

Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church

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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - November 22, 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

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Readings: EZ 34:11-12, 15-17; PS 23:1-3, 5-6; 1 COR 15:20-26, 28; MT 25:31-46

As the liturgical year draws to a close, we celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. Today's readings present us with a remarkable picture of our King. He reigns with all authority, yet He lovingly cares for His people, especially those most in need.

How do we honor such a King? By offering Him our lives through faithful stewardship.

In today's Gospel, Jesus describes the final judgment. He tells us that the measure of our lives will not be worldly success or personal achievement. Instead, He points to the ordinary acts of mercy that reveal a heart transformed by His love: feeding the hungry, welcoming the stranger, caring for the sick, and visiting the imprisoned.

Then He gives these unforgettable words: "Whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me."

As Christian stewards, we recognize Christ not only in the Eucharist but also in those places before us each day. The more faithfully we love and serve Him in others, the more our lives reflect the heart of our King.

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ADORATION DISCIPLE 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."





The Christmas Decorations at Most Pure Heart of Mary Parish are a beautiful tradition, and we would like to offer you the opportunity to contribute to these decorations in honor of or in memory of a loved one. You may send your donation to Most Pure Heart of Mary Church Office, 1800 SW Stone Ave., Topeka, KS 66604-3397, with the coupon below by Monday, December 14th. If your donation is sent through ParishSoft or Tithe.ly, please still use this form.

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

Given By: _____

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Most Pure Heart of Mary
Catholic Church

Dear *Most Pure Heart of Mary* parish family,

O, Come Let Us Adore Him! As we come to the end of this Liturgical Year and prepare to enter the next, I am excited to share that beginning with this ***Season of Advent*** we as a parish family will be given more opportunities to encounter the Lord as the Lord has chosen to come and make Himself most fully present to us – sacramentally. This includes more than doubling the hours of confession times available from four to 10 hours per week; adding one additional daily Mass time on Wednesday evenings at 5:15 pm; and finally, at the request of many young families, making Eucharistic Adoration available in the main Church space at all times that the Sacrament of Reconciliation is being offered, including prior to every Sunday Mass!

In addition to encouraging you and your family to take advantage of these additional times and ways to encounter our Lord and experience the promised fruit that naturally follows from spending more time with Him, I ask that the following also be observed:

- **Sacred Silence in the Main Church Space.** During times of Eucharistic Adoration and Confession – including Sundays before every Mass – you will notice the lights in the Church being dimmed to a level that invites a ***sacred silence*** that reverences the ***Real Presence*** of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Just prior to every Sunday Mass, Jesus will be reposed in the Tabernacle, at which time the lights will return to the regular Mass setting. Following 7:30 and 9:30 am Sunday Masses, the Blessed Sacrament will once again be exposed on the Altar, at which time the lights in the Church will be dimmed. Once Jesus is exposed on the Altar, I ask that a ***sacred silence*** be observed, and conversations continue outside of the main Church space.

- **Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel.** At the request of Archbishop McKnight, we will begin praying the prayer to St. Michael the Archangel *before all Sunday Masses and Holy Days of Obligation that have music*, immediately following the reposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Because daily Masses and our 5:30 pm Vigil Mass do not have music, we will still pray the prayer to St. Michael the Archangel at the end of Mass, led by the priest after he reverences the altar and genuflects, so as to more fully separate the prayer from the prayer of the Mass itself.

As I have said before, the most important thing that we will ever do as a parish family will be coming to adore and worship God in the Eucharist, especially on Sundays at Mass. ***Nothing has changed.*** My prayer as we enter into this new Liturgical Year, is that all of us – just like the Holy Family ***' took the time '*** and ***' made the space '*** to allow Jesus Christ to be born anew daily into their lives; and just like the shepherds took great care to ***' keep watch '*** all throughout the darkness of the night; and just like the Wisemen looked for and followed the brightest star, ***' seeking to worship '*** and to make Christ their King – may all of us as a parish family ***' Come to Adore Him '*** in all of these ways throughout this season of Advent, Christmas, and beyond!

In Christ,

Fr. Dan
Parochial Administrator

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Forming Disciples for Life

New times and ways now available throughout the New Year!

Scan to visit our parish website for more information

O, COME LET US ADORE HIM

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SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION

Saturday Vigil (4 pm, 5:30 pm) ■ Sunday (7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am)

DAILY MASS

Monday through Saturday (8 am) ■ ✦ Wednesday (5:15 pm)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesday (noon *to 1 pm and* ✨ *6 to 7* pm)
Saturday (2:45 to 3:45 pm)
✦ Sunday (6:30 *to 7:15* am, 8:30 to 9:15 am, 10:30 *to 11:15* am)
First Saturday of the Month (7 *to 8* am)

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

24 / 7 Adoration Chapel

(located just behind the north transept of the Church Nave)

– including –

✦ Eucharistic Adoration being held in the Church Nave at times when the Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered, including prior to every Sunday Mass!

CHRIST MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve (4 pm, 6 pm) ■ Christmas Day (Midnight, 8 am, 10 am)
New Year's Eve (5 pm) ■ New Year's Day (8 am, 10 am)

(New Year's Masses fulfill Holy Day of Obligation for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God)

Prayer that will be said by the priest and the people every time we repose the Blessed Sacrament

May the heart of Jesus, in the Most Blessed Sacrament,
be praised, adored, and loved with grateful affection,
at every moment, in all the tabernacles of the world, even to the end of time.
Amen.

MOST PURE HEART of MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

#iGIVECATHOLIC ON GIVING TUESDAY

Give Thanks, Give Back, and Give Catholic.



THIS GIVINGTUESDAY, *our ceiling* is our #iGiveCatholic cause!

Help us raise **$107,000** for ceiling repairs in the Don Turner Gymnasium!

THE FIRST **$15,000** WILL BE MATCHED!

GIVE TODAY!

Catholic Community Zoo Lights Event

ZOO LIGHTS
topeka zoo presented by evergy

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1

LOCATION: THE TOPEKA ZOO

PROMO CODE:
SCHOOLZOOLIGHTS26

Doorstep's Clothing Room Needs ~ Nov. 2026

Top priorities of need:

- Blankets (gently used) ALL Sizes
- Men's Jeans ~ All Sizes
- Pots & Pans

Gently Used Items

Cold Weather is Here! Our neighbors really need blankets!

Men's:

- Belts ~ Underwear (sizes S, M, L)
- Pajamas ~ Sweatpants
- Pants ~ Dress & Casual Pants

Boys & Girls Needs:

- Boys & Girls Jeans ~ Sizes 4 - 16
- Boys & Girls Tops/Shirts ~ Sizes 3 - 12
- Boys Socks & Underwear
- Boys Pajamas ~ Especially Sizes 0 - 18 mo.
- Girls Leggings & Jeggings
- Boys & Girls Sweatpants

Women's:

- Underwear & Bras
- Sweatshirts & Pants

Doorstep Donation Hours
Monday - Friday, 9am - 2pm
1119 SW 10th Ave, South Door

CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE

12/14/2026

Help make the season special for the children of MPHM!

Donations Needed!



New or gently used items that fit in a shoebox!

Some ideas:

- Inexpensive jewelry
- Kitchen gadgets
- Soaps, lotions & perfumes
- Small hand tools
- Holiday décor
- Books
- Mugs or glassware
- Religious items
- Trinkets and more!

Your donations help support the 8th grade class with graduation activities!

Donations can be dropped off at the school office anytime through **12/11/2026.**

Questions?
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SMALL GIFTS ♥ BIG SMILES

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

You're invited to the **SLI Festival of Trees!**
Fairlawn Plaza
November 24-December 5 (closed on Thanksgiving)
10 am - 6 pm
SLItopeka.org/Festival

*Festival Forest: Explore 60 beautifully decorated trees and wreaths.
*Sweet Shoppe: Indulge in your favorite holiday treats.
*Festival Soiree: Join us for hors d'oeuvres, drinks, games, raffles, and a live auction on December 4, 6-9 pm
*Silent Auction: View 180 items at Fairlawn and place your bids online.
*Quilt Raffle: Purchase a chance to win the stunning 'Merry & Bright' quilt.
*Volunteer: Earn service hours or simply enjoy yourself by volunteering for 2-hour shifts.

All funds raised support SLI clients with intellectual and developmental disabilities. We hope to see you there!

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.

Topeka Regional Advent Penance Services

Saturday	Dec. 12	9:30 am	Most Pure Heart of Mary
Sunday	Dec. 13	2:00 pm	Mother Teresa of Calcutta
Monday	Dec. 14	7:00 pm	Our Lady of Guadalupe
Monday	Dec. 14	7:00 pm	Sacred Heart/St. Joseph - Sacred Heart Church
Tuesday	Dec. 15	7:00 pm	Christ the King
Wednesday	Dec. 16	7:00 pm	Mater Dei - Holy Name Church



Stewardship of Treasure Update	
Fiscal Year July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027	
Weekly Total Nov. 4 - Nov. 10, 2026	
Envelopes	$28,315
Electronic Giving	$16,092
Plate/Loose Checks	$3,282
Total	$47,689
Maintenance and Improvement Fund	$1,478

Stewardship of Treasure Update	
Fiscal Year July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027	
Weekly Total Nov. 11 - Nov. 17, 2026	
Envelopes	$14,531
Electronic Giving	$15,066
Plate/Loose Checks	$3,679
Total	$33,276
Maintenance and Improvement Fund	$609

Thank you from the Funeral Dinner Committee



A funeral lunch was held for the family & friends of LaVon Warner on November 17. Thanks to the generosity of 17 parishioners who donated food and the dedication of five who served it. In all, 85 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 23, 2026 • 6:00 a.m.

† Guy Rinehart • November 24, 2026 • 6:00 a.m.

Living & Deceased Members of the Appel & Crock families • November 25, 2026 • 6:00 a.m.

† Guy Rinehart • November 26, 2026 • 7:00 p.m.

Living & Deceased Members of the McGivern Family • November 27, 2026 • 6:00 a.m.

† Margaret Walters • November 29, 2026 • 6:30 a.m.

† Dorthy Funk-Daves • November 29, 2026 • 8:30 a.m.

Advent Small Groups

This Advent, deepen your faith by sharing with others.

Gather with friends or fellow parishioners for four weekly gatherings of prayer, Scripture, and faith-sharing.

All Are Welcome!

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

Scan for the Advent Guide



Mass Intentions

Monday, November 23
8:00 am (T): Catherine Longstaff

Tuesday, November 24
8:00 am (M): † Hilda Wetter & Les Wetter

Wednesday, November 25
8:00 am (M): Jennifer Barr

Thursday, November 26
9:00 am (M): † Michael & Victoria Reilly

Friday, November 27
8:00 am (M): † Ron Pfeifer

Saturday, November 28
8:00 am Collective Mass (M): † Eli Devlin, † Emily Stueve, † Tom Moylan, † Joe Donald, Emma Martinez & Family, Kathleen Dunshee
4:00 pm (M): † Mary Kasten
5:30 pm (M): Most Pure Heart of Mary Parishioners

Sunday, November 29
7:30 am (M): † Betty Knecht
9:30 am (M): † Barbara Berg
11:30 am(T): † Paula Jasso

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

Soul of Bob Gress - brother-in-law of Karen Weigel 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
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
Jeff Russell
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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