

Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church

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THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - NOVEMBER 15, 2026

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

Readings: PRV 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; PS 128:2-5; 1 THES 5:1-6; MT 25:14-30

Today's readings remind us that one day each of us will give an account for the gifts God has entrusted to us, including the gift of time itself.

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells the familiar parable of the talents. Before leaving on a journey, a wealthy man entrusts portions of his wealth to three servants according to their abilities. Two of the servants immediately put those gifts to work and are rewarded for their faithfulness. The third, acting out of fear, buries what was entrusted to him and returns only what he had received.

The tragedy is not that the servant lacked ability. It is that he failed to recognize the privilege he had been given. His master invited him to share in his work, but fear kept him from responding. God extends that same invitation to us. He entrusts each of us with unique gifts and invites us to use them for His glory and for the good of others.

May we live each day so that, when our work is finished, we too may hear those joyful words: "Well done, my good and faithful servant... Come, share your master's joy."

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ADORATION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Immediate Need

Tuesday
9:00-10:00 AM

Please consider spending one hour with Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration.

Scan to sign up.
Select "Weekly Commitment."



Most Pure Heart of Mary Book Club

New meeting day: Third Tuesday of the month

Nov. 17 • Noon • Quinlan Room
Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury

Dec. 1 • Special meeting date
A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens
Moved to avoid the Women's Fellowship luncheon.

Jan. 19 • Regular schedule resumes
Little House on the Prairie by Laura Ingalls Wilder

Questions? Mary Adkins • 785-845-8566



Bulletin Submission Deadline

Please submit announcements at least **10 days before** the Sunday you would like them to appear in the bulletin. This allows time for editing, layout, and printing. Thank you for helping us keep our parish informed!

THE ARCHDIOCESE
OF KANSAS CITY IN KANSAS

Advent Small Groups

Join fellow parishioners for four weeks of Scripture, prayer, and faith-sharing inspired by Archbishop Shawn McKnight's pastoral vision.



This Advent, deepen your faith by sharing with others

All Are Welcome

Please form your own groups this Advent. If you welcome additional participants, let the parish office know so we can connect interested parishioners with you.

What to Expect

- Four weekly gatherings (60–90 minutes each)
- Prayer, Scripture, and guided discussion
- Meaningful connections and a deeper faith



Download Advent Guide

THE 15TH ANNUAL FIVE HEARTS Gala
FEBRUARY 20, 2027

FIVE HEARTS GALA
HONOREE Nomination

WHO MAKES A DIFFERENCE AT MPHM?

Five Hearts Gala Honoree Nominations

Help us recognize the people whose generosity makes MPHM special!

Nominate an individual or group whose gifts of **time, talent, and/or treasure** have made a lasting difference in our school and/or parish.

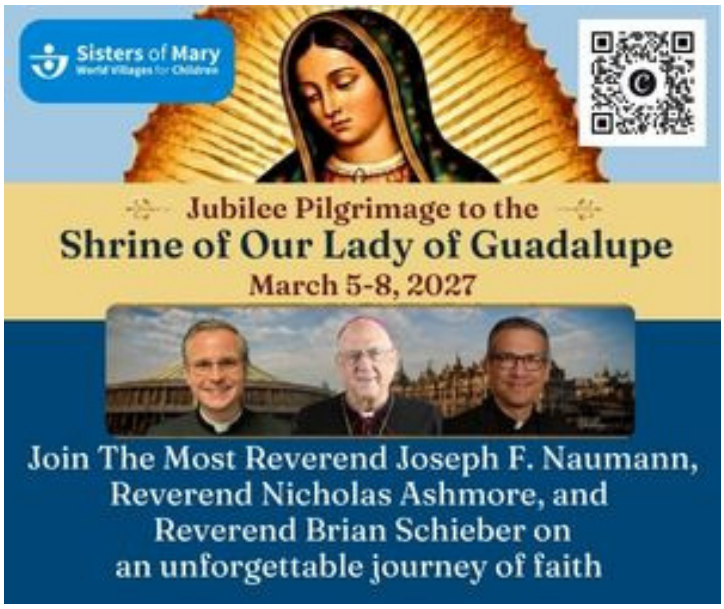
Submit nominations by November 15, 2026.

Selected honoree(s) must agree to be recognized at the **15th Annual Five Hearts Gala on February 20, 2027.**

Questions? Contact the Five Hearts Gala Committee
fiveheartsgala@mphm.com.

Scan to nominate





Wreaths Across America
Sponsor a wreath to honor a local veteran on Saturday, Dec. 19, at Mount Calvary Cemetery, 801 SW Westchester Rd., Topeka.



St. Serra Club Raffle:
Support our seminarians and religious vocations! Three grand prize winners will be drawn! Each winner gets to bring 3 guests to join them for dinner with Fr. Dan Morris and Fr. Will Carey. Suggested donation: $20/ticket or 6 for $100. Scan the QR to donate online and auto-generate your entry, or call (785)220-3824 to participate or learn more. Thank you for your support! Drawing held on Dec. 25th.

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 Masilionis, Laura Mayer, Lenora Nioce, Danny Ruff

Education Freedom Tax Credit
Beginning January 1, 2027, individual taxpayers may qualify for a federal tax credit equal to 100% of their donations to the Catholic Education Foundation (CEF), up to $1,700.
CEF is the Archdiocese's exclusive Scholarship Granting Organization for Catholic schools. Donations help fund K–12 scholarships.
Learn more at cefks.org/federal-tax-credits.

Shop for the holiday! Enjoy a large selection of handcrafted items and homemade treats! Many new and unique gifts and decor. Crafts, quilts, embroidered towels, knitted/crocheted items, and stocking stuffers. Soup, chili, and cinnamon rolls will be available for purchase during lunch. Mother Teresa Parish Hall, 2014 NW 46th St, Topeka.
Thurs, Nov 19, 8:00 am-6:00 pm &
Fri, Nov 20, 8:00 am-4:00 pm.

The Widowed Women of Faith are Thankful!
Join other "Widowed Women of FaiTh" on Tuesday, November 17th for lunch and companionship from 11am to 1pm in the back room at Perkins Restaurant, 1720 SW Wanamaker Road, Topeka. No RSVP needed, just come. Please, invite other Widowed Women of FaiTh. We meet every month on the 3rd Tuesday and will continue all through 2026. Come join us! Questions? WidowedWomenofFaith@gmail.com or call Julie at (913)558-0191.

Daughters of Isabella,Little Flower Circle
The next meeting will be held on November 15, 2026 at 1:00 pm Christ the King Church, 5973 SW 25th Street. Memorial Mass for deceased members, meeting to follow in Yadrich Hall

Doorstep's Christmas Adoption ~ 2026
Donations Needed for this Christmas!

Help us collect items for our 2026 Christmas adoption of 285 households, with nearly 900 individuals!

Toys
Footballs & Basketballs ~ Pokemon
Hello Kitty ~ Toys for Ages 5 - 12
Legos & Educational Toys (ALL Ages)
Super Heros ~ Spiderman ~ K-Pop
Sonic Hedge Hog ~ Demon Hunter
Dragon Ball ~ Food Play Sets

Men's & Women's Gifts
Tool Sets ~ Hair Dryers
Men's Cologne ~ Fishing Items
(Poles/Tacklebox/Etc)
Car Cleaning Kits
Women's Body Spray & Perfume
Men's & Women's Gloves
No Make-Up

Toys
Paw Patrol ~ Bluey ~ Puzzles
Minecraft ~ Fortnite
Sensory / Fidget
Board & Brain Teaser Games
Color Books for All Ages
Board Games for Ages 10+

Kitchen Items
Silverware ~ Glasses ~ Crockpots
Dish Sets ~ Pots & Pans ~ Mixers
Air Fryers ~ Mixing Bowls
Bakeware ~ Utensils ~ Blenders
Can Openers ~ Electric Skillets
Glasses ~ Kitchen Towels
Hot Pads

Other Items
Towel Sets ~(Bath/Hand/Washcloth)
Blankets ~ Queen & King Sizes
Sheet Sets ~ Queen & King
Pillows ~ Cleaning Supplies
Anything KC Chiefs ~ Royals ~ KU ~ K-State
Hats & Gloves ~ ALL AGES
Sweats & Hoodies ~ ALL AGES
Clothes Baskets ~ Brooms, Mops

Teens (Boys & Girls)
Gift Sets ~ Axe, Old Spice, Adidas
Nail Kits, Perfume, Cologne
Ear Buds ~ Headphones ~ PJ's
Roblox & Fortnite Gift Cards
($10-$20) ~ Wall Decor ~ Jewelry
Youth Pajamas ~ Sizes 7 - 18

Bring donations to your Faith Community during the months November & early December. Thank you for making the holiday season brighter for your neighbors! Doorstep, 1119 SW 10th Ave - Donations: M-F, 9am-2pm.

Help Fill the Pantry!



Your generosity feeds families in need.

Doorstep is collecting nonperishable items to support the food bank. Every can, box, and bag makes a difference. Together, we can fight hunger this season.

Help us stock our shelves with:

- Spaghetti Sauce
- Canned Milk
- Instant Oatmeal
- Canned Fruit
  - Peaches, Pears, Etc.
- Dry Pinto Beans
- Pork & Beans
- Mixed Canned Beans
- Vegetable Soup
- Tomato Soup
- Pancake Mix & Syrup
- Egg Noodles
- Canned Corn & Peas
- Saltine Crackers
- Rice
- Hand Can Openers

Please drop off donations to your local faith community.



DOORSTEP
Neighbors Helping Neighbors

NOVEMBER
Pope Leo's Prayer Intention

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For the Proper Use of Wealth

Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that, not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity with those who have less.



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5. Enter your name and email address.
6. Select **Sign Up**—and you're in!

Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Rally
Join us in honoring Our Lady of Fatima at the Holy Rosary Rally.
Sunday, November 22, 3:00–4:15 p.m.
St. Philippine Duchesne
5035 Rainbow Blvd., Mission Woods, KS 66205
We'll pray the Joyful, Sorrowful, and Glorious Mysteries, followed by Benediction and an opportunity to enroll in the Brown Scapular.
For directions and future rally dates, visit rosaryrallieskc.org.

NOVEMBER

Month of the Holy Souls in Purgatory

Let us remember the faithful departed and pray for all souls in purgatory.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

DatingWell Live - Thank You!







Young adults from four colleges and the Topeka area gathered for faith-filled conversation, fellowship, and learning about healthy dating relationships.
Thank you to our volunteers, donors, and everyone who gave their time, talents, and prayers to make this retreat possible!
— **Communio Ministry Team**

CUB SCOUTS

BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER

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



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6
O'CONNOR HALL

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

Staying Up to Date at MPHM

Our weekly bulletin brings you parish news, upcoming events, and opportunities to grow in faith. It is **printed on Wednesdays** using the information available at that time.

Occasionally, details change after printing. Please check **News & Notes or the parish website** for updates. If you notice a difference, those sources will have the most current information.

Thank you for your understanding and for staying connected with our parish!

Scholarship Opportunity for High School Seniors

Applications are being accepted for the James (Jimmy) and Lupe Martinez Scholarship

Jimmy and Lupe Martinez were members of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church and engaged in supporting the Church through various ministries. Their involvement in the American GI Forum (Rangel Brother Chapter and the Jimmy Martinez Chapter) funded many scholarships for over 25 years.

The candiates 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 schoo and/or community activities.

Application Deadline: February 2, 2027

For more information and to apply go to:
https://topekacommunityfoundation.org/scholarships-apply-hear

Stewardship of Treasure Update	
Fiscal Year July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027	
Weekly Total Nov. 4 - Nov. 10, 2026	
Envelopes	
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Maintenance and Improvement Fund	

Giving totals will appear in next week's bulletin.

Baptisms

Please welcome these children recently baptized at Most Pure Heart of Mary:

Charlotte Rae Griffin
child of Bradley & Stephanie Griffin

Mason Bradley Griffin
child of Bradley & Stephanie Griffin

Josie Elizabeth Wells
child of Owen & Katlin Wells

Charles Brian Zook
child of Taylor & Melissa Zook

Robert Jason Zook
child of Taylor & Melissa Zook

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

Thank you from the Funeral Dinner Committee



A funeral lunch was held for the family & friends of Leo Alejos on November 6. Thanks to the generosity of 21 parishioners who donated food and the dedication of five who served it. In all, 13 guests enjoyed a delicious meal.

We appreciate all those that volunteered!

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

INTENTIONS AT ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS

Kronum, Kumasi, Ghana
Fr. Michael Kantanka

Living & Deceased Members of the Ronnebaum & Welch Family • November 16, 2026 • 6:00 a.m.

† **Guy Rinehart** • November 17, 2026 • 6:00 a.m.

Living & Deceased Members of the Appel & Crock families • November 18, 2026 • 6:00 a.m.

† **Guy Rinehart** • November 19, 2026 • 7:00 p.m.

Living & Deceased Members of the McGivern Family • November 20, 2026 • 6:00 a.m.

† **Guy Rinehart** • November 22, 2026 • 6:30 a.m.

† **Margart Walters** • November 22, 2026 • 8:30 a.m.



Mass Intentions

Monday, November 16
8:00 am (T): † Fifi Jasso

Tuesday, November 17
8:00 am (M): Paul & Lise Hund

Wednesday, November 18
8:00 am (T): † Rose Marie Greisen

Thursday, November 19
8:00 am (M): † Annette Festa

Friday, November 20
8:00 am (M): Dina Luke

Saturday, November 21
8:00 am Collective Mass (T): † Eli Devlin, † Emily Stueve, † Tom Moylan, † Marjorie Lloyd, Patrick Robin Ostrowski, Kathleen Dunshee
4:00 pm (M): † Eugene Ralston
5:30 pm (T): † Lavon Warner

Sunday, November 22
7:30 am (M): † Lyle Giersch
9:30 am (M): † Lee Hoffman
11:30 am(T): Most Pure Heart of Mary

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

Soul of LaVon Warner - mother of Cyndi Martin and Carrie Thompson 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
Joe Burkhart
Connie Burns
Owen Burns
Dory Bushong
Marty Clark
Steve Clifton
Julie Combs
Kelly Davis
Darara Duran
Carol Feagins
Vincent Gish
Bob Gress
Robin Halbert
Connie Hartley
LeRoy Haug
Michael Hogan
Julane Hovorka
Suzi Hubb
Janice Johnson
Willie Johnson
Sandy Klene
Darryl Krape
Patricia Kratina
Steve LaGrone
Lawrence Linto
Jan Lippincott
Toni Lippincott
Margaret Masilionis
Jerri Matzke
Beth Mercer & Family
Cathy Mies
Mark Moffet
Brian Neal
Jennifer Newcomer
Andrea Diane Nienhuis
Chris Noack
Mike Nolen
Sarah O'Loughlin
Stephani Paletta
Patricia Quinn
Becky & Dorothy Reyer
Teri Rogers
Ford Ross
Phyllis Shaw
Maureen Smith
Jane Spice
Aiden, Donavon, Evan, Tiffany Spies
Joe & Mary Tetuan
Donna Thompson
Adela Vargas
Nancy Weber
Dianna Welliver

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