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Mass Schedule

Sunday Eucharist

Saturday.....5:00 PM
Sunday.....8:00 & 11:00 AM
Weekday (see schedule)
Monday.....12:00 PM
Tues—Friday.....8:05 AM

Adoration

Wednesday.....9:00 AM—5:00 PM

Sacraments

Reconciliation

Saturday—4-4:45pm
Sunday—7:15-7:45am & 10-10:45am

Anointing of the Sick

Call before hospital stay, if possible.

Infant Baptism

Call during pregnancy for dates of preparation class and Baptism.

Marriage

Allow 10 months for marriage preparation.
Please call the Office for an appointment to set the date.

Annulment & Marriage Validation

Please call the Office for more information.

Joining the Catholic Church

RCIA process begins each September and leads to Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at Easter Vigil.

Scripture Readings-Cycle A

Week of November 26, 2023

Sun: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6 (1)/1
Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46

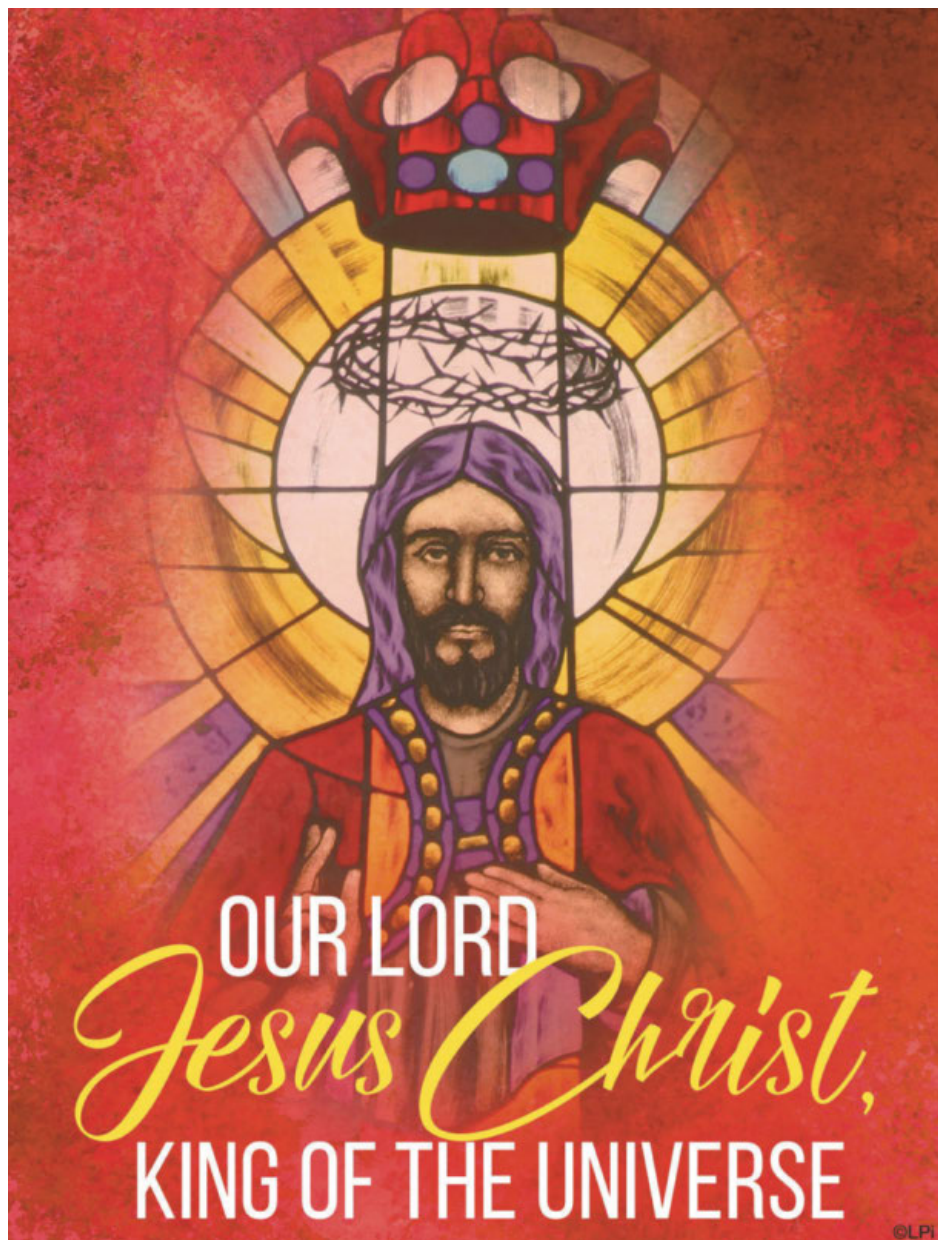
Mon: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/
Lk 21:1-4

Tues: Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61/
Lk 21:5-11

Wed: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62, 63,
64, 65, 66, 67/Lk 21:12-19

Thurs: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 4:18-22
Fri: Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/
Lk 21:29-33

Sat: Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87/
Lk 21:34-36



MISSION STATEMENT

"We, the community of St. Gregory Barbarigo, are called forth in Baptism to follow the mission of Jesus to teach, to love, and to serve."

Next week is the 1st Sunday of Advent. We will begin Year B on Sundays and so will emphasize the Gospel of Mark for most of the year instead of Matthew which we had this past Year A. This Advent there is only ONE day in the 4th Week of Advent, as Christmas comes on the following Monday. Not only will it seem to go fast, it will be shorter than normal. Mondays will be filled in the evenings during Advent. On Dec. 11th we will have a communal penance service with soup supper afterwards, 5:30 PM – 7 PM or until confessions are finished. There will be five confessors here. On Dec 4th and 11th I will present on “The Mass as the Perfect Sacrifice” from 6 – 7 PM. The topic is in keeping with the national focus on the Eucharistic Revival on the parish level this year.

The Diocese of Kansas City – St. Joseph is in the process of changing the normal age of Confirmation from 15 years old to 12 years old. We have about five or six years to move our program from the older to the younger model. I personally am supportive of this move. Why? Well, from a developmental perspective, it does not fit in where it is now. Let me explain.

Roughly speaking there are four stages of development:

- 1) From 0-6 years old when the children have an absorbent mind, are very tactile in how they learn, and often put a lot of things in their mouths. They seek physical and biological independence.
- 2) From 6-12 years old when the children are developing their minds, learning how and why things work, learning right from wrong, and seeking intellectual development.
- 3) From 12-18 years old when adolescents learn to be socially independent. They have been learning all kinds of data and developing understanding of things, and now they are seeking to put the pieces of data together as if they were pieces of a puzzle. Though they still learn as in the previous two phases, they emphasize looking at things critically and figuring out how they fit together in their lives. Finally
- 4) From 18-24, when young people choose their careers, their spouses, their place in life socially. They seek moral and spiritual independence in this phase.

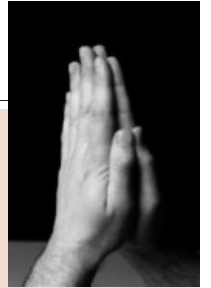
The age of Confirmation has been about 15 in our diocese for a while. Confirmation is a sacrament asking the recipient to make a decision for Christ, to become a “soldier of Christ” as we used to say, to dedicate oneself totally to the Lord by the reception of the Holy Spirit. It is a wonderful event. However, at 15 a young man or woman is more likely to be examining everything closely, analyzing how, in this case, religion fits into his/her life. Developmentally speaking, it is not a good time to be making a life commitment, to say that one is totally committed to Christ. That commitment should come either earlier in phase II, or later in phase IV. The diocese has chosen the former, putting Confirmation at the end of phase II.

Now, I must say that I do not know all the factors that went into the diocesan decision to move the age to 12 year olds. The above is just my own feeling about this. In the end, it does not matter, as we are going to move to the new model. We will be working on a process to get from where we are to where the diocese wants us to be – to have our youth Confirmed at an earlier age of 12.

It is a privilege to be your pastor.

Parish Notes

Father Albert, O.S.B.



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Kerry Bowman, Brian Kurz, Chad Dempsey, Kendra Pickering, Vanessa Parsons, Saree Morley, Dean Meyer, Stacia Thompson, Margarette Schmitz, Chuck Dwyer, Theresa Schmitz, Brett Gross, Brandon Smith, Mary Ann Norris, Mark Norris, Tim Howard, Melissia Daly, Chris and Jaun Carroll, Tammy Arnold, Cheri Mickler, Jamie Bachman, Callahan Acklin, Mike Mercer, Patrick Joslin, Morris Peregrine, Beth Russo, Shirley Phillips and Al Mott.



Welcome to St. Gregory Barbarigo!

If you are a student, visitor, or a new resident please know that we are so happy you are here celebrating Mass today!

We would love to keep in touch, please join Flocknote our communication tool, by texting BECATHOLIC to 84576.
You can also follow us on Facebook.

Next Scrip Order is Mon, Nov 27



As you prayerfully consider your pledge to this year's campaign **"Giving in Love"** consider the times when you might have needed the help of another, and you received it. The Catholic Church in Northwest Missouri provides this type of help and relies on your sacrificial giving to make it happen. Be Christ for others—pledge a generous gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal.



Prepare for Christmas Like Never Before

Most people spend the month before Christmas feeling overwhelmed, busy, anxious, and anything but peaceful. Sound familiar?

This Advent, we have a radical invitation for you... well actually, Jesus does. It's simple: Slow down and spend a few minutes each day reconnecting with God and yourself. Use the link or scan the QR code to sign up.

<https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/advent.html>

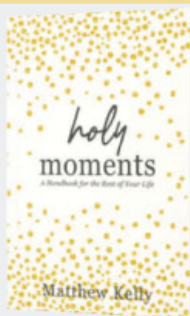


NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

Save the Dates!

Monday, December 4th and December 18th
at 6 PM

Join Father Albert in the church for this two
part presentation, "Perfect Sacrifice".



Be Part of the Holy Moments Movement

Have you read the book "Holy Moments" by Matthew Kelly?

If you have you know it is intended to inspire and help us to recognize Holy Moments in our lives. Dynamic Catholic has sent us cards to hand out to people when we see them choosing Holy Moments. Please take some from the table in the gathering space and give them out as you see Holy Moments happening.

There are also copies of the book available for you and to give away.



8th Grade Retreat Fundraiser

The first weekend of August 2024 will be our 2nd Annual 8th graders (going into 9th grade) parent retreat at Conception Abbey. We will have a sale for religious and Christmas items: necklaces, bracelets and earrings. Mira Murray will be in the back of the church on Saturdays after the 5pm Mass and Sundays after the 11am Mass starting the second weekend of December. Each item will be sold for \$2 or a donation of your choice. The items for this fundraiser have been made and donated by Karen Ceckowski. All the proceeds will go to the 8th Grade/Parent Retreat fund. Please make checks payable to St. Gregory's Church. In the memo line, write "8th Grade Retreat". If you have any questions, please contact Mira at 816-738-4008. God bless our generosity.

EPIC

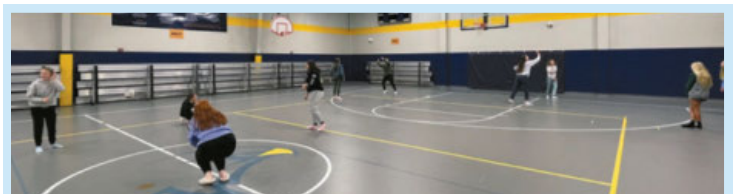
EPIC, 4th - 8th grade youth group, has had a great start this year. We have had over 50 kids attend. On average there are anywhere from 25 to 30 kids. This past week EPIC hosted a Chiefs Watch Party. During halftime of the game the kids got to watch a video about Harrison Butker, the kicker for the Kansas City Chiefs. Butker is a very devout Catholic and discussed his desire to become a saint and glorify God. He had a great message! All 4th - 8th graders are invited to join EPIC at anytime!

Our next EPIC meeting will be on Sunday, November 19th from 9:15 to 10:45am in the Parish Hall. It is also the Youth Mass, so kids could participate in both!



SGB HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

SGB High School Youth Group has been alternating it's meeting time between Sunday morning and Sunday evening. We have enjoyed eating, playing games, and growing in the faith. The high schoolers have been watching Chris Stefanick's The Search series. They have watched the first four episodes. High School Youth Group is open to all 9th - 12th graders. Our November meetings are on Sunday, November 12th from 9:15am to 10:45am and Sunday, November 26th from 6:00pm to 7:15pm.





First Sunday of Advent

Reading I

Isaiah 63: 16b- 19b, 64: 2-7

Responsorial Psalm

Psalms 80: 2-3, 15-16, 18-19

Reading II

First Corinthians 1: 3-9

Gospel

Mark 13: 33-37

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, Dec 2 – 5:00 pm

Greeter: Deb Schuster, Russ Schuster

Acolyte: Kolyn Groomer, Cole Jaster, Kamryn Spire

Lectors: Judy Frueh

Sacristan/EM: Carol Owens

Communion Ministers: Theresa Groomer, David Schieber

Cup Minister: Mike Grudzinski, Tammy Scott

Head Usher: Russ Schuster

Ushers: Katy Gumm, Josh Lefebber, Carol Owens

Live Stream/Projector Tech: Beth Schwartz

Sunday, Dec 3 – 8:00 am

Greeter: Diana Parra, Mark Parra

Acolyte: Kynnadi Damgar, Dinah Lance

Lectors: Mark Parra, Diana Parra

Sacristan/EM: Theresa Stiens

Communion Ministers: Randy Holtman, Sheila Smail

Cup Minister: Ed Seipel, Michele Starke

Head Usher: Rick Smail

Ushers: Joe Barmann, Mike Driskell

Live Stream/Projector Tech: Volunteer

Sunday, Dec 3 – 11:00 am

Greeter: Chris Kuhlemeyer, Wilson

Kuhlemeyer, August Kuhlemeyer

Acolyte: Cate Jordan, Charles Jordan, August Kuhlemeyer

Lectors: Wilson Kuhlemeyer

Sacristan/EM: Kari Simpson

Communion Ministers: Linda Estes, Barb Nielson

Cup Minister: Charlotte Stiens, Carla Summa-Herman

Head Usher: Larry Stiens

Ushers: Art Filips, Gary Howell, Reggie Johansen, Barb Nielson, Ed Nielson

Live Stream/Projector Tech: Jenni Jordan

Grateful for Small Groups

I am grateful for all of you who participate in life-sharing groups in our parish. Whether you are in a group right now or have ever been, you are making a positive impact. What has struck me most through my experience is that in these groups we learn how much we all have in common. There was a time not so long ago when I sat in church feeling that everyone around me was holier, more perfect, or worthy than me.



Thankfully a dear friend encouraged me to come with her to an Alpha group. It was in that group that I learned that I am not the only broken person in church on Sunday. In fact, we are all broken, every one of us. The only differences are what caused our brokenness and where each of us is on our healing journey.

If you want more information, want to join an existing group, or want to start your own, please reach out to me, chriskuhlsg@gmail.com. I would love to help you get started.

Thank you for sharing your gifts. — Chris Kuhlemeyer



Schedule of Events

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Sunday, Nov 26

School Support Collection

12:30 pm Ecumenical Books Study (PH)
6:00 pm HSYG (PH)

Monday, Nov 27

12:00 pm Scrip Orders Due
5:00 pm Manna Kitchen (PH/KIT)
7:00 pm KofC Ladies Auxiliary (RECTORY)

Tuesday, Nov 28

9:00 am A&E (CH)

Wednesday, Nov 29

9:00 am Adoration until 5pm (CH)
1:30 pm Metanoia (PH)
6:30 pm RCIA (PH)
6:30 pm Adult Choir Practice (CH)

Thursday, Nov 30

6:30 pm Stewardship of the Land (PH)

Friday, Dec 1

No Scheduled Events

Saturday, Dec 2

Maintenance Fund Collection

8:00 am Girl Scout Event (GYM)

Sunday, Dec 3

Maintenance Fund Collection

9:15 am Sunday School/EPIC Sunday (PH)
12:30 pm Ecumenical Book Study (PH)
6:00 pm HSYG (PH)



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 Whitney True-Francis, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 816.392.0011 or truefrancis@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

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Scrip

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, Nov 25

5:00 pm † Alice Barmann

Sunday, Nov 26

8:00 am People of the Parish

11:00 am † Jerry A. Wilmes

Monday, Nov 27

12:00 pm L&D Members of the Jim Bagby Family

Tuesday, Nov 28

8:05 am † Roy & Pat Seipel

Wednesday, Nov 29

8:05 am † Todd Rickabaugh [3-4]

Thursday, Nov 30

8:05 am † Alfred Steele

Friday, Dec 1

8:05 am † Nada Farina [PRE-8]

Saturday, Dec 2

8:00 am † Shirley Zech

5:00 pm † Bob Stoll

Sunday, Dec 3

8:00 am People of the Parish

11:00 am † Dora Moutray

(† Indicates Mass for deceased person)

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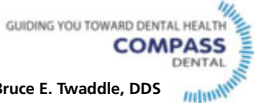
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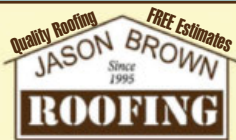
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