Volunteers are needed to decorate at Twelve Apostles Parish for Christmas!

Please gather after the **9:00 a.m. Mass on the 4th Sunday of Advent, December 20th.** Many hands make light work! The young and young at heart are encouraged especially! Remember to bring your masks and be mindful of social distancing, please.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Twelve Apostles Parish
1st and 3rd Sundays
5 p.m.-6 p.m.

For information about Adoration or if you are interested in volunteering as the Adoration Coordinator, please contact Mark Martinez at mark.c.mrtnz@gmail.com.

From the Diary of St. Faustina, the secretary of Divine Mercy

(Diary) 1745-You have indeed prepared a tabernacle for Yourself: the Blessed Virgin. Her Immaculate Womb is Your dwelling place, and the inconceivable miracle of Your mercy takes place, O Lord. The Word becomes flesh; God dwells among us, the Word of God, Mercy Incarnate. By Your descent, You have lifted us up to Your divinity. Such is the excess of Your love, the abyss of Your mercy. Heaven is amazed at the superabundance of Your love. No one fears to approach You now. You are the God of mercy. You have compassion on misery. You are our God, and we are your people. You are our Father, and we are Your children by grace. Praise be to Your mercy, that You have deigned to *1746*- Be adored, O God of mercy,

Jesus, I Trust in You!

O Emmanuel, God with us, our King and Lawgiver, the expected of the nations and their Savior: Come to save us, O Lord our God.

You can help meet this year's
2021 ACA diocesan goal of $1,800,000
by considering making a gift or a pledge to the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA). Your gift or pledge will help fund a number of services, programs, and ministries that make our church effective in its mission as well as those among us who are vulnerable or in need-families, children, youth, and adults. Together with your generosity, we can make a difference for our Diocese. You should have received an appeal in the mail.
For more information or to make your pledge online go to:
https://kcsjcatholic.org/office/stewardship-and-development/annual-catholic-appeal/ .
Please remember to notate on your pledge what parish you attend so our quota numbers will be accurate. Even a small gift with your response helps our parishes.
Thank you for those who have been prompt in responding.
As of December 14:
Holy Trinity-23 households have pledged $10,436.00 of the goal of $12,000 or 87%.
Twelve Apostles-27 households have pledged $14,114.50 of the goal of $17,000 or 83%.

Thank you!

We ask O Saint Joseph, terror of demons, and Patron of the Universal Church, that you intercede on our behalf and extend your protection to our own domestic families. Dispel all fear and confusion. Guard us from the evil one, just as you guarded and protected the Most Holy Family. We ask this in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen +

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 at 816.812.2500 or 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.

Welcome to

Holy Trinity Parish

407 Cherry St.
Weston, MO 64098
www.holytrinitycatholic.org

Twelve Apostles Parish

Church: 17900 Humphrey's Rd.
Platte City, MO 64079
Office/mail address: 407 Cherry, Weston, MO 64098
www.twelveapostlescatholic.org

Telephone: 816-640-2206

Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 20, 2020

Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord.
May it be done to me according to your word.

Weekend Mass Times: (**See inside for guidelines)-

Saturday	**5:00 p.m.**	**Twelve Apostles**
Sunday	**7:30 a.m.**	**Holy Trinity**
	9:00 a.m.	**Twelve Apostles**
	10:45 a.m.	**Holy Trinity**

Weekday Mass Times: **Please see inside the bulletin for the Christmas Mass Schedule

Monday, Wednesday	**8:00 a.m.**	**Holy Trinity**
Thursday	**see inside bulletin **	**Twelve Apostles**

Confessions heard: Regular confession times are suspended due to diocesan COVID restrictions, but are **anytime by appointment at Holy Trinity.**

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact the office.

Parish Staff:
Father Steven C. Rogers - Pastor—x 203, srogers@ht12.org
Ms. Sandy Wishon, Office Manager -x 202, swishon@ht12.org
Mrs. Katie Daughtrey –x 200, Director of Child and Youth Faith Formation: kdaughtrey@ht12.org
Mrs. Penny Harrison, Administrative Assistant– x201, pharrison@ht12.org
Please notify Sandy or Penny of any maintenance concerns.

In case of emergency and should you need a priest call the office number at 816-640-2206 and someone will be in touch with you.

Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 9:00 a.m.– 4:00 p.m.
(The parish office will be closed December 24-January 1, 2021)
Bulletin deadline: 12 noon Wednesday.
Please notify us of change of address, phone, email, etc.

New Parishioners: Welcome! Holy Trinity and Twelve Apostles have been serving the northern Platte County area since 1842 and 2008, respectively. **We welcome all guests and newcomers to our parish families!** Newcomers are asked to register at the earliest opportunity. Forms are available online or from the parish office. We look forward to knowing you!

Is A Wedding or Baptism in Your Plans? Congratulations! Remember: sacramental preparation is required prior to these events. You must be a registered parishioner for the past year or have a letter from your previous pastor before dates are scheduled.

Weddings: Parishioners wanting to be married should contact the office and Fr. Rogers nine months in advance.

Baptism: Baptism classes are suspended at this time. Contact the office.

First Penance/Eucharist, Confirmation: Children preparing for these sacraments must have completed the prior year of religious education.

Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 20, 2020
2 Samuel 7: 1-5
Psalm 89
Romans 16: 25-27
Gospel of St. Luke 1:26-38

Mass Intentions

Saturday , December 19

5:00pm--XII — For the People of Holy Trinity and Twelve Apostles

Sunday, December 20-Fourth Sunday of Advent

7:30am-HT — +Mary Frances Radulski

9:00am–XII — +Darrell James Legualt and +Sandra Cox Legault

10:45am-HT — +Gage Fogt

Mon. December 21-HT
8 a.m. — +Stanley and Caroline Lesniak

Wed. December 23 - HT
8 a.m. — Harper children

Thu. December 24– Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord

XII 3:30 p.m. — +Charles Grame

XII 5:30 p.m — For the living and deceased members of Twelve Apostles Parish

XII 7:30 p.m. — For those who serve and have served in the Military Forces

HT 9:30 p.m. — For the living and deceased members of Holy Trinity Parish

Fri. December 25 – The Nativity of the Lord
HT 10:00 a.m. +Msgr. Ralph Kaiser

Saturday , December 26-Feast of St. Stephen

5:00pm--XII — +Rev. Robert Martin

Sunday, December 27- The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

7:30am- HT — For the People of Holy Trinity and Twelve Apostles

9**:00am**–XII — +Dorothy Mendenhall and +Pat Englert

10:45am-HT — +William and D.L. Durnell

Christmas Mass Schedule

Thursday, December 24th, Christmas Eve
3:30 p.m. Twelve Apostles
5:30 p.m. Twelve Apostles
7:30 p.m. Twelve Apostles
9:30 p.m. Holy Trinity

Friday, December 25th, Christmas Day
10:00 a.m. Holy Trinity

Friday, January 1st, Mary, Mother of God
10:00 a.m. Holy Trinity

Merry Christmas to all!

The Parish Office will be closed from December 24th, 2020 through January 1st, 2021.

Contributions for the week of December 7-13, 2020

Holy Trinity

Weekly budgeted amount	$3846.00
Contributions last week	$3007.00
YTD contributions actual	$83,107.00
YTD contributions budgeted amount	$88,458.00

Twelve Apostles

Weekly budgeted amount	$6615.00
Contributions last week	$5258.00
YTD Contributions actual	$142,950.00
YTD contributions budgeted amount	$152,145.00
Building Fund budgeted	2500.00
Building Fund last week	1520.00
YTD Building Fund actual	$54,021.00
YTD Building Fund budgeted amount	$57,500.00

(Fiscal year runs July 1st-June 30th)
Second collections go to the diocese.
Thank you for your contributions to God's work!

KATIE'S CORNER
YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Confirmation: Next session: January 10, 3-4:30 p.m. online. **Before Christmas**: Let Katie know if you plan on attending the retreat or not. **Before the end of the year**: Your sponsor needs to have filled out the information online and you need to be signed up for an interview time. **Before the retreat**: You need to let Katie know who your Confirmation saint is.

PSR: Next session is January 3rd. Please RSVP to Katie if you plan on attending in person.
Circle of Grace: Do not forget to do the Circle of Grace program with your child if they did not attend the zoom session. If you need the forms sent again, please contact

Support Our Seminarians (SOS):
Join us for the 28th annual SOS virtual event on Friday, January 29th . It will be entirely virtual, featuring online giving, exciting raffle items, video expressions of thanks, and live-stream announcements of raffle winners, as well as the final fundraising tally.
For more information, visit: supportourseminarians.com.

"Then the King will say to those at his right hand, `Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world;
for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me."

Thank You!

Because of your generosity, the Holy Trinity Women's Guild was able to donate $870 to the Platte County food bank. This greatly surpassed all our expectations!

Mass Guidelines in brief:

Attendees should wear masks at all times when in church
while entering church
when leaving Mass

Social distancing (six-feet) should be practiced
when entering the Church
sitting in pews
going to communion
exiting church after Mass

Donation basket located in front of altar. Donations can be dropped into basket when coming up for communion.

During communion form a single line observing the six-foot separation.

*Updated 11/23/20

Please remember in prayer our church leaders, our priests, religious and deacons, civic leaders, first responders and the heads of households, for wisdom, courage and faith. Remember also all those who are ill, addicted or wounded in any way, those who seek to heal and serve them and their families and loved ones, that they find strength, peace and comfort, and for the dying, especially those who are alone at the hour of death, for the grace of final perseverance. Pray for those who grieve any loss; loved ones, jobs, homes, friends. Pray for the conversion of souls, for those who feel lonely, hopeless and afraid, who find it hard to forgive, those who do not know God or who have set themselves against God and his Church. Pray for our unborn, our children and young people that they will be protected and nurtured. Pray for our parish families that they are open to the will of God in all things and may know and experience how much they are loved by God, our Father. And pray for all our departed family, friends and fellow parishioners that they are welcomed into the presence of our Almighty and Loving God. For our homeland, our protection and our total conversion to God and his holy will.

MY HOUSE WORKSHOP FOR MEN

Next Workshop: February 11-13, 2021
A 3-day confidential, intensive for men striving to overcome and heal from unwanted sexual behaviors. It is geared to maximize your investment of time and money, as well as enhance any work you might have started or jump start your journey towards healing.
The next weekend will take place at Savior Pastoral Center, 12601 Parallel Parkway, Kansas City, KS 66109, from 7:00 a.m. Thursday to 3:00 p.m. Saturday.
For more information and to register, please visit https://centerforhealingkc.com/my-house/my-house-workshop

St. Andrew Christmas Prayer
Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold. In that hour, vouchsafe, I beseech Thee, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires through the merits of Our Savior Jesus Christ, and of His Blessed Mother. Amen.
It is a pious tradition to recite this prayer 15 times a day from Nov. 30 (feast of St. Andrew) to Dec. 24.