

## ST. JOHN LALANDE P A R I S H

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Back to School

#### **AUGUST 17, 2025**

#### **Sunday Masses**

Saturday 4:30pm Sunday 8:00 & 10:30am

#### **Weekday Masses**

M-W-F 6:30am Tue-Thu 8:30am

Holy Days and Holidays please check the bulletin for Mass times.

#### Confessions

M-W-F 6:00am - 6:20am
Tue-Thu 8:00am - 8:20am
Saturday 3:00pm - 4:15pm
7:15am - 7:45am

9:45am - 10:15am

Other times by appointment.

#### **Adoration**

Mondays 7:00 am-7:00 pm Fridays 7:00 am-4:00 pm

#### **Sacramental Preparation**

Available for registered, active parishioners at St. John LaLande.

#### **Baptism**

Call the Parish Office to make arrangements. Parental preparation is required.

#### Marriage

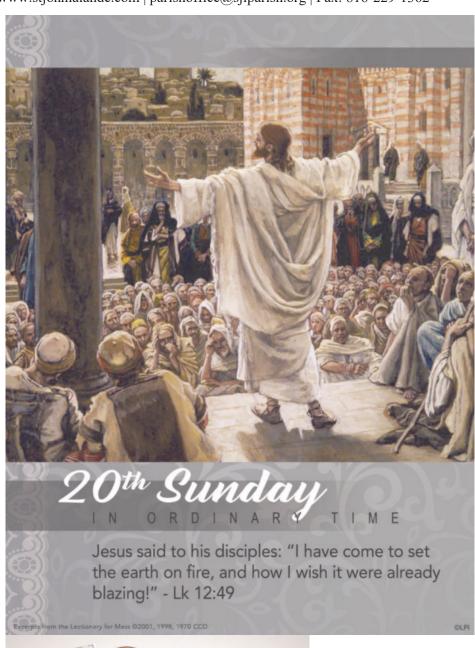
Contact the pastor at time of engagement. At least 10 months are needed for preparation.

#### **Parish Office Hours**

Monday-Thursday 8:00am- 3:30pm Friday 8:00am-12:00pm

#### **New Parishioners, Welcome!**

We welcome all who want to deepen their relationship with God to join us. To become a registered member of our community, parish registration forms can be found on our website or by calling the Parish Office.



Pray for all our students and teachers as they return to school!

### Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 16 4:30 pm †Pat Silvernail

Sunday, August 17

8:00 am †Albert Bonkoski

Special Intention Kermitt Depew

10:30 am Special Intention All Parishioners

Monday, August 18

6:30 am Special Intention Louis & Jody Wohletz

Tuesday, August 19

8:30 am †Virginia & Warren Beard

Wednesday, August 20

6:30 am †Ray Lonowski

Thursday, August 21

8:30 am †William Pabst

Special Intention Sisters of St. Francis

Friday, August 22

6:30 am Special Intention Sickle Family

Saturday, August 23

4:30 pm †Jerry Montgomery

†Dennis Shearn

Sunday, August 24

8:00 am Special Intention All Parishioners

10:30 am †Tom & Louise Parke

#### **Readings for the Week**

**Sunday:** Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18

(14b)/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

**Monday:** Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37,

39-40, 43ab and 44/Mt 19:16-22

**Tuesday:** Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-

14/Mt 19:23-30

**Wednesday:** Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt

20:1-16

**Thursday:** Jgs 11:29-39a/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9,

10/Mt 22:1-14

**Friday:** Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-

6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Mt 22:34-

40

**Saturday:** Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-

2, 3, 4, 5/Mt 23:1-12

## **A New Chapter**



Step back in time
with us!
Come dressed in
your favorite
1950s fashion and
enjoy a fun bingo
night!

Please join us on Saturday, August 23rd after 4:30 mass

Please RSVP : 816-695-6351 or Mickeyandcindyhill201212 @yahoo.com



#### WE PRAY FOR ...

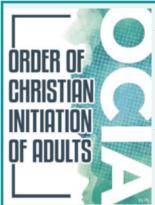
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Orientation Wednesday, August 20th 6:30pm; Church Sanctuary

Sessions begin on Sunday, August 24th after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. We meet in the school cafeteria and sessions usually run from 9:15 to 11:15 a.m.

For more information, call Diana Myler at 816-809-4485 or email at dmyler93@gmail.com.



## Events This Week

Sunday, August 17

9:15 am Baptism Prep Class Library

Monday, August 18

7am-7pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Church 5:30 pm Legion of Mary LaLande Rm. 7:00 pm Love Thy Neighbor Parish Center

Tuesday, August 19

6:00 am Men on a Mission LaLande Rm. 12:30 pm Bridge Group LaLande Rm. 6:30 pm Grief and Loss Library 7:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal Church

Wednesday, August 20

6:30 pm OCIA Orientation Church

Thursday, August 21

1:00 pm Caregiver Support Group Deacon's Office 6:00 pm Cantor Rehearsal Music Room 6:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal Music Room

Friday, August 22

7am-4pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Church

Saturday, August 23

5:30 pm New Chapter Bingo Night Parish Center



Bishop Johnston will preside at the mass honoring the Golden Wedding couples. A card and gift will be presented to each couple. The event is for the couples and their immediate family (limit of 10). The celebration includes those couples whose 50th Wedding Anniversary falls between January 1, 2025. and December 31, 2025

\*\*Please let us know of your anniversary even if unable to attend and your gift and card will be mailed.

## Parish Support

Contributions	8/06/25 - 8/12/25
Envelopes	\$ 11,290
Electronic	\$ 6,078
Plate	\$ 1,069
Total	\$ 18,437

KINDERGARTEN PREP AND MULTI-AGE PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR



We still have a limited number of openings for our Multi-age preschool program. Contact the school office for more information!

#### MULTI-AGE PRESCHOOL

- Ages 3-4
- Half day program (7:40am-11am)
- Must be potty trained

#### IMPORTANT DATES:

August 25<sup>th</sup>: First day of preschool

#### KINDERGARTEN PREP

- Age 4-5
- must be 5 years of age by Aug 1, 2026
- Full day program (7:40am - 3pm)

#### CONTACT:

St. John LaLande School Office: (816) 228-5895



#### **Scrip on Sale Next Weekend**

Help support our SJL Youth Ministry

Gift cards will be on sale after all Masses the 2nd and 4th full weekend of each month in the Youth Ministry Office.

We keep a supply of restaurant, retail and Visa gift cards in stock. Special orders for many more retailers and restaurants may be placed by contacting the SCRIP coordinator:

Allison Brungardt 913-515-3788 (best to call or text) abrungardt@sjlparish.org

Thank you for your support!

#### THANK YOU!!

Including the match, we raised \$26,186.56 for the Ugandan Mission. Thanks to all who donated, especially our donor of the \$10,000 matching gift.



#### Troop MO6506 Open House & Registration Night

St. John LaLande Catholic Church Thursday, August 21 at 6:30 pm

Girls ages 5-17 and their parents/guardians are invited to join us by the playground to meet our troop, have a snack, and learn more about American Heritage Girls.

We hope to see you there!
Email torincthompson@gmail.com to RSVP.

# An Evening of Conversation for Parents with Bishop Johnston on The Way

All sessions will begin at 6:30 pm and will conclude at 8:00 pm.

- Monday, August 25th:
   Our Lady of Guadalupe, St. Joseph
- Thursday, August 28th:
  Visitation, Kansas City
- Wednesday, September 3rd: St. Thomas More, Kansas City
- Thursday, September 11th:
  St. James, Liberty
- Wednesday, September 17th:
   St. John Francis Regis, Kansas City (Spanish)
- Thursday, September 18th:
  Our Lady of the Presentation, Lee's Summit
- Wednesday, September 24th: St. Therese North, Parkville
- Monday, September 29th:
   Holy Rosary, Clinton

Bishop Johnston invites all parents of the diocese to join him, along with staff from the Office of Domestic Church & Discipleship, for an opportunity to discuss the elements of our diocesan vision known as The Way: Youth to Young Adult Initiative.

Learn more about The Way:



kesjeatholic.org/theway

Raising children in The Faith is a challenge, and the Church wants to help!

## Love Thy Neighbor Ministry

A BIG thank you to all who helped with donations (school supplies, drinks and food), cooking, set up, serving and clean up on August 10<sup>th</sup>.

Watching all of the children carrying their backpacks filled with school supplies was priceless. There were some huge smiles and very grateful parents. Thank you for making a difference and sharing God's love!

#### **Our Next Event**

September 7<sup>th</sup> - More details coming soon

If you would like to be added to the mailing list or are not receiving emails, please contact Stephanie Isaacks at rsisaacks@yahoo.com

Join us for our next ministry meeting:

August 18, 2025 @ 7:00 pm Parish Center

If interested in becoming part of this ministry, please contact Deacon Richard Isaacks at (816) 804-4875.



## Save the Date: November 8, 2025 SJL School Auction

Get ready to sparkle and shine — our annual St. John LaLande Catholic School Auction Event is back with a dazzling twist! Join us for a night of Denim & Diamonds on Saturday, November 8th!

Expect an evening full of fun, fabulous auction items, and community spirit
— all in support of a great cause. More details to come, but for now —
mark those calendars and tell your friends!

#SparkleForACause

## Two-minute TOB



A quick re-cap of the last Two-Minute TOB:

JPII: "...the [human] body, and only the body, is capable of making visible what is invisible: the spiritual and the divine"

Sharing a meal with another person provides a concrete example of the invisible being made visible

JPII goes on to say in that very same quotation that "...the body has been created to transfer into the visible reality of the world the mystery hidden for eternity in God, and thus to be a sign of it." What is that mystery? In short:

That God exists, and He created the universe.

That God made humanity in his image, male and female (Gen 1:24).

God loves us so much that he invites us to be 'co-creators' with him through our bodies!

How amazing is that?!? All of creation sprang forth from God's love. His love couldn't be contained and...BAM!...the universe came into being. He then, in love, created humanity to populate and care for this creation, not as mindless slaves, but as rational, thinking, *feeling*, persons who could freely return his love back to him. We were made for love!

Today, in 2025, we need to reclaim the word "love" and understand how this ache in our hearts brings us closer to (or takes us farther away from), our loving Creator.

- Eric Davis



REGISTRATION

VOLUNTEERING

2025-26



## EGISTRATION

2025-2026 PREP SCHOOL YEAR. Pre-K to 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

## FIRST NIGHT OF CLASS

WEDNESDAYS @ 6:15PM-7:30PM.





## **OLUNTEER WITH**

CO-TEACHERS, TEACHER AIDES & SUBS.

## **CONTACT:**

RELED@SJLPARISH.ORG (816) 229-3378 | PARISH OFFICE. OR THE PARISH WEBSITE: STJOHNLALANDE.COM-PREP



#### CONFIRMATION



#### Confirmation registration is now open!

All students 6th grade and older may register!

Check out the website for more information! Sam Geringer youth@sjlparish.org 816-799-4452

Parent Info Meeting September 7th 6:00 pm in the Parish Center!



# Time to Register for Youth Group! Middle and High School!



## **YOUTH GROUPS**



We are excited to welcome our littlest learners (ages 3-5) to the **Pre-K Wednesday Night PREP Program!** Each week, children enjoy a joyful and age-appropriate introduction to our Catholic faith through singing simple praise songs, listening to Bible stories and creating fun, hands-on crafts that reinforce the message of God's love.



This program is designed to help young children feel at home in our church community while building the foundation for a lifelong relationship with Jesus. Whether it's learning about creation, celebrating God's love, or hearing how Jesus cared for others, our goal is to make faith come alive through play, creativity and music.

We look forward to helping your child grow in faith.



Sandy Baker and Marissa Giangrosso PreK PREP teachers





#### We will meet weekly on Saturday Mornings Begins Saturday, September 6th

7:00 AM Holy Rosary in the Church 7:30 AM Breakfast and Program in the Parish Center 8:00 AM Discussion

#### **Fall Semester Schedule**

Week	1:	The Issue is Leadership	Week 8:	Laying a Foundation for the Future
Week	2:	The Price of Failed Leadership	Week 9:	Willingness to Pay the Price
Week	3:	The Four Leadership Roles of Men	Week 10	Authentic Leadership in the Home
Week	4:	The Five Traits of Authentic Leaders	Week 11:	The Death of the West
Week	5:	Steadfast Leadership	Week 12:	The Cry of the Child
Week	6:	Attaining Clarity of Thought	Week 13:	A New Day for Men
Week	7:	Developing Integrity of Action		



#### Leilani Nevaeh Escobar,

Daughter of Ricardo and Rosa, Baptized on August 9, 2025 by Rev. Sean McCaffery

#### Eleanor June Murrell,

Daughter of Robert and Jessa, Baptized on August 9, 2025 by Dcn. Richard Isaacks

#### Jude Jay Holloway,

Son of Jeremy and Tara, Baptized on August 10, 2025 by Rev. Sean McCaffery

#### Lucille Grace McMahill,

Daughter of Todd and Kimberly, Baptized on August 10, 2025 by Rev. Sean McCaffery



## Mental Health Ministry





## Back to School & Mental Health

The start of a new

school year may be exciting for some kids but can often bring feelings of stress and anxiety for others. This may be especially true for young girls. According to a study by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), young girls in the United States said they felt persistently sad or hopeless at double the rate of boys. Issues around social media use may exacerbate these issues — one study states teens that spend more than three hours a day on social media platforms may face twice the risk of mental health issues.

#### How do you gauge how your child is feeling?

Keep an eye on their behaviors and moods. A check-in with their doctor may also be helpful. "You may think of your child's annual checkup for things like vaccines, but it's also a good place to check in on their mental health, says Dr. Rhonda Randall, chief medical officer at United Healthcare. Make sure your child knows they can come to you anytime with questions or to share their feelings. If they do talk about being scared or nervous, validate their feelings. Listen intently and avoid asking too many questions. Help them feel secure and let them know it's possible to feel better.

"Remember these can be sensitive topics for your child," Dr. Randall said. "Empathy, openness and patience can go a long way in helping them feel heard and optimistic that they'll be OK."

Your student may be watching how you are preparing for the school year, so model good behavior. Make this a "do as I do" moment. Eat right, exercise and get the sleep you need to stay positive, even during hectic times...coping with stress in a healthy way can boost resilience.

St. John LaLande Mental Health Ministry Positivewellbeing@sjlparish.org

#### **Alcohol and Substance Abuse Help**

If you or someone you know is having problems with alcohol or other substance abuse and would like to speak with someone who is familiar with this problem —please call Jim S. 816-686-2013.

For **Alateen**, call Lizzy C at 816-686-2044.

Any conversations are strictly confidential and on a first name basis.

## Altar & Rosary Society



#### Our Lady of the Rosary Shop

Visit our displays near the Parish Center and discover devotional treasures thoughtfully selected to enrich our spiritual journey.

100% of the proceeds from your purchases benefit St. John LaLande.



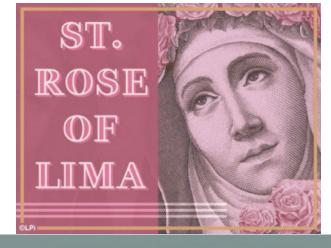
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**Grief and Loss Group** 

Tuesday, August 19th 6:30 PM School Library

Caregiver Support Group

Thursday, August 21st 1:00 PM Deacon's Office

## Parish and School Directory

#### **Parish Staff**

Rev. Sean McCafferyPastor smccaffery@sjlparish.org; Ext. 303
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#### **Stay connected to St. John LaLande Parish**

Early Childhood Learning Academy



Alivia Bollinger

St. John LaLande Catholic Church https://www.facebook.com/stjohnlalande/

.....Director

abollinger@silparish.org

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St. John LaLande Website www.stjohnlalande.com

#### **Bulletin Deadline**

Please submit by Monday 10:00 am to Shemane Mann at parishoffice@sjlparish.org

#### **Parish Advisory Groups**

Finance Council

Todd Goergen
816-224-6768

ECLA Advisory Board
School Advisory Board
schooladvisory@sjlparish.org

Pastoral Council
parishoffice@sjlparish.org

Father Sean McCaffery
816-229-3378

#### **Update Information Form**

If you are a current parishioner and need to make changes to your census record with the parish, please fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket.

If you are new to St. John LaLande Parish and would like to join our church, please contact the Parish Office or fill out a registration form online on our website.

Name:	
	_
Address:	
	_
	-
Phone Number:	-
Email Address:	_

#### Office of Child and Youth Protection

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 if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph report the suspected sexual abuse to the Diocesan Ombudsman, at 816.213.6024 or ombudsman@ombudsmankcsj.org.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Victim Advocate at 816.392.0011 or victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

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