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816.392.0011 or victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org

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Paula Cassity 816.356.4467

**Anointing of the Sick, Baptisms,
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Please call the office for details 816.353.2184

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Thur 9:00am – 3:00pm

Fri 9:00am – 12:00pm

MASS SCHEDULE

Nativity of Mary

Tuesday & Thursday 8:30a.m.

Saturday 3:00pm

Sunday 10:30am

St. Bernadette

Monday/Wednesday/Friday 8:30a.m.

Saturday 4:30pm

Sunday 8:30am

CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY: 2:30 p.m.

or contact Fr. Bryan for an appt. 816.353.2184 x428



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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 23 3:00pm

† Wilma Christensen

Sunday, March 24 10:30am (Collective Mass)

† Michelle Hughes

† Anna Marie Wilkinson

† Mike Ronan

† Toni Thornton

Tuesday, March 26 8:30am (Collective Mass)

† Virginia McMenamy

† Bob Yechout

† Fr. Bob Rost

Thursday, March 28

Mass at St. Bernadette Parish

† denotes deceased

Upcoming 2nd Collections & Extra Envelopes

Holy Land/Good Friday		Mar 29
Tomorrow's Priests Vocation Fund		May 19
Peter's Pence		May 26
Communications		June 16
Diocesan Life & Justice		Aug 18

CONTRIBUTION REPORT

3/10/2024

Regular Collection	\$6,464
Online Donations	\$3,787
Loose Plate	\$583
Holy Day	\$0
Capital Campaign -Windows. . .	\$642
Capital Campaign -Debt	\$535
School/Pisces Scholarship . . .	\$190
Misc./Pastoral Care	\$9,499
Total Income	\$22,469

Your Giving Matters ~ Thank you!

READINGS

MARCH 24 - MARCH 31

Sunday — Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Holy Week begins

Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/ Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1—15:47 or 15:1-39

Monday — Monday of Holy Week

Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday — Tuesday of Holy Week

Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday — Wednesday of Holy Week

Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25

Thursday — Holy Thursday

Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 (see 1 Cor 10:16)/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

Friday — Good Friday

Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 (Lk 23:46)/ Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42

Saturday — Holy Saturday

Easter Vigil: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 (30) or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15—15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 (42:2)/Rom 6:3-11/Mk 16:1-7

Next Sunday — Easter Sunday

Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7

**LENT
PREPARE
THE WAY OF
THE LORD**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE
SERVING IN THE MILITARY**



Aurora Berry, National Guard

Marcus Crawford, Navy

Ryan Edensburn, Marines

Patrick Hix, Navy

Anthony Lawrence, Army Reserves

Dylan Palmer, Marines

Brian Seskis, National Guard



LOOKING AHEAD

Blue: Nativity of Mary **Maroon:** St. Bernadette

Saturday, March 23

10:00am Community Breakfast

2:30pm Confessions

3:00pm Mass

Mass will begin with Procession out front of church by the Spire

Sunday, March 24 – Palm Sunday

10:30am Mass

Mass will begin with Procession out front of church by the Spire

Monday, March 25

8:00am Rosary

8:30am Communion Service

8:30am Mass (at SB)

9:00am Cursillo (at SB)

6:00pm Boy Scouts

6:00pm The Search Small Groups (at St. B)

Tuesday, March 26

8:00am Confessions

8:00am Rosary

8:30am Mass

2:00pm School Living Stations of the Cross

6:00pm RCIA

Wednesday, March 27

8:30am Mass (at SB)

9:00am Adoration (at SB)

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 28 Holy Thursday

No School

9:15am The Search (Small Groups)

Parish Offices Close at Noon

6:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper (at St. SB)

Friday, March 29 Good Friday

No School & Parish Offices Closed

6:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion (at St. SB)

Saturday, March 30 Holy Saturday

2:30pm Confession

8:00pm Easter Vigil Mass

Sunday, March 31 Easter Sunday

10:30am Easter Sunday Mass

Monday, April 1 Easter Monday

FROM THE CHOIR

When we receive communion, Jesus lives in us. We are filled and inspired to reflect His love. We become His hands and feet to love and serve others.

The Nativity Choir would like to invite all parishioners to prepare for receiving Holy Communion by joining us in the sung prayer, *SANCTUARY*.

Words and Music by John Thompson and Randy Scruggs

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,
pure and holy, tried and true.

With thanksgiving,
I'll be a living sanctuary for you.



Please Pray For

Judy Allen

Margaret Ault

Jim Blau

Yvonne Button

Rich Carroll

Shannon Casey

Kelly Chambers

Betty Coen

Esther Cunningham

Matt Currivan

Steve Drexel

Mikey Eaton

Lucy Franco

Barbara Garrett

Mary Goebel

Jean Harrer

Vicky Hohlbaugh

Ray Jenkins

Sharon Ann Jones

Barbara Langley

Mark Lovelace

Annabelle Lynn

Katie Maddux

Mary May

Judy McCandless

Pat McElligott

Marilyn Mineart

Shelby Monaco

Ed & Graciela Ortiz

Mary (Metzi) Owen

Ruth Perez

Lorrene Peterson

Frank Pinon

Nadia Rodgers

Tom Schneider

Rex Sibert

Kevin Stallman

Norm Steffen

Ellena Thomas

Mary Ann Touzinsky

Kristin Turner

God is at work,
even when things
don't make sense.
Please pray for those
on our prayer list.

Send additional requests to:
lwatson@nativityofmary.org

BULLETIN AD REQUESTS & DEADLINES

All events to be advertised in the bulletin should be submitted through our website:

<https://nativityofmary.org/bulletin-submissions>

VISITS WITH FR. BRYAN

<https://calendly.com/fatherbryan/30min>

Parishioners in need of a consultation with a priest are welcome to use the link above or call the office to schedule an appointment.



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Be Filled with the Holy Spirit

WE WELCOME INTO THE CHURCH OUR NEWLY CONFIRMED

Reese Baker
Sheldon Beltz
Olivea Bulloc
Serfio Camarillo
Jaime Elizalde
Melissa Elizalde
Dante Garcia

Jason Gonzalez
Anthony Hougland
Danielle Houghland
Michael Miller
Patrick Pitts
Grace Ramirez
Brooke Reyes

Isabella Roccaro
Valeria Rodriquez
Anna Ryan
Wyatt Schulte
Lucas Smith
Alexa Soriano
Cooper Stueve

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MARCH PRAYER INTENTIONS

POPE
FRANCIS

That those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world might imbue the Church with their courage and missionary drive.

BISHOP
JOHNSTON

For the monasteries in our diocese.

School Living Stations 8th Grade

March 26 - 2:00

Nativity of Mary 8th Grade will present the Living Stations of the Cross in costume. It's a small class and the event will be short; however, it will be a beautiful and meaningful service. Held in the Main Church.



Please
PRAY FOR OUR
CANDIDATES & CATECUMENS

The following people will be fully initiated into our Catholic Church on Easter Vigil. Please keep them in your prayers as we journey toward Easter.

Juan Anaya
Jaylah Colato
Tim Heinz
Karen Heinz
Breia Kenney

Alyson Reynaga
Gionny Reynaga
Matteo Reynaga
Julian Reynaga
Dixon Ward

Thank You!

SAVE THE DATE

RUMMAGE
SALE

THURS-SAT
JUNE 13-15

NATIVITY OF MARY
PARISH HALL

STATIONS OF
THE CROSS

AT NATIVITY OF MARY PARISH

Please join us this Lent.

MARCH 22 | 7PM
MARCH 29 | 3PM

816-353-2184 | parish@nativityofmary.org

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 28 - AT 3PM

GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29 - ALL DAY

EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 1 - ALL DAY

CELEBRATING SACRIFICE AND LOVE

GOOD
NEWS

If you have joyous news you would like to share with the Parish, please send an email with "Good News" in the subject line to Grace Arnone, gracearnone@att.net.

Qualities of a BeFriender

A person who can listen to others even when what they say doesn't seem to make sense.

A person who can allow others to express their own feelings without telling them how they should or shouldn't feel.

A person who is willing to sit quietly with others when they can't put their hurts into words.

A person in whom others can freely confide, knowing that confidentiality is a priority.

A person who can accept others as they are, rather than the way that person thinks others ought to be.

A person who has an ability to draw on his or her own spiritual resources.

And more...

If you think this may be a ministry where God is calling you to participate, please contact the St. Bernadette Parish Office: 816-356-3700 x232.



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THE CATHOLIC FAITH. ON DEMAND.

March 31, 2024 Bishop Johnston will celebrate his Anniversary - Episcopal Ordination (March 31, 2008)

If you'd like to send a card of congratulation, thanksgiving, or let him know he is always cradled in the arms of the Blessed Virgin Mary through our prayers, the Chancery Mailing Address is below:

The Catholic Chancery
P.O. Box 419037 Kansas City MO 64141-6037

Attn:
The Most Reverend James V. Johnston, Jr., DD, JCL



BEHOLD KC

THE LARGEST EUCHARISTIC ADORATION EVENT IN KANSAS CITY IN OVER 80 YEARS.

MAY 4, 2024 | 4 - 9:30 PM

Save the date: BEHOLD KC | May 4, 2024

Liberty Memorial North Lawn

The first major outdoor Eucharistic Adoration event in Kansas City occurred at the Liberty Memorial on May 4, 1941. As the National Eucharistic Revival closes out its Parish Year in 2024, join our Catholic community from Kansas and Missouri as we recreate the first special gathering at Liberty Memorial. Don't miss this once-in-a-generation event as we boldly worship our Lord on the north lawn of the National WWI Memorial, in the most visible location in our region.



Confession Times

Tue
8-8:30am

Sat
2:30-3pm

By appt:
<https://calendly.com/fatherbryan/30min>

SAFE ENVIRONMENT



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:

- Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
- Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
- After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the 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.

For more info, contact:

Whitney True-Francis
Victim Assistance Coordinator
true.francis@diocesekcsj.org
816.392.0011



PALM
SUNDAY



**Mass will begin with
Procession out front of
church by the Spire.**

2ND COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY LAND

We encourage generous support of the Good Friday Collection for the Church in the Holy Land. The conflict which began this past October has caused great suffering for many, including Christians who live in the Holy Land.

Support of this collection will help our suffering brothers and sisters in the faith. This national collection is scheduled for March 29, 2024. More information about this collection, www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday.com.

Holy Week Schedule

2024

HOLY THURSDAY | MARCH 28

Mass of the Lord's Supper
St. Bernadette at 6:00 pm

GOOD FRIDAY | MARCH 29

Stations of the Cross
Nativity of Mary at 3:00 pm

Celebration of the Lord's Passion
St. Bernadette at 6:00 pm

HOLY SATURDAY | MARCH 30

Easter Vigil Mass
Nativity of Mary at 8:00 pm
(Mass will not be celebrated at 3:00 or 4:30 pm)

EASTER SUNDAY | MARCH 31

St Bernadette at 8:30 am
Nativity of Mary at 10:30 am

NATIVITY OF MARY

GOLF TOURNAMENT

2024

Royal Meadows - 10501 E 47th Street KCMO

AT
8AM

JUNE 1, 2024
SATURDAY

ENTRY
\$125

REGISTRATION: nativityofmary.org/events/golf

Join us to
pray the Rosary

**Monday, Tuesdays
& Thursdays**
at 8:00am.



God never tires of
forgiving us;
we are the ones
who tire of seeking
his mercy.
-Pope Francis

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Stations of the Cross

March 22 - 7 pm

March 29 - 3pm



Knights of Columbus Fish Fries

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March 22
4:30-7:00



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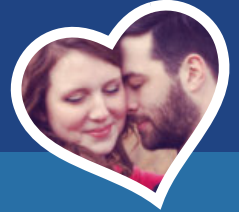
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