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Have a great week,

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Website: www.redemptoristkc.org March 14, 2010

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Rev. Robert Lindsey, C.Ss.R. Associate
Rev. Frank Kriski, C.Ss.R. In Residence
Rev. Patrick Power, C.Ss.R. In Residence
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Leslie Guillot 816.361.2666

Saturday: 8:00am and 5:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am, 5:00pm

Monday - Friday

7:00am and 11:00am

Tuesday Novenas and Evening Mass

Novena after 11:00am Mass

Novena after 5:30pm Mass

First Friday of the Month

5:30pm

First Friday of the month:

11:30am to 5:15 pm

Holy Days: 5:30pm Vigil:

7:00, 11:00am and 5:30pm on the Holy Day

One half-hour before all weekday Masses

Saturday: 3:00pm - 5:00pm & 7:30pm - 8:00pm

NO CONFESSIONS ON HOLY DAY OR SUNDAYS

Redemptorist Parish of Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Parish Priest and Brothers

Parish Office

Cristo Rey High School

Our Lady of the Angels School

Redemptorist Center

Mass Schedule
Weekend Mass Times

Week Day Mass Times

Eucharistic Adoration

Confessions



Monday, March 15, 2010

7:00 Theresa Poczotowski +
11:00 Murphey Family

Tuesday, March 16, 2010

7:00 McCarthy & McKeon Family
11:00 Jordan Leister
5:30 Redemptorist Foundation

Wednesday, March 17, 2010

7:00 Jean Dunn

Thursday, March 18, 2010

7:00 No Intention
11:00 All Souls Remembrance

Friday, March 19, 2010

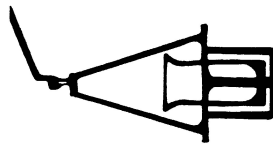
7:00 Father's Mass League
11:00 Frank Grimaldi +

Saturday, March 20, 2010

8:00 Mother's Mass League
5:00 Vardyan Family

Sunday, March 21, 2010

7:30 People of the Parish
9:30 Charles Stack +
11:30 Jessie Garcia +
5:00 Dick O'Neill +



The Sanctuary Candle

is lit in honor of

Mara Franke

Please contact a priest at least one month prior to baptism. Call the rectory for class times. 816.561.3771.

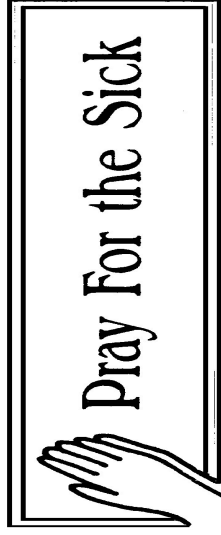
Please contact a priest at least nine months prior to anticipated wedding date.

If you are not currently registered and wish to join Redemptorist Parish, we invite you to register in the Rectory.

Announcements for the bulletin can be submitted to the parish secretary in writing or you can e-mail: Eileen@redemptoristparishkc.org

Redemptorist Chapel Masses

Bob Kilker +
Marie Gargotta +
Rosemarie Hickey +
Jordan Leister
Janice Brinkman
Susan Medina
Frank Grimaldi +
Marian Nigro
Leo Finn +Francis P Thomas Jr
Sister Evelyn
Mara Franke



Evangelina Arana, George Armendariz, Margaret Armendariz, Callie Banks, Rosemary Barr, Lawna Barr, Mary Bernal, Lorraine Birmingham, Sue Brothers, Paddi Browne Sullivan, Sr. Mary Joseph Bregin, Dr. Suzanne Corrigan, Sylvia Gutierrez, Denise Heckman, Sean Higgenbotham, Frankie Janacaro, David Johnson, Mary Jane Koehler, Mark Lally, Jesse LaPuma, Jordan Leister, Helen Lombardo, Richard Matthews, Catherine McCalla, Roger McLaren, Elizabeth Medina, John Mallicoat, Dominic Murillo, Marian Nigro, Dominic Palacio, Gloria Pizzichino, Damian H Rodriguez, Carlos Ruiz, Roberto Ruiz, Tom Ryan, Lisa Saint, Bob Shirkey, Wayne Spence, Bernetta Stack, John Stewart, Byron Thompson, Louis Villegas, Marie Wadley, Isabella Weaver

Please notify the parish office at 816.561.3771 when loved ones have returned from military duty and/or recovered from an illness so we may recognize the event with joy and thanksgiving.



Ben T Edwards, Steve Galli, Richard Herrera, Brian Jansen, Corey Johnson, Michael Kissinger, Mark Ludwig, Jerry Murphy, Tony & Mary Pittala, Andrew Quintero, Jimmy Stanley, Daniel Stanley Bryan Swenson, Edgar Tobias, & Louis Villegas

The Gospels of this weekend and next are powerful stories of forgiveness: the prodigal son and the woman caught in adultery. In each, one a parable and the other an event in the life of Christ, we are presented with a cast of characters who deal with sin and forgiveness. And we can find ourselves in the place of any one of them at a particular moment in time. Sometimes we are the accuser, sometimes the sinner, sometimes the one who offers forgiveness. In the complexity of our lives, it is likely that we are all three at one and the same time. In today's parable, Jesus invites us to see the relationship that binds people together, despite the fracturing caused by sin. It is tough to forgive; just ask the elder son. We're happy when God forgives us. Are we willing to be an occasion of such happiness for others?

Holy Rosary Church—Scalabrini Hall, 910 Pacific Avenue, Thursday, March 18, 4:00-8:00pm, Viewing table, Friday, March 19, 11:00am meal of Pasta Milanese. Free will donation accepted, carry out \$5.

Posting for positions that are currently available, applicants please visit www.careers.umb.com to apply and take the online assessments.

We have volunteer opportunities for caring, compassionate individuals looking for enriching experiences. You get to "pay it forward" in the moment you begin this service to others. Please join us in supporting those at the end of their life's journey. Please call Gretta Koehler-Jones at 816.333.1980

"Scripture teaches us that all God wants is for us to repent, to say, 'I'm sorry, father. Forgive Me.'" Madeleine L'Engle

3/13-14	Lectors	E. Ministers
5:00pm	Sara Mosbacher Greg Szafranski	Pat Larison Peg Mosbacher Don Hillmer Rosemary Kilker
7:30am	Joe Forcucci Laura Korenak	David & Rebekah Perron Br. John Matthys Tom Cook
9:30am	Barbara Rizzo Jim Bair	Eileen McKeon Carl & Judy Brenneman Teresa Bohon Betty Szafranski John Lopez
11:30am	Linnea Williams Paul Tran	John Rayos Lillian & Manuel Pardo Cynthia Clark Campbell
5:00pm	Mark Reichle Nancy Miller	Nicki Salido Virgil Burke Kelly Schwalbe Kathleen Fenton
3/20-21	Lectors	E. Ministers
5:00pm	John & Kathy Kane	Jean Stoverink Luisa Shepherd Glenda McDaniel Rachel Avila
7:30am	Leon Sequeria Br. Charles Long	Eileen Franke Evelyn Acosta Br. Joh Matthys Barbara Jung
9:30am	Rachel & Jason McBride	Kristi Bauer Neal Volz Susan Montague Ed Rodriguez Catherine Daugherty Amy Basurto
11:30am	Cynthia Clark Campbell Pat McDonald	Carl & Debbie Capra Richard Aguilar Tom Brusnahan
5:00pm	Nicki Salido Dan Shea	Susan McDaniel Mark Reichle Nancy Miller Rick Folker

CONNECT!

Uniting Word &
World.....

Liturgical Roles

Other Opportunities for Growth

St. Joseph's Table

Job Opportunities

Baptisms

Marriages

Registration

Bulletin

Odyssey Hospice

Please pray for all the
brave, young men and
women serving in the
Armed Forces

Facility Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
10:30a ARS 1-3p C order of F	7p Lenten Series	845 CR Stations 5:30 Mass/ Novena	7p Choir	7p Choir	8:45a-9:35a CR Stations 11:35a-1:20p CR Stations 5:45p Rehearsal	6:30 Wedding
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
		5:30 Mass/ Novena	7:30p World Apostolate of Fatima			
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7-1p L of H Pancake Breakfast 6p Gym	7p Lenten Series	7p CCD 7p RCIA	6p Boy Scouts 7-10p Gym	6-9p CR Par- ents Club	7:30a Lawyer Guild Mt 11:30-6:30p St Joseph Ta- ble	8-2p Feast & Sing
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March 2010		In the Church	

March 2010		In the Hall/Gym	

March 2010		In the Senior Center	



Spaghetti & Sing Along



In this Year of The Priest the St Alphonsus Statue will be taken home this weekend with Rita Munoz & Reggie Stahlman at the 9:30 am Mass. This month we highlight the life of: **Fr. Edward Morgan**. Please check out the bulletin board and the pictures in the room by the coffee and donuts. When you see Father Morgan, be sure to thank him for his priesthood

Budgeted	\$15,764.76
Collected	\$14,251.25
Budget	\$418,286.43
Collected	\$390,556.02
Last weeks collection:	
Weekly Envelopes	\$9,566.77
Weekly Plate	\$4,684.48
BEAF	\$1,464.87

The Altar Rosary Society will meet today, **Sunday March 14 after the 9:30 am Mass** in the Banquet Hall. Please remember to bring your Shoebox items. Everyone is welcome. If anyone in the parish is especially adept at weaving palms into crosses, crowns, or flowers we are interested in talking with you. Please Pray for our Priests.

As you all know the St Patrick Day Parade starts here at the corner of Linwood and Broadway. Due to this fact, **their will not be an 11:00 am Mass on March 17th.** **The Redemptorist Social Service Center will also be closed this day. Thank You**

NO SHRIMP DINNER FRIDAY, MARCH 19

A Communal Reconciliation Service is one of those rare opportunities when we celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation as a community. We know that in some way our sinfulness affects the whole Body of Christ. By celebrating the Sacrament as a community, we also celebrate the forgiveness of Christ as a community. After spending some time with scripture and in quiet personal reflection, we have the benefit of a number of priest available to hear our confession and to proclaim Christ's forgiveness. Please join us on **Wednesday, March 24, at 7:00 pm.**

Fr McCloskey is conducting a Lenten Series on the Mondays of Lent. This will focus on lesser known documents issued by Vatican II, including the Decree on Eastern Churches, Bishops, Priestly Formation, and the Renewal of Religious Life. **7:00 pm in the Banquet Hall.**

We need BOTH skilled and regular bakers for our St Joseph Table. Those who can decorate special cake, and those who bake regular cakes. Please **drop them off no later than 10:00 am on Thursday, March 18th.** Thank You

EASTER TRIDUUM SCHEDULE
Holy Thursday 7:00 pm The Lord's Supper
Good Friday 3:00 pm Stations of the Cross
7:00 pm The Lord's Passion
Easter Vigil 8:00 pm
Easter Morning 7:30 am, 9:30 am and 11:30am

PLEASE NOTE: NO 5:00 PM MASS ON EASTER SUNDAY.
NOTE: The Rectory Office **will be closed at Noon on Good Friday, April 2nd, and Monday, April 5th.** May you all have a Blessed Easter Season.

The Altar Server Training has been rescheduled for **Monday, March 15 at 7:00 pm** in the church. Please come to the training if you would like to become an Altar Server or if you would like to serve any of the Easter Masses. Father Steve will be leading the training. Questions, call Nicki Salido 816.753.5345 or nsalido@kc.rr.com

Nathan & Cayla Suter

~Redemptorist Social Services Center ~
"Preventing a temporary crisis from becoming a permanent tragedy"

A little good news from the Center... The staff of the Center takes great pride in controlling our overhead costs...quite evident if you have ever toured our building! We re-use and re-cycle whenever possible, and we squeeze every penny out of every dollar we get. It isn't that we're tight with our money (which we are!) it simply means that anything we can do without or do ourselves means that much more to apply to our programs of assistance for individuals and families in need. The Center's Wish List for 2010 identifies three needs that really can't be overlooked any longer. They are critical to our ability to best serve people in crisis.

2010 Critical Wish List

Telephones
 The Center's current phones were purchased used over 15 years ago and can no longer be repaired. Hearing is a challenge, and static caused by faulty parts is a daily occurrence. Not to mention automatic disconnections, buttons that stick or keep popping out and receivers that are held together with tape. We need reliable phones as much as we need our volunteers. In 2009, the Center received over 14,000 client assist calls, and an additional 7,000 client calls just from United Way's 2-1-1 referral line. It is imperative that we are able to communicate on a daily basis with service providers such as landlords, medical providers, KCMO Water, KCPL & MGE in order to help clients. Reliable and consistent phone equipment is critical to our ability to serve people in need. **\$1,000.00 will buy 6 basic new phones that will come with a warranty.**

Chairs for Client Waiting Room
 The Center currently has 21 fabric covered used chairs that were donated to us over 10 years ago. They are a major health issue. Many were thrown away because of excessive staining and/or odor and more are on the way out. **\$900.00 will buy 25 molded plastic chairs that will accommodate 300 lbs. (a must) and are easy to clean and disinfect.**

Window blinds
 They are over 20 years old and are so aged by the sun the cords have dried up and broken. The shades can't be open or closed, raised or lowered. They don't provide privacy...we work a lot of nights... and they don't block out the sun, especially in the client waiting room and client interview room. **\$1,000.00 will buy 20 new, inexpensive, long lasting, heavy duty cleanable blinds.**

Regular Weekly Events

- Quilters** - The Quilters Group meets every Monday at 10:00am in the Senior Center.
- Computer Lab** - The Computer Lab is open on Mondays and Tuesday starting at 1:00pm.
- Pokeno** - Do you like to play Pokeno? Join us every Thursday at 11:00am in the Senior Center. A hot lunch is provided at 12 noon. Free of charge.
- Bingo** - Bingo Players meet every Thursday at 1p

Wednesday, March 17 join us at Linwood and Broadway to watch the St Patrick's Day Parade
Thursday, March 18 You can preview the St. Joseph Table from 4:30—6:15 pm in the Cristo Rey Gym.
Friday, March 19 Saint Joseph Table luncheon from 11:30-6:30 pm.
Wednesday, March 24 American Heartland Theatre for "I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change" Tickets \$16. Please make reservations.

Come learn what Cristo Rey Kansas City is all about and how we are impacting urban education! Cristo Rey is committed to breaking the cycle of poverty through a Catholic, college prep education and working experience. We look forward to celebrating our first graduating class this spring 2010!
 Meet some of our students and take a tour of Cristo Rey. We know you are busy, so we keep the lunch to exactly one hour, from **12-1:00pm on March 18th** We look forward to meeting you!
 RSVP on line at www.cristoreykc.org or contact Susie at 816.595.2808

A Mass honoring all couples in the diocese celebrating 50 years of marriage in the year 2010 will be celebrated by Bishop Finn at 3 pm on Sunday, May 30, 2010 at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. A dessert reception will follow the Liturgy. If you were married in 1960, please call the parish office this week so that you can be acknowledged. You will be acknowledged even if you cannot attend the event. **Deadline to register is Friday, April 9th.** 816.561.3771

Parish News

Reconciliation Service

What's New With Our Seniors?

Lenten Series

Upcoming Outings on Wednesdays

For March we are budgeted \$15,764.76 per week or \$63,059.02 for the month

March 1, 2010 thru March 7, 2010

Year to Date

July 1, 2009 thru March 7, 2010

St. Joseph Table

March 7, 2010

Cristo Rey Kansas City
Meet and Greet Luncheon Series

Total: \$14,251.25

Altar Rosary Society/Year of the Priest:

Altar Server Training RE-SCHEDULED

Golden Wedding Celebration

St. Patrick Day Parade

ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS

Welcome New Parishioners: