

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, February 26 - 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 (see 3a)/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

Monday, February 27 - St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday, February 28

Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday, March 1

Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32

Thursday, March 2

Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12

Friday, March 3 - St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin

Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 507a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26

Saturday, March 4 - St. Casimir

Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48

Next Sunday, March 5 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent

Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 (22)/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

Sexual Abuse

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,

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](mailto: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](mailto:chastain@diocesekcsj.org) for more info.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

A veteran is someone who at one point in his or her life wrote a blank check made payable to the United States of America for an amount up to and including his/her life.

Ryan M. Asbury (Air Force), Ryan Edenburn (Marines), Sam Fair (Air Force), Carlos Garcia III (Navy), Mason Grado (Marines), Daniel Hitchcock (Army), Jonathan Hitchcock (Army), Stephen Hitchcock (Army), Nate Hitchcock (Army), Nick Malott (Army), Sarah Martinez (Army), Michael Mathews (Army), Joshua May (Army), Dylan Palmer (Marines), Joe Penniston, (Marines), James Reyes (Marines)

Geoff Schultz (Air Force), Michael Sparks (Navy). James Sutherland (Army) Garrett Trowbridge (Army), Connor Wiltse (Air Force), Brian D. Zahner (Army)

Ben Bongers, KM book signing at I.Donnelly

Ben Bongers will be at I.Donnelly on March 11 signing all three of his books, "True Love: 12 Christmas stories," "The Saint Nicholas Society," and "The Farmer, the Miner and the Artisan." Ben is currently studying for the permanent diaconate in Kansas City-St. Joseph and is a Knight of Magisterial Grace in the Order of Malta. [Learn more](#) - <https://wcradio.com/bongers/>

Called to the Silence: 3 Day Ignatian Retreat Opportunity

God speaks to you in the silence. Are you ready for some quiet time away after the holidays? Steep yourself in the sacred space of the Creighton University Retreat Center, just one hour east of Omaha, to be still and open yourself up to the graces God has for you. You will meet with an Ignatian-trained spiritual director daily to reflect on what's stirring in your heart. Opportunity for mass daily and confession. Retreat cost including room and meals is \$350. Choose one of the 4 opportunities to attend.

April 13-16, 2023

May 4-7, 2023

Register at [Creighton.edu/curc](http://Creighton.edu/curc) or scan here for the link:

Kathy Kemler, Director, Creighton University Retreat Center

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LITURGY SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY (4:00 PM)

SUNDAY (8:30 AM and 10:30 AM)

TUES / WED / THUR (5:30 PM)

Thurs (8:15 AM) OLH School Mass

\*First Saturdays (9:00 AM)

RECONCILIATION:

Tue/Wed/Thur (4:45 PM)

Saturday (3:00 PM)

Other days (call for appointment)

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Thursday (9:00 AM - 2:30 PM)

Friday (by appointment only)

Parish Websites & Social Media

[guardianangelskc.org](http://guardianangelskc.org)

[Facebook.com/GuardianAngelsKC](https://www.facebook.com/GuardianAngelsKC)

[YouTube.com/c/GuardianAngelsKC](https://www.youtube.com/c/GuardianAngelsKC)

OLH School Office

4232 Mercier, (816) 931-1693

<https://olhkcmo.org/>

Food Pantry (816) 768-6575

Wednesday 4:00-5:00 PM

Sunday 10:00AM-12:00PM



COMING UP.....

February 25 (Sat) 4:00 PM/ Mardi Gras Celebration/Parish Hall

February 28 (Tue) 5:30 PM/ Mass/Fr. Carlito's 27th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination

March 11 (Sat) 9:00 AM/ Men's Retreat/Parish Hall

March 18 (Sat) 5:00 PM/ Blessing and viewing of St. Joseph Table/Cafeteria

March 19 (Sun) 11:00 AM-7:00 PM/ St. Joseph's Table Event/Cafeteria

March 31 (Fri) 5:00 PM-7:30 PM/ Lenten Enchilada Dinner/Cafeteria

The Parish Council will host informational meetings after all masses on March 4th and 5th. Learn about our status with the diocese, ways to get involved and more. Come with questions!

Reflection Sunday  
9:30 AM—10:20 AM

Reflection Sunday between Masses from 9:30 AM—10:20 AM continues at the Parish Hall. Please come and learn more about the written Word of God, the Sacred Scriptures.

Fr. Carlito is in Guardian Angels Parish Office on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays ONLY. In addition to working at GA, he also celebrates Masses at Visitation and Our Lady of Good Counsel Parishes and Bishop Spencer Place. If you need to speak with Fr.Carlito, please leave a message on his office line and he will return your call when possible. You can also speak with Christine, our Administrative Assistant in the GA Office. Thank you for your understanding.

MEN'S RETREAT AT GUARDIAN ANGELS PARISH THIS LENT

Guardian Angels will hold a Lenten Men's Retreat on Saturday, March 11th, from 9:00 AM-1:30 PM at the Parish Hall. All men are invited to attend. Lunch will be provided by the Holy Name Society. Please call the Parish Office if you are interested in attending.

Guardian Angels Parish  
Hours of Adoration  
9:00 AM to 4:00 PM  
In the Chapel (Northside Entrance)  
Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays

Congratulations Fr. Carlito

Guardian Angels Parish Community would like to congratulate Fr. Carlito on his 27th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination on Tuesday, February 28th at the 5:30 P.M. mass. We thank Fr. Carlito for his priestly service to us at Guardian Angels.

Ad Multos Annos! (for many years)



PASTORS CORNER

First Sunday of Lent  
Matthew 4:1-11  
February 26, 2023

The Gospel for the first Sunday of Lent is one of the most encouraging Gospels in the whole liturgical year. It tells us of the temptation of Jesus by the devil. The Gospel today opens with the words, "*Jesus was led into the desert by the Spirit to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterward He was hungry...*"

God wanted Jesus to go to the desert to fight with the devil. In the Old Testament times Israel was tempted by the devil in the desert and repeatedly succumbed to the devil's temptation. In fact, Moses himself was punished by God and not allowed to enter the Promised Land because He failed to show full faith in God in the desert of Sin. Now Jesus will save God's people; the embodiment and leader of renewed Israel, will confront the devil and this time He will win.

What was the nature of Jesus' temptations in the desert? Scripture scholars tell us that the point of Satan's temptations *is not* to directly get Jesus to abandon His mission of which God gave Him heightened awareness after His baptism by John the Baptist. The devil's intention *is* just to get Jesus to abandon the way God has set out for our salvation, the way of the Suffering Servant. The devil's pitch was, "OK, be the Messiah, but do things my way, not God's Way." The devil knows that a person who abandons God's way will also abandon God in the long run. That is why in our life we should not just look for success in our work for God's Kingdom. *We should pray and work for the success that God wants in the way God wants.* The way that God wants is not always the easiest way, but the way marked by the Cross.

The Gospel shows us that because Jesus experienced temptation, He knows how hard it is to resist; He understands us when we give in. Yet, Jesus wants us to know that He will help us when we are tempted. We pray that our Lenten practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving will give us greater strength to resist temptation to sin.

Fr. Carlito

Collection for February 19, 2023	
Plate Offering .....	\$1,020.25
Envelopes/Mail-In .....	\$4,919.00
Electronic Giving .....	\$914.41
Weekly Collection Total.....	\$6,853.66

St. Joseph's Table  
Sunday, March 19, 2023

We are in the final stage of the baking process for the Guardian Angels St. Joseph Table! We will be icing cookies on March 3rd and 4th in the school cafeteria. We still need volunteers to help with the icing. If you can assist, please contact Becca Flores at (913) 954-1224 (phone or text).

SPECIAL PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

Please pray for:

 Louis Aguilar, Jr., Janet & John Altman, Shirley Andrade, Angela Barbosa, Jeanne Boucek, John Brennenman, Ginger Camerillo, Connie Chaffin, Kelly and Joseph Chambers, Livia Ciplea, Larry Clark, Aurora Davis, Nancy Dixon, Jose Padilla Enriques, Ricky Foster, Lucy Garcia, Rudy Garcia, Shawn Gaupp, Jeff Griffith, Charles Guerera, Mark Guhl, Helen Henderson, Brenda Henley, Chris Hernandez, Frankie Hernandez, Mary Hitchcock, Debra Holmes, Kenny Jones, Adri Jordison, Freddie Juarez, Jackie Kallman, Kevin Koch, Isaac Kwasniak, Eugene Lawhon, Diane Layes, Genevieve Sumstine Lewis, Delores Lopez, Michael Lucas, Andy McEachron, Wendy McKellar, Harper McLean, Margaret Medellin, Katie Mendoza, Jimmy Miller, Cathy & James Norbury, Christine Osborne, Joe Padilla, Ashley Parton, Annette Perez, Pete Pierron, Guadalupe Reyes, Theo Stephen Ridenour, Teresa Rivera, Pete Jon Rouse, Mary Beth Ryan, Jessie Ruiz, Kelli Seiler, Diane Stahl, Kathleen Stanton, Jennifer Starcher, Ben Studebaker, Susan Tarwater, Andrew Taylor, Socorro Velo, Carl Walston, Michael Weaver, Mark Wilborn, Jacob Wiltse, Jim Wood, Katrina Worth. To add a name to our prayer list, contact the parish office.

FOOD DRIVE - LENT: A GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE OUR GIFTS & OUR LOVE:

Here in the heart of Westport, we have a unique opportunity to serve those who are struggling with food insecurity.

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- Restore human dignity for the Glory of God.
- Create a vibrant, healthy, joy-filled community.
- Share food. Spread love.

You can join us during this Lenten season by donating much needed items in the food donation bin as you enter mass:

Peanut butter,	Beef Jerky,
Pop top canned meals,	Cereal,
Toilet paper,	Dishwashing soap
Detergent	

FROM YOUR G.A. GREEN TEAM - FOR LENT AND EARTH DAY

What are you doing for Lent this year? The Green Team would like to offer some suggestions as we get ready for Earth Day, Apr. 22. Each week's bulletin will have a few suggestions. Together as a parish, we can be aware and make a difference. **Week 1:** Learn more about Pope Francis' *Laudato Si* and watch the 1hr. 20min. film *The Letter*, on your computer : [TheLetterFilm.org](http://TheLetterFilm.org). It explores *Laudato Si* and the Impact of Climate Change. (Week 2 will list a few *Things You Can Do To Protect Creation*.)

  
MARDI GRAS

Guardian Angels Parish will have a Mardi Gras Get Together Celebration on Saturday, February 25th from 4 PM to 7:30 PM in the Parish Hall. The menu consists of chili, hot dogs, chips, desserts and soda. Come join us

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MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday, February 25

4:00 PM +Andre Coronado

Sunday, February 26

8:30 AM Parishioners of Guardian Angels  
10:30 AM +Rita Hernandez, +Simon and Catalina Urbina

Tuesday, February 28

5:30 PM Fr. Carlito's Ordination Anniversary

Wednesday, March 1

5:30 PM Parishioners of Guardian Angels

Thursday, March 2

8:15 AM OLH School Mass  
5:30 PM Celebrant's Intention

QUILTING GROUP

The Quilting Group quilts on Wednesdays in the Parish Hall. No more sewing alone and the same 'ol patterns, explore new techniques & patterns - for any level of quilter. Call Mary Stanton or the parish office

SACRAMENTS & OTHER INFORMATION

New Parishioners  
Welcome! Please register by downloading a registration form from our website, or contact the parish office.  
We are glad you are here!

Baptism  
Contact the parish office to schedule the baptismal class and the date of the baptism.

Weddings & Quinceañera  
Contact the parish office to schedule a date (preferably nine months before your proposed date).

Sick or Hospitalized  
Contact the parish office when your loved one is sick or admitted to the hospital.

Funeral  
For funeral arrangements, please contact the church office.

Sacrament of Reconciliation  
Confessions regularly before 5:30pm Mass, Saturday at 3:00pm and also by appointment. Please call the church office for appointment if you can't make it on scheduled days.

Religious Education, Confirmation & RCIA  
Contact the church office or send an email at [office@guardianangelskc.org](mailto:office@guardianangelskc.org).

Mass Intentions, Parish Hall & School Cafeteria Rental  
Please contact the church office.

