

# SAINT JAMES

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | OCTOBER 11, 2026



### SUNDAY'S READINGS

- **First Reading:** Isaiah 25:6-10
- **Second Reading:** Philippians 4:12-20
- **Gospel:** Matthew 22:1-14  
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### THIS WEEK'S HAPPENINGS

- **Deacon Sunday** this weekend
- **Muffin Mass** pg 3
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### OUR MISSION

We, the community of St. James, are a prayerful and Eucharistic people who treasure our Catholic traditions. We strive to grow in our faith by being good stewards of the gifts God has given us; sharing God's truth with all. As the body of Christ, we are called to love and serve everyone, especially the marginalized, with joy & hospitality.

"Everything is ready; come to the feast."

Matthew 22:4



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### MASS TIMES

#### WEEKDAYS

Mon - Fri | 8:15 AM

#### SATURDAY

5:00 PM

#### SUNDAY

8:00 AM | 10:30 AM | 5:00 PM

#### RECONCILIATION

Sat - 4:00 PM  
or as requested

RESTORE | RENEW | REJOICE



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**PASTOR'S PEN - FR. LAC PHAM**

"I know indeed how to live in humble circumstances; I know how to live with abundance." (Philippians 4: 12)

Knowing HOW TO LIVE is the key to life in the current circumstances of our world. Saint Paul realized that when he underwent austerity in imprisonment while enjoying the abundance of care and attention from his dear Philippian friends. He learned how to live in between being a structured follower of God well-trained in Tradition and Scriptures, and being an enlightened convert of the crucified but resurrected Christ.

No doubt he would have taken much time meditating on chapter 25 of the Prophet Isaiah, especially verses 6-10a, portraying the ultimate faith of his ancestors in their Babylonian exile. This faith proclaims what God does for God's people; "provide for all peoples" and "destroy death forever." The exiled were released and aided to return to their homeland and rebuild their nation and their center of worship; the Temple in Jerusalem. The curse of death on humans (Genesis 3: 19) following the fall of Adam and Eve will be destroyed, as later realized in Jesus the resurrected.

He would have reflected over and over the parable of the wedding feast (Matthew 22: 1-14), and realized that he was called by Jesus, the crucified and risen Christ, to a new way of living and behaving. He not only willingly and generously answered the call, but also adapted and adjusted well to respond to the call. He transformed from a staunchly traditional pharisee to a charismatic itinerant preacher. He realized that in this wedding feast he was there to share in the joy and happiness of others; just as his Master did in Cana.

The current world and domestic situations are casting dark clouds over us; they blind our vision and disturb our comfortable living styles. May our faith teach us to live in ways worthy of Christ. May our efforts to hone our living skills through studies of Scriptures and Sound Tradition supply us a sense of tranquility like that of St. Paul's. May our constant praying to the Holy Spirit and our daily praying of the Rosary (October is the month of the Rosary) lead us deeply into the mysteries of salvation where we truly acknowledge that "God provides for all our needs".

- Fr. Lac

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating sexual abuse in the Church. If you're a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18) 2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and 3. If the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, report the suspected abuse to the Diocesan Ombudsman, at 816.213.6024 or [ombudsman@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:ombudsman@diocesekcsj.org). The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator (VAC) at [victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org) or 816.714.2357, ext. 516 or for more information.

**Send bulletin requests to [bulletin@stjames-liberty.org](mailto:bulletin@stjames-liberty.org)**

**NOTE:** all requests for the bulletin should be sent by Noon on the Monday before the run date.

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## We are excited to begin our **RESTORE, RENEW and REJOICE** Capital Campaign building the future of St. James today!



Since 1837, St. James has been a welcoming, faith-filled, and growing Catholic community. As the only Catholic parish serving the Liberty area, we are called to prepare a campus to meet the needs of our growing parish family.

Through **RESTORE, RENEW and REJOICE** we will:

- Restore and renew St. Gerard Event Space, the Social Hall, kitchen, restrooms, and Narthex.
- Update our school with a welcoming new front entrance, enhanced security, improved offices, and additional storage.

These improvements will create beautiful, functional spaces where parishioners of every age can gather, learn, celebrate, and serve. Our campus will feel more unified and welcoming for future generations.

As part of **RESTORE, RENEW and REJOICE**, we ask every parishioner to:

- Learn about our vision and plans for the future.
- Pray each day for our parish and this campaign.
- Discern how God is calling you to strengthen St. James through your prayers and generosity.

Together we will continue building a parish where all of us can worship, learn and serve for many years to come!

## COME LEARN MORE ABOUT THE RESTORE, RENEW AND REJOICE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

See the vision for our campus, ask questions, and enjoy some time with your St. James family.

### THREE OPPORTUNITIES TO JOIN US!

## THIS WEEK:



### MUFFIN MASS

Tuesday, Oct 13 | 9:00 AM | Social Hall

Join us after Mass for muffins, coffee and a presentation.

## SAVE THE DATE FOR OTHER GATHERINGS



### OVER 50s CLUB - OKTOBERFEST!

Wed., Oct. 21 | 12:00 Noon | Social Hall

Enjoy an Oktoberfest-themed lunch and learn more about the exciting plans for St. James.



### OKTOBERFEST EVENING

Wed., Oct. 21 | 6-7:30 PM | Social Hall

Come to an Oktoberfest-themed happy hour & learn about the campaign

## AT EACH GATHERING THERE WILL BE:

Prayer • Campaign Video • Project Update • Questions & Answers • Food & Drinks

See what's planned & learn why these projects are important. Ask your questions. Share in the excitement about the future of St. James. Everyone is welcome!

**NO RESERVATIONS NECESSARY – JUST COME**



## PRAY AND TAKE ACTION

to Protect Women and Babies from Abortion Pills

The USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities is inviting Catholics to join a focused effort of prayer and action to stop the spread of abortion pills by invoking the intercession of St. Joseph, Defender of Life. Join us in prayer from now until the end of October!

Sign Up here to join the Nationwide Prayer



## ADORATION AVAILABLE

TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS

9:00 AM TO 9:00 PM

IN THE ST. JAMES CHAPEL

Come and spend time with Jesus every Tuesday or Thursday in our chapel.



## ROSARY FOR PEACE

SUNDAYS AFTER 5:00 PM MASS

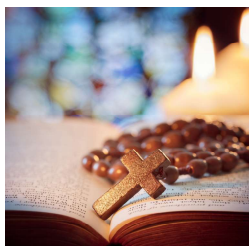
Join others in the chapel after 5:00 PM Mass to pray a Rosary for the peace, safety and dignity of our immigrant and migrant brothers and sisters.



## FLAME OF LOVE

TUESDAYS AT 2:00 PM

The Flame of Love Rosary is said in community every Tuesday at 2:00 PM in the Resource Center.



## HEALING ROSARY

THURSDAYS AT 6:30 PM

Parishioners gather Thursday evenings in the church sanctuary to pray the rosary on behalf of those needing physical healing.



## REMEMBER OUR DEACONS TODAY & THEIR WILLINGNESS TO SAY "YES" TO SERVING THE LORD

### DEACON CHUCK KOESTERER



Deacon Chuck and his family have been members of St. James since 1988. He was ordained in 2011 and has served our parish since. Deacon Chuck works on religious formation in our parish, and leads the Saturday Morning Faith Sharing Class.

### DEACON JUAN RODRIGUEZ



Ordained in 2022, Deacon Juan's first assignment was an assistant to the parochial administrator at Sacred Heart - Guadalupe Parish. He then came home to St. James and currently has a co-assignment in our parish serving Spanish speaking congregants.

### DEACON JAY MEACHAM



Deacon Jay is the newest deacon to start serving at St. James. Ordained near the end of June, 2026 and appointed July 1 to serve at our parish, Deacon Jay has already started building the ministry available to married couples here at St. James.

## WHAT DOES A DEACON DO?

A deacon is a fully ordained clergy in the Church. Among other responsibilities, Catholic deacons give homilies, perform baptisms and funerals, witness marriages, visit the sick and teach the faith.

## PRAY FOR OUR DEACONS

Loving Savior, continue to help your Church affirm our deacons in their service. Together as one family of faith, may all we say and do give honor and glory to you and draw others ever closer to your Sacred Heart. Amen.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday, October 12

8:15 AM Janice Evans †  
Dorothy Gardner †

### Tuesday, October 13

8:15 AM Chuck McKeon †  
Maxine McKeon †

### Wednesday, October 14

8:15 AM All Souls in Purgatory  
Robin Blagg

### Thursday, October 15

8:15 AM Glenn & Rita Gettert †  
Edward Michaelis †

### Friday, October 16

8:15 AM Campbell Family  
Bryan Family

### Saturday, October 17

5:00 PM Tom Welter †  
Rusty Holt †  
Janie Denning †  
Pat Clark †

### Sunday, October 18

8:00 AM Chris Maricle †  
Jason Whaley  
10:30 AM Harry Woltkamp †  
Janie Woltkamp Thacker †  
Alex Bruening †  
5:00 PM R.W. Hollomon †  
Robin Blagg

## CONGRATULATIONS

### ON THE MARRIAGES OF

Felcia Raybourn & Michael Pizzato  
Jenna Phelan & Michael Roos

### ON BAPTISM FOR

The Millar Family

## WE PRAY TO THE LORD FOR...

|                             |                         |                         |                |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| Amy Chris Alvey             | Matt Biskup Family      | Dee & Dan Van Leeuwen   | Carol Weir     |
| Aaron Anderson              | Joyce Fessler           | Doug Lewey              | Nancy West     |
| Pamela Anderson             | John Fessler            | Warren Lopicka          | Patrick West   |
| Eddie Ansalmo               | Bill Fessler            | Terry Lowe              | Denise Westrem |
| Pat Aten                    | Dee Fitzgibbons         | Debbie Ludwig           | Arlene White   |
| Nancy Barrington            | Pete Flores             | Cooper & Maury Maddox   | Rickhard Wolfe |
| Randy Baumert               | Mary Kay Fowler         | Joseph Mahoney          | Anna           |
| Josette Berg                | Sharon Fowler           | Charles Mann            | Annette        |
| Larry & Jacqueline Bergeron | Kenadee Gallagher       | John Marshall           | Baby William   |
| Doug & Susan Blair          | Kelly Gentrup           | Margie Myers            | Chris          |
| Mary Bohley                 | Carla George            | Barb May                | Collin & Karen |
| Dorothy Bradford            | Matthew Gerstner        | Bill May                | Diana          |
| Marie Brancato              | Gary Golder             | Ron May                 | Donnor         |
| Joy Brecht                  | Joseph Gorman           | Don McCarthy            | Eddie          |
| Janice Brimer               | Robin Greenwald         | Barbara McClellan       | Ed             |
| John Brocato                | Paul & Carol Gringrich  | David McDonald          | Edgar          |
| Sarah Buckman               | Brittany Grovijohn      | John McMahon            | Frank          |
| Bob & Marcia Busch          | Josi Gusman             | Urban & Ginny Miller    | Jairo & Family |
| Stanley Busken              | Jodi & Peter Gusman     | Norma Molina            | Janell         |
| Danny Calvert               | Ray Hafeman             | Jim Mooney              | Janet          |
| Jeff Carder                 | Jane Hake               | Dan Morgan              | Jennifer B     |
| Mike Carr                   | Jake Harman             | Rosemary Cambiano-Mreen | Joel           |
| Jason Carver                | Jack & Enike Hayes      | John Mreen              | John           |
| Daniel Chadwick             | Deacon Doug Hemke       | Monica Myers            | Karen          |
| Leah Biskup Coady           | Rosa Hernandez          | Scott Neibergall        | Kelly          |
| Gail Colvin                 | Daniel Hernandez        | Doris Ann Nordhues      | Matthew        |
| John & Susan-Kelly Corsione | Olivia Hernandez        | Kate Nowatzke           | Rhonda         |
| Troy Cronkite               | Lois Hibberd            | Stephanie Stephens      | RL             |
| Cunningham                  | Floyd Higginson         | Nichole Stewart         | Shelley        |
| Rich Curasi                 | Henry Hilton            | Barbara (Roach) Still   | Tony V. Sr.    |
| Scott Daldrup               | Kennedy Holcumbrink     | Nancy Streeter          | Wes            |
| Bruce Daldrup               | Terry Humbarger         | Debra Sutlief           |                |
| Ricky & DeeDee              | Mary and Carl Inzerillo | Maria Tavares           |                |
| Laura Ann DiGiovanna        | John Jasumback          | Don Taylor              |                |
| Richard Driggers            | Marie Jasumback         | Deb Thompson            |                |
| Rory Elliott                | Dan Kandlbinder         | Dan Tomc                |                |
| Diller Family               | Jerry Kimmis            | Jose Torres             |                |
| Murphy Family               | Judy Kirwan             | Michael Touhy           |                |
| Christello Family           | Bill Kirwan             | Amy Villarreal          |                |
| Finley Family               | Elaine Kohler           | Eddie Waller            |                |
| Fran Norton's Family        | Danial Kunst            | Jay Wantland            |                |
| Rodriguez Family            | Marilee Lacy            | Dee Watt                |                |
| The Curiel Family           | Carl Lavall             | Jean Weir               |                |
| he Hollomon Family          | Charlie Lavall          | Joseph Weir             |                |
| Margarita Mendoza Family    | Jeff Lea                | Mary & Gabriel Wier     |                |

\*Names on this list are updated as needed. Notify the office if someone should be added or removed.

## WE CELEBRATE PARISHIONERS BORN OCTOBER 12<sup>TH</sup> TO 18<sup>TH</sup>

| 12 <sup>th</sup>   | 13 <sup>th</sup> Continued | 14 <sup>th</sup> Continued | 16 <sup>th</sup>  | 16 <sup>th</sup> Continued | 17 <sup>th</sup> Continued | 18 <sup>th</sup> Continued |
|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Emma Barry         | Richard Gisi               | Emma Gann                  | Genesis Pedruza   | Joshua Packer              | Marielle Halicki           | Connie McKay               |
| Phillip Carson     | Justin Kelly               | Melvin Lawson              | Greta Baker       | Robert Schanuel            | Aidan Jacobs               | Joshua Meacham             |
| Wilberto Castillo  | Zachary Mattingly          | Eric Lewczyk               | Matteo Belfonte   | Isaiah Schechinger         | Nicholas McLain            | Hugh Moberly               |
| Madeline DeWet     | Alan McMahon               | Madeline Platt             | Michelle Book     | Harmony Silva-             | Mackenzie Messina          | Chuck Palmentere           |
| Christopher Garcia | Eric Overman               | Eric Smith                 | Reagan Burgess    | Wright                     | Jackie Ortega              | Chuck Patterson            |
| Graham Henderson   | Sarah Rader                | 15 <sup>th</sup>           | Franklin Callaway | Natalie Tamburelli         | Brian Peck                 | Amy Pena                   |
| Alison Iske        | Anthony Santo              | Brea Austin                | Kimberly Camara   | Eleanor Whitlinger         | Amy Pope                   | Kaitlyn Presko             |
| David Klein        | Mary Schuster              | Shierly Benatti            | Christine Clark   | 17 <sup>th</sup>           | Noah Rader                 | Samuel Sacco               |
| Joseph Martino     | Michael Tamburelli         | Daniel Cline               | Daniel Clifton    | Laine Arens                | 18 <sup>th</sup>           | Kathryn Steinbauer         |
| Leann McDowell     | Jo Thornley Cox            | Camden Findlay             | Miguel Conchola   | Rose Castelluccio          | Brody Allen                | Alexis Stinson             |
| Jacob Newman       | Lolita Watkins             | Jeri Flowers               | Erzsebet Cooney   | Lucy Chiarelli             | Luc-Onel Apollon           |                            |
| Andrew Oyer        | 14 <sup>th</sup>           | Connor Jones               | Robert Cronkleton | Cora Danner                | Bridget Avey               |                            |
| Alexandra Pierce   | Madeline Colvin            | Barbara Mautino            | Frank Disciacca   | Ryan Doherty               | Skyler Davis               |                            |
| Andrew Reardon     | Penelope Dahlberg          | Lucas Padilla              | Leanne Hart       | Dorothy Forbes             | Ashley Duker               |                            |
| Lawrence Venneman  | Anita Daniels              | Elias Relford              | Michelle Howard   | Kelly Francis              | Ashley Galetti             |                            |
| 13 <sup>th</sup>   | Sean Fairchild             | Hunter Roberts             | Ryan Howerton     | Mark Grothaus              | Flynn Hanten               |                            |
| Megan Bray         | Jennifer Fernandez         | Angie Stuber               | Nolan Kinne       | Milania Guastello          | Dina Hill                  |                            |
| Edward Busch       |                            |                            | Augustus Lanio    | Finnegan Haas              | Gabrielle Lair             |                            |

# MINISTRY ACTIVITIES

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Our apartment resident, Aimee, will be graduating from the Hillcrest program later this month! She will be moving into an apartment of her own which means we will be gathering items to help her get settled into a new apartment. The manager at Hillcrest will provide us a list soon. Please email if you would like to help. Thank you for supporting Aimee as she begins a new chapter in her life!



## PICKLEBALL WITH PARISHIONERS

### Contact

Scott Alessi | (914) 715-3460

Come for a time of fun and fellowship on the pickleball court every Monday night. No equipment or experience necessary. We will have a certified coach on-site to guide rules and techniques for new and experienced players. All skill levels welcome!

**Every Monday | 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM**  
**Hodge Park Pickleball Courts**



## JOIN THE SNOW REMOVAL TEAM

### Contact

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(816) 589-7958

Snow removal on the St. James sidewalks is a big job, but we make it a team effort. We have 4 teams of 8-10 people. Each team is responsible for a weekend of the month (1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup>). If it snows on your team's assigned weekend, you will be asked to come clear the sidewalks. (A commercial company does the parking lots). We can always use a few more team members. Three snow blowers, 7 shovels and plenty of de-icer provided.

# BLACKLIGHT BINGO

**• SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2026 •**

**ST JAMES GYM**  
309 S Stewart Rd  
Liberty, MO 64068

**DOORS OPEN 5PM**  
**GAMES START 7PM**

**GET YOUR TICKETS!**



*Sponsored by  
The Knights of Columbus*

**YOUR ADMISSION PACKET INCLUDES:**

- 10 PACK OF BINGO GAMES
- 2 "LAST ONE STANDING" CARDS
- 1 FREE GLOW DABBER
- 2 PIECES OF GLOW ATTIRE

*(Extra bingo cards can be purchased)*

**FOOD & RAFFLES**  
START AT 5PM

**Come Early!**  
GAMES, FOOD & DRINK

All bingo will be under black light. Music, dancing and food and drink will be in abundance. Please note there will not be a silent auction at this event.

**NO OUTSIDE FOOD OR DRINK ALLOWED.**

**AGE RESTRICTION**  
No one under the age of 18 will be admitted.

## PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES Available to Everyone

If you have yet to get the updated pictorial directory (even if you are not in it) please stop by the church office and pick one up. Available until gone!



## CELEBRATING INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY

## ST. TERESA OF AVILA | FEAST DAY OCT 15

St. Teresa of Ávila (1515-1582) was a Spanish Carmelite nun who lived in the 16<sup>th</sup> century. She was a mystic and author of spiritual writings and poems. The originator of the Carmelite Reform, she founded numerous convents throughout Spain and restored a contemplative life to the order. She became well known for mystical experiences, many of which she described in her autobiography.

The first of only four women to be named a Doctor of the Church, her ascetic doctrine and Carmelite reforms shaped Roman Catholic contemplative life. Her writings on the Christian soul's journey to God are considered works of art, especially the "Way of Perfection" and "The Interior Castle."

St. Teresa of Ávila died on Oct. 15, 1582. Canonized March 22, 1622, she is the patron saint of sick people, people in religious orders, chess, people ridiculed for their piety, and lacemakers.



### FREE CONCERTS

#### WEDNESDAYS

#### NOON | ST. JAMES SANCTUARY

Stop in for a 30-minute musical break over your lunch-hour. Concerts in the St. James sanctuary feature musicians from across the Greater Kansas City area.

#### THIS WEEK ENJOY

The Liberty Ukuladies



### RESPECT LIFE MEETING

#### MONDAY, OCT 12

#### 6:30 PM - 7:15 PM | PARISH HALL

October is Respect Life Month. At the St. James Respect Life meeting this week, A Diocesan speaker will explain and answer questions about Amendment 3. **Join us to find out why Bishop Johnston is urging Catholics to vote "Yes."**



### PASTORAL COUNCIL

#### MONDAY, OCT 12

**7:00 PM | CONFERENCE ROOM**  
St. James Pastoral Council meets in the AV Conference Room. All registered St. James parishioners are invited to attend.

**Contact Dee Rosekrans**

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(816) 522-0726

## USCCB - MENTAL HEALTH SUNDAY

"May all... people who are suffering feel the closeness of a Christian community."

- Pope Francis, Christus Vivit, no. 77

Take a moment to pray for those struggling with mental health in the local area. Scan this QR code to find a novena prayer for those with mental health struggles.



# YOUTH FORMATION/PARISH LIFE

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## REMINDER! CAMINO DE SANTIAGO YOUTH GROUP MEETS TONIGHT!

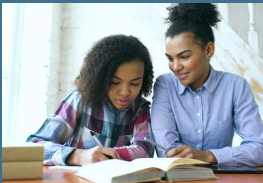
6:00 PM - 7:15 PM | Parish Hall

Our Camino de Santiago Youth Group kids wanted a campfire. So, we're going to have one! ALL St. James young people ages 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join us to celebrate the Fall with Bible stories and S'mores around the campfire!



## NEXT CONFIRMATION CLASS: SPONSORS PLAN TO ATTEND!

Oct 18 | 6:00 PM - 7:15 PM | Parish Hall



If you have agreed to be a sponsor for a young person in our parish confirmation classes this year, please remember the October 18 meeting is for "Sponsors and Confirmands." Please plan to attend and spend this time praying with and sharing your story with your confirmand.

Parents, if your child's sponsor cannot come to this night, you may stand in for them. Please plan to have an adult with your child/teen so they can fully participate in the evening.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES FOR KIDS

PreK to 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Religious Education classes are scheduled for today in the St. James School space. Our next meeting date is October 18.

To volunteer | Contact: [dre@stjames-liberty.org](mailto:dre@stjames-liberty.org)

## RE IN FULL SWING FOR FALL



It has been exciting to see the halls filled with children and learning about the faith in PreK to 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Religious Education Classes! The kids have been exploring outside and learning all about how to care for God's creation and leave it better than we found it. Classes have also walked to the sanctuary to learn about the relics present in Mass each week.

Thank you for your support in getting your kids here and following up with their faith learning at home!

## OPEN THE WORD TOGETHER

WEEKLY READINGS & THIS WEEK'S FEAST DAYS

### MONDAY

*Columbus Day; Indigenous Peoples' Day*  
Gal 4:22-31 / Ps 113:1-7 / Lk 11:29-32

### TUESDAY

Gal 5:1-6 / Ps 119:41-48 / Lk 11:37-41

### WEDNESDAY

*St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr*  
Gal 5:18-25 / Ps 1:1-6 / Lk 11:42-46

### THURSDAY

*St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church*  
Eph 1:1-10 / Ps 98:1-6 / Lk 11:47-54

### FRIDAY

*St. Hedwig, Religious; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin*  
Eph 1:11-14 / Ps 33:1-13 / Lk 12:1-7

### SATURDAY

*St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr*  
Eph 1:15-23 / Ps 8:2-7 / Lk 12:8-12

### NEXT SUNDAY

Is 45:1-6 / Ps 96:1-10 / Thes 1:1-5b / Mt 22:15-21



## TRUNK OR TREAT FOR ALL FAMILIES



We're excited to bring our school and parish families together for a fun night of Halloween festivities!

Want to join in the fun and decorate a trunk? Scan the QR Code to sign up!

## ALL SCHOOL RETREAT - ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX



Students gathered in their family groups bringing all grades together to collaborate and learn about St. Therese and her "Little Way". They discovered we don't have to do big things to show our love for God. Even the smallest acts of kindness, love, prayer & service can make a beautiful difference.



## POSITIVE CONNECTION - LIFESKILL AWARDS

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**Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026**  
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### BREAD MAKING RETREAT

SATURDAY | OCT 24 | 9:00 AM - NOON

A hands-on, heart-in community retreat for bakers of all ages. **Led by Lucia Ferrara**

### AUTUMN TRIDUUM RETREAT

OCT 31 | 9:00 AM - NOV 1 | NOON

Each Autumn, we celebrate a Triduum of feasts — All Hallows Eve, All Saints, and All Souls — to remember how God makes us worthy to be saints by calling us children of God. Sanctity is not for a chosen few but for all. **Led by Fr. Joe Nassal**

Register for all Precious Blood Center retreats at [www.pbrenewalcenter.org](http://www.pbrenewalcenter.org)



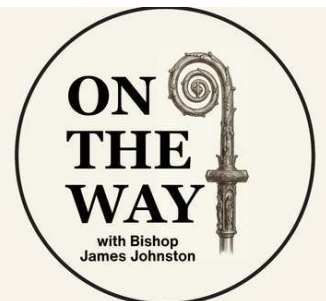
## THE CHOSEN AND YOU

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24 | 9:00 AM TO 11:30 AM

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The **Ignatian Spirituality Center** hosts this Fall Morning Reflection asking participants to view and reflect on selected scenes from *The Chosen*.

To register go to [www.ignatiancenterkc.org](http://www.ignatiancenterkc.org).



## NEED A NEW PODCAST?

**ON THE WAY WITH BISHOP JOHNSTON  
DROPS ITS FIRST EPISODE MONDAY, OCTOBER 12**

Every other week, Bishop Johnston will be joined by local pastors, leaders, families, and builders across our community who are living out their faith with a new mindset—one that is confidently and joyfully Catholic. You can listen or subscribe on [Apple Podcasts](#), [Spotify](#), [YouTube](#), and other podcast streaming services. The first full episode will drop Monday, October 12, featuring Bishop Johnston's conversation with author, speaker and fellow-podcaster, **Joe Heschmeyer**.



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