NOVEMBER 1, 2026

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

BULLETIN

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

Pastor:
Fr. Anthony Mersmann
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Parish Office:
Wed. 9:00 am - Noon; 2:00 - 8:00 pm
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620-475-3326
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Mass Schedule:
Saturday - 5:00 pm
Sunday - 8:30 am
Wed, Thurs, & Fri - 7:15 am
Rosary at 4:35 pm Saturdays
& 8:05 am Sundays

Confessions:
Wed, Thurs, Fri - 6:30-7:00 am
Saturday - 3:30-4:30 pm
Tues - 5:00-5:30 pm (St. Catherine)
Thurs - 5:00-5:30 pm; 6:00-7:00 pm (St. Catherine)

Adoration:
Wednesdays: 8:00 am - 6:00 pm

Other Sacraments:
Contact Parish Office

Parish Contacts:
Funeral Dinners: Linda Dieker (620) 475-3567
Cemetery: Steve Redeker (620) 475-3255
K of C: Danny Schneider (620) 794-5889
Outreach: Arlene Redeker (620) 475-3414
Finance Council: Kevin Flott (620) 412-3275
Pastoral Council: Kim Irwin (620) 475-3295
Religious Ed: Lindsey Ratcliff (214) 732-3813

Sacristan 11/02/26 - 11/08/26
Arlene Redeker

Weekend Servers
10/31: Caroline & Cody Traffenstedt
11/01: Adriana, Lydia, & Bryce Weeden
11/07: Caydence & Griff Studer
11/08: Sarah & Amber Soyez, and Aiden Dreier
11/14: Brylee Johnson, Daniel Coughlin
11/15: Chloe Arndt, Bexley Smith, Cooper Barnhart
11/21: Maylee & Daylen Ballinger
11/22: Raylon & Maren Ratcliff, and Sawyer McGee
11/28: Lilly Lienemann, Ace Dieker
11/29: Augusta McGee, Aiden Dreier, Amber Soyez

A reminder that if your child is unable to serve as scheduled, it is your responsibility to find a replacement. Thank you very much for your cooperation.

Weekend Lectors/EMHCs
10/31: Carolyn Cole
11/01: Rosemary Martin
11/07: Donna Bolen
11/08: Dan Schneider
11/14: Jana Redeker
Laurie Schmidt - EMHC
11/15: Greg Markowitz
Trish Markowitz - EMHC
11/21: Jana Redeker
11/22: Cass Coughlin
11/28: Cass Coughlin
11/29: Shirley Langley

Gift Bearers
10/31: Joe & Carolyn Cole Family
11/01: Brian & Kay Schmidt
11/07: Darin & Elaine Musick Family
11/08: Derek & Lisa Temeyer Family

St. Joseph Prayer List

Collins Baldwin
Linda Barnard
Isla Barnhart
Maya Bishop
Danny Broyles
Sheila Broyles
Jeanette Reed Copeland
Donna Dains
Vicki Dickson Kauffman Dieker
Sherry Elmenhorst
LeAnn Eberle
Penny Jo Einspahr
Norman Geiger
Susan Haag
Sylvia Haag
Darren Heins
Delores Heins
Kurtz Family
Kenneth Langley
Dustin Lantow
Daniel Markowitz
Debbie Markowitz
Jaxson Markowitz
Brian Martin
Sylvia Miller
Jenna Moyer
Shea Mueting
James Nunley
Olivia Pimpl
Mrs. Ken Redeker
Norma Redeker
Ken Schade
Richard Scheve
Danny Schmidt
Jackie Schmidt
Greg Schonhardt
Vicki Stark
Carl Lee Stueve
Carol Taylor
Mike Wecker

United States Army:
SGM Matthew S. Richter
Sgt. Austin Burenheide
Grant Fath
Lt. Colonel Jacob Haag

Navy:
Grace Coughlin

Air Force:
Megan DePauw
Brayden Lienemann

Army National Guard:
Sgt. Mason Harmon

Mass Intentions:

Sat.	10/31:	5:00 pm	For the Parish
Sun.	11/01:	8:30 am	+Chad Blow
Wed.	11/04:	7:15 am	+Alice Bechtel
Thurs.	11/05:	7:15 am	+JoAnn Wise
Fri.	11/06:	7:15 am	No Mass
Sat.	11/07:	5:00 pm	+Jerry & Doris Redeker
Sun.	11/08:	8:30 am	For the Parish

There will be no confessions or morning Mass this Friday, November 6th.
Fr. Mersmann will be gone November 6th - 9th.
Fr. Oswaldo Sandoval will be covering the weekend Masses next weekend, November 7th-8th.

Knights' News

Next Sunday, November 8th, is our biscuits and gravy breakfast. Please come enjoy a hot breakfast and great conversation

The November meeting will be on Wednesday, November 18th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Knights Hall. Please come get involved in our service organization and its activities.

Sincerely,
~ Danny Schneider, Grand Knight

AND...

ATTENTION: PARENTS OF CCD STUDENTS.....

Would you please help us out by signing up (yourselves and/or your children) to help with the Soup Supper/Bingo on **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22** at the Knights Hall at 5:00 PM. Bingo will begin at 6:00 PM. We ALSO need food donations (see sign up sheet) and Prize donations.

- ✓ Sign up sheet will be at CCD and in the back of church
- ✓ Special Bingo's this year will be CASH PRIZES. Donations are appreciated!
- ✓ We REALLY would like this to be an event that the **CCD PARENTS & STUDENTS** can help with (AND ATTEND) as all proceeds benefit the CCD and Family Life programs!
- ✓ Please call Val Studer (620-366-1118) or Jessica Rogers (620-341-7337) if you have prizes to donate for the Bingo or Raffle.

Invite your friends and family! Let's make this a time of fun, faith, and more great memories for our parish AND community!

Last Week's Collections:

10/24-25/2026:

Envelopes (23)	$ 850.00
Plate	378.00
Catholic Charities (1)	50.00
TOTAL	**$ 1,278.00**

Listening with the Heart Registration

The Catholic Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas is discerning what the Holy Spirit is calling us to be. At our synodal listening sessions, scheduled throughout the archdiocese Nov. 7-22, we will pray, listen to one another and hear from Archbishop Shawn McKnight.

All are welcome! In these 90-minute sessions, we will discern together as a contribution to our archdiocesan pastoral planning process, Renewal from the Heartland. **The nearest *Listening with the Heart* sessions for our parish are:**

Nov. 14, 6:30 p.m., Osage City – St. Patrick, 309 S 6th St, Osage City KS 66523
Languages anticipated: English
Nov. 17, 6 p.m., Emporia – Didde Catholic Campus Center, 1415 Merchant Street,
Emporia KS 66801 Languages anticipated: English and Spanish
Nov. 19, 6 p.m., Ottawa – Sacred Heart Parish Center, 426 S. Cedar St, Ottawa KS
66067 Languages anticipated: English
Nov. 19, 7 p.m., Garnett – St. Rose Catholic School, 430 E 4th Ave, Garnett KS 66032
Languages anticipated: English

To register for the session, go to archkck.org/renewal-heartland and click on the "*Register for a Listening Session*" icon. We belong to the Southern Deanery.

If you need assistance or have any questions, please contact the parish office. Please prayerfully consider this opportunity for your voice to be heard.

LOVE'S REPLY DISCERNMENT RETREAT

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14 (BEGINNING AT 10 AM) TO SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15 (ENDING AT 5 PM), 2026 AT PRAIRIE STAR RANCH IN WILLIAMSBURG, KANSAS

Young women are invited to join Sister M. Karolyn, FSGM, and a host of other women religious for a weekend retreat designed to help them learn more about all things associated with a vocation to the consecrated religious life.

Sponsored by the Archdiocese of KCK Vocation Office, Love's Reply is FREE and open to all young women (juniors and seniors in high school up to age 29). Sign up TODAY!

Questions? Contact the Vocation Office at 913-647-0303 or vocation@archkck.org.

Scan the QR code to register.

SOUP/CHILI SUPPER

& PRIZE BINGO

Cash prizes for special Bingo's

& quilt for Blackout!

Raffle, snacks, FUN!!!

SUNDAY, NOV. 22, 2026

Olpe Knights Hall

Supper @ 5:00 PM

Bingo @ 6:00 pm

Free will donation for supper

St. Joseph Parish Ministries

Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Plus an unforgettable visit to the Sisters of Mary Girlstown in Chalco

March 5-8, 2027

To Register, Visit:
https://worldvillages.org/events/naumann-2027/
Or Call: 1 (800) 662-6316

Join **The Most Reverend Joseph F. Naumann**, Archbishop Emeritus of the Archdiocese of Kansas City, **Reverend Nicholas Ashmore**, Pastor of Our Lady of Unity in Kansas City, and **Reverend Brian Schieber**, Pastor of St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Leawood on a pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe and to the Sisters of Mary Girlstown to deepen your faith and grow closer to Jesus through Mary.

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The Story of Death | Eternal Rest | Episode 1

Where did death come from? What does death mean for the human person? Is it simply just part of life, or is it something else? In this first session, we discuss the story of death and God's response to it: defeating death by dying and rising from the dead.

Our parish has a free Formed subscription for you! Simply scan the QR code or visit formed.org/signup to create your account and select our parish to get free access to this content and much more!

Father's Corner

From the pastoral constitution on the Church in the modern world of the Second Vatican Council (Gaudium et spes, n. 78)

The promotion of peace

Peace is not the mere absence of war or the simple maintenance of a balance of power between forces, nor can it be imposed at the dictate of absolute power. It is called, rightly and properly, a work of justice. It is the product of order, the order implanted in human society by its divine founder, to be realized in practice as men hunger and thirst for ever more perfect justice.

The common good of the human race is subject to the eternal law as its primary principle, but its requirements in practice keep changing with the passage of time. The result is that peace is never established finally and for ever; the building up of peace has to go on all the time. Again, the human will is weak and wounded by sin; the search for peace therefore demands from each individual constant control of the passions, and from legitimate authority untiring vigilance.

Even this is not enough. Peace here on earth cannot be maintained unless the good of the human person is safeguarded, and men are willing to trust each other and share their riches of spirit and talent. If peace is to be established it is absolutely necessary to have a firm determination to respect other persons and peoples and their dignity, and to be zealous in the practice of brotherhood.

Peace is therefore the fruit also of love; love goes beyond what justice can achieve. Peace on earth, born of love for one's neighbor, is the sign and the effect of the peace of Christ that flows from God the Father. In his own person the incarnate Son, the Prince of Peace, reconciled all men to God through his death on the cross. In his human nature he destroyed hatred and restored unity to all mankind in one people and one body. Raised on high by the resurrection, he sent the Spirit of love into the hearts of men.

All Christians are thus urgently summoned to live the truth in love, and to join all true peacemakers in prayer and work for peace. Moved by the same spirit, we cannot but praise those who renounce violence in defense of rights, and have recourse to means of defense otherwise available to the less powerful as well, provided that this can be done without injury to the rights and obligations of others or of the community.

General Tithing

- *Giving God who gave us all things something small in return*
- *Doing our part to provide for the daily needs of our parish and God's home in Olpe.*

Scan the code to make a recurring or one-time gift to the parish.

Parish Life Center

We still owe $277,412 on our Parish Life Center, and we need your help getting it paid off.

We have big hopes for what we can do next with the church building, the grounds, and even the rectory, but this comes first!