



Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church

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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - FEBRUARY 15, 2026

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



ACTS
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CALL TO SHARE

In-pew Appeal February 14 & 15

- Please see the pledge cards in the pews.
- You may also use the QR Code to make a donation or pledge.



Sometimes it is difficult to be told what to do. Our independent natures balk, and we question, “Why do I have to do this or don’t do that?” In today’s Gospel, Jesus isn’t just enumerating what we should and shouldn’t do. He is inviting us into a deeper understanding and relationship with him, one that extends beyond external adherence to the rules and legalese.

During Lent, we abstain from meat on Fridays. Why? Because this is what the Church dictates? Is it just another example of the hoops we jump through as Catholics? Not even close. It’s much more beautiful. Foregoing steak on Friday is one very small way we can deny ourselves and experience the mortification Christ felt on the cross. It’s an opportunity to more fully understand Jesus’ sacrifice and appreciate his suffering on our behalf. It’s so much more than “because the Church says so.”

Lent is approaching. It is a time for prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Let us prepare for this holy season by spending a few extra minutes a day in prayer, thinking of ways we can deny ourselves to better identify with the suffering Christ, and provide support to the Church’s ministries and programs, like making a gift to ACTS.



Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus and Birthright, would like to thank the members of the parish for all of the generous donations to support Birthright moms and their babies.



MPHM Fish Fry:

Volunteers needed - We have many areas that will need volunteer help. These are an excellent opportunity for service hours! Please call Barbara Montgomery at 785-633-0002 to offer your assistance.

Desserts needed - Please donate desserts for our meals. One week, or every week, desserts are always welcome. Please drop them off on Friday afternoons in O'Connor Hall.

Fish Frys are open from 5:30-7:00 pm on Fridays, February 20-March 27. Dine-in or carry out.

Menu:

Fried or Baked Fish
Fried Popcorn Shrimp
Mac & Cheese
French Fries / Baked Potato
Cole Slaw
Dessert

Donations:

\$12 - Adults 11 & older
\$5 - Children (4-10)
Free - 3 and under
\$40 - Household Maximum

Christian Widow and Widowers Organization (open to all faiths) will have a soup lunch in the Culhane Room on Thursday, February 26 at 1:30 pm. Soup will be provided. Bring a side dish or dessert. Quarter Bingo will be played after lunch. For information, text Gen Orozco at 785-230-2473.

Daughters of Isabella - will meet February 22 in Yadrich Hall at Christ the King, 5973 SW 25th St. A rosary will begin at 12:50 pm, followed by the business meeting and celebration of our 97th birthday. If anyone knows of a member or family member of Daughters of Isabella in need of the Circle's prayers, call Shirley Gustafson at 785-554-3028 or Chancellor Bibi Zwieg at 785-969-2706.



CATHOLIC CHARITIES FOOD DRIVE

1:00-3:00 PM SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 21, 2026

IN FRONT OF ST. VINCENT'S: 1800 SW STONE
AVE - TOPEKA

No Glass Please

Food Needs: Canned Meats, Canned Fruits and Vegetables, Soups, Pasta, Boxed Meals, Beans (dry or canned), Breakfast Foods, Baking Items, Condiments, Bottled Water

Hygiene Needs: Shampoo, Deodorant, Tooth Brushes, Tooth Paste, Small Kleenex Packs, Lip Balm, Combs/Brushes, Razors, Shaving Cream, Feminine Products

Cleaning Needs: Dish Soap, All-Purpose Cleaner, Paper Towels, Toilet Paper, Laundry Soap



Archdiocesan 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration 2026:

Sunday, June 7th at 2:00 pm at the
Church of the Nativity in Leawood, KS.

To receive your invitation, please call the church office at 785-272-5590 or email mapel@mphm.com. We will need your names, address, phone number and the date of your wedding.

Save the Date
Kindergarten Round UP

Come check out Most Pure Heart of Mary School and Meet the Teachers; Visit a classroom & meet some other future Bobcats!

**WHEN: THURSDAY, MARCH 12TH OR
ON FRIDAY, MARCH 13TH 2026**
WHERE: MPH M SCHOOL

Questions: Call 785-272-4313 or email kcolter@mphm.com



Renew & Rediscover

A Retreat for Married Couples

April 17 & 18, 2026

17th: 6:00-9:00 pm (dinner included)

18th: 9:00 am-5:00 pm (lunch included)

\$50/couple

Scan QR Code for more information and to register.



https://relatewellinstitute.com/event_details/april-2026-marriage-retreat/

Location:

Most Pure Heart of Mary
O'Connor Hall - Parish Center
1750 SW Stone Ave
Topeka, KS 66604
785-272-5590
www.mphm.com

Newlyweds or seasoned in marriage, this is the retreat you don't want to miss. Learn practical and engaging skills to reflect the heart of God in your marriage.

Learn How To:

- Effectively Communicate
- Resolve Conflict
- Fall more deeply in love with the one you married



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Ash Wednesday

February 18, 2026

Masses: 7:00 am, Noon, & 6:00 pm

Stations of the Cross

- Fridays: February 20th through March 27th at 5:00 pm
- Good Friday - April 3rd at Noon

Sacrament of Penance: Feb. 18 - April 1

Wednesdays: Noon

Saturdays: 2:45-3:45 pm

First Saturday: March 7, 7:00-7:45 am

**** No Confessions Ash Wednesday, Feb. 18**

**** No Confessions Holy Saturday, April 4**

Communal Penance Services:

Saturday, March 7, 9:00 am at Most Pure Heart of Mary

Sunday, March 8, 2:00 pm at Mother Teresa

Monday, March 9, 7:00 pm at Our Lady of Guadalupe &
7:00 pm at Sacred Heart-St. Joseph

Tuesday, March 10, 7:00 pm at Christ the King

Wednesday, March 11, 7:00 pm at St. Matthew

Thursday, March 12, 7:00 pm at Mater Dei (Holy Name)

Disciplines of Fasting and Abstinence

- Catholics in good health ages 18 - 59 are required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting consists of eating less (reducing your overall food consumption by one meal) and eliminating snacks.
- Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays during Lent.

Stewardship of Treasure Update	
Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026	
Weekly Total Feb. 4 - 10, 2026	
Envelopes	\$70,938
Electronic Giving	\$17,319
Plate/Loose Checks	\$2,762
Total	\$91,019
Maintenance and Improvement Fund	\$1,810

Join other “Widowed Women of FaiTh” - Tuesday, February 17, 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.

Serra Club (Vocations Awareness) - will meet on Monday, February 16th, from 5:30-7:30 pm at Christ the King Church. The evening will include prayer, a vocation talk by Fr. Anthony Ouellette, and a potluck dinner.

Cor Christi Lenten Dinner Fundraiser

Meatless Mexican Dinner will be served Friday, February 20, following the 5:30 pm Stations of the Cross at Mother Teresa of Calcutta. Free will donations will support Cor Christi Catholic Center at Washburn University's fall Delectus Retreat. This is a retreat put on for students by students. Last year 23 students attended! We are praying for more this year!!!

Christ's Peace House of Prayer - Easton, KS

- Feb. 20-22: Lenten Silent Retreat: Into the Desert - Perfect for Lent!
Invites you into repentance, interior renewal, and a deeper listening to the Lord's voice. You will walk with the Lord into the desert, listening to His voice and preparing to receive the graces He desires to give during this sacred season.
 - March 27-29: Silent Retreat: Behold the Man
 - April 10-12: Into the Heart of Mercy
- Accommodations (meals included): Cabins or Courtyard Rooms \$180 single / \$270 couple or Single Guest Rooms or Hermitage \$110.
www.christspeace.com or 913-773-8255



Catholic Justice Workshop

February 28, 2026

9:30 - 11:30 am

Mater Dei Event Center

Join the Justice Ministries of Mater Dei, Christ the King, Mother Teresa of Calcutta, and Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Parishes for a “Doing Justice Workshop”.

This event will include a reflection of how Pope Leo's *Dilexi Te* connects to the justice ministry work being done in our community.

For Topeka JUMP members - this event does count towards your network meeting.

Please make plans to attend!

Hayden Blue & Gold Gala

Hayden Catholic High School invites you to the annual Blue & Gold Gala on Saturday, April 25th. Use the QR Code for details!



Totus Tuus Missionaries Needed

The Archdiocese of Kansas City, KS, is seeking missionaries for the 2026 Totus Tuus team. Missionaries will travel to parishes in the archdiocese, spending a week at each parish and running programs for elementary-aged children during the day and teens during the evening. Missionaries share in Christian community with the parishes they are visiting, participating in events, and staying with host families. Throughout their time with the community, they seek to give witness to their love for Christ and his Church and share their enthusiasm. The team also strives to create an authentic Christian community with each other: praying, working, sharing, and spending many hours together to provide mutual support.

Two-month commitment (5/26-8/1, 2026). Includes training. Applicants must be 18 or older (by May), have an authentic, dynamic Catholic faith, and actively living the teachings of the Catholic Church. More information may be found at the bottom of this site by using the QR code.



MASS INTENTIONS**Monday, February 16**

8:00 am (T): † Carole Greene

Tuesday, February 17

8:00 am (H): † Carlito Maligro

Wednesday, February 18 - Ash Wednesday

7:00 am (H): † Frank Baxter

12:00 pm (H): Most Pure Heart of Mary Parishioners

6:00 pm (T): † Don Kuckelman

Thursday, February 198:00 am (H): † Mary Alice Murphy (1st Anniversary of Death)**Friday, February 20**

8:00 am (T): Carter Tappan

Saturday, February 218:00 am Collective Mass (H): † Eli Devlin; † Wayne Smith (1st Anniversary of Death); † Young Child; Eva Simeka; Maxine Hoffa

4:00 pm (H): † Julie Mohan

5:30 pm (T): Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life

Sunday, February 22

7:30 am (H): † Norman Hogan

9:30 am (H): † Rockney O'Donnell

11:30 am (T): Most Pure Heart of Mary Parishioners

*Celebrants: Fr. Nathan Haverland (H); Fr. Tanti (T)
Celebrants are subject to last-minute changes***PRAYER CORNER****Prayers for Homebound and Health Issues**

Michael Adams	Darryl Krape
Darrell Alexander	Patricia Kratina
Robbie Armentrout	Sandra Kraus
Vickie Barr	Steve LaGrone
Mary Jo Bergkamp	Jan Lippincott
Carolyn Brentlinger	Toni Lippincott
Owen Burns	Margaret Masilionis
Dory Bushong	Jerri & Roger Matzke
Ed Carter	Cathy Mies
Steve Clifton	Jennifer Newcomer
Kelly Davis	Andrea Diane Nienhuis
Pat Dugan	Mike Nolen
Darara Duran	Sarah O'Laughlin
Vincent Gish	Stephani Paletta
Judy Hartegan	Patricia Quinn
LeRoy Haug	Becky Reyer
Michael Hogan	Jimmy Rogers
Mary Hohman	Teri Rogers
Joe Hovorka	Ford Ross
Julane Hovorka	Phyllis Shaw
Suzi Hubb	Maureen Smith
Janice Johnson	Jane Spice
Johnny King	Joe & Mary Tetuan
Sandy Klene	Pio & Adela Vargas
	Nancy Weber

Souls of Larry Herbers - father of Shannon Peavler, and all the faithful departed. May they rest in the peace of our Lord.**CONTACTS**

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School: 1750 SW Stone Ave. Topeka, KS 66604 ~ 785-272-4313 ~ Child Care Office ~ 785-272-4791

Parish Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 am-5:00 pm.

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