



Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church

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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME - AUGUST 23, 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

Readings: IS 22:19-23; PS 138:1-3, 6, 8; ROM 11:33-36; MT 16:13-20

Today's Gospel from Matthew invites us to examine whether our lives truly give God the glory He deserves. It begins with a question Jesus asks His disciples. First He asks, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" They offer several responses. Then Jesus makes the question personal: "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answers without hesitation: "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

Jesus asks each of us that same question today. As Christian stewards and disciples, we would likely answer just as Peter did. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God.

But does the way we live reflect that profession of faith? If we truly believe Christ came to save us from our sins and lead us to heaven, then our lives should proclaim that truth as clearly as our words. Do my priorities and ambitions reflect that Christ is my Savior? Does the way I use my time, talents, and treasure show that I am His disciple?

Every blessing God has entrusted to us is meant to be used for His glory. The greatest praise we can offer Him is a life lived in grateful response to His unfathomable love. That is the beauty and power of the stewardship way of life.

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Thank you from the Funeral Dinner Committee



A funeral lunch was held for the family & friends of Mary Holman on August 12th. Thanks to the generosity of 19 parishioners who donated food and the dedication of five who served it, 50 guests enjoyed a delicious meal.

We appreciate all those that volunteered!

Thanks and God Bless: Judy, Pam, Janice, Jan, Lise, Doris, Mary Jo, Elizabeth

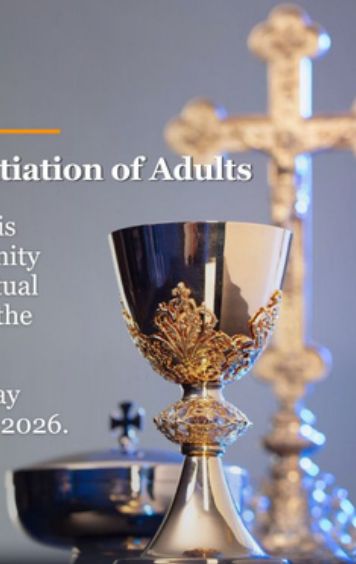
OCIA

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Formerly known as RCIA, this process provides an opportunity for questions, learning, spiritual growth, and preparation for the sacraments.

Come journey with us Tuesday evenings starting September 2026.

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Baptism

Please welcome this child recently baptized
at Most Pure Heart of Mary:

Mary Ann Lane
child of Jaylen & Paula Lane

Myles Rance McKenzie
child of Christopher & Candice McKenzie

May the Holy Spirit continue to guide them
all the days of their lives.



FOOD DRIVE!

for Catholic Charities

Saturday, August 29
from 1-3 PM

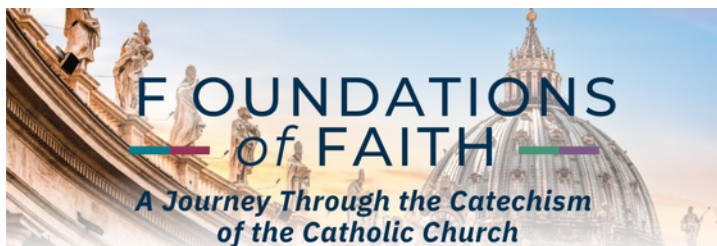
In front of St. Vincent's
1800 SW Stone Ave.

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

NO GLASS PLEASE

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



A Journey Through the Catechism of the Catholic Church

Join us for this 20-part series for a comprehensive exploration of the Catechism, unpacking its rich theological insights and helping you apply them to your everyday life.

Whether you're a beginner or looking to deepen your faith - this study is for you!

Thursdays, 9:30 - 11:00 AM
September 17 - November 19
January 7 - March 11
Materials: \$40

Questions or registration:
Sarah Holthaus
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CUB SCOUTS BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER

Support Scouts and enjoy breakfast
after 7:30am and 9:30am masses

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23
O'CONNOR HALL



**SAUSAGE, PANCAKES,
EGGS, HASHBROWNS,
BISCUITS & GRAVY**
FREEWILL DONATION



MPHM FALL FESTIVAL

KIDS VENDOR MARKET

SHOW OFF YOUR TALENTS & SELL YOUR CREATIONS AT THE FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

- Set up starts at 12:00pm in west playground parking lot
- Market is open 2:00-6:00pm
- 1 table, 2 chairs per vendor provided
- Sign up today to reserve your spot!



MPHM FALL FESTIVAL

SEPTEMBER 19
2:00-8:00PM

FOOD, FUN & FELLOWSHIP

Chili Dinner & Concessions
Carnival Games
Kids Market
Beer Garden
Live Band
Bingo

Volunteer sign up
bit.ly/26festivalvolunteers

Event details
bit.ly/mphmfallfestival



You're Invited to

Pizza & Parenting

New Topic:
Parenting
As A Team

Connect with other families and gain insight through a video-based parenting series. New Families welcome even if you couldn't make the first session

Sept 11th 5:30-7:30pm
O'Connor Hall

Childcare Available

Register here:
https://communio.io/c/mostpureheart/e/SeptemberPizzaParenting?utm_code=IR



THAT MAN IS YOU!

is an interactive men's program combining the best research from science with the teachings of the Catholic faith and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of man fully alive. By honestly addressing the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, That Man is You! seeks to form men who will be capable of transforming homes and society.



THE REVELATION OF THE FATHER

FEATURING A POWERFUL TEAM OF PRESENTERS

EXPERIENCE THE POWER OF TRANSFORMATION AS YOU DISCOVER:

- The Catholic vision of love and marriage: powerful enough to break through modern emptiness and lead men to true greatness.
- How modern neuroscience affirms what the Church has always taught: a man is made for heroic love, faithful commitment, and lasting fatherhood.
- How to reclaim the strength, honor, and eternal significance of a father's heart and its role in forming souls for eternity.
- How to face the battles confronting fathers and gain the clarity, tools, and conviction needed to lead your family.
- St. Joseph: the model of authentic masculinity and guide for becoming a man after God's own heart.
- The renewal God is calling forth in men today: a renewal that will restore fathers, rebuild marriages, strengthen families, and change the world.



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PROGRAM INFORMATION:

Begins Saturday, September 12

Saturdays 6:15am - 7:50am

MPHM Parish Center, Culhane Room,
1800 Sw Stone Ave, Topeka, KS

SCHEDULE:

6:15am Doors Open/Breakfast

6:30am Presentation

7:00am Discussion

7:30am Rosary

REGISTRATION:

For more information or to
register scan QR code or contact

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Stewardship of Treasure Update	
Fiscal Year July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027	
Weekly Total August 12 - August 18, 2026	
Envelopes	\$34,741
Electronic Giving	\$15,014
Plate/Loose Checks	\$3,212
Total	\$52,967
Maintenance and Improvement Fund	\$691

Christian Widow and Widowers Organization (open to all faiths) will have a potluck dinner in the Culhane Room on Thursday, August 27 at 5:00 pm. Bring a covered dish or dessert. Quarter Bingo will be played after dinner. For information, text Gen Orozco at 785-230-2473.



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

Air Force: Caleb Leenerts, Garrett Mazachek, Caleb Gish

Air National Guard: Ryan Matzke, Aidan Renyer, Sam Gatschet, Banks Whitney

Army: Brodie Cronister, Keaton Shelman, Nick Smith

Army National Guard: Dayton Moison

Marines: Tyler Gilchrist

Navy: Chris Archer, Jairus Creager

Law Enforcement: Heather Martens, Jonathan Martens, Daniel Masionis, Laura Mayer, Danny Ruff

Hayden High School Class of 1976 50th reunion is weeks away, please see our Facebook page or email triggsbrigid@gmail.com for info.

Hayden Class of 1959 social and luncheon (off the menu), Sunday, September 13 from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM. at Perkins Restaurant Private Room. Any questions contact Louise Neugebauer at LRneug314@att.net

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

Living & Deceased Members of the Ronnebaum & Welch Family ~ 6:00 am: August 24, 2026

† **Deborah Downing & Living & Deceased Family Members** ~ 6:00 am: August 25, 2026

Living & Deceased Members of the Appel & Crock families ~ 6:00 am: August 26, 2026

† **Patricia Glover & Living & Deceased Family Members** ~ 7:00 pm: August 27, 2026

Living & Deceased Members of the McGivern Family ~ 6:00 am: August 28, 2026

† **Deborah Downing & Living & Deceased Family Members** ~ 6:30 am: August 30, 2026

† **Joan Moffet & Living & Deceased Family Members** ~ 8:30 am: August 30, 2026

ADORATION SCHEDULE UPDATE

We are currently reviewing and updating our Eucharistic Adoration schedule. If you are no longer able to continue with the hour (s) for which you are signed up - or if your availability has changed - please contact the Parish Office so we can update our records.

Thank you to all our adorers for your faithful commitment to spending time with our Lord in the blessed sacrament, your dedication is deeply appreciated!



Daughters of Isabella, Little Flower Circle #503 -

The next meeting will be held on Sunday, August 23rd at 12:50 pm at Christ the King Church, 5973 SW 25th St, Topeka in Yadrach Hall. A rosary will be followed by the business meeting and social time. If anyone knows of a member or family member of Daughters of Isabella in need of the Circle's prayers, please call Shirley Gustafson at 785-554-3028 or Chancellor Bibi Zweig at 785-969-2706.

MASS INTENTIONS**Monday, August 24**

8:00 am (T): † Virginia Rundell

Tuesday, August 25

8:00 am (M): † Pio Vargas

Wednesday, August 26

8:00 am (T): † Stan Bahner

Thursday, August 27

8:00 am (M): † Marguerite Komma

Friday, August 28

8:00 am (T): † John Festa

Saturday, August 29

8:00 am Collective Mass (M): † Eli Devlin, Lavon Warner, Eva Simeka, † Carolyn Cummings

4:00 pm (M): † Rocky O'Donnell

5:30 pm (M): † Mary Ann Starbuck

Sunday, August 30

7:30 am (M): † Anthony Mauro

9:30 am (M): † Stan Sinnott

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

*Celebrants: Fr. Dan Morris (M); Fr. Tanti (T)**Celebrants are subject to last-minute changes*

Souls of Debbie Rilinger- sister of Allan Holthaus,
Esther Matilda Schafers- mother of Dennis Schafers,
 and all the faithful departed. May they rest in the
 peace of our Lord.

PRAYER CORNER**Prayers for Homebound and Health Issues**

Darrell Alexander
 Robbie Armentrout
 Mary Jo Bergkamp
 Edith Breithaupt
 Carolyn Brentlinger
 Beverly Brown
 Connie Burns
 Owen Burns
 Dory Bushong
 Steve Clifton
 Julie Combs
 Kelly Davis
 Darara Duran
 Carol Feagins
 Vincent Gish
 Robin Halbert
 Judy Hartegan
 LeRoy Haug
 Michael Hogan
 Julane Hovorka
 Suzi Hubb
 Janice Johnson
 Johnny King
 Sandy Klene
 Darryl Krape
 Patricia Kratina
 Steve LaGrone
 Jan Lippincott
 Toni Lippincott
 Margaret Masilionis
 Jerri Matzke

Neil McCullough
 Beth Mercer & Family
 Cathy Mies
 Rosie Morris
 Brian Neal
 Jennifer Newcomer
 Andrea Diane Nienhuis
 Chris Noack
 Mike Nolen
 Sarah O'Laughlin
 Stephani Paletta
 Patricia Quinn
 Becky Reyer
 Dorothy Reyer
 Susan Reynolds
 Teri Rogers
 Ford Ross
 Phyllis Shaw
 Maureen Smith
 Jane Spice
 Aiden Spies
 Donavon Spies
 Evan Spies
 Tiffany Spies
 Joe & Mary Tetuan
 Donna Thompson
 Adela Vargas
 LaVon Warner
 Nancy Weber
 Dianna Welliver

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