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**Fifth Sunday
In Ordinary Time
Feb. 4, 2018**

MASS – Sat. Feb. 10, 2018, Vigil Mass at 4:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart and 6:30 p.m. at St. James; **Sunday, Feb. 11 at 8:30 a.m. here at St. Augustine**; Sacred Heart at 10:30 a.m.; Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated a half hour before weekend Masses and by appointment.

NO WEEKDAY MASSES FROM JAN. 2 THRU FEB. 9 - Weekday Masses will resume Feb. 13; No Friday confessions 6:30 p.m. at SH

“RISING VERY EARLY BEFORE DAWN, He left and went off to a deserted place where He prayed...He told them, 'Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come.' Mark 1:35, 38 In today's Gospel reading we see a perfect example of stewardship. Jesus gives His time to do all that God wishes - healing the sick and preaching. But before He begins, Jesus makes time to be alone with God in prayer. It is through prayer, spending time with God that we find the strength to do what He wishes us to do. Be sure to find time every day to be with God.

ASH WEDNESDAY FEB 14 SCHEDULE - 7:00 a.m. Mass at St. James; 12:10 p.m. (service with ashes) Sacred Heart; **5:30 p.m. Mass here at St. Augustine**; 7:00 p.m. Mass at Sacred Heart

LECTOR - Feb. 11 – Don Haverkamp; Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14 – Greg Renyer; Feb. 18 – Rod Winkler; Feb. 25 – Jim Renyer

SERVERS - Feb. 11 – Jonathan Renyer & Caleb Renyer; Ash Wed. Feb. 14 - Emma Popkess & Luke Renyer; Feb. 18 – Andrew Lierz & Darcy Lierz; Feb. 25 – Leah Renyer & Jonathan Renyer

OFFERTORY GIFTS - Feb. 11 – Jim Renyer family; Ash Wednesday Feb. 14 – Dwaine Baumgartners; Feb. 18 – Andy Renyer family; Feb. 25 – Adam Renyer family

USHERS - Feb. 11 – Adam Renyer & Adam Maas; Ash Wednesday Feb. 14 - Larry Lierz & Herman Renyer; Feb. 18 – Ervin Deters & Cameron Renyer; Feb. 25 – Don Haverkamp & Rodney Lierz

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION - Feb. 11 - Rodney Lierz; Ash Wednesday – Feb. 14 - Denise Platter; Feb. 18 – Greg Renyer; Feb. 25 – Dwaine Baumgartner

MASS INTENTIONS – Vigil Mass Sat. Feb. 10 at 4:00 p.m. SH – parishioners of the 3 parishes; at 6:30 p.m. at SJ – no intention; **Sun. Feb. 11 at 8:30 a.m. here at St. Augustine** – Alice Priest+; at 10:30 a.m. at SH – Sylvester & Ginny Nolte+; **Feb. 14 - Ash Wed. here at 5:30 p.m.** – Ethel Baumgartner+; **Sun. Feb. 18 at 8:30 a. m. here** – L&D members of St. Augustine Altar Society

CHURCH CLEANERS AND CHOIR LOFT - Feb. 4 – Joan Lierz, Teresa Baumgartner, Mary Renyer; Feb. 11 – Evelyn Lierz, Cherie Grimm, Linda Lierz; Feb. 18 – Jenna McClain, Laura Renyer, Volora Hanzlicek

CHURCH HALL/KITCHEN CLEANERS through the month of **FEB.** – Lois Bindel, Barbara Spellmeier, Janelle Popkess

LAST SUNDAY COLLECTION: \$75.00 Plate; \$980.00 Envelope; \$100.00 – Church of Latin America; Thanks for your generosity! The special collection on Ash Wednesday will be for the support of the church in Central & Eastern Europe. **The annual Call to Share appeal envelopes received in the mail need to be returned in the collection box.**

MONEY COUNTERS FOR FEB. – Janelle Popkess, Andy Renyer, Dennis Rettele

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY will be held today with Dwaine Baumgartner's (Group II) in charge. This includes Dennis Rettele, Gary Plattner, Matt Popkess, Jeremy Sweat, Miles Ploeger, Bob Buser & Alex Lock.

DURING LENT we will be praying the rosary before Mass. Leaders are Feb. 18 – Gary Plattners & Ervin Deters; Feb. 25 – Don Haverkamps and Dennis Retteles; March 4 – Janelle Popkess & Julie Rieger; Mar. 11 – Lois Bindel & Volora Hanzlicek; Mar. 18 Pat Jurgensmeier, Kate Bauerle & Jeremy Sweat; Mar. 25 – Dwaine Baumgartners & Jessica Ploeger; Please get someone to take your place if you cannot help with this! Thanks.

PARISH BREAKFAST will be held on Sunday, Feb. 18 after mass with Julie Rieger, Sharon Winkler and Diana Jurgensmeier in charge.

MARRIAGE MINUTE "The Super Bowl of Life" It's kickoff time! When you hear that, you are probably thinking of the Super Bowl, which is one of the most "sacred" events of our secular culture. However, in addition to crowning a football champion this weekend, it is also time to kick off National Marriage Week. While National Marriage Week does not have the pomp and circumstance that the football game has, perhaps it should. Super Bowl Sunday is a great opportunity to gain insight on how to strive for excellence in our own marriage. What if we approached our marriage in the same way these incredible athletes approached this game? To kick off your more intentional marriage, consider the Living in Love retreat at Holy Spirit in Overland Park Feb. 10 & 11 - www.archkck.org/livinginlove

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY – February 11, 2018; Come celebrate World Marriage Day and renew the commitment you made to one another on your wedding day! Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann and Bishop James V. Johnston Jr., at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 11, 2018 at Church of the Ascension, 9510 W. 127th Street, Overland Park, Kansas. Mass will include a renewal of commitment and blessing for the married couples. Mass will be followed by a reception. Families are welcome! This is sponsored by the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas and the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph; and Worldwide Marriage Encounter. For more information call 913-647-0329

F.I.R.E. RETREAT - 2018 Feb 10-11 Women of Kansas City! Is there a Catholic man in your life who would benefit from some fresh air, exercise, and fellowship with other awesome Catholic guys? F.I.R.E. is a fun, laid-back yet-powerful Catholic retreat that combines hiking, bonfires, and adventure along with great music, prayer and The Sacraments in the beautiful setting of Prairie Star Ranch. Any Catholic man 18+ regardless of where is he in his faith journey is welcome; New to the faith; Catholic-But-Barely...Excited...Growing...Can't Get enough; There is something at F.I.R.E. for all of them. If you have been praying for a Catholic man lately, this could be the answer. Visit www.fire-retreats.org for pictures, videos and information on how to sign your Catholic man up today! Fellowship, Inspire, Renew, Engage!

COURAGE is a spiritual support group helping Catholic men and women live chaste lives in accordance with the Catholic Church's teaching on same-sex attraction and/or behaviors. Through participation in the Sacraments, prayer, fellowship and moral support, Courage members strive to develop lives of interior chastity in union with Christ and His Church. Courage meets in the Archdiocese every two weeks. EnCourage is a separate spiritual support group for family members and friends of loved ones with same-sex attraction. If you, your child or loved one struggles with same-sex attraction and wants confidential Catholic support, call the Courage helpline (913) 428-9893.

LIVING IN TRUTH - Kansas City Catholic Women's Conference - Saturday, February 24, 2018 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 pm Inspiring Catholic speakers will help prepare your heart for a meaningful Lenten journey. Get practical advice for discovering your unique gifts, your capacity for love, and the Father's unique design for you. Please join us! This will be held at the Church of the Ascension; Overland Park, KS 66213. Registration fee: \$25; \$30 at the door. Register online at: livingintruthkc.com or by mail at: Living In Truth Conference c/o Linda Spencer, 11706 Hadley, Overland Park, KS 66210. (Include name, address, phone number)

WOMEN RETREAT OPPORTUNITY – Resolve, Renew, Rejoice! Get your tickets now. Christ the King Church in Topeka is excited to announce Judy Hehr as the keynote speaker for the February 10, 2018 Resolve, Renew, Rejoice Women's Retreat. The power behind Hehr's emotional life journey and the style in which she shares her message cannot be defined. Judy empowers audiences of all ages and stages of faith and life, to get past the past and realize it's never too late to be who God calls you to be! Judy conveys the gospel message of the infinite love and mercy of God in a passionate and profound way. Tickets are available online at ctktopeka.org and are \$20.00 per person (bring two 24 count boxes of crayons day of event.) Contact Tonya Campbell at 785-221-8652 for any questions you might have.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY DATES – Friday, Feb. 16; Friday, March 2; Friday, March 16

ST. MARY'S CHURCH ST. BENEDICT Soup-r-Bowl Sunday lunch; they will be serving homemade chili, chicken noodle, and vegetable beef soup, relishes and pie **TODAY** Sun. Feb. 4, 2018 - serving from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Free will Offering. Everyone is welcome!

ST. ANN'S PARISH HIAWATHA – Annual soup day on Tuesday, Feb. 13 at Parish Hall; Lunch 11:00-1:30; Supper 5:00 to 6:30; Free will donation.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES

FORMED ACCESS

Please use nekansascatholics.formed.org for QUICK ACCESS to all that Formed has to offer. Choose from a variety of topics and studies to support your Lenten journey, your family's faith formation and your relationship with Jesus. This month you will find a list of suggestions in your parish mailbox to help you get started. **If you have not checked out Formed - Lent would be a great time to begin - it has amazing content!**

CCD DATES TO NOTE:

February 7 - CCD & "Fat Tuesday" dinner
February 14 - NO CCD - ASH WEDNESDAY
March 21 - NO CCD - SPRING BREAK

MARDI GRAS (FAT TUESDAY ON A WEDNESDAY DINNER) Our SH/SA CCD families are invited to a "Fat Tuesday" dinner **BEFORE CCD** on Wednesday, February 7 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. hosted by the Knights of Columbus.

SCOUT SUNDAY – A PASTORAL PRAYER – Almighty God, creator of us all; grant us the patience to wait and listen to your voice. Help us not to seek the answers in the silence of prayer, but rather let your thoughts, God, travel to us and through us as we dare to ascend your mountain of law, your holy hill of Truth. O God, how thankful we are that you have come into our lives through the Holy Spirit. You know, Lord, that we are not perfect, that we want to improve. Show us where we can. We pray today for God's children- all children of the world. May they find PEACE and LOVE in their families and schools and learn the love of Jesus Christ for each and everyone one of them throughout lives as we interact with them on a daily basis. We also pray for our young people, who are seeking a cause which is worthy of their life's commitment and a leader who is deserving of their devotion. We know that our youth must deal with a host of options. So, we pray that they choose Jesus Christ. We pray you will be with our Scouts as they continue to follow the Scout law and work toward being trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent. Amen. {www.scouting.org}

BURRITO FUNDRAISER FOR NCCY

We will begin fundraising in February for the 2019 NCCY pilgrimage. All 7th & 8th grade parents are invited to an informational meeting on February 21 at 6:45 in the parish hall at SH. Everyone: **Please SAVE the DATE for Sunday April 8 to make burritos!** More information coming soon!

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

Sunday, February 25 - Jr. High (6th-7th-8th) Youth Rally "Amazing Love" featuring Emily Wilson {www.emilywilsonmusic.com} This is the annual Jr. High Rally from 9:00-4:30 including Mass, Music by Mikey Needleman Band and performance art by Mike Debus. Registration will go home with all Jr. High Students on February 7 and will be due to me no later than February 14 to box #136 --- they can drop it off at Ash Wednesday Mass ;) Emily was one of the 2017 NCCY emcees and will be amazing for our jr. high students!

CAMP KATERI TEKAKWITHA registration opens soon! Within the last year I have heard that our kids are attending other Christian camps with their friends. These experiences with Christian friends can be good - but sometimes confusing. Please help me encourage our Jr. high and high school teens to attend our Archdiocesan camps Kateri and Tekakwitha. There are powerful experiences at camp that have led to deep conversions and vocations within the hearts of our teens that lead them to living out their Catholic faith in a renewed way. Scholarships from the Rural Youth Ministry Outreach Office and our parish may be available. For more information please visit: www.archkck.org/camp

RESOURCES FOR LENT

Whether you 'give something up' as a sacrifice out of love for God or decide to be more intentional about prayer or the study of our faith, there are many resources to help you on your journey this Lent. Spend some time in prayer asking God to reveal to you what areas of your life need attention this Lent.

1. Best.Lent.Ever by DynamicCatholic.com/BestLent - Daily emails that include short videos, practical tips for everyday life and powerful testimonies
2. Formed.org- Watch, Read, Reflect - Watch a beautiful video reflection from Bishop Hying's ECHO series, read inspiring passage from Catechism and Reflect on how God's truth applies to your daily life. Sign up at: <https://formed.org/promo/lent-2018>
3. CRS Rice Bowl: "Encounter Lent"- Join our faith community--and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States in a life-changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl from the back of church on Ash Wednesday. During the 40 days of Lent, as companions on the journey, we will encounter our neighbor.