

**JANUARY 17th, 2021
SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY**

YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH

Pope Francis recently announced a "Year of St. Joseph", in honor of the 150th anniversary of the saints proclamation as patron of the Universal Church. The year began on December 8th and will conclude on December 8th, 2021. Special indulgences are available for the duration of the year. The pope also wrote an apostolic letter dedicated to St. Joseph entitled *Patris corde* (With a Father's Heart).

A Link to Pope Francis apostolic letter and the full text of the Apostolic Penitentiary's decree granting special indulgences for the year can be found below. Resources and a calendar of diocesan events related to the Year of St. Joseph will soon be available at <https://kcsjatholic.org/year-of-st-joseph>.

END OF THE STATEMENTS —will be available on the table in the gathering area.

Thank you to everyone that helped decorate the church for Christmas. It was beautiful! Thanks also to the many helpers that stayed after mass to take down the decorations. Many hands made it a quick clean up!!! Also, thanks to those of you that come and cleaned the upstairs and behind the altar! God bless each of you for all you do!!!

I am pleased to share with you a new COVID-19 vaccine educational resource: "Answers to Key Ethical Questions About COVID-19 Vaccines". The purpose of this document is to provide concise answers to the most frequently asked ethical questions about COVID-19 vaccines and to provide additional resources for further study. I also want to point out that we now have a page on our website dedicated to providing "Moral Guidance on Vaccines". This link is <https://www.usccb.org/prolife/biomedical-research>. I hope you find these resources helpful! Blessings and prayers in Christ's service,

Fr. Ken Riley, Diocese of Kansas City-St Joseph

PARISH CONNECT

As we continue to cultivate our relationship with the parishes throughout the KCSJ Diocese, we are pleased to announce that we have created a catalog of presentation opportunities that will be available for small groups or ministries in your parishes. The information will be presented by specialists from Catholic Charities on a variety of subjects related to our four main pillars: The Welcome Center, Employment Services, Children & Family Services and Community Housing. The list of presentations will be available through your church offices. To schedule a presentation, please contact the staff member listed with each description. For additional information contact Nancy Butters, Parish Outreach Manager at nbutters@ccharities.com or 816-659-8266.

Readings for the week of January 17th

Sunday	1 Sm 3: 3b-10, 19, Ps 40, 1 Cor 6: 1c-15a, 17-20, Jn 1: 35-42
Monday	Heb 5: 1-10, P 110, Mk 2: 18-22
Tuesday	Heb 6: 10-20, Ps 111, mk 2: 23-28
Wednesday	Heb 7: 1-3, 15-17, Ps 110, Mk 3: 1-6
Thursday	Heb 7: 25—8:6, Ps 40, Mk 3: 7-12
Friday	Heb 8: 6-13, Ps 85, Mk 3: 6-13
Saturday	Heb 9: 2-3, 11-14, Ps 47, Mk 3: 20-21

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, 'What are you looking for?'" - JOHN 1:38

What are you looking for? Are you wasting your time looking for the material comforts of the world? Or, is your heart longing for something deeper that can only be found by spending time with God? Take time, each day, in silence and ask the Lord what it is that He wants you to do.

OFFERTORY PRAYER That we take time, every day, talking to God - praising Him, thanking Him and asking for His guid-

**ONE ROSE, ONE LIFE CAMPAIGN
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

The purpose of this campaign is to support the Human Life Amendment. Put your name on a rose, so it can be sent to your senator and representative. Prayers are critically needed at this time to safeguard the sanctity of all human life.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY, JANUARY 18-25

Gracious Lord, we pray for all the members of your holy Church, that all may abide in you and you in them, that they may be one in your love and bear much fruit. We also pray for the world, that all may come to believe in your love for them by the fruit of our witness. We know that our divisions are a source of scandal to your world, and we know that in love we are called to unite as one in the vine and branches. The vine is our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son. We are meant to be his branches. Help us we pray, to love, to forgive, to seek justice and to be your prophetic voice in the world. May your grace effect growth of good fruit among us, that our world may realize peace. We ask all this in the name of Jesus, your Son and in the power of the Holy Spirit, One God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Go to <https://www.usccb.org/committees/ecumenical-interreligious-affairs/week-prayer-christian-unity-2021> for more daily readings and

UNBOUND: FREEDOM IN CHRIST SERIES

February 9-13, 2021

The next Freedom in Christ series will be offered as a parish mission at St. Jude the Apostle Parish. The dates are Wednesday-Friday, February 9-12, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., and Saturday, February 13, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The cost is \$25 for materials. Based on the book *Unbound: A Practical Guide to Deliverance* by Neal Lozano, Unbound Ministry is a way of prayer that empowers a person to open their hearts and respond more fully to Jesus' invitation of abundant life. More information about Unbound, please visit www.heartofthefather.com. To register or ask questions please contact unbound.kc@gmail.com.

For all who have contracted Covid-19, We pray for care and healing.

SOS BENEFIT DINNER JANUARY 29

To donate raffle tickets, visit www.supportourseminarians.com or contact Martha Hodes at 913-207-9893 or mmmg-sos512@gmail.com. We hope you will join us in supporting our seminarians and vocations to the priesthood!

Please do whatever you can for the critical cause of increasing priestly vocations. The future of our faith depends on it! For more information, visit: supportourseminarians.com. Thank you!



St. Jude Parish Welcomes You

Website: www.stjudeoakgrove.org

Email: contact@stjudeoakgrove.com

It is our hope that you feel at home and among friends here. If you are a visitor for a day, we pray God's speed on your journey. If you are looking for a parish community, we would be delighted to welcome you into our parish family. Contact us for registration at (816)-690-3165 or pick up a registration form on the table in the gathering area.

Pastor: Fr. Bryan Amthor: contact Fr. Bryan @ 230-4127, Email @ frbryana@gmail.com

Staff: Receptionist/Secretary: Chris Chambers @ 690-3165, Email: cchambers@stjudeoakgrove.com

Operations/Business Manager: Brenda Boss @ 690-3165, Email: bboss@stjudeoakgrove.com

Baptism & Confirmation: Fr. Bryan Amthor @ 230-4127, Email @ frbryana@gmail.com

Director of Music: Calvin Snow @ 230-5245, Email: calvin.snow@gmail.com

Office hours: Tuesday and Friday from 9:30am to 11:30pm

Hall Rental: Contact Chris Chambers at the office @ 690-3165

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sunday before 10:30 Mass, Wednesday from 5 to 6pm during Adoration, & Saturday 2:45 – 3:15

Baptism: Contact Fr. Bryan Amthor @ 230-4127, Email @ frbryana@gmail.com

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are 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), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected *sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult*

to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information

Prayers for the Sick

Remember the following in your prayers:

Sheryl Turley, Nancy & Wayne Totton, Bonnie Jones, David Evans, Ryan Jones, Louis Lux, Gary Trigg, Jackie Durdala, Dustin Khan, Judy Calia, Jasmin Boothe, John Bowman, Jerry Booker, Robert & Karen Harman, Ed Schieber, Herb Sands, Tina Kellogg, Richard Vorbeck, Maggie Drooker

Weekly Gifts for January 9th & 10th

Envelopes.....\$1875.00

Plate....\$109.00

Christmas....\$10.00

Latin America...\$150.00

Online Giving (OLG)\$1715.00

Parish Improvement\$260.00

Parish Improvement (OLG)...\$105.00

Attendance: January 9th.....42
January 10th.....41

In the end, everything has been entrusted to our protections, and all us are responsible for it. Be protectors of God's gifts.
—Pope Francis

Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday	1/16	Tina Kellogg (Nicole & Stephen Pearl)
Sunday	1/17	*St. Jude Church Family
Tuesday		Special Intention
Wednesday		+Anna Brossart (Jim & Brenda Boss)
Friday		+Joyce Peterson (Altar Society)
Saturday		+Jerry & Faye Katzer (Candy Davis)
Sunday		*St. Jude Church Family
		*Sunday Mass for Parish + Deceased

Date	Lector	Altar Servers	Money Counters	Nursing Home
1/16	Diane Christianson	Volunteer	Patty Davis Joyce Moriarty	CLOSED
1/17	Brenda Boss	Volunteer		UNTIL
1/23	Jim Boss	Volunteer		FURTHER
1/24	Carol Vanderpool	Volunteer	Carol Balistreri Bruce Fangmann	NOTICE

Communion for Homebound

Please call the parish office at 690-3165 or send an email to contact@stjudeoakgrove.com when lifestyles keeps one from joining our weekend worship through age or illness. We will contact Fr. Bryan and our outreach ministry for you.

Date	Monday NO MASS	Tuesday St. Jude St. George	Wednesday St. George St. Jude	Thursday St. George	Friday St. Jude
1/3/21 - 1/9	1/4 No Mass	1/5 St J—9am St G—6pm	1/6 St G—9am St J—6pm	1/7 St G—9am	1/8 St J—9am
1/10 - 1/16	1/11 No Mass	1/12 St J—9am St G—6pm	1/13 St G—9am St J—6pm	1/14 St G—9am	1/15 St J—9am
1/17 - 1/23	1/18 No Mass	1/19 St J—9am St G—6pm	1/20 St G—9am St J—6pm	1/21 St G—9am	1/22 St J—9am
1/24 - 1/30	1/25 No Mass	1/26 St J—9am St G—6pm	1/27 St G—9am St J—6pm	1/28 St G—9am	1/29 St J—9am
1/31 - 2/6	2/1 No Mass	2/2 St J—9am St G—6pm	2/3 St G—9am St J—6pm	2/4 St G—9am	2/5 St J—9am

You are invited to spend time with Jesus every Wednesday for Reconciliation/Adoration/Benediction from 5pm to 6pm. **There will be Mass at 6pm.** Christ's great love for us was shown when he was crucified on the cross to pay the penalty for our sins and give us eternal life. He loves us without limit, and offers Himself to us in the Holy sacrament of the Eucharist. Can we not give Jesus a few minutes of love and adoration in return?