

# CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

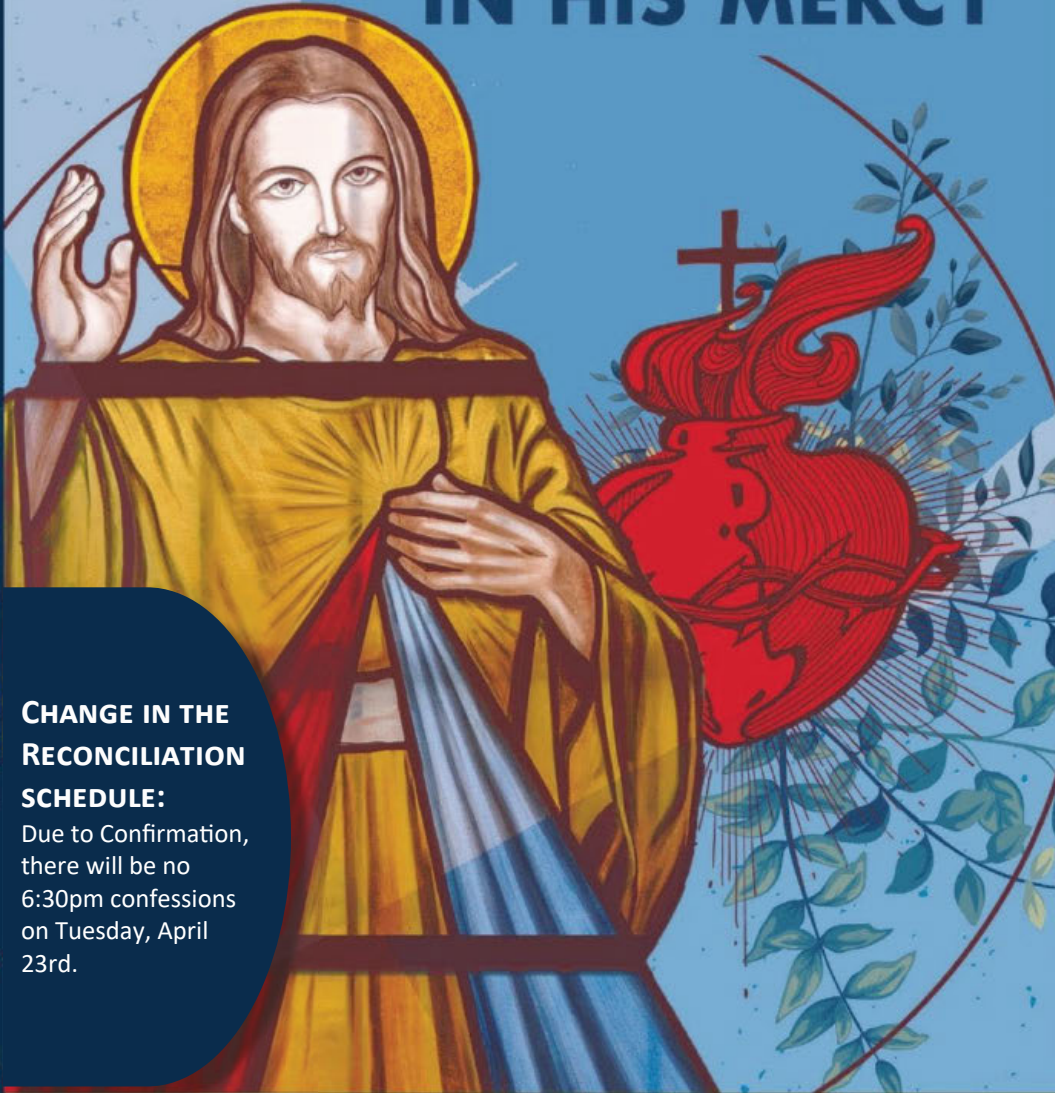
APRIL 7, 2024



*Catholic Parish*

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

TRUST  
IN HIS MERCY



**CHANGE IN THE  
RECONCILIATION  
SCHEDULE:**

Due to Confirmation, there will be no 6:30pm confessions on Tuesday, April 23rd.

**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:** 11:00AM & 6:30PM

**Wed:** 6:00AM

**Saturday:** 3:00PM

**Sunday:** 4:00PM

**PERPETUAL ADORATION**

**Daily:** 6:00AM-9:00PM

Closed Mon. & Thurs. from  
2:00-3:00PM for cleaning.

Code needed 9:00-6:00AM

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

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### SUNDAY, APRIL 7

- 9:30AM **Sunday Scripture Study** | St. Mark Rm.
- 1:00PM **AA Mtng.** | St. John Rm.  
**Baptisms** | Church
- 3:00PM **Divine Mercy Holy Hour & Devotions** | Church  
**Boy Scouts Spring Award Ceremony** | Parish Hall
- 4:00PM **Al Anon Mtng.** | St. John Rm.
- 8:00PM **Men's Basketball over 40** | Gym

### MONDAY, APRIL 8

- 3:00PM **After School Hangout** | Youth Center
- 5:00PM **RCIA Rosary** | St. Luke Rm.
- 5:30PM **RCIA Class** | St. Mark Rm.
- 6:00PM **RCIA Year 2** | St. Luke Rm.
- 6:30PM **Boy Scouts** | Parish Hall A
- 7:00PM **K of C Officers Mtng.** | Parish Hall Annex  
**Boy Scouts Mtng.** | Library
- 7:15PM **International Mission Mtng.** | St. Martha Rm.
- 8:30PM **Men's Basketball Age 21+** | Gym

### TUESDAY, APRIL 9

- 9:15AM **Parish Staff Mtng.** | St. John Rm.
- 10:00AM **Culture Project** | St. Mark Rm.
- 4:00PM **Guadalupe House** | Offsite
- 5:30PM **Maintenance Committee** | St. Luke Rm.
- 6:00PM **SAC Mtng.** | Library
- 6:30PM **New Parishioner Social** | St. Mark Rm.
- 6:30PM **Family Rosary** | Church
- 7:00PM **4th Degree K of C Mtng.** | Parish Hall B
- 7:30PM **Special Needs Advisory Team** | St. Luke Rm.

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

- 1:00PM **Ascension Book Club** | St. Mark Rm.
- 5:00PM **Embrace Grace** | St. John Rm.
- 6:00PM **Weekly YFF** | ACS Classroom  
**Year I** | ACS Classroom
- 7:00PM **Adult Choir** | Church  
**AA Mtng.** | St. John Rm.
- 8:30PM **Men's Basketball Age 21+** | Gym

### THURSDAY, APRIL 11

- 4:30PM **Legion of Mary Mtng.** | St. Luke Rm.
- 6:00PM **Project Genesis Parent Mtng.** | Library
- 6:15PM **American Heritage Girls** | Parish Hall B
- 6:30PM **Heartache to Healing** | St. John Rm.
- 7:00PM **Adult Confirmation Class** | St. Luke Rm.  
**Disciples Dwelling** | Youth Center

### FRIDAY, APRIL 12

- 6:00AM **Men of Ascension** | St. Mark Rm.
- 10:00AM **MOYC/Little Angels** | Parish Hall A
- 3:15PM **Chess Club** | Library

### SATURDAY, APRIL 13

- 6:00AM **Legion of Mary** | St. Luke Rm.
- 9:00AM **Bereavement Support** | Conference Rm.  
**Morning Glory Class** | Library
- 10:00AM **Pop The Trunk Food Collection** | Parking Lot
- 9:30AM **"The Mass" Lent Study** | St. Mark Rm.
- 12:00PM **First Saturday Public Rosary**
- 6:00PM **Special Needs Spring Fling Dance** | Parish Hall

### SUNDAY, APRIL 14

- 9:30AM **Sunday Scripture Study** | Conference Rm.
- 1:00PM **AA Mtng.** | Conference Rm.
- 4:00PM **Al Anon Mtng.** | Conference Rm.
- 8:00PM **Mens Basketball over 40** | Gym

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Happy Easter! On this Sunday in the octave of Easter, the Church celebrates Divine Mercy Sunday. Our parish will have a Divine Mercy Holy Hour on Sunday April, 7th at 3pm in the church. Confessors will also be available from 2pm until the beginning of the 5pm Mass.

St. Pope John Paul II established this feast for the whole of the Catholic Church on the occasion of the canonization of Sr. Faustina Kowalska on 30 April 2000. Sr. Faustina, now Saint Faustina, was a Polish nun who died in 1938 and who reported having visions of and conversations with Jesus. She recorded the content of these visions in her diary. From the diary of this young Polish nun, a special devotion began spreading throughout the world in the 1930s.

The message is nothing new, but is a reminder of what the Church has always taught through scripture and tradition: that God is merciful and forgiving and that we, too, must show mercy and forgiveness. But in the Divine Mercy devotion, the message takes on a powerful new focus, calling people to a deeper understanding that God's love is unlimited and available to everyone — especially the greatest sinners. God wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy.

The Church grants an indulgence for participation in the Divine Mercy devotion. For details on the indulgence and more information on the Divine Mercy Devotion, go to the EWTN Divine Mercy page to read about the indulgence (QR code below). May God's infinite mercy, that we celebrated during Holy Week and that we continue to rejoice in during the Easter Season, be a healing balm for your soul.

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



# Easter Memorials

Robert, Frances & John Andregg  
 John & Pauline Antonelli  
 Nicolo, Melania & Mary Antonelli  
 Bob & Mary Baldwin  
 Bill & Peggy Beeson  
 Sylvia Beeson  
 Virgil & Mildred Biby  
 Blaine Matthew Billinger  
 Patrick Bins  
 Mary Blaise  
 Mr. & Mrs. John Blazek  
 Nickie Boltz  
 John & Celina Bourquin  
 Al & JeAnne Carver  
 Matthew Connaughton  
 Members of the Cordes and Cheray  
 Families: Nancy, Wendy, Francis, Norma,  
 Mary Elaine, Florence, Tony, John, Mary  
 Ann, Clarence, Joseph, Artie  
 Michael Daly  
 Members of the Daly & Trager Families  
 Gary Denning  
 Members of the Doran & Prior Families  
 Linda & Pearson Dubar  
 Louis & Rita Duchinsky  
 Members of the Ebeling & Murphy Families  
 Bill Endsley  
 Frank & Annie Essner  
 David Fields  
 Mary & Joseph Fofonka  
 John & Terry Ford  
 Louis & Lucille Fritz  
 Al & Bertie Geiger  
 James & Mary Gillespie  
 Members of the Glasser & Gottardi  
 Families  
 Members of the Gress and Quigley Families  
 Sandy Griesel  
 Stephen & Joseph Harbourne  
 Kevin Haeusser  
 Vern & Lavon Healy  
 Ferrell Heeter  
 Elaine G. Herman  
 Mike Houston  
 Math & Trellis Howell  
 Brad Hunter  
 Roger & Joan James  
 Ray & Adele Jansen

Art Jeannet  
 JoAnn Jeannet  
 Glenn Jennewein  
 Alan & Mary Jones  
 Teresa Kamler  
 Ken, Evelyne & Kenny Kelly  
 Members of the Kelly & Lampe Families  
 Ed & Bernadine Kerstiens  
 Members of the Kerwin & Porch Families  
 Jim Kiefer  
 Shirley Koenigsfeld  
 William A. Koski  
 Mary Ann Lane  
 Scott Leahy  
 Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Marti  
 Joe Martin  
 Joe & Lynn Martin  
 William & Mary McCarty  
 Melanie McKenzie  
 Frank & Zita Meyer  
 Jim Meyer  
 Don Moore  
 Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Moran  
 William Myers  
 Charles & Genevieve O'Halloran  
 John & Ann O'Leary  
 Julia Olinger  
 Jan O'Rourke  
 Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Pawlowski  
 J. J. Pawlowski  
 Members of the Peitzmeier Family  
 Sandy Peneton  
 Opal & John Pfitzner  
 James Pyle  
 Ed Rafferty, Sr.  
 John Rakos  
 Joseph Rakowski  
 Annabelle Roettger  
 Members of the Rosell Family  
 Carol Roth  
 Ed & Anne Russell  
 Elaine Russell  
 Glenn & Mary Russell  
 Diane Schmitz Carr  
 Don Schmitz  
 Maurice Schmitz  
 Luke Sellhorst  
 Derek Settlemeyer

James Sheridan  
 Members of the Short & Foltz Families  
 Second Lieutenant Justin Sisson  
 Alison J. Smeltzer  
 Members of the Smeltzer Family  
 Harold & Evelyn Somouski  
 Robert Stephan  
 Members of the Strantz Family  
 Milton & Leona Straub  
 Members of the Strother Family  
 Billy & Dixie Lee Stull  
 Bill Suple  
 Matthew Szabo  
 Norman Szabo  
 H.C. & Sue Teegarden  
 John Thesing  
 Jim Toyne  
 Henry & Gertrude True  
 Hilda J. Virgilio  
 Ken Voorhes  
 Members of the Vosters & Drahus Families  
 Bill Weems  
 Bernard & Teresa Weiser  
 Members of the Wietharn & Rottinghaus  
 Families  
 George & Mary Alice Willman  
 Dale & Leona Young  
 Duane Young  
 John & Mary Ziegelmeier

## 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).

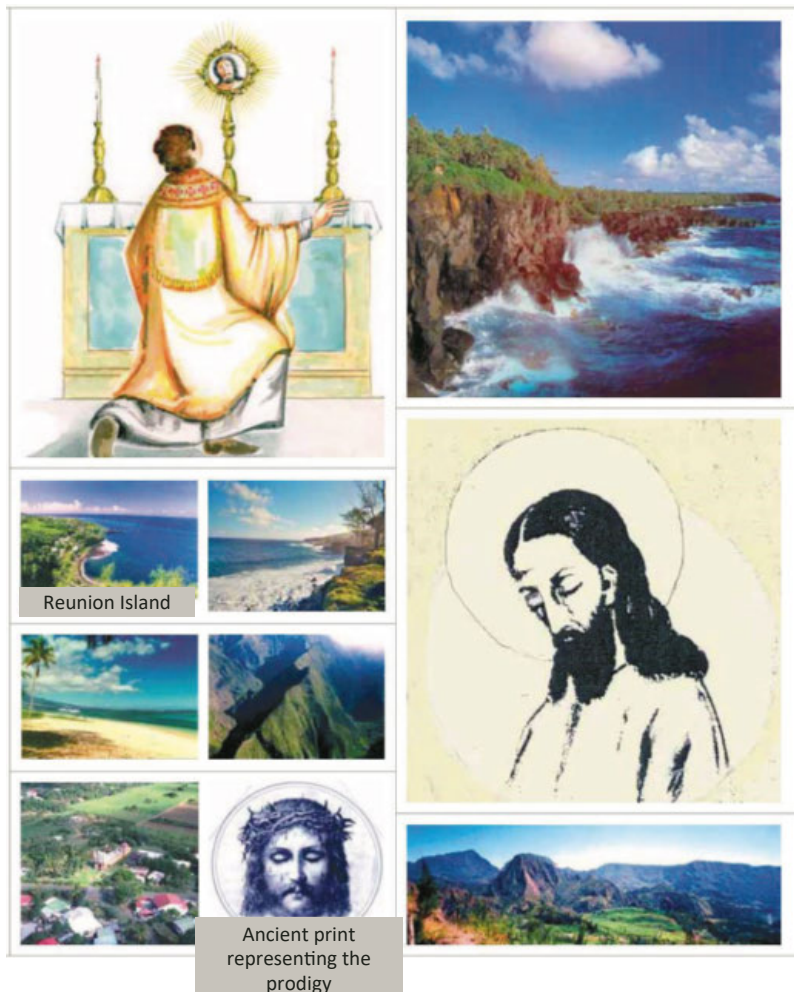
## EUCHARISTIC MIRACLE OF SAINT-ANDRÉ DE LA RÉUNION | 1902

ON JANUARY 26, 1902, AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF SAINT-ANDRÉ, A CITY ON THE ISLAND OF LA RÉUNION (FRENCH COLONY), ABBOT HENRY LACOMBE, PASTOR OF THE CHURCH, WAS WITNESS TO THE MIRACLE THAT HE WOULD RECOUNT TO THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE DURING THE EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS OF ANGOULEME (1904), AS WELL AS TO THE GROUP OF PRIESTS GATHERED FOR A SPIRITUAL RETREAT IN THE TOWN OF PERIGUEUX. THE FACE OF JESUS APPEARED IN THE HOST WHICH WAS FOR MANY HOURS WITNESSED BY THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE.

READ MORE AT BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS'S WEBSITE:



Let's look at Abbot Lacombe's report: It was January 26, 1902. We were celebrating perpetual adoration (the Forty hours). The Most Holy Sacrament was exposed in the tabernacle. I began to celebrate the Mass. After the elevation, at the moment of the Our Father, my eyes were lifted toward the Host and I saw a bright halo around the rays of the monstrance. I continued to recite the prayers of the Mass, with great agitation in my soul but which I tried to overcome. We came to the moment for Communion and again I



looked toward the monstrance. This time I saw a human face, with lowered eyes and a crown of thorns on the forehead. What moved me the most was the dolorous expression painted on the face. The eye-lashes were long and thick. I tried not to let on to the presence of the turmoil agitating inside of me. After Mass, I went to the sacristy and summoned the older children from the choir to go to the altar and closely observe the monstrance. The children raced back and told me : "Father, we see the head of a man in the Host. It is the good Lord revealing Himself ! I understood then that the vision was authentic". A young man of 16, Adam de Villiers, who had studied in a college in France, also arrived. I said to him as well : "Go in the church and see if you notice something strange in the tabernacle". The young student went to the sacristy and returned immediately, saying: "Father, it

is the good Lord who appears in the Host, I see His divine face". Since then, all my doubts disappeared. Slowly the entire town went to the church to see the miracle. Journalists and people from the capital of Saint Denis also arrived. The face on the Host suddenly became animated and the crown of thorns disappeared. I used every possible precaution, and fearing the effects from the rays of light, I had all the candles extinguished and the shutters closed. The phenomenon became even more clear. There was a young artist among the visitors who faithfully reproduced the face in the Host. Later, the vision changed again and a crucifix appeared which covered the entire Host from top to bottom. After the Eucharistic blessing and recital of the Tantum Ergo, the vision disappeared.

## THE 40 HOURS DEVOTION

Coming to Ascension April 28, 29, and 30!

The 40 Hours Devotion is a special forty-hour period of continuous prayer made before the Blessed Sacrament in solemn exposition. Of course, the focus of this devotion is on the Holy Eucharist. As Catholics, the words of our Lord burn in our hearts: "I myself am the living bread come down from Heaven. If anyone eats this bread, He shall live forever; the bread I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."

Affirming our belief in the Real Presence of our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, the Vatican Council II taught that the Holy Eucharist is "the source and summit of the Christian life" ('Lumen Gentium,' #11). While the Mass is the central act of worship for us Catholics, an act which participates in the eternal reality of our Lord's Passion, Death, and Resurrection, Vatican Council II upheld and encouraged the adoration of the Blessed Sacrament outside of Mass. Of course, such devotion derives from the Sacrifice of the Mass and moves the faithful to both sacramental and spiritual communion with our Lord. Pope John Paul II repeatedly "highly recommended" public and private devotion of the Blessed Sacrament, including processions on the Feast of Corpus Christi and the 40 Hours Devotion.

Second, the number 40 has always signified a sacred period of time: the rains during the time of Noah lasted 40 days and nights; the Jews wandered through the desert for 40 years; Our Lord fasted and prayed for 40 days before beginning His public ministry. The 40 Hours Devotion remembers that traditional "forty-hour period" from our Lord's burial until the Resurrection.

The 40 Hours Devotion begins with a Solemn Mass of Exposition (Sunday, April 28 @ 5:00 p.m.), which concludes with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and a procession. The Blessed Sacrament remains on the altar in a monstrance. During the next 40 hours, the faithful gather for personal or public prayer in adoration of our Lord. The Blessed Sacrament is reposed in the tabernacle for the daily Masses, and then returned for exposition after Mass. At the end of the devotions, the Mass of Reposition is offered, again concluding with a procession, benediction and final reposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

While the 40 Hours Devotion nurtures the love of the faithful for our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, three special dimensions have also surrounded this devotion: the protection from evil and temptation; reparation for our own sins and for the poor souls in purgatory; and deliverance from political, material, or spiritual calamities.

The practice of the 40 Hours Devotion originated in Milan about the year 1530. In 1539, Pope Paul III responded to a petition from the Archdiocese of Milan granting an indulgence for the practice. While this pronouncement seems to be the earliest official approval by the Church of this devotion, the 40 Hours



Devotion spread rapidly. By 1550, both Saint Philip Neri (Oratorians) and Saint Ignatius Loyola (Jesuits) had also instituted this practice, especially for the reparation of sin.

In our own country, Saint John Neumann (d. 1860), the fourth Bishop of Philadelphia, was a strong promoter of the 40 Hours Devotion. While the practice had already existed in individual churches throughout the city (as well as in other places in the country), no organized, cohesive diocesan schedule for it had ever before been attempted. Saint John had a tremendous devotion to our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, and desired to foster such a spiritual life in his people.

The 40 Hours Devotion provides a wonderful opportunity for the spiritual growth of each person and the parish as a whole. In a world where temptation and evil abound, where devotion to the Mass and Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament have declined, where the practice of penance and confession have been forgotten, we need the 40 Hours Devotion more than ever.

In this year of Eucharistic Revival, join us here at Ascension for this 40 Hours Devotion to Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament April 28, 29, and 30! More details to follow.



## 40 Hours of Adoration

April 28, 29, and 30

In this year of Eucharistic Revival, Ascension will start the 40 Hours Devotion—basically 40 hours of continuous adoration of Our Lord in the church itself. This special event begins at the Sunday 5:00 p.m. Mass (April 28) and concludes at the Tuesday 12:00 noon Mass (April 30). All regularly scheduled adoration hours in the chapel will take place in the church during this period.



If you don't already have a regular adoration hour, this is the perfect chance to give it a try without committing to it long-term. This time is also perfect for families who might find the adoration chapel a bit cramped for their little ones!

Watch the bulletin for more information and send any questions to Fr. Stull at [frstull@kcscension.org](mailto:frstull@kcscension.org)



## BEHOLD KC EVENT DETAILS



*Register for the  
event here!*

**WHEN:** MAY 4 | 4-9:30 PM

**WHERE:** NATIONAL WORLD WAR I  
MEMORIAL, NORTH LAWN

### WHAT CAN I EXPECT?

- PRAISE & WORSHIP
- CONFESSION
- ROSARY
- CELEBRATION OF HOLY MASS
- EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

**VISIT  
BEHOLDKC.ORG  
OR USE THE  
QR CODE ABOVE  
TO REGISTER  
FOR THE EVENT!**

# Ascension This Week



Jesus, I Trust in You!

*Divine Mercy Holy Hour & Devotions*  
 SUNDAY | APRIL 7 | 3:00-4:00PM | CHURCH  
*Confessions will be Heard*  
 SUNDAY | APRIL 7 | 2:00-4:00PM | CHURCH



**Donut Sunday!**  
 Join us for coffee and donuts after the 8:15AM and 10:00AM Masses, downstairs in the Parish Hall.  
**APRIL 7  
 JOIN US  
 AFTER MASS  
 THIS WEEK!**

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

The International Missions Team will have an informational meeting Monday, April 8th at 7:15pm in the St. Martha 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.



## 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.

## GUADALUPE HOUSE-TUESDAY, APRIL 9, ST. JOHN HALLWAY, DROP OFF BY 4:30PM

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, please visit the Church of the Ascension homepage at [kccascension.org](http://kccascension.org), and click on Volunteer Signups/Guadalupe House. Please drop off supplies to the Parish Hall by 4:30pm on the 2nd Tuesday of the month. Our next date is Tuesday, April 9.

Upcoming Events

# ASCENSION FEAST DAY Celebration



Please register here for planning purposes (free-will donations accepted at the door):



**SATURDAY | MAY 11TH**  
**5:30 - 7:30 PM | PARISH HALL**

PASTA DINNER, CUPCAKES, COTTON CANDY AND ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Have you heard?!



# ASCENSION CATHOLIC SCHOOL

**K-8 NOW ENROLLING!**




Open camera & scan for more information!

**CATHOLIC ACADEMIC COMMUNITY**

# CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

*Save the Date*

DETAILS & REGISTRATION WILL BE ON THE PARISH WEBSITE


\* **HOLY HALF HOUR & SIMPLE SUPPER** \*

MONDAY, APRIL 15

**FEAST OF THE ASCENSION**

SATURDAY, MAY 11  
 FOLLOWING 4:30PM MASS

**CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION**



SUNDAY, JUNE 2

**BBQ WEEKEND**



JUNE 7-8

**FALL FESTIVAL**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

*Find us Here*



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 9510 W. 127TH STREET





# Upcoming Events

**WE'RE HOSTING**

**VBS 2024**

**MARVELOUS MYSTERY**  
The Mass Comes Alive

**JUNE 3-7**

Registration Opens: April 1

**VBS THIS SUMMER!**




**WOMEN OF ASCENSION**  
**SPRING SERVICE PROJECT**

ADVICE AND AID PREGNANCY CENTER HAS ASKED WOA TO PUT TOGETHER GIFT BAGS FOR THE DADS OF THE FAMILIES THAT RECEIVE AID AND ONGOING COUNSELING AT THE CENTER.

- 1 Please consider purchasing a gift from our Amazon wish list here by April 25th:
- 2 Join us on Tuesday, May 7th at 6:30 in the St. Mark room to put the gift bags together and enjoy fellowship, appetizers & drinks

REGISTER HERE:




## CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD - 8:15AM

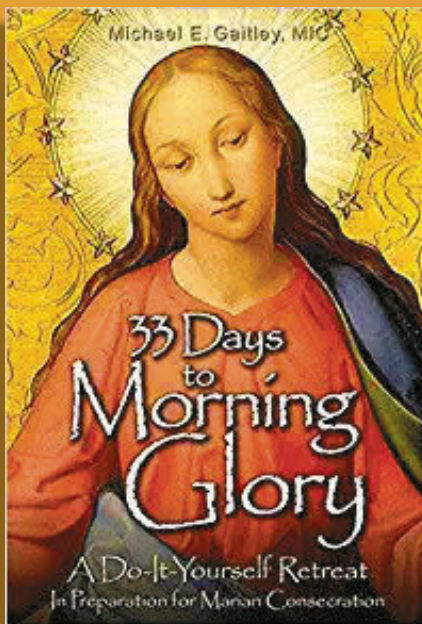
### MASS

Due to a lack of volunteers we are not able to continue it for the remainder of the year. If we are able to get more volunteers beginning in the Fall then we can continue it at that time.

## CONFIRMATION PRACTICE APRIL 21

Confirmation Practice for all Confirmation Candidates will be Sunday April 21st from 6:30pm to 8:00pm. Begin in the church.

## 33 DAYS TO MORNING GLORY



Please join us on Saturday mornings from 9:15 AM to 10:30 AM for a 5-Week "33 Days to Morning Glory" do-it-yourself retreat to consecrate yourself to Jesus through Mary. It includes a few pages of daily reading and reflection, plus a weekly video.

This is for those who are totally new to this idea, as well as those who would like to re-consecrate themselves. It is for those who want to have a better understanding of Mary's role in our salvation, and for anyone seeking a deeper relationship with Mary or with Jesus. We would love to have you join us on this journey.

Saturday Study Dates: April 13, 20, 27, May 4, 11, with the Consecration on Monday, May 13

Time: 9:15-10:30 AM

Meeting Location: Church of the Ascension

Facilitator: Debbie Engel

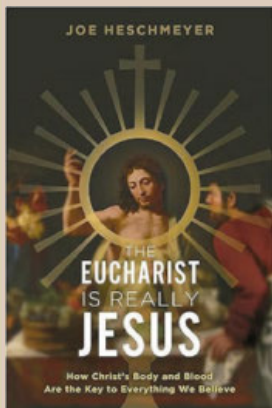
To Register: Scan the QR Code, visit [kascension.org](http://kascension.org) or call the parish office (913) 681-3348



Please purchase your own copy of the book online, or contact Trinity House Catholic Books and Gifts, 6731 W 119th Street in Overland Park, (913) 652-0080 for book availability.

# Upcoming Events

## THE EUCHARIST IS REALLY JESUS



RESCHEDULED for May 1, 2024 from 6:30-8:00 PM (there is no need to re-register if already registered)!

### The Eucharist Is Really Jesus Talk + Q&A with Joe Heschmeyer

Church of the Ascension's Christmas gift to parishioners is now coming to life! Come hear author Joe Heschmeyer talk and answer questions about The Eucharist Is Really Jesus.

In the book, Heschmeyer first explains how Catholic belief in the Eucharist is biblical and reasonable. If you're used to thinking of Communion as a purely symbolic ritual, you'll find here a compelling defense of the ancient doctrine of the Real Presence. But even if you already believe it, Heschmeyer shows how that's not an end, but just the beginning.



Register Here

Knowing that the Eucharist is really Jesus becomes a master key to understanding: -The cross of Good Friday and the empty tomb of Easter Sunday -How to worship God in spirit and truth, according to the Bible -The meaning of our own bodies and their immortal

destiny -How to love God and each other every day, like the saints ...and more essential aspects of our lifelong walk with Jesus.

When: Wednesday, May 1, 2024 from 6:30-8:00 PM

Where: Parish Hall

\* Complimentary books are still available in the Parish Office from 8:30-4:00, Monday through Thursday, 8:30-noon on Fridays.

# AMBASSATORS WANTED

We are looking for more friendly faces to join our ministry!!

*Ambassadors for Christ volunteer during parish-wide events a few times a year to help make our visitors feel welcome.*

*If you are interested in being part of this hospitality ministry, please contact Jami Kuckelman at: jamikuck@gmail.com*



**CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION  
AMBASSADORS FOR CHRIST**

## PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

The Parish Pastoral Council will be electing new members this year. If you are interested in being considered for nomination to the Council, please use the QR code to submit a form. Those who submit their names will be reviewed by Fr. Gary who will then choose, based on the applications, a slate of nominees. Applications will be open now through mid-April and elections will take place at the end of April.

### Purpose of the Council:

The purpose of the Pastoral Council is to serve as a consultative body to the pastor, to assist him in fostering pastoral activities and provide for continued growth of the parish.

### Areas of Pastoral Focus (as referenced in canons 528-529 of the Code of Canon Law)

- Liturgical formation of parishioners and fostering participation in the liturgical life of the parish
- Education of children and adults in matters of faith
- Fostering and nurturing of a sense of "community" in the parish
- Evangelization of the unchurched and non-participating Catholics
- Establishing a hospitable and inviting culture of welcome
- Witnessing to Catholic social doctrine by engaging in acts of service
- Engaging in ongoing pastoral planning for the parish in harmony with regional and archdiocesan plans and initiatives
- Fostering ecumenical dialogue
- Promoting effective communication and cooperation within the parish community
- Making recommendations to the pastor and Finance Council concerning funding of parish programs



Scan to apply

# Upcoming Events

## HEARTACHE TO HEALING—THURSDAY, APRIL 11

Heartache to Healing is a social support group for those widowed early in life. Come join us on Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup> for Game Night! Bring your favorite game, or just come and enjoy ours, at 6:30pm at Church of the Ascension, Overland Park, in the St John's room. Please bring a snack and/or drink to share while we visit and play board/card games. Your emailed RSVP is appreciated, but not necessary, to Laura at [khaeus1@hotmail.com](mailto:khaeus1@hotmail.com), or Heather at [hmbimpens@gmail.com](mailto:hmbimpens@gmail.com), or Damon at [damon452@yahoo.com](mailto:damon452@yahoo.com). Come meet some new friends and pray and play with us! We look forward to meeting you!

## ASCENSION BOOK CLUB

Our book for April is *The Last Garden in England*, by Julia Kelly. We will meet on Wednesday, April 10th at 1:00 in the St. Mark Room. For details call Linda Cook at 897-3201. Come join our discussion!



**BUNCO IS BACK!**  
 WEDNESDAY | APRIL 17 | 6:30 PM | PARISH HALL  
 OPEN TO ALL WOMEN OF THE PARISH

**JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF FUN AND FELLOWSHIP!**

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## 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.

## Caregivers Support Group

Wednesday April 17, 6:30PM, Conference Room

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 connection with others walking the same beautiful and often challenging path. Bring your questions, stories, concerns, and leave with coping skills and spiritual support for the road ahead. Sponsored by Catholic Community Health. Questions? Call Michelle at 913-484-2222.



# Upcoming Events

## CALLED TO LOVE AGAIN DIVORCE MINISTRY

welcomes you to ongoing monthly events where you will find support, friendship and healing. Next meeting is April 27, 6pm at Pope Pius X Parish in Mission, KS. Please visit our website at:

[www.thecall2love.com/called-to-love-again](http://www.thecall2love.com/called-to-love-again) or email us directly at: [katie@thecall2love.com](mailto:katie@thecall2love.com)



## SHALOM HOUSE—THURSDAY, APRIL 25

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. Our next date is Thursday April 25. 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.

## 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.



**Kim Zember**  
shares her personal experience

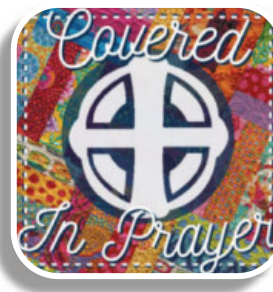
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Same-Sex Attraction & Life With Christ  
Q&A to Follow Testimony  
No Question is off limits

## COVERED IN PRAYER-THURSDAY APRIL 25, 6:00PM

Covered in Prayer is the “blanket making” ministry of Church of the Ascension. We gather on the 4th Thursday of the month at 6:00 pm to make blanket kits, separate fabric, talk and generally enjoy each other’s company! You can come and pick up material and take it home, or you can stay and learn how to make blankets. We send over 300 blankets each year to parishioners and friends who are ill or hurting, so your help is needed. No need to be an expert seamstress. We gratefully accept donations of cotton, fleece and flannel materials and yarns. We look forward to meeting you on Thursday evening!



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**St. Mary's Food Kitchen-Wednesday May 1  
Come join us!**

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 9:30 to prep the meal and get things set up. We serve the lunch at 11 until 12:30 then return to Ascension. It is a real hands-on experience of serving people in need. Our needs are for parishioners to donate foods 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. Added benefit: WE HAVE A BLAST! Please visit [kascension.org/GetInvolved/ServiceOpportunities](http://kascension.org/GetInvolved/ServiceOpportunities) to see full details and explore volunteer opportunities! Questions or suggestions? Contact Jean Hinman 913-908-9811 or Dorothy and Michael Eagan 913-526-8314.



*Women of Ascension  
Winery Social*

**SUNDAY, JUNE 9TH 3:00 - 5:00 PM**  
Serendipity Farm & Vine Winery  
(Stillwell KS)

Join us for a relaxing afternoon sipping wine and enjoying fellowship as we wrap up another great year of activities

*Save the Date*

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**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**

**QUESTIONS?**  
Marissa Brown  
[mbrown2@kascension.org](mailto:mbrown2@kascension.org)

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

## BANNS OF HOLY MATRIMONY

Alex Seuferling and Morgan Bullinger  
Jack Brekke and Samantha Weems

## NEW PARISHIONERS

Mr. and Mrs. Sean Cahoon  
Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Mock and family

## FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

Doug Healy, Husband of Patty Healy  
Gustavo Orellano, Father of Ray Orellano  
Lisa Shafer, Wife of John Shafer  
& Mother of Drew, Lauren & Ella Shafer

## PRAY FOR OUR ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS

A.B. Leah Lewis, 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.

## 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 [kcascension.org](http://kcascension.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.



## MASS INTENTIONS

### MONDAY, APRIL 8

7:00 AM +Carrie Kilgore by Steve & Patti Brownback  
12:00 PM +Matthew Connaughton by Family

### TUESDAY, APRIL 9

7:00AM —  
8:00AM +Jeanene Hoover by Molly & Keith Johnson  
12:00PM +John Lyon by Sally Ann James

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

7:00AM +Carrie Kilgore by Tom & Ann Petersen  
8:00AM +Patty Higgins by Molly & Keith Johnson  
12:00PM +Bob Walters by Theresa Walters

### THURSDAY, APRIL 11

7:00AM +Martin Brown by Donna & Russ Kuhn  
12:00PM +Special Intention for Deceased Members of the Baker Family by  
+Bob Herndon by Judy & Craig Arnold  
+Joseph Irlander by Maureen Fischbach  
+Ron Nelson by Maureen Fischbach  
+Brett Gubbels by Jane Sak  
+Al Cramer by Steve & Mary Pat Fruin

### FRIDAY, APRIL 12

7:00AM —  
12:00PM Ascension Office Staff by Carol Ward

### SATURDAY, APRIL 13

8:30AM +Ann Fischbach by Michael Fischbach  
4:30PM Ascension Parishioners

### SUNDAY, APRIL 14

8:15AM +Bernard & +Teresa Weiser by Cathy Weiser  
10:00AM +James Gartland by Ann Kressin  
11:45AM +Bill Thomas by Dianne Karis  
5:00PM +Cynthia Jo Perkins-Henry by Courtney Vialle & Dana Martin

*Family Rosary*

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

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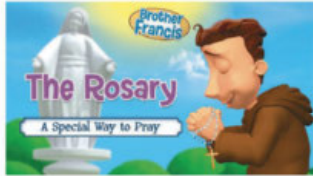
FIRST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH  
ROSARY (8AM, CHURCH)  
MASS (8:30AM, CHURCH)  
PRAYER & FELLOWSHIP (AFTER, ST. LUKE RM.)

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

## THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**



Week of April 07, 2024



### The Rosary: A Special Way to Pray

Join Brother Francis in this entertaining and guidance-filled presentation that will inspire children to deepen their faith by praying the Rosary!



### Why Catholics believe in "life everlasting"

The Catholic Church cares about every BODY. Think of relics and funerals—reverence for our bodies and the body's of holy people is part of being Catholic. But why? We find the answer at the end of the Creed: "I believe in the resurrection of the body and life everlasting." That's a pretty strong statement and it's founded on Jesus. Because Jesus rose from the dead, we can look forward to our own body's being raised at the end of time. Pretty cool, right?



### Not Just a Legal Transaction | Lectio: Salvation | Episode 5

After the Fall, each person is born not only with the stain of sin on their soul but also with a fallen human nature. Thanks be to God that his gift of salvation not only frees us from Original Sin but also transforms us from the inside out, healing the root of our brokenness: our hearts. As we will see in this session, salvation is not simply a legal transaction by which we are declared righteous, but by the gift of God's Spirit we are actually made righteous.

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## 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 using the QR code. 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



## 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 Greve, 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, Sharon Milde, Jenny Melookaran, Sarah Millsap, Deloris Moore, Fred Nelson, Keith Newman, Carmen & John Nodar, Bob Novellano, 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 Surlis, Fr. Tom Tank, Dan Tira, Collin Warrender, Bridget A. Weeks, Griffin Weyforth, Marilyn Wheeler, George Winkler, John Witt, Emy Yabut, Fred Zielinski

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## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

### 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 March.

**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:** 2nd 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 Connor Mullane for winning the 2024 State competition. Conner is 11 years old and attends Ascension School. He is now a 2-time State Champion as he also won last year.

**KNIGHTS SCHOLARSHIPS:** Ascension 10932 is once again offering scholarships to young men and women who are entering their Freshman Year of High School or College. Eligibility includes the children or grandchildren of deceased or dues-current active Knights of Columbus Ascension Council 10932. High School applicants must be planning to attend a Catholic high school. College applicants must plan to attend an accredited private, community, vocational or public college as a full-time student. Applications are on the Ascension Knights of Columbus website, [www.ascensionkofc.com](http://www.ascensionkofc.com). Applications must be submitted no later than April 30, 2024 to Mark Lewandowski at [marklewandowski60@gmail.com](mailto:marklewandowski60@gmail.com). Feel free to contact Mark with questions.

### JOIN US FOR MASS AND MEETINGS

- Council Meeting: Monday, April 29, 7:00pm (Parish Hall B), preceded by the Rosary at 6:30pm.
  - Officers' Meeting: Sunday, 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:
- 4th Degree Exemplification 4/13. Holy Trinity, Lenexa, KS
  - KofC Sporting Clays Tournament 4/20, Augusta, 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 the Parish Hall following the 4:30pm Mass
  - Advice and Aid WALK FOR LIFE, 6/1
  - Ascension BBQ Contest – Burgers and Brats, 6/7
  - Pitching for Priests – Altar Server Recognition Tailgate, 6/21
  - Save the Date - KofC Golf Tournament, 10/7 Falcon Ridge

### HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

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

### RESPECT LIFE CORNER | DEFENDING RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

Recently, in Texas, a senior housing complex prohibited a resident-run bible study/prayer gathering in its community room. A resident contacted the American Center for Law and Justice (ACLJ) seeking assistance. The ACLJ, a prolific organization that defends religious freedom and free speech worldwide, sent the housing complex a letter demanding they cease their unlawful conduct. The demand drew a prompt response assuring them that the resident could continue using the community room for weekly Bible study and prayer meetings. A unique occurrence? Sadly, no. The ACLJ has seen a number of these type actions by senior living centers across the country. The centers' rationale for the prohibitions appears to be that they are the recipients of federal funds and must prohibit residents from hosting Bible studies. The opposite is true. These facilities are actually prohibited from discriminating against this type of religious use when other uses are permitted. The ACLJ, and several other prominent groups, are committed to confronting and responding to these not so subtle attacks on religious liberty.



## RUNNIN' WITH THE REVS GAME

All are invited to cheer on your favorite priest or student player at the **Runnin' With the Revs** basketball game on Monday, April 8th at St. James Academy in Lenexa or Monday, April 15th at Hayden High School in Topeka. Both games begin at 7 pm. Priests will be teamed up with 8th grade and high school students from area Catholic schools in an exciting game of basketball. Bring your family and friends to enjoy this fun event. Donations collected will benefit our seminarians.

## PRAYER INTENTIONS

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Friday, April 12th at 5:30pm – Sunday, April 14th at 4:30pm

Jesus invites us to return to the source and summit of our faith in the celebration of the Eucharist. The National Eucharistic Revival, which culminates in Indianapolis this July, is a movement to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery by helping us renew our worship of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Join us as we delve deeply into the powerful reality that is the Eucharist. Jesus, the Lamb of God, sacrificed so that we may have life, brings us himself in the heavenly bread of the banquet that takes place in heaven and on earth at the same time. Come worship our Eucharistic Lord with expectant faith during this enriching retreat. There are conferences, spiritual direction, Eucharistic Adoration, Mass, Confession and time for private prayer, reflection and walking. Cabins/ Courtyard Rooms: \$170 Single/\$250 Couple or Single Guest Rooms: \$100 (Meals Included). To attend, fill out the Individual Retreat Form at [ChristsPeace.com](http://ChristsPeace.com) or call 913.773.8255



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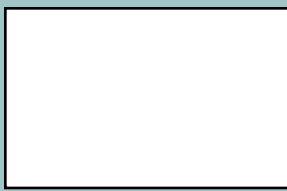
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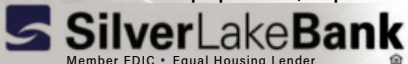
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