

# CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

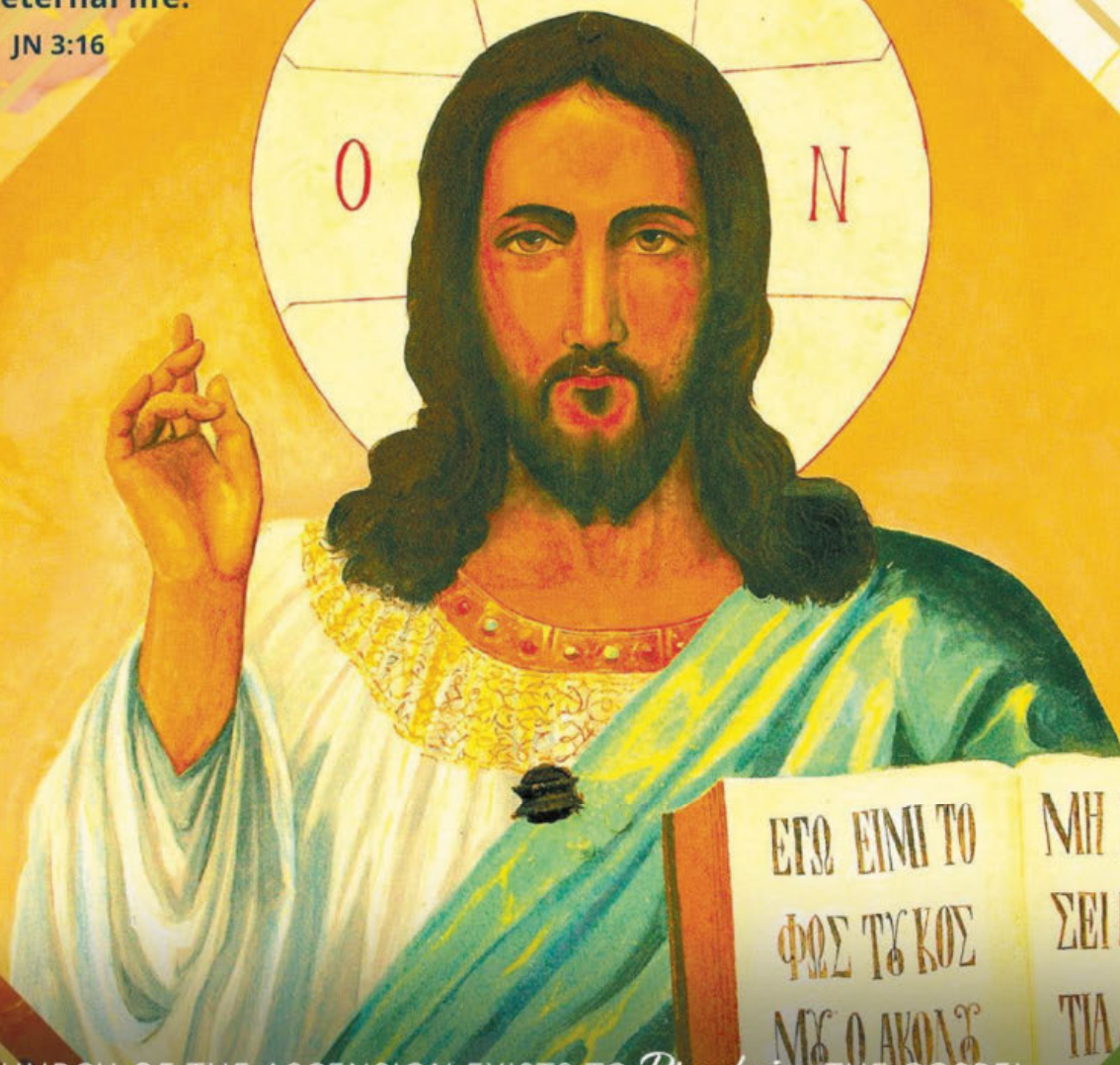
MARCH 10, 2024

Catholic Parish

## 4TH SUNDAY IN LENT

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life."

JN 3:16



CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION EXISTS TO *Proclaim* THE GOSPEL, *Worship* WHOLEHEARTEDLY, *Serve* GENEROUSLY, AND *Love* LIKE JESUS.

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday:

8:30AM-4:00PM

Friday:

8:30AM-12:00PM

### SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 4:30PM

Sunday:

8:15AM, 10:00AM,  
11:45AM, 5:00PM

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday-Friday:

7:00AM & 12:00PM

Saturday:

8:30AM

### RECONCILIATION

Tues: 11AM & 6:30PM

Wed: 6AM & 5:30PM

Saturday: 3:00PM

Sunday: 4:00PM

### PERPETUAL ADORATION

Daily: 6:00AM-9:00PM

Closed Mon. & Thurs. from  
2:00PM-3:00PM for cleaning.  
Code needed 9:00PM-6:00AM

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## EUCHARISTIC MIRACLE OF BAGNO DI ROMAGNA | ITALY, 1412

In 1412, the then prior of the Basilica of St. Mary of Bagno di Romagna, Fr. Lazzaro da Verona, while celebrating the Holy Mass, was assailed by doubts about the Real Presence of Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament. He had just pronounced the words of consecration of the wine when this was transformed into living Blood and began to flow from the chalice and land on the corporal.

Fr. Lazzaro, profoundly moved and repentant, confessed his unbelief to the faithful present at the celebration and the profound miracle that the Lord had worked before his eyes.

READ MORE AT BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS'S WEBSITE:



Picture that depicts the miracle present in the basilica



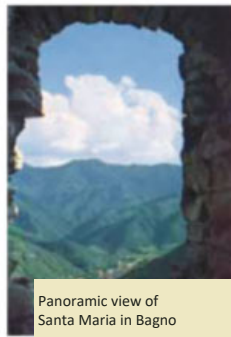
Chapel with the urn of Blessed Giovanna



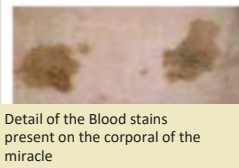
Basilica of Santa Maria di Bagno di Romagna



Relic of the Blood-stained corporal



Panoramic view of Santa Maria in Bagno



Detail of the Blood stains present on the corporal of the miracle



Interior of the basilica

At Bagno di Romagna, in the Basilica of St. Maria Assumed, the relic of the Eucharistic miracle of the "Holy Cloth Soaked by Blood" is preserved. The historian Fortunio thus describes the miracle in his noted work *Annales Camalduenses*: "It was the year 1412. The Camoldese abbey of Santa Maria in Bagno (then Priorato) was governed by Don Lorenzo, of Venetian origin. While he was celebrating the Divine Sacrifice, his mind was occupied, by a diabolical work, with a strong doubt about the Real Presence of Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament; when he then saw the sacred species of the wine flow over the chalice and land on the corporal in the form of wine and living Blood, and thus the corporal remained soaked. It cannot be told how great was his emotion and perturbation of mind in that instant in the face of such a profound event. In tears he turned to the bystanders, confessing his unbelief and the miracle which now had taken place before his eyes." The monk Lazzaro was then transferred to Bologna as chaplain of the female Camaldolese convent of St. Christine, where he died in 1416. The Camoldese held the Parish of Bagno until the Napoleonic

suppression of 1808; from then the Parish - Basilica of St. Mary Assumed, after having been held for a brief period by the diocese of Sansepolcro, in 1975 passed definitively to become part of the diocese of Cesena. In 1912, Cardinal Gilio Boschi, Archbishop of Ferrara, celebrated the fifth centenary of the miracle, which was followed by a conference on Eucharistic studies. In 1958, His Excellency Domenico Bornigia, had a chemical analysis done on the marks of the corporal of the miracle at the University of Florence, which confirmed them to be of an ematic nature. In the basilica is found a colored and very rare incision on wood from 1400 called "The Madonna of the Blood," which is found in the third chapel on the left. This image is thus named because, as Benedetto Tenaci, abbot of Bagno and eye witness of the miracle on May 20, 1948, tells us, the icon bled from the left arm. Every year, during the Feast of Corpus Christi, the corporal is carried in procession through the streets of the city and is exposed on every Sunday of the temperate season which lasts from March to November, at the Mass celebrated at 11 AM.



### On Holy Communion During Lent

by The Rt. Rev'd Dom Prosper Guéranger, O.S.B.

Of all the works, whereby a Christian can sanctify the time of Lent, there is none so pleasing to God as the assisting at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, in which is offered the Victim of man's salvation. But now that his own unworthiness is more than ever-evident to him, ought he to abstain from partaking, by Holy Communion, of this life-giving and purifying Host? Such is not our Saviour's will. He came down from heaven, *not to judge, but to save us* [St. John, iii. 17]. He knows how long and rugged is the road we have to traverse, before we reach that happy day, on which we shall rest with him, in the joy of his Resurrection. *He has compassion on us; he fears lest we faint in the way* [St. Matth. xv. 32]; and he, therefore, offers us the divine Food, which gives light and strength to our souls, and refreshes them in their toil. We feel that our hearts are not yet pure enough; let us, then, with an humble and contrite heart, go to him, who is come that he may restore to our souls their original beauty. Let us, at all times, remember the solemn injunction, which this Saviour so graciously deigned to give us: *Except ye eat the Flesh of the Son of Man, ye shall not have life in you* [St. John, vi. 54].

If, therefore, sin has no longer dominion over us; if we have destroyed it by true sorrow and sincere confession, made efficacious by the absolution of God's Priest; let us not deprive ourselves of the *Bread of Life* [St. John, vi. 35], no matter how great soever our infirmities may seem; for it is for us that our Jesus has prepared the Feast. If we feel that the chains of sin are still upon us; if by self-examination, made with the light of the Truth that is now granted to us, we discover in our souls certain stains, which the false principles of the world and too easy a conscience had hitherto made us wink at; let us lose no time, let us make a good Confession: and when we have made our peace with the God of mercy, let us approach the holy Table and receive the pledge of our reconciliation.

Yes, let us go to Holy Communion, during this season of Lent, with a most heart-felt conviction of our unworthiness. It may be, that hitherto we have sometimes gone with too much familiarity, on account of our not sufficiently understanding our nothingness, our misery, and the infinite holiness of the God, who thus unites himself with his sinful creatures. Henceforth, our heart shall be more truthful; blending together the two sentiments of humility and confidence, we will say, with an honest conviction, those words of the Centurion of the Gospel, which the Church puts upon our lips, when she is distributing to us the Bread of Life: *Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst enter under my roof; say but the word, and my soul shall be healed* [St. Matth. viii. 8].



# Ascension This Week

## PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

On this 4th Sunday of Lent many priests exercise the option of wearing rose colored vestments to commemorate Laetare Sunday. The title comes from the Latin word that begins the entrance antiphon for the Mass today, "Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exalt and be satisfied at her consoling breast." This change in vestment color indicates a brief reprieve from the rigors of Lent (for example flowers are allowed on the altar on this day) and offers a glimpse of the joy that awaits us at Easter, just before we enter into the somber days of Passiontide.

The first reading today tells the story of the Babylonian exile of the Jews around 590 BC. It implies that all the sufferings that came upon the Jews were the result of their infidelity to God, but God in all His mystery used a pagan king, Cyrus of Persia, as His instrument to restore the Jews to their homeland and rebuild their temple. It reveals, I believe, the fidelity of God even when His people are unfaithful. It reveals God's steadfast love for His people that endures and is salvific even when the people are weak in faith.

The Gospel passage from the third chapter of St. John's Gospel is one that is familiar to many. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him." The emphasis here is on God's fidelity, on His love for us.

Our Lenten focus is traditionally on our sins, on how we fail to honor God. But Lent should also cause us to focus on God's fidelity, God's merciful love offered to us sinners. A great remedy for sin is a keen awareness of just how much we are loved by God. We so often strive to avoid sin out of our sense of obedience or obligation. But a more powerful remedy for sin is the motivation of genuine love. If we really appreciate how much God loves us, we might try to avoid sin, not out of fear, but out of a desire to please the One who loves us.

Find time between now and Holy Week to reflect on how much God loves you. He gave you life, He sustains you daily, He blesses you with many good things and He came in the flesh, suffering humiliation, pain and finally death - all out of love for you. Better appreciating God's love for us can change us.

Sincerely yours in Christ Jesus, the Way,  
the Truth and the Life



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### SUNDAY, MARCH 10

- 9:30AM **Sunday Scripture Study** | St. Mark Rm.
- 1:00PM **AA Meeting** | St. John Rm.
- Baptisms** | Church
- Baptism Class** | St. Luke Rm.
- 3:00PM **Praise Band & Choir Rehearsal** | St. Monica Rm.
- 4:00PM **Al Anon Meeting** | St. John Rm.
- 5:00PM **RCIA Second Scrutiny (During Mass)** | Church
- 6:00PM **RCIA** | St. Mark Rm.
- 8:00PM **Men's Basketball Age 40+** | Gym

### MONDAY, MARCH 11

- 10:00AM **Lenten Study Group** | St. Luke Rm.
- 3:00PM **After School Hangout** | Youth Center
- 6:30PM **Liturgy Committee** | Conference Rm.
- 6:30PM **Boy Scouts** | Parish Hall
- 8:30PM **Men's Basketball Age 21+** | Gym

### TUESDAY, MARCH 12

- 9:30AM **Many Wonders of Divine Mercy** | St. Luke Rm.
- 10:00AM **"The Mass" Lent Study** | St. John Rm.
- 4:00PM **Guadalupe House** | Offsite
- 5:30PM **Maintenance Committee** | St. Luke Rm.
- 6:30PM **Family Rosary** | Church
- 7:30PM **Many Wonders of Divine Mercy** | St. Luke Rm.
- 7:30PM **RCIA Reconciliation** | Church

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13

- 10:00AM **"The Mass" Lent Study** | St. Mark Rm.
- 1:00PM **Ascension Book Club** | St. Mark Rm.
- 6:00PM **"The Mass" Lent Study** | St. Mark Rm.
- 6:30PM **Embrace Grace Mtg.** | St. Luke Rm.
- 7:00PM **Adult Choir Rehearsal** | Church
- AA Meeting** | St. John Rm.
- Divorce Support Group** | Conference Rm.
- 8:30PM **Men's Basketball Age 21+** | Gym

### THURSDAY, MARCH 14

- 10:00AM **Jesus & Jewish Roots of the Eucharist** | St. Mark Rm.
- 4:30PM **Legion of Mary Mtg.** | St. Luke Rm.
- 5:30PM **The Great Book Series: Orthodoxy** | St. Mark Rm.
- 7:00PM **Disciples Dwelling** | Youth Center

### FRIDAY, MARCH 15

- 6:00AM **Men of Ascension** | St. Mark Rm.
- 1:00PM **The Bible & Catechism NOT in a Year** | St. Luke Rm.
- 2:30PM **Mahjongg** | St. Luke Rm.
- 4:00PM **Special Needs Stations of the Cross** | Church
- 5:00PM **Fish Fry** | Parish Hall
- 7:00PM **Stations of the Cross** | Church

### SATURDAY, MARCH 16

- 6:00AM **Legion of Mary** | St. Luke Rm.
- 7:40AM **Marian Consecration Group + Rosary** | Conference Rm.

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## Ascension This Week

**SATURDAY, MARCH 16** *Continued from Pg. 4*

9:30AM "The Mass" Lent Study | St. Mark Rm.

**SUNDAY, MARCH 17**

9:30AM Sunday Scripture Study | St. Mark Rm.

1:00PM AA Meeting | St. John Rm.

Baptisms | Church

3:00PM Praise Band & Choir Rehearsal | St. Monica Rm.

4:00PM Al Anon Meeting | St. John Rm.

5:00PM RCIA Third Scrutiny (During Mass) | Church

6:00PM RCIA | St. Mark Rm.

6:30PM Fearfully & Wonderfully Made | St. Luke Rm.



All are welcome to join us for...

# Stations of the Cross

FRIDAYS DURING LENT  
7:00PM | CHURCH



## FISH FRY FRIDAYS

*Invite Your Friends & Neighbors!*

EAT IN & TAKE OUT DINING OPTIONS AVAILABLE

**FEB. 16 - MARCH 22**

**FRIDAYS, 5:00-7:30PM**

**ASCENSION PARISH HALL**

### DINNER INCLUDES:

3 TYPES OF FISH (COD, CATFISH, & TILAPIA) | PIZZA | COLE SLAW | FRENCH FRIES | ROASTED POTATOES | GREEN BEANS | MAC & CHEESE | DESSERT!

### CASH, CHECK, DEBIT & CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED:

ADULTS 18+ \$16.00  
TEENS 12-17 \$10.00  
CHILDREN 5-11 \$5.00  
CHILDREN UNDER 5 FREE



*Dessert Makers Needed!*



MAKE OUR  
FISH FRY SWEET.  
VOLUNTEER HERE:



*Additional Confession  
Time*

**EVERY  
WEDNESDAY  
NIGHT IN  
LENT**

We will be having Confessions  
**5:30PM TO 6:30PM**



### THE PREPAY OPTION:

PREPAYING SPEEDS YOU THRU  
THE CHECK-IN LINES, THEN YOU  
CAN SELECT YOUR FOOD  
PREFERENCES AS USUAL.

ALL NET  
PROCEEDS GO  
TO SUPPORT  
ASCENSION  
MINISTRIES &  
COMMUNITY  
CHARITIES

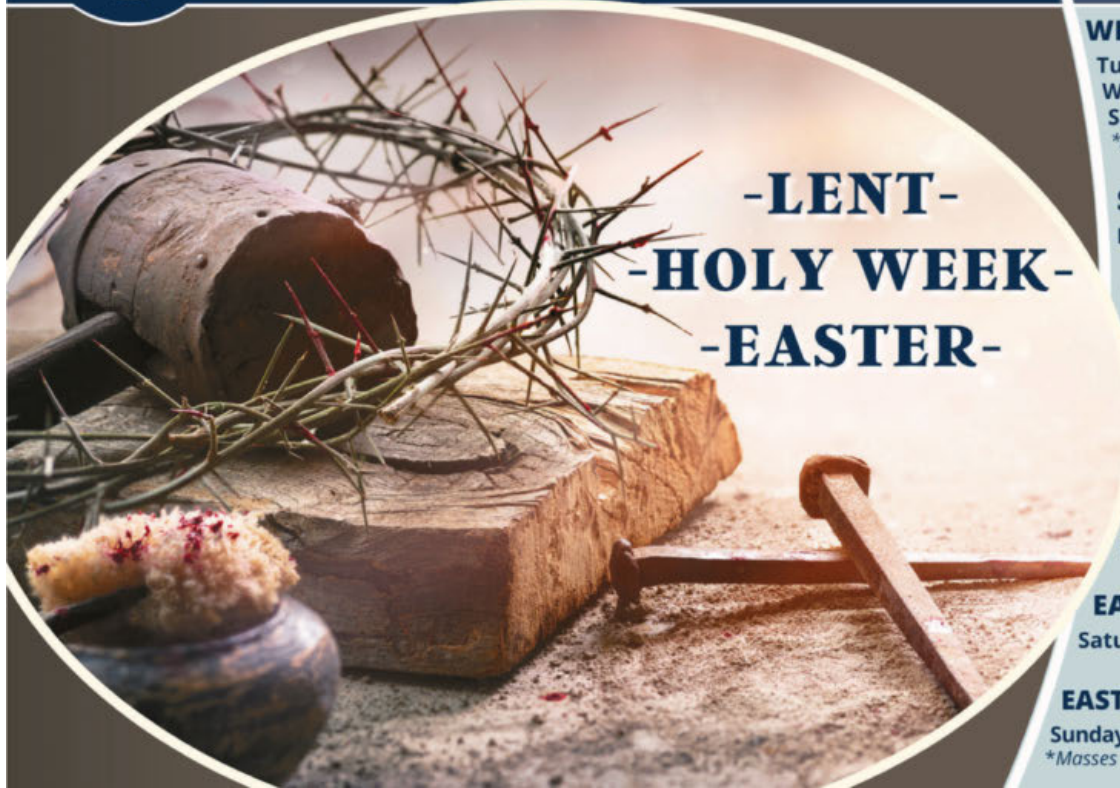


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JOURNEY WITH US  
AS WE REMEMBER  
& CELEBRATE



**-LENT-  
-HOLY WEEK-  
-EASTER-**

**WEEKLY RECONCILIATION**

Tuesdays | 11AM & 6:30PM  
Wednesdays | 6AM & 5:30PM\*  
Saturdays | 3PM + Sundays | 4PM  
\*Additional Lenten Reconciliation time

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Fridays during Lent | 7PM

**PENANCE SERVICE**

Tuesday, March 19 | 7PM

**HOLY THURSDAY MASS**

Thursday, March 28 | 7PM

**GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE**

Friday, March 29 | 3PM | 7PM  
Stations + Tre Ore | 12-3PM

**EASTER VIGIL MASS**

Saturday, March 30 | 8PM

**EASTER SUNDAY MASSES**

Sunday, March 31 | 8AM\* | 10AM\* | 12PM  
\*Masses Celebrated in Church & Parish Hall

**GUADALUPE HOUSE**

**MARCH 12, BEFORE 4:30PM**

**ST. JOHN HALLWAY**

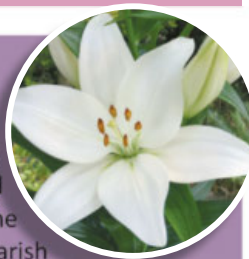
Our Lady of Guadalupe House is an organization run by the Sisters of the Fraternity Missionaries of the Poor of Jesus Christ. The Sisters reach out to the poor and homeless in Kansas City, Kansas and Ascension provides them with supplies needed for their ministry. If you are interested in supporting the Sisters with their cause by donating supplies, visit [kcascension.org](http://kcascension.org). Scroll down to Trending > Volunteer Signups> Guadalupe House. Please drop off supplies to the St. John Hallway by 4:30PM on the 2nd Tuesday of the month.



**EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS**

**DEADLINE: MARCH 15**

Envelopes are available in the gathering area. Honor your beloved deceased this Easter. Donation \$20.00. Return the envelopes to the parish office or the parish mailbox behind the bulletin boards in the gathering area.



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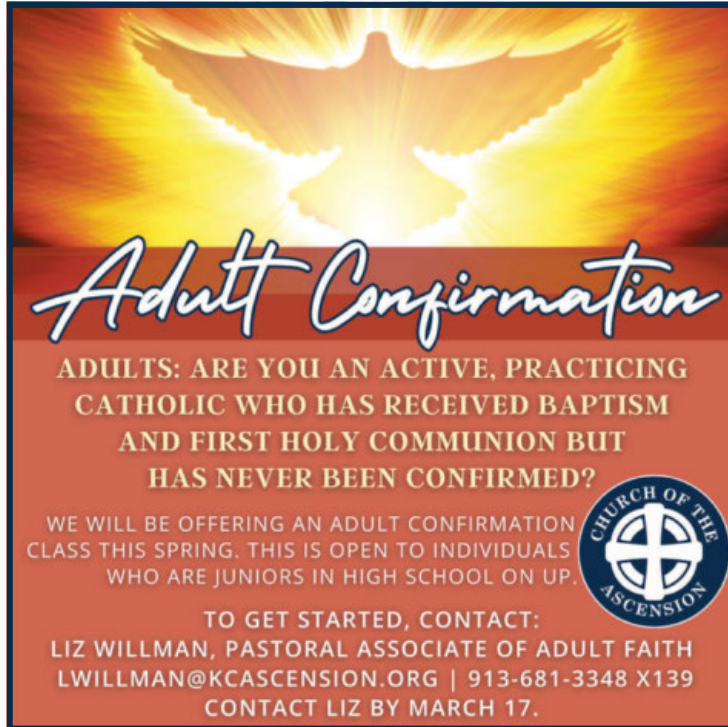
**MARRIED COUPLES  
MARCH 21 6:30PM**



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[KCASCENSION.ORG/TIMEFLIES](http://KCASCENSION.ORG/TIMEFLIES)**



## Ascension This Week




### Adult Confirmation

**ADULTS: ARE YOU AN ACTIVE, PRACTICING CATHOLIC WHO HAS RECEIVED BAPTISM AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION BUT HAS NEVER BEEN CONFIRMED?**

WE WILL BE OFFERING AN ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASS THIS SPRING. THIS IS OPEN TO INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE JUNIORS IN HIGH SCHOOL ON UP.

**TO GET STARTED, CONTACT:**  
LIZ WILLMAN, PASTORAL ASSOCIATE OF ADULT FAITH  
LWILLMAN@KCASCENSION.ORG | 913-681-3348 X139  
CONTACT LIZ BY MARCH 17.



### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN

The 40 Days for Life Spring Campaign will run from Feb. 14 - Mar. 24. We, as a parish, have committed to filling this day during the 40 day campaign: **Sunday 3/10.**

The goal is that at least two people are standing witness each hour from 7AM-7:00PM throughout the 40-day campaign. We encourage people to sign up for one hour with a friend or a small group. This is a quiet, peaceful opportunity to pray for life; it's family friendly. Use the QR code for details or to sign up.

The campaign takes place at: Center For Women's Health: 4840 College Boulevard Overland Park, Kansas (Public right-of-way outside) See link for more information on location: <https://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/overland-park/>



### ASCENSION BOOK CLUB

Our book for March is Sitting Pretty, by Rebekah Taussig. We will meet on Wednesday, March 13th at 1:00 in the St. Mark Room. For details call Linda Cook at 897-3201. Come join our discussion!

### FORGIVENESS EDUCATION WORKS!!!

We will study the "common denominators" of the difficult journey of forgiving others or ourselves, as we study 9 people who have previously taken the class. This is NOT a lecture. Watch a video, small group discussion, large group wrap up is the procedure of the workshop. No one has ever fallen asleep!

Come alone or bring friends. Open to all faiths, and you do not have to be an Ascension parishioner to attend.

There is a 12 people maximum.  
Friday: 1:00-5:00 PM, Half-Day Workshop  
Date: April 5, 2024  
Location: St. Matthew/Mark Room  
Facilitator: Chuck Jansen  
Cost: \$20 (Workbook received at the workshop)



### NOW HIRING

#### BULLETIN AND MESSAGING EDITOR

#### CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

Church of the Ascension is seeking to hire a Bulletin and Messaging Editor responsible for publishing the weekly bulletin and sending weekly updates to our parishioners via email blasts and social media posts. Applicants should have skills in graphic design, content creation and text editing. For inquiries and a complete job description, contact Ray Martin, Pastoral Associate for Communications and Parish Life: [rmartin@kcascension.org](mailto:rmartin@kcascension.org).



### FEARFULLY & WONDERFULLY MADE

**MARCH 17, 6:30PM | ST. LUKE ROOM**

Fearfully And Wonderfully Made is for parents and caregivers of family members with special needs. Our group provides a safe place to discuss struggles, celebrate joys, learn together and build fellowship in our community.

Join Fearfully and Wonderfully Made for Speaker Mike Wasmer the COO of The Council of Autism Service Providers (CASP). He was previously the Director of State Government Affairs at Autism Speaks. Autism Speaks was instrumental in getting Autism Therapy covered by insurance providers in the state of Kansas. Mike will speak to us about his journey and the tools that exist now to advocate for our loved ones with developmental disabilities.



### Join us to learn MAHJONGG

**1ST & 3RD FRIDAYS**

**FEB.16 - MAY 31**

**2:30-4:00PM**

**ST. LUKE ROOM**



**BE PREPARED TO CHALLENGE YOUR BRAIN!**



Join us to learn Mahjongg after *The Bible & Catechism NOT in a Year* class. Better yet, come to both! We'll be teaching you how to play American Mahjongg for fun.

**PLEASE REGISTER ON REALM**

(We have limited game sets for use)



# The Seven Last Words of Christ

FRIDAY | MARCH 22 | 7:00PM | CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION



The "Seven Last Words of Christ" are the seven times that Jesus spoke from the cross. This most profound Last Sermon from the Cross is the centerpiece of the March 22 service of scripture, reflection and song, with Father Gary as the presider.

COME TO THE CHURCH AND BE NOURISHED AS YOU CONTINUE YOUR LENTEN JOURNEY TOWARD A SELFLESS AND CHRIST-CENTERED LIFE . . .

COME TO THE FOOT OF THE CROSS AND LEAVE WITH A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF JESUS' REDEMPTIVE SACRIFICE . . .

COME . . . .

## STEWARDSHIP AS A WAY OF LIFE

Stewardship recognizes that we, as individuals, are not the owners of our lives, our time, our talent, nor our treasure, but stewards or managers of these God-given gifts.

### ASCENSION'S ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

**One Bread... One Body**

We appreciate the parishioners who have submitted their annual commitment form.

Your generosity, prayers and support for our parish shows your willingness as faithful stewards to be part of the ongoing mission of Church of the Ascension.

IF YOU HAVE NOT YET MADE YOUR 2024 COMMITMENT, THERE'S STILL TIME!

USE THE QR CODE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO MAKE YOUR STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT.

Currently, 33% of our parish households have submitted their stewardship commitment for 2024. If you have not yet made your 2024 commitment, please submit your pledge now.

### ARCHBISHOP'S CALL TO SHARE ANNUAL APPEAL

*"I Will Raise the Cup of Salvation"*  
- PSALM 116:13

**CALL TO SHARE**

SCAN THE QR CODE TO DONATE OR VISIT  
[share.ArchKCK.org](https://share.ArchKCK.org)

Ascension's target goal for Call to Share is \$575,000 and we are currently at 59% of that goal. Please consider supporting the Archbishop's Call to Share.



# Youth & Young Adult Ministry

**WE'RE HOSTING**

**VBS 2024**

**MARVELOUS MYSTERY**  
The Mass Comes Alive

**JUNE 3-7**

Registration Opens: April 1

**VBS THIS SUMMER!**



## PARABLES & PUBS

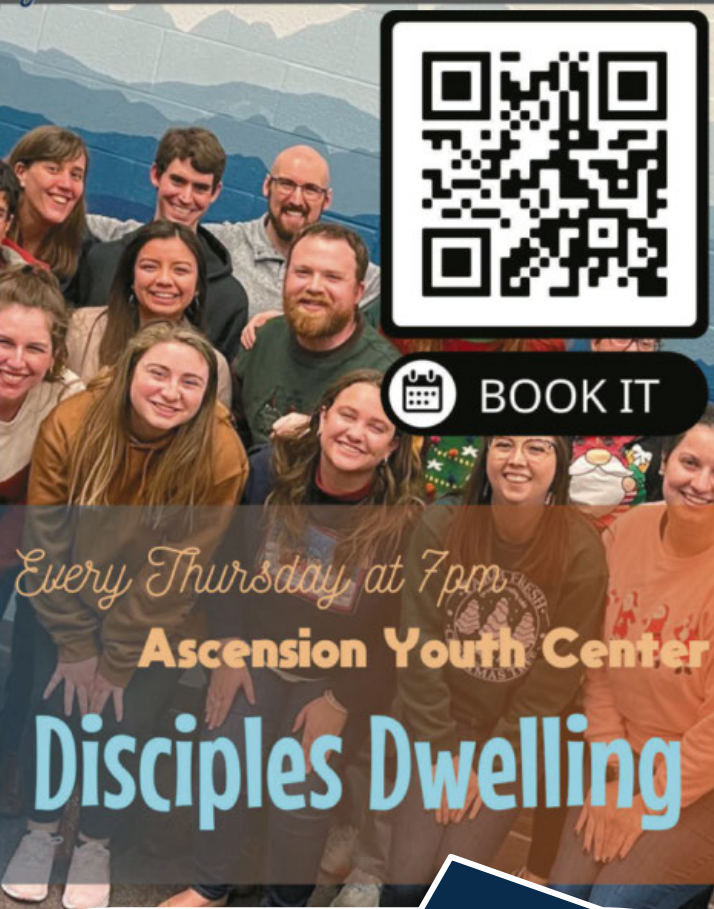
**MARCH 11 | 7:00PM | BREW LAB**

Young adults, come on out and play some board games, listen to some great music and have some deep conversations. We will see you at Parables and Pubs at BrewLab on March 11 at 7:00PM. Come early to pray with us at 6:45PM.



**Parables & Pubs**

**YOUNG ADULTS 21-35**  
**BREW LAB 7925 MARTY**  
**MARCH 11, 7PM LIVE MUSIC**



**BOOK IT**

*Every Thursday at 7pm*

**Ascension Youth Center**

**Disciples Dwelling**

## DISCIPLES DWELLING

**THURSDAYS | 7:00PM | ASCENSION YOUTH CENTER**

**WHO WE ARE:** A passionate group of young Catholics aged 21-35.

**OUR ACTIVITIES:** After discussing future Sunday Mass readings, we will have a community activity. There are also occasional Disciples Dwelling events on weekends.

**QUESTIONS:** email Rachel - rrsevert@ksu.edu



## SHARE YOUR FAITH

### AIDES FOR YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

Sharing our Faith is the call of every Baptized Catholic. One way to do just that is by being an aide in our Youth Faith Formation Program. We are in need of aides for 1st, 3rd, and 4th grade Youth Faith Formation on Wednesday nights, 6:00-7:30PM. Would you prayerfully consider being one? It is a rewarding ministry. Please call William O'Leary for more details: 913-681-7683.



# Upcoming Events

## INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS MINISTRY MEETING MONDAY, APRIL 8 | ST. MARTHA ROOM

The International Missions Team will have an informational meeting Monday, April 8th at 7pm in the St Luke room to discuss the interest and plans for a June trip to Guatemala. We typically travel to Guatemala yearly to work with the vulnerable and elderly population in San Lucas Tolimin in a variety of personal ways. This international mission also supports a papal agency, CNEWA, which is involved in organizations in the Near East. Please join us. Contact Ed Herman 913-897-4856 for more information.



## CHANGE IN THE RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE:

Due to the priests being away at the Chrism Mass, there will be no 11am confessions on Tuesday, March 26th.

## FAITH SHARING EUCHARISTIC WITNESS

Have you had a profound encounter with the Eucharist in your life? Some special graces or a conversion experience that has deepened your faith? Would you be willing to share your story with the parish as part of the Year of Eucharistic Revival? Beginning in the new year, we hope to feature witness stories, faith sharing, and prayer experiences with everyone at Ascension through the weekly Eucharistic Revival bulletin pages. While it will not be possible to accommodate all submissions, we would love to hear your story and potentially include it in the bulletin.

To submit a witness, experience, or meditation for consideration, please email Fr. Stull at [frstull@kcascension.org](mailto:frstull@kcascension.org). Thank you!



## ST. FIACRE GARDENING GUILD MARCH 22 & 23, 8:30AM\* | FRONT WALKWAY


All are welcome to join St. Fiacre Garden Guild on Friday, March 22 when we take down the winter plantings and on Saturday March 23 when we install our Spring plantings. We will start at 8:30AM on both days.

\*Weather permitting; for questions, contact Suzy Leary at 913-206-1464.



## ALTAR SOCIETY CHURCH CLEANING MARCH 23, 9:15AM | CHURCH

Come help clean the church for Easter! We will be dusting and vacuuming pews, dusting statues and wiping down kneelers. Bring a bucket or a small vacuum if you have one. Many hands make light work!



## CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP


**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20TH | 6:30-7:30PM**  
**March's Theme: Finding Happiness In Caregiving**

**Church of the Ascension St. Luke Room**  
9510 W 127th St, Overland Park, KS 66213

If you are caring for a loved one in need, we invite you to join us the 3rd Wednesday of each month for an evening of community and connection with others walking the same beautiful and often challenging path.

This month, we're celebrating International Day of Happiness by sharing guidance and inspiration to help you maximize happiness in the vocation of caregiving. Our talk will be followed by open discussion, so bring your questions, stories, and concerns, and leave with coping skills and spiritual support for the road ahead.

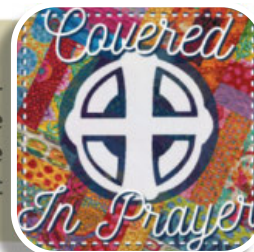
**RSVP by calling Michelle Buzzard at (913) 484-2222.**  
Please note: If Shawnee Mission Schools are closed, we will not meet.



**CATHOLIC COMMUNITY HEALTH**  
HOME CARE • HOSPICE • HOSPICE HOUSE

## COVERED IN PRAYER

Covered in Prayer will not meet on Thursday, March 28 due to Holy Thursday. We will resume our regular meeting schedule in April. We hope to see you on April 25 at 6:00PM in the St. Luke room!



## SHALOM HOUSE

### OUR NEXT DATE TO SERVE: MARCH 28

Shalom House is the only homeless shelter for men in Kansas City, Kansas. We serve dinner and bake desserts for our homeless brothers at Shalom House on the last Thursday of each month. If you feel called to serve, please visit our signup by scanning the QR code. Detailed information is available on the signup. Questions? Contact Dan Tira at 913-991-7755.



## HOPE FAITH BREAKFAST FOR THE HOMELESS MARCH 30, BEFORE 7:30AM | ST. JOHN HALLWAY

Church of the Ascension cooks and serves breakfast at Hope Faith Ministries on the last Saturday of the month. If interested in helping, please go to [kcascension.org](http://kcascension.org), scroll down to the "trending" section, & click "Volunteer Signups" to serve or bring food. This is an awesome family activity!





## Upcoming Events



**RCIA** *Feed our Faith*

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

...BY FEEDING OUR RCIA CANDIDATES & VOLUNTEERS!

Help us show love and support to our RCIA class through hospitality! Sharing a meal each week is a great way to bless and encourage our candidates on their faith journey. . .

We are looking for volunteers to provide simple meals for 30 people:

**MONDAYS | ST. MARK RM. | 5PM**

Meals are broken down into 3 categories (with 2 sign-ups each):  
**MAIN DISH | SIDE | DESSERT**

Questions? Contact Chris Slack on the RCIA Team: 913-461-8319

**SIGN UP HERE**




**Christ Renews His Parish**

Join Us!

**WOMEN'S WEEKEND**  
 APRIL 13 & 14

**MEN'S WEEKEND**  
 APRIL 20 & 21




### CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH RETREAT

Deepen your prayer life with a Christ Renews His Parish Retreat weekend. This 2-day retreat will give you the opportunity and the resources to make lasting changes in your relationship with Jesus. This is the perfect chance to invest a weekend in your own spiritual growth. What are you waiting for? Use the QR code above to visit Ascension's Christ Renews webpage. There, you will also find registration links and answers to frequently asked questions

### FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lisa Connor: 913-485-1578; lisaconnor20@gmail.com  
 Brian Hornung: 913-558-2934; hornung@everestkc.net

## Drive-Up FOOD COLLECTION

**Saturday, April 13, 10AM-2PM**

Ascension Parking Lot-Look for the Catholic Charities Truck

### WHAT WE NEED

tomato/spaghetti sauce, peanut butter,  
 tuna/canned meat, mac and cheese, soups

We gratefully accept cash and check donations! Please make checks payable to Catholic Charities.

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and Ministry of Care/Social Justice.



Questions? Contact David Whitaker@913-626-2676,  
 or Johnette Martin @ 913-481-8663.



**SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY**

*Spring Fling*  
 Dinner & Dance

Adults 18+ with Special Needs  
 Parents or Caregivers Welcome

**SATURDAY | APRIL 6**  
**6:30-9:30PM | PARISH HALL**

**JOIN US AT ASCENSION FOR:**  
 ROSATI'S ITALIAN DINNER  
 MUSIC & DANCING  
 CONNECT WITH OTHER ADULTS IN THE ARCHDIOCESE

ATTIRE: CAUSAL  
 GOOD WILL DONATIONS APPRECIATED

**RSVP BY MARCH 31**

QUESTIONS: CATHY OXLEY 30XLEYS@GMAIL.COM





# CELEBRATE ASCENSION A ROYAL AFFAIR

**APPROXIMATELY  
\$190,000 RAISED!**

The Celebrate Ascension planning committee would like to extend our deepest gratitude to all those who contributed to our recent fundraiser. Your commitment to our shared values and mission to enhance our parish campus has made a significant impact, and we are truly grateful.

## CORPORATE AND VIP SUPPORTERS:

Your partnership with us exemplifies a commitment to building a stronger, more connected community. Your support not only aids our fundraising efforts but also serves as a beacon of inspiration for others.

## AUCTION DONATION PROVIDERS:

The success of our auction wouldn't have been possible without your invaluable contributions. Your generosity has filled our event with excitement and has helped us raise essential funds for our church.

## AUCTION PARTICIPANTS:

To all who participated in our auction, your enthusiasm and competitive spirit added a special energy to the event. Thank you for making our fundraiser a lively and engaging experience.

## CORPORATE SPONSORS

- Barb O'Donnell & Family
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- Dr. Jessica Johnson
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- McGilley Memorial Chapels
- Safe Haven Security
- State Farm Insurance—
- Julie Stoll, Agent
- Talk of the Town Grill & Bar
- The Bullpen Bar & Grill

## VIP TABLE SPONSORS

- Eppler Family
- Ryan Thomas, Goebel Mits Construction
- Harnden Family
- Krenn Family
- Madison Family, Touring Taps
- Silvia Family, Pizza Specialties Inc



## Upcoming Events

### ST. MARY'S FOOD KITCHEN APRIL 3 | COME JOIN US!

**CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION** has been a contributor to St. Mary's Food Kitchen for many years. Ascension's day is the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month to provide supplies and prepare a taco salad luncheon. We leave Ascension at 9:15-9:30AM to prep the meal and get things set up. We serve the lunch from 11:00AM-12:30PM, then return to Ascension. It is a real hands-on experience of serving people in need.

**OUR NEEDS** are for parishioners to donate food to make the taco salads, some to cook the hamburger so we can just warm it up at St Mary's, and for servers the day of.

**PLEASE VISIT** [kcascension.org](http://kcascension.org), scroll down to the "trending" section, & click "Volunteer Signups." Contact Jean Hinman 913-908-9811 or Dorothy and Michael Eagan 913-526-8314.



### PUBLIC ROSARY APRIL 6, 12:00PM PARKING LOT

Come join us as we pray the Rosary on the First Saturday of the month at 12:00PM. We will be praying for God's help for our Catholic Church and our Country. We will pray outside if the weather is warm enough and not raining or snowing, at the northwest corner of 127th and Grant Street (or in the church if the weather does not cooperate).

### BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT MINISTRY APRIL 13, 9:00AM (AFTER MASS) ST. LUKE ROOM

The Bereavement Support Ministry at Church of the Ascension meets the second Saturday of every month in the St. Luke Room, unless otherwise noted on the parish calendar, after 8:30AM Mass for support and education.





## Upcoming Events



Save the Date

# ASCENSION COMMUNITY BBQ

**-Friday, June 7: Tasting & Party**  
**-Saturday, June 8: Judging**

JOIN THE COMPETITION!

-Team sign ups deadline: **May 20**  
-Early bird team registration through **April 1: \$50**  
-Regular Registration **April-May 20: \$75**




Please enter Team Name & contact information for Team Captain at registration

**QUESTIONS?**  
**Marissa Brown**  
mbrown2@  
kcascension.org

Kim Zember shares her personal testimony of a continued journey of surrendering her same-sex desires to Jesus in pursuit of the greater love she has found in Him. Through her personal testimony she helps give others insight into how to love those around them who identify within the LGBTQ community and also gives hope and direction to those who may have same-sex attraction or struggle with their identity. She loves sharing God The Father's heart with everyone and strives to be totally transparent, to help others know they are safe to do the same, not only with God but with one another. Kim has appeared on countless programs such as Pints with Aquinas, The Lila Rose Show, Conversations with Jackie & Bobby, Ascension Presents, Encounter Ministries, EWTN, TBN, CBN, Catholic Answers, 700 Club and much more.

## Kim Zember

shares her personal experience

**THURSDAY  
APRIL  
18TH  
6:30PM -  
8:00PM  
@  
CHURCH OF  
THE  
ASCENSION**



**ALL ARE INVITED**

**Same-Sex Attraction & Life With Christ**  
Q&A to Follow Testimony  
No Question is off limits

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*Your Chaplain*



Joe Passantino  
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July 7 - 12, 2024



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Pack your bags

Come and join Fr Colm Larkin and other hosts as we head to see the patroness of the Americas. We live in a turbulent time but Our Lady desires for us to turn to her Son, Jesus. From July 7-12 we will be heading to see the various sites of miracles while celebrating Mass in one of the holiest places on Earth. We have 2 tracks to chose from. One that is for the typical pilgrim and another for those who have finished high school and might be in their 20s. [KCASCENSION.ORG/MEXICO](http://KCASCENSION.ORG/MEXICO)

### 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION JUNE 2, 2:00PM | CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY

Attention couples celebrating your 50th wedding anniversary: Archbishop Naumann will be celebrating the Archdiocesan 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Celebration on June 2 at 2:00PM at Church of the Nativity. To receive an official invitation from the Archbishop, please call Susan Nigrin at the parish office to give your name, address, phone number and wedding date.



# Weekly Prayer

## NEWLY BAPTIZED

Charles Matthew Hermreck  
Brooklyn Lousie Anderson  
Lincoln Schaffer  
Thomas Schaffer  
Mia Rose Clifford

## NEW PARISHIONERS

Mr. Ronald J. Orcutt

## FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

Tom Griffin, Brother of Kathy Bins

## PRAY FOR OUR ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS

Captain Tyler H. Cordry, US Army; Lt. Colonel Diane Caranta, MD;  
Captain Stephen Cuff, US Army; Corporal Aidan Egan, USMC; PFC  
John Froome; Corporal Margaret Gould, USMC;  
Senior Airman Courtney Hinemeyer, USAF; Larry Homan, Army;  
Lance Corporal Brooke L. Jalbert; Captain Jacob Morin,  
USAF; Captain Dan Prior, US Army; 2nd Lt Tom Stivers,  
US Army; Captain Mitchell R Willis, Pilot, USAF.



## PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Don't know what the Adoration Chapel is all about? Come and visit - see Jesus any time!

We are in need of several adorers - if you'd like to join as an adoration sub or weekly partner, please sign up at this link: [secure.rotundasoftware.com/29/enrollment/Ascension\\_Parish](https://secure.rotundasoftware.com/29/enrollment/Ascension_Parish). A personal entry code will be assigned for you to enter between 9:00PM - 6:00AM if you desire to do so; otherwise, stop in to say hello to Jesus any time during the day.

### HOURS THAT NEED ADORERS ASAP

**Saturdays** - 10AM, 3PM, 7PM

*Plus many subs needed for Spring Break*

### HOURS THAT NEED PARTNERS:

**Sundays** - 6PM

**Fridays** - 4PM

**Saturdays** - 10PM (other subs needed Saturdays at various times)

**Questions:** Debbie Engel: [deborasuzanne@gmail.com](mailto:deborasuzanne@gmail.com).

"Out of the darkness of my life, so much frustrated, I put before you the one great thing to love on earth: the Blessed Sacrament ... There you will find romance, glory, honour, fidelity, and the true way of all your loves upon earth." -J. R. R. Tolkien



## MASS INTENTIONS

### MONDAY, MARCH 11

7:00 AM +Tom & +Cathy Owens by Megan & Rodney Ratzlaff

12:00 PM +Fr. Don Cullen by Darleen Porch

### TUESDAY, MARCH 12

7:00AM +Don Winkler by Jean Steinbrecher

12:00PM Margie Quigley by Gress Family

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13

7:00AM +Steven Kessler by Deacon John & Connie Stanley

12:00PM Luis Egea by Christine Martin

### THURSDAY, MARCH 14

7:00AM Vickie Price by Deacon John & Connie Stanley

12:00PM +Charisse Hesser by Betty & Kent Wooley  
+Glenn Schreiber by Kathryn & John James  
+Helen Jewitt by Kathy Jenkins

### FRIDAY, MARCH 15

7:00AM +Mary Blaise by Christ Renews Men's Team 14

12:00PM +Geraldine Marie Pellant by Damon Micek

### SATURDAY, MARCH 16

8:30AM +Michael Daly by John & Debbie Daly  
Living & Deceased members of the Daly & Trager  
Families by John & Debbie Daly

4:30PM +Caroline Koettker

### SUNDAY, MARCH 17

8:15AM +Lori Ann Rethman by Rethman Family

10:00AM +Stephen Wilson by Jack Hopkins Family

11:45AM Ascension Parishioners

5:00PM +Reed Lewis by Bill & Lori Milliard

**First Saturday Devotion**  
OFFER REPARATIONS TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY



**Women of Ascension**  
(OPEN TO ALL WOMEN OF OUR PARISH)  
IS STARTING A FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

**FIRST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH**  
**ROSARY** (8AM, CHURCH)  
**MASS** (8:30AM, CHURCH)  
**PRAYER & FELLOWSHIP** (AFTER, ST. LUKE RM.)

**NEXT: APRIL 6**

QUESTIONS: MARY CONNOR,  
[MARYCONNORHOME@GMAIL.COM](mailto:MARYCONNORHOME@GMAIL.COM).

## HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

If you are homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist, please contact Patty in the parish office: 913-681-3348.





## THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

Week of March 10, 2024



### Fear and Spiritual Warfare w/ Fr. Chad Ripperger | Fearless | Episode 5

Exorcist Fr. Chad Ripperger joins Chris to discuss fear and spiritual warfare. God calls us to walk confidently in his victory over the Evil One, not be slaves to fear. Reject fear's lies and live in the full freedom that comes from claiming the truth of Jesus Christ. Learn from Chris and Fr. Chad how to let Christ's power unshackle your heart and overcome sin in your life.



### Week Four | Restore: Lent with Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT

In week four of Restore, Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT, reflects on almsgiving and how it heals your relationships with others. One of the most powerful ways to heal your brokenness is to give—not only money or clothing, but also your presence and love—to those whom God has placed in your life, even those who have wounded you.



### Where are You?

This captivating series explores Catholic themes of redemption, grace, and forgiveness through compelling storytelling and thought-provoking narratives. It offers a profound understanding of the transformative power of forgiveness and its significance in personal growth and spiritual renewal.

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*Family Rosary*

JOIN THE  
FAMILY ROSARY  
EVERY TUESDAY AT  
6:30PM IN THE CHURCH.

TOGETHER, WE WILL  
PRAY FOR OUR FAMILIES,  
OUR NATION, AND OUR WORLD!  
BLESSED MOTHER, PRAY FOR US!

### HOSEA...

#### COME BACK TO ME WITH ALL YOUR HEART

Do you have a loved one that you worry about because they are no longer practicing their faith? Do you believe in the power of prayer? Come join the Hosea Prayer group! We are a group of prayer warriors who pray every week for these loved ones to return to God. Every Friday at 3:00PM, the holiest of hours, you will receive an email with a pre-written prayer. And you have the comfort of knowing a group of over 50 faith filled people will also be praying for your loved one! Email Tricia Baldwin if you would like to be added to this group:  
[tbaldwin@acseagles.org](mailto:tbaldwin@acseagles.org)



### PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS:

Susan Arp, Bob Barr, Charlotte Berndt, Jan Cheray, Hudson Coffman, James Daley, Karen Elliott, Susie Evans, Ron Fortino, Megan Freking, Scott Graham, Mary Pat Harpenau, Marsha Hatfield-Baker, Pete Ingles, Corky Jacobs, Kathi Jacobs, Joan B. Johnson, Larry Judy, Gabby Kelly, Jerry and Pat Klimas, Matthew Kopff, John Krim, Jane Godar Kreiter, Donna Kuhn, Ellen & Jerry Lavin, Louis Lindstrom, Pam Manning, Dale Marti, Sue Marti, Karen Mathes, Kelly Mayer, Rebecca Meis, Jenny Melookaran, Sarah Millsap, Deloris Moore, Fred Nelson, Keith Newman, Carmen & John Nodar, Cathy Oxley, James Palmer, Aimee Parsons, Lilibeth Pinon, Chris Poggie, Carmen Porterfield, Evelyn Rauen, Becky Reed, Amy Reinhardt, Katy Rempel, Heather Rollheiser, Mark Rulo, Susie Santa Maria, Marian Scaletta, Barbara Schulte, Chuck Schumacher, Marilyn Sechi, Bob Sherman, Janet Sherman, Laird Simons, Carol Stump, Paul Surles, Fr. Tom Tank, Dan Tira, Collin Warrender, Bridget A. Weeks, Griffin Weyforth, Marilyn Wheeler, George Winkler, John Witt, Emy Yabut, Fred Zielinski

### RELATIVES & FRIENDS OF PARISHIONERS:

Karen Armstrong, Linton Bayless, Michael Beam, Annie Boehmcke, Amanda Brower, Michele Buche, Audrey Cooper, Richard Dobkin, Steve Dougherty, Janelle Downs, Adeleaid Fix, LaVonne Friedrichsen, Paul Friedrichsen, Andrea Gifford, Phil Godar, Angela Tira Gravitt, Monica Greenwood, Karla Harris, Colleen Heeter, Dianna Heintz,, Diane Hutchinson, Jessica Imler, Chad Jones, Chris Johnson, Luella Lappe, Dennis Larkin, Jim Lasher, Ellen Loschke, Dick Maguire, Blake Martin, Paul Newman, Tina Noelke-Orf, Mike Ojile, Roe Park, Eryn Patton, David Poskin, Paula Ramsey, Mark Reda, Dave Roth, Lori Ruskamp, Stacy Sell, Lawson Sosebee, Jim Steffen, Karen Steffen, Art Sumpstine, Stephanie Thomas, Benjamin Waller



# Ministry News

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

### IN SERVICE TO ONE, IN SERVICE TO ALL.

#### FAMILY OF THE YEAR & KNIGHT OF THE YEAR 2023

Congratulations to Joe and Johnette Martin our Family of the Year. Joe and Johnette have spent countless hours supporting the Knights and the Ascension Parish. Congratulations to Fred Randazzo our Knight of the Year. Fred regularly participates in Knights activities including food rescue, tootsie roll donations, Fish Frys, and monthly food collection efforts. Many, many people in need have benefited from Fred's efforts. Congratulations again!

#### FAMILY OF THE MONTH AND KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to JD and Stephanie Martin our Family of the Month and John Cazzato our Knight of the Month for February.

**JOIN THE KNIGHTS:** The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic Men's organization open to all Catholic men ages 18 and over. Interested in joining the Knights? Contact Brian Kellerman at [bgkellerman@yahoo.com](mailto:bgkellerman@yahoo.com) or 913-515-6454.

**KNIGHTS CHOIR:** Contact Dan Tira at [tirad@umkc.edu](mailto:tirad@umkc.edu) or 913-451-2341 if you are interested in joining.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES FOOD DRIVE:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Full weekend of each month. Drive up food collection 10-2 on Saturday, Cash donations accepted after all Masses.

**PRAYERS:** Join us in prayer for our seminarians from Ascension – Alex Rickert, Michael Santamarina, Jack Oxley and ALL others including Trey Niesen and Matthias Saiiki. Also, our fellow KofC brother Michael Uhlmansiek as an Aspirant for Permanent Deacon. Holy Hours dedicated to Vocations occur every Friday at 1pm and Saturday at 11am in the Adoration Chapel.

**ASCENSIONS KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW CHAMPIONS:** Congratulations to our 2024 Regional winners. Good Luck in the State competition:

Age 11 Connor Mullane | Age 12 Kaitlyn Severino.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DEGREE CEREMONY:** First Degree Knights are invited to attend a Degree Ceremony in the church after the 11:45am Mass on 3/24. A video will be presented on the drop-down screens. A social with food and beverages will follow the event in the Parish Hall. Families are encouraged to attend with you. The great news is, you'll leave as a 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Knight.

**ASCENSION FISH FRIES ARE BACK!** The Best Fish Fry in town, "2024 Version" starts Friday, Feb. 16 and runs thru March 22. The Knights will be preparing a Fish Fry dinner served in the Parish Hall on Fridays between 5:00pm thru 7:30pm. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for this popular event, great food, and an opportunity to socialize with your fellow parishioners! Monies generated from the Fish Fries are used to support Olathe and Wyandotte Pregnancy Centers, our Seminarians, the intellectually disabled and other local charities whose mission is in synch with the teaching of the Catholic Church.

**FISH FRY VOLUNTEERS:** It takes a lot of work to organize and execute the Fish Fries. Knights should go to our web page, [www.ascensionkofc.com](http://www.ascensionkofc.com), to volunteer.

**FISH FRY DESSERTS:** What is sweeter than dessert at the Fish Fry? The ladies need help with preparing desserts. If you can prepare or purchase something, that is appreciated. Please contact Johnette Martin at [johnette@johnettesmail.com](mailto:johnette@johnettesmail.com) or at 913-481-8663, if you can help.



### JOIN US FOR MASS AND MEETINGS

-Council Meeting: Monday, March 25, 7:00pm (Parish Hall B), preceded by the Rosary at 6:30pm.

-Officers' Meeting: Monday, April 7, 6:15pm, Knights Room (Annex)

-Knights' Mass Friday mornings @ 7am with breakfast following at Hy-Vee

-2024 Dues can be paid at [AscensionKofC.com](http://AscensionKofC.com)

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

-4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification 4/13. Holy Trinity, Lenexa, KS

-Men's Christ Renews His Parish 4/20&21, Ascension

-St. Thomas Aquinas Walk for Life 4/28 starting at St. Thomas Aquinas

-Italian Dinner 5/11 in Parish Hall following the 4:30pm Mass

**SAVE THE DATE** - KofC Golf Tournament, 10/7 Falcon Ridge

## RESPECT LIFE CORNER | KLANG, KLANG, KLANG

Piercing the morning air, the old handheld school bell rings out joy and love for a new life. A client of the Community Pregnancy Center has just given birth. From the little gray house, which is less than a 2000 square feet, the ultra sound technologist stands on the back porch and enthusiastically directs her vigorous ringing at the next door neighbor—Planned Parenthood. Ensnared in their 3 story, 20,000+ square foot building, some of their workers watch. Meanwhile prayer warriors cheer and offer thanksgiving for the delivery of this baby's life and for the mother.

## MEALS FOR PRIESTS

Do you love to cook? We have three priests with hearty appetites! Meals for Priests is a ministry that provides meals one day per week for our beloved priests. If you are interested in cooking and providing a meal, please visit our webpage at [kascension.org](http://kascension.org); scroll down to the Trending section, click Volunteer Sign Ups, Meals for Priests. Or use the QR Code. If you have questions, please contact Patty in the Parish office at 913-681-3348.





## CALLING ALL ACS ALUMNI!!

ALWAYS AN EAGLE! WE LOVE TO WELCOME OUR ALUMNI BACK TO CAMPUS AND TO STAY IN TOUCH WITH THEM! NO MATTER IF IT'S BEEN TWO YEARS OR TWO DECADES SINCE YOU GRADUATED, WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU! PLEASE MAKE SURE WE HAVE YOUR MOST UP-TO-DATE CONTACT INFORMATION AND ANY UPDATES YOU'D LIKE TO SHARE BY COMPLETING THIS QUICK FORM.

ASCENSION CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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## CATHOLIC CEMETERIES PRAYERFUL PROCESSIONS FOR LENTEN DEVOTION

Catholic Cemeteries of Northeast Kansas (CCNEK) invites area Catholic-Christians to a series of Stations of the Cross processions on the Thursdays of Lent through March 21. The processions will begin at 5:00PM at Resurrection Cemetery, 8300 Quivira Rd., Lenexa in the Priest garden just west of the Veteran's garden. CCNEK is reviving the age-old tradition of these processions to pray the Stations of the Cross Lenten devotionally. Please join to also pray for the souls in purgatory, for an end to abortion, and for the families of those who have experienced miscarriages. For more information, visit [www.cathcemks.org](http://www.cathcemks.org) or email [information@cathcemks.org](mailto:information@cathcemks.org).

## HOLY ROSARY RALLY

**MARCH 17, 3:00PM | CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS**

Please join us to Honor Our Blessed Mother and Our Lady of Fatima which will be held on Sunday, March 17 from 3:00-4:15PM at the Church of the Holy Cross (8311 W. 93<sup>rd</sup> Street, Overland Park, KS. 66212). We will pray the Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious mysteries of the Holy Rosary followed by Benediction and the opportunity for attendees to enroll in the Brown Scapular. For driving instructions or future dates for the Kansas City monthly Holy Rosary rallies, please visit [www.rosaryrallieskc.org](http://www.rosaryrallieskc.org)

## NOW HIRING | YOUTH MINISTER ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH

St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Leawood, Kansas, is seeking a Youth Minister who will lead teens closer to Christ in partnership with another Youth Minister. He or she must be dedicated to forming missionary disciples and creating, fostering, and guiding a community to reach teens from 7th grade through high school. The successful candidate will have excellent organizational and communication skills and a desire to facilitate an encounter with Jesus Christ. This is a year-round, full-time position eligible for full benefits. Further details available at [stmichaelcp.org/employment](http://stmichaelcp.org/employment). Send cover letter and resume to [denise.greene@stmichaelcp.org](mailto:denise.greene@stmichaelcp.org).



## DINING TO DONATE WITH THE SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH OF CARONDELET

**MARCH 20 | JASPERS RESTAURANT**

Jasper's will once again, donate twenty percent of all lunch & dinner sales to benefit the good works of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet. Enjoy a delicious meal at Jasper's with your friends and family, and help the sisters at the same time.

Reservations encouraged. Contact Jasper's at (816) 941-6600, or [jasperskc.com](http://jasperskc.com). For more details, visit [www.csjsl.org](http://www.csjsl.org). Grazie! Together...we are more.



## NOW HIRING | COMMUNICATION COORDINATOR | ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH IN SHAWNEE

St. Joseph Catholic Church in Shawnee is seeking a full time Communications Coordinator. The Communication Coordinator will coordinate and support the St. Joseph Campus with communication projects. This position will work closely with the school Principal, EEC Director and Parish Office to develop and implement communications strategies, media relations, social and digital media, article writing, video production, advertising/marketing initiatives, and other communication support as needed. A successful candidate should be Catholic, with strong relationship skills and the ability to work in a collaborative setting. The overall goal for this position is to promote St. Joseph Catholic Campus as the go-to source for relevant, reliable, evidenced-based information. Interested applicants should email resumes and cover letter to Fr. Scott Wallisch: [frscott@stjoeshawnee.org](mailto:frscott@stjoeshawnee.org) or call (913) 631-5983 for more information.

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A SPECIAL 2-DAY EVENT  
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# SCHOOL OF HEALING

**APRIL 12-13, 2024**

TOPICS THAT WILL BE COVERED

- Baptism of the Holy Spirit
- Theology of Healing
- Prayer Model for Healing
- Redemptive Suffering
- Accessing Words of Knowledge for Healing

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