, 2025

† Ann Deitcher ~ 6:00 am: November 18, 2025;
7:00 am: November 20, 2025;
6:30 am: November 23, 2025

Living & Deceased Members of the Appel & Crock families ~ 6:00 am: November 19, 2025

Living & Deceased Members of the McGivern families ~ 6:00 am: November 21, 2025

† Clem Crawford ~ 8:30 am: November 23, 2025

Correction:

In the November 2, 2025 bulletin listing of those whose funerals were held through Most Pure Heart of Mary Parish a name was listed incorrectly.

This is the correct name:

Janet Schmittlein-Sparling
May her soul rest in peace



November Rosary Rally Sunday, November 16, 3-4:15 pm, St. Mary's-St. Anthony's, 615 N 7th St Traf-ficway, KCKS. Honor Our Blessed Mother and Our Lady of Fatima as we pray the Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious mysteries of the Holy Rosary followed by Benediction and the opportunity for attendees to enroll in the Brown Scapular. For driving instructions or future dates for the Kansas City monthly Holy Rosary rallies, please visit www.rosaryrallieskc.org



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Holy Angels Choir
Directed by Laura Beeves, Music Director

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH, 2025 @ 6:30 PM

Holy Angels Catholic Church
15440 Leavenworth Rd, Basehor, KS 66007

Kindly RSVP at cfnek.org/events/st-cecilia-mass-and-reception

Stewardship of Treasure Update Fiscal Year July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026

Weekly Total November 9, 2025

Envelopes	\$25,518
Electronic Giving	\$16,955
Plate/Loose checks	\$ 3,530
Total	\$46,003

Maintenance and Improvement Fund \$ 1,980

Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS) On behalf of His Excellency, The Most Reverend Timothy P. Broglio, Archbishop for the Military services, USA (AMS) thank you to all those who contributed to this National Collection and supporting the men and women, and their families, from our own parish and diocese who serve and protect this great nation, and who defend the freedoms we hold dear. Please pray for an increase in vocation to the priesthood and military chaplaincy.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development - In the United States, over 11% of the population lives in poverty. Through this collection, you support programs that address the root causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect remain in our diocese to fund local antipoverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and those working on the margins. Learn more at www.usccb.org/cchd

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**

Holy Wash Ministry

The linens used at every Mass require special laundering. At this time there is need for a volunteer to join the team. This would be a once a month commitment. Training is provided. There is also a need for someone to help with the regular wash which would be once per week. For more information and to volunteer contact Anna, 785-249-9783

Thank you from the Funeral Dinner Committee



A funeral lunch was held for the family & friends of Anne Steinbock on November 7. Food was donated by 25 parishioners and 7 parishioners served the lunch for 55 guests.

We appreciate all those that volunteered!

Thanks and God Bless: Judy, Pam, Janice, Jan, Lise.

Pancake Feed for



Cor Christi
CATHOLIC CENTER

November 16th @ 7:30am to 10am

Put on by MTCC Knights of Columbus
2014 NW 46th Street, Topeka, KS



Can't make it?
Donate online at wucatholic.com or mail your donation to:
Cor Christi Catholic Center, 1633 SW Jewell, Topeka, KS 66604



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Wednesday, November 19, 2025

11:30 AM: Check-In, Free Lunch, & Networking
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM: Presentation



**Mater Dei Catholic Church
Event Center**

1114 SW 10th Ave. Topeka, KS 66604

Register



cfnek.org/events



913-647-3062



cfnek@archkck.org

Guest Speaker

Bill Eckert

AEP, CAP Senior Financial Advisor
Renaissance Financial

MPHM YARD ROCKS

PREORDER YOURS TODAY!

Just in time for Christmas gifts, order a custom MPHM yard rock to decorate a front yard.

- Rocks measure 11" x 9" and sell for \$100.
- Proceeds support MPHM Parent Teacher Ministry.
- Order at bit.ly/mphmyardrocks or scan the QR code.
- Choose payment when ordering.
- Pick up December 17 at MPHM school.

**\$100**

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of Mary**

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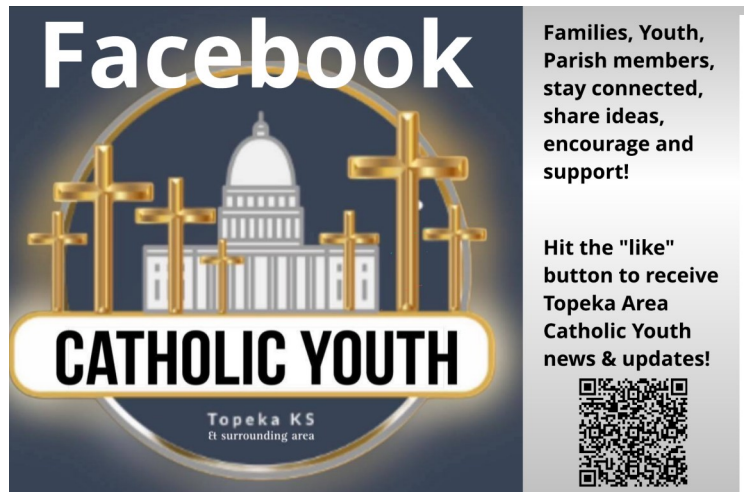
IT'S TIME AGAIN FOR THE MOST PURE HEART OF MARY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE!

Help our students enjoy shopping for their family and friends by donating your used items, shoe box size or smaller, to the school office starting Monday, November 24th. Especially needed are items for our dads and brothers (think sports and tools), also Christmas decorations, jewelry, games, anything that would make a good present. We will also take old gift bags and packaging materials. Items accepted through Tuesday, December 9th.

This event always brings our students so much joy.

Thank you for your help!





Pope Leo XIV Digital Dialogue with Young People, Friday, November 21. Pope Leo will dialogue directly with young people during the National Catholic Youth Conference and your family can join from home. Free registration at NCYC.us/digitalexperience

Registration is OPEN - IGNITE for Life & the Kansas March for Life, January 28, 2026

Register today for **IGNITE for LIFE 2026** on January 28th in Topeka! *IGNITE for LIFE* is an inspirational, pro-love rally for the protection of children in the womb and women facing challenging pregnancies. The event consists of live music, motivational speakers, the celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of Mass with the Bishops of Kansas, and a fun and educational ministry fair. Following IGNITE, all are invited to join in the Kansas March for Life to the capitol for the Kansans for Life rally. IGNITE for Life is sponsored by the Pro-Life Office of the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas. To register for this FREE event, visit www.archkck.org/IGNITE.

James W Gibbons Assembly #286

2026 Post Secondary Scholarship Application

One (1) \$1,000 scholarship will be Awarded on merit to the successful applicant for either college, seminarian, vocational or technical training. The scholarship is open to any post secondary student regardless of age or level of completion. A qualified applicant needs to be a practicing Catholic, but does not need to be a member of the Knights of Columbus. Copy the attached link to access the application :<https://tinyurl.com/mryr5m27>

Mail completed application to:

c/o Jack Figgs Faithful Comptroller
James W Gibbons ASM # 286
1158 SW Randolph Ave
Topeka, Kansas 66604

Must be postmarked by February 28, 2026.

In celebration of Carlo Acutis' canonization, *Pace e Bene Catholic Shoppe* in Atchison, Kansas has opened a permanent religious exhibit consisting of the 150 Miracles of the Eucharist posters, 300 first class relics, and a museum-quality replica of the Shroud of Turin. Talks by store owner and professional theologian Dr. Mark J. Zia to small groups are available upon request. We are located at 503 Commercial Street, Atchison, Kansas 66002 and can be reached for questions via email at PaceBeneKS@gmail.com

Scholarship Opportunity for High School Seniors

Jimmy and Lupe Martinez were members of Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish and engaged in supporting the Church through various ministries. To continue their legacy the family has established the "James (Jimmy) and Lupe Martinez Scholarship" Applications are now being taken through February 3, 2026. The candidates will exhibit leadership skills and participation in the Topeka Hispanic community as they pursue their post high school dreams. To be considered for the scholarship the applicant must:

1. Be a Hispanic senior student at any Topeka area school.
2. Plan to attend a post-secondary institution on a full-time basis. This includes vocational and technical schools.
3. Have a strong balance of grade point average, involvement and/or leadership in school and/or community activities.

For more information and to apply go to:

<https://topekacommunityfoundation.org/scholarships-apply-here>

Catholic Community Zoo Lights Event



TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2

LOCATION: THE TOPEKA ZOO

Mark Your
Calendar



THE TOPEKA & LAWRENCE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
INVITE EVERYONE TO JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF
FUN AND FELLOWSHIP

2025 Doorstep Christmas Family Adoptions

This year, through the United Way Christmas Bureau, Doorstep is adopting over 260 Shawnee County households, and we can't hold this event without your support!

☞ Two ways to help:

- **Shop & Drop:** Purchase new items from the list below and bring them to Doorstep (*call for drop-off times*)
- **Give & Impact:** Use the form on the right to make a tax-deductible donation so we can buy the needed gifts.

☞ **We're Tax Exempt!** This means 100% of your financial gift goes directly to the gifts we purchase for families.

Please have your gifts to Doorstep by 12/9/2025

Toys & Gifts For All Ages

- Adult Coloring Books
- Learning Toys
- Books / Book Sets
- Sports Balls
- Lego Sets
- Pokemon Toys
- Hello Kitty & Paw Patrol
- Avengers / Marvel Toys
- Star Wars
- Puzzles / Board Games
- Make-Up / Finger Nail Kits
- Art Canvases
- Paints & Brushes
- Markers / Colored Pencils



Men's & Women's Gifts

- Women Bath & Body Sets
- Men's Gift Sets (Axe / Old Spice)
- Wallets or Finger Nail Sets
- Hoodies (All Sizes)

Household Items

- Blankets - King/Queen
- Sauce Pans
- Bake-ware Sets
- Dish Sets
- Utensil Sets
- Pots & Pans
- Cleaning Supplies
- Tool Kits



If you would like to donate your time to volunteer for this event, we have many jobs during our distribution days of December 16-18.

Both physical and non-physical jobs are available.

Please reach out to Lisa Cain at 785-357-5341 to sign up.



Our Need	Household and Individual Gifts	Suggested Gift to Doorstep	Quantity	Total
Christmas for Entire Households (Food, Gifts, & Gift Cards)				
5	Household of 8	\$650.00		
6	Household of 7	\$585.00		
6	Household of 6	\$535.00		
10	Household of 5	\$475.00		
70	Household of 4	\$360.00		
65	Household of 3	\$275.00		
80	Household of 2	\$210.00		
18	Household of 1	\$140.00		

Food Orders for a Household (HH)				
27	Large Food Order (HH Size 5-8)	\$110.00		
135	Medium Food Order (HH Size 3-4)	\$70.00		
98	Small Food Order (HH Size 1-2)	\$45.00		

Individual & Household Gifts				
100	Pot / Pan Set	\$50.00		
100	Dish Set / Crock Pot	\$40.00		
470	Adult Gift	\$30.00		
260	Hygiene Kit	\$25.00-\$45.00		
350	Child or Teen Gift	\$25.00		
280	Towel Set	\$20.00		
200	Board Game / Puzzle	\$15.00		

Individual Gift Cards				
821	\$20 Gift Card	\$20.00		

Each Individual in a Household gets a \$20 gift card along with other gifts and food

General Cash Donation	
General Cash Donation	
Total Gift Enclosed →	

Name: _____ Congregation: _____

Address: _____

Fill out this form and return it with your tax deductible donation to:

Doorstep 1119 SW 10th Ave, Topeka, KS 66604

Please note, due to the size and nature of this event, we are unable to provide specifics of how your donation was used. However, you can rest assured that any and all donations we receive will be used to directly benefit the families we adopt.

Advent Silent Retreat: Dawn of the Messiah, December 5-7, Christ's Peace House of Prayer, 22131 Meagher Road - Easton, KS. Prepare your heart for Christ's coming with a silent Advent retreat based on Edward Sri's Dawn of the Messiah. We will prayerfully explore the Old Testament prophecies fulfilled in Jesus and reflect on God's faithful promises. Through Scripture and quiet contemplation, we will consider how Advent invites us to await the Messiah with hope and how Christ's coming renews our faith. Join us for a time of silence and reflection as we open our hearts to the mystery and grace of Christ's birth. Cabins/Courtyard Rooms: \$180 Single/\$270 Couple or Single Guest Rooms: \$110 (Meals Included). To attend, fill out the Individual Retreat Form at ChristsPeace.com or call 913-773-8255.



Apple Podcasts, Spotify, or wherever you get your podcasts!

The Archdiocese is excited to announce the launch of **The Curious Catholic**, a new podcast created to inspire, educate, and accompany both lifelong Catholics and those who are searching for deeper meaning and truth. Find it on

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday/Sunday, November 15 / November 16

4:00 pm*: Most Pure Heart of Mary Parishioners
 5:30 pm*: Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
 7:30 am: † Caroline and Edmund Miller
 9:30 am: † Jim and Dorothy Davis
 11:30 am: † Al and Lisa Hermsen

Monday, November 17

8:00 am: † Virginia Holmes

Tuesday, November 18

8:00 am: † Rose Marie Greisen

Wednesday, November 19

8:00 am: † Annette Festa

Thursday, November 20

8:00 am: † Elizabeth Ann Gannon

Friday, November 21

8:00 am: † Bonnie Siebert

Saturday, November 22 Collective Mass*

† Joseph L. Johnson; † Eli Devlin; † Emily Stueve;
 † Leo Becker; † Brady Richmuth;
 Poor Souls in Purgatory;
 Special Intentions-Michael L. Johnson; Eden Johnson;
 Paul, Lise Hund and family

Saturday/Sunday, November 22/ November 23

4:00 pm*: † Harold and Gertrude Michaelis
 5:30 pm*: Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
 7:30 am: † Lyle Giersch (13th Anniversary of Death)
 9:30 am: † Phyllis Hendrickson
 11:30 am: Most Pure Heart of Mary Parishioners

**Saturday evening Masses 4:00 pm and 5:30 pm*

Most Pure Heart of Mary - Legion of Mary, a lay apostolic association that serves the Church on a voluntary basis, meets every Wednesday, 5:30 pm in the lower level of the Parish Center. Attend a meeting or two-no obligation to join. For more information call Jerry Baker, 785-383-4054.

PRAYER CORNER

Prayers for Homebound and Health Issues:

Michael Adams	Sandra Kraus
Darrell Alexander	Steve LaGrone
Robbie Armentrout	Jan Lippincott
Mary Jo Bergkamp	Cynthia Markula
Carolyn Brentlinger	Margaret Masilionis
Owen Burns	Jerri & Roger Matzke
Dory Bushong	Cathy Mies
Steve Clifton	Jennifer Newcomer
Kelly Davis	Andrea Diane Nienhuis
Barbara Duran	Mike Nolen
Vincent Gish	Sarah O'Loughlin
Judy Hartegan	Stephani Paletta
Connie Hartley	Patricia Quinn
LeRoy Haug	Bruce Reichmuth
Maurine Hilding	Marvin Renyer
Michael Hogan	Becky Reyer
Mary Hohman	Jimmy Rogers
Joe Hovorka	Teri Rogers
Julane Hovorka	Ford Ross
Suzi Hubb	Phyllis Shaw
Janice Johnson	Maureen Smith
Johnny King	Joe & Mary Tetuan
Sandy Klene	Matt Tull
Darryl Krape	Pio & Adela Vargas
Patricia Kratina	Nancy Weber

Souls of all the faithful departed. May they rest in the peace of our Lord.



Kaleb Schumaker & Lesly Munoz-Villalobos
Saturday, November 22, 2025

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