

Redemptorist Parish of Our Lady of Perpetual Help

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November 13, 2011

Parish Office Hours: Monday - Friday: 9:00am to 5:00pm & Saturday: 9:00am to 5:00pm



Mass Schedule

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 8:00am and 5:00pm

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

Week Day Mass Times

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 Mass

Eucharistic Adoration

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

Confessions

One half-hour before all weekday Masses

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

NO CONFESSIONS ON HOLY DAY OR SUNDAYS

Parish Priests and Brothers

Rev. Brian Johnson, C.Ss.R.	Pastor
Rev. Robert Lindsey, C.Ss.R.	Associate
Rev. Denis Ryan, C.Ss.R.	Associate
Rev. Frank Kriski, C.Ss.R.	In Residence
Brother Charles Long, C.Ss.R.	In Residence
Brother John Matthys, C.Ss.R.	In Residence
Rev. Edward Morgan, C.Ss.R.	In Residence
Rev. Patrick Power, C.Ss.R.	In Residence
Rev. Richard Quinn, C.Ss.R.	In Residence
Rev. Jack Willett, C.Ss.R.	In Residence

Parish Office

Business Manager, David Gately	816.561.3771
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Beverly Becker/Sylvia Heskett	Receptionist

Cristo Rey High School

Dr. Kathleen Hanlon/Mary Kallman	816.457.6044
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Our Lady of the Angels School

Mary Delac, Principal	816.931.1693
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Redemptorist Center

Diana Kennedy, Director, Redemptorist Center	
Trish Duffy, Assistant Director	816.931.9942

Donations by appointment only.

Senior Center

Br. John Matthys, Director	816.931.9942
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Parish Council President

Nichole Jansen	816.931.7551
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C.C.D. Registration/ Cub Scouts/Boy Scouts

Barbara Cosgrove	816.756.1505
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John Lathrop	913.314.8514
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Spencer Huston	913.406.9018
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Karen Engebretson	816.309.4930
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Roland Cretel	816.210.5995
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Lee Luna	816.474.4222
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Altar Rosary Society

Bette Szafranski	816.289.2383
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Diocesan Victim Advocate

Leslie Guillot	816.361.2666
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Ombudsman

Jenifer Valenti	816.812.2500
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Mass Intentions

Monday, Nov 14, 2011

- 7:00 Jeff Roberts Family
- 11:00 Dr Keith Whittaker +

Tuesday, Nov 15, 2011

- 7:00 Intention of the Presider
- 11:00 Thelma O'Donnell Alley +
- 5:30 Intention of the Presider

Wednesday, Nov 16, 2011

- 7:00 Richard O'Neil +
- 11:00 Thelma O'Donnell Alley +

Thursday, Nov 17, 2011

- 7:00 All Souls Remembrance
- 11:00 Margaret & Claribel Slattery +

Friday, Nov 18, 2011

- 7:00 Redemptorist Foundation
- 11:00 John Patrick Potter +

Saturday, Nov 19, 2011

- 8:00 Intention of the Presider
- 5:00 Dolores Kliethermes

Sunday, Nov 20, 2011

- 7:30 Barbara Johnson +
- 9:30 Mary L Lopez +
- 11:30 Dan Nichols
- 5:00 People of the Parish

Sacraments

Baptism:

Our Baptism classes are held the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm. Call the rectory to register. 816.561.3771.

Marriages:

Please contact a priest at least nine months prior to anticipated wedding date at 816.561.3771.



Registration:

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

Bulletin:

Announcements for the bulletin must be submitted to the parish secretary in writing by Tuesday noon, for the following weekend bulletin, or you can e-mail: EFrank@olphkc.org



The Sanctuary Candle

is lit in memory of

John Becker Sr

Redemptorist Chapel Masses

Bob Kilker +, Marie Gargotta +, Rosemarie Hickey +, Patrice Harrison, Thanksgiving Agnes Udo, Teresa Lim +, Peter Lim, Leo Finn +, Jason Zimmerman, June Smith, Libby Bayani +, Paul G Smith +, Amanda Udo, Glenda McDaniel, Bernard Williams, Duane Weber



Ed Becker,
Arturo Castillo,
Lois Conrad,
Eileen Franke,
Sean Higginbotham,
Albina Lewis,
Fr Bob Lindsey,
Nellie Maurin,
Jeff Quinn, Bob Shirkey,
David Smith, Frank Wuest, Freddie Wyrsh,
Duane Weber, Emory Besse, June Smith



and all those of our parish who may be sick, homebound or hospitalized and in need of our prayers. May God Bless You!

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 remove their name from the list.

PLEASE NOTE:

Names will remain on the "Pray for the Sick" list for only one month unless the office is notified.

GOD BLESS OUR TROOPS

Please pray for our young men and women serving in the Armed Forces



Anthony Basurto, Marty Cline, Mikey Ismert, Douglas Owen McIntosh, Tony & Mary Pittala, Jimmy Stanley, Daniel Stanley, Byran Swenson, Edgar Tobias.

Pastor's Comments

Dear Parishioners of OLPH,

I have been enjoying my time here at OLPH. You have shown yourselves to be a warm, and welcoming community who have a deep faith and desire to serve God and your fellow parishioners. For that, I thank you. I am sure that Fr Denis would say the same thing.

There are a couple of things I do want to speak to, however. Number one, I know that change is always hard. Please give myself, Fr Denis, and David time to acquaint ourselves to the parish. I have only been here 3 months, Fr. Denis has been here 2 months, and David only 1 month. We all still have much to figure out and learn, and we ask your patience with us.

One of the things that I was told as I arrived here and many times since, was that what OLPH needed was Fr Shea. Now, Father Shea is a beloved brother Redemptorist and I respect him greatly. However, I am not, nor can I be a Fr. Shea. I will simply do the best I can with my own personality and gifts to be a good leader and Pastor.

I have been hearing many rumors and complaints going around the parish about many things. I thought I might address a few. Firstly, I have been accused of doing nothing but talking about money. Believe me, money is the last thing I like to talk about. However, I came into a situation where the capital campaign was already in motion. Likewise, the Bishop's Appeal is an annual thing that comes to us and must be done. As far as I can remember, I have never spoken about money issues other than when I have had to per my duty. I apologize if I have offended anyone by doing my duty. Now, this doesn't mean that I won't speak of money in the future, because, obviously, money is a necessary ingredient for keeping our parish and its ministries active.

I have also heard a lot of criticism over changing the locks on the Rectory and Church. The Rectory is my house, and the house of my fellow Redemptorists here at OLPH. We have had parishioners who simply walk into our home without a reason, who sit down and help themselves to coffee, who decide to sit and read our newspaper. Now, who of you give out keys to your home so that others can just drop in any time they want? We are simply trying to bring security and privacy to the Rectory, and the same to our Church Building. I hope you can all understand and respect these needs.

Finally, to keep this from going on too much longer, I would like to address rumors that have been circulating around some people. There is a rumor that we will no longer decorate the Church for Christmas. That is totally false. It is said that we have a new person who will take over our wedding programs and run things totally different from what we now have. Again, this is false. We are reviewing policies and procedures for weddings, just like every other function of the parish. However, no decisions have been made as of now. It is said that we will no longer allow the Homecoming Event to take place. Again, this is totally false and has never even been talked about! I am not sure where these rumors are coming from, but I beg you to not even listen to them. If changes like these ever come about, I will let you know. Gossip such as this only hurts people. I beg all of us to please stop spreading false information. The peace of mind for the whole community is at stake.

May we all find peace and a spirit of renewal as we celebrate the upcoming Holidays and Autumn itself!

Sincerely,
Fr Brian Johnson

Weekly Finance Corner

Collection for week of Nov 6

Amount Needed: \$ 15,504.21
Amount Received: \$ 11,904.28
Difference: \$ \$(3,599.93)

Year To Date:

Amount Needed: \$ 287,367.74
Amount Received: \$ 198,355.58
Difference: \$ (89,012.16)

Our Parish News

Adult Faith Enrichment

Everyone is welcome to the Tuesday evening Bible study/sharing from 7-8p in the Banquet Hall where we go over the readings for the upcoming weekend Mass. This is a time for people in all stages of their faith journey to reflect on the scriptures and share how God is working in their lives. Please come and join us. The Adult Faith Enrichment team wants to make all parishioners aware of the gestures that will be used during Mass beginning the first weekend of Advent. During the Penitential Rite during the Confiteor when we pray "through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault" we are asked to strike our breasts as a sign of sorrow for our sins. Also, during the Creed when we pray "and by the power of the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man" we are asked to bow as we pray these words as a sign of reverence and thanksgiving.

Altar Rosary Society

The Altar & Rosary Society will be hosting a Spaghetti Dinner, Bake Sale and Basket Raffle on **November 19th from 5-8p**. Tickets are on sale now. The dinner will include spaghetti, meatballs, sauce, garlic bread, parmesan cheese, salad, dessert and a drink. Adults=\$7.00 (Adult) dinner with wine=\$9.00) and Children=\$5.00. Children under 3 eat free. The baskets to be raffled include a Family Night basket, Italian basket, Godiva Chocolatier basket, Spa basket and Liquor basket. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6/\$5.00. The more you buy the better chance you have to win. This is a great opportunity to come and enjoy an evening of fun with other parishioners. All proceeds go for the purchase and/or cleaning of Altar Linens, Priest & Server Vestments, Purificators, Chalices etc. Please support this event.

Opportunities to Serve

We are looking for volunteers to serve as receptionists from 4pm—8pm Monday through Friday. Offer 1 day per week, 1 week per month, or any combination that works with your schedule. You would be greeting people who are coming in for evening meetings. Contact Karen at kengebretson@olphkc.org or call the office at 816-561-3771 x 227.

Strong City Catholic Schools

The three Strong City Catholic School principals met with the superintendent and Steve Hilliard regarding the study they are beginning for the future funding of our schools. At this point they are gathering information. They will interview current parents, parents that do not send their children to our schools, community members, and pastors of Deanery 2 and 3. I believe the interviews will begin in November. Updates will follow.

Bishop's Annual Appeal

In these difficult economic times, it might be easy to ignore our responsibility to the poor, the sick, the elderly, the disabled and those in crisis. However, the Bishop's Annual Appeal calls those of us who have the capacity to help by making an even greater sacrifice than ever before. "We, though many, are one body," (1 Cor. 10:17) challenges all of us to make a meaningful pledge this week to help meet our diocesan and parish goals. Please consider increasing your gift this year to meet the special needs of our time.

Collection Procedures

We have been asked about the new collection procedures at our Masses. What is happening now, is that the collection baskets are emptied in the back of the church, and the money is placed in tamper-proof bags and sealed. We are trying to be above suspicion in all our money handling. In the past, the collection money was often left alone, or only in the possession of one person. To protect all involved in this procedure, we now will never have the money in the possession of only one person, unless it is in a sealed tamper-proof bag. This will hopefully lead to the confidence that the money you offer is being treated responsibly and that those who come into contact with it are above suspicion. This is just a small change to give us better money handling procedures.

Will Received

Please remember in your prayers Martha Jean Stanley Jackson. The parish recently received a check from her trust. Please keep her family in prayer as well. May God reward them for their generosity.

Redemptorist Social Services

*“Preventing a temporary crisis
from becoming a permanent tragedy”*

In the Center's service area of 21 zip codes, we are seeing a growing number of clients who are struggling to remain in their homes or to keep the utilities on. United Way's 2-1-1 Client Information & Referral line shows that rent is the third most requested need for assistance but the *second most unmet need*. The Center helps in all of the top 10 zip codes logging the most calls for rental assistance, but we currently have rental assistance funding for *only two zip codes*. Many people are in desperate need of assistance with prescription medications and medical goods such as hearing aids and eye glasses. The Center begins the holiday season on Nov. 23rd with our annual Christmas Appeal message and the Angel Tree. We ask you to adopt the *ongoing needs* of an individual or family in crisis. Your financial donation will provide critical assistance and help stabilize people in need not only during the holidays, but throughout the year. We also ask you to remember that the needs of individuals and families in crisis don't end with the holidays, they are year round.

Holiday food needs:

180 cans mixed veggies; 120 cans pumpkin; 144 cans sweet potatoes; 120 cans cranberries; 145 boxes mashed potatoes; 180 boxes stuffing; 200 packets gravy mix; 95 boxes cake mix; 200 small pkgs. Assorted-coffee, tea, hot chocolate. Please **drop off donations to the Center by 11/14.**

Rockhurst University Chorus

Under the Direction of Timothy L McDonald, will perform Ceremony of Lessons and Carols on Saturday, Dec. 3. The concert begins at 7:00 pm, Saturday, Dec 3, in St Francis Xavier Church, 52 and Troost Ave. KC. MO. The evening is free, but please bring either a nonperishable food, a child's toy or a grooming product to the church or to the post-concert reception across the street at Rockhurst University. Register your attendance by calling 816-501-4828

Seniors' Corner

What's New With Our Seniors?

Regular Weekly Events

Quilters - The Quilters Group meets every Monday at 10:00 am in the Senior Center.

Computer Lab - The Computer Lab is open on Monday and Tuesday starting at 1:00 pm.

Pokeno - Do you like to play Pokeno? Join us every Thursday at 11:00 am in the Senior Center. A hot lunch is provided at 12 noon. Free of charge.

Bingo - Bingo Players meet every Thursday at 1 pm.

Upcoming Outings and Events

The Redemptorist Senior Center will re-open after Thanksgiving on **Thursday, Dec 1st**. Come join us for Pokeno at 11 am, a hot and delicious luncheon served at 12 Noon. Bingo is played at 1 pm.

Wed. Nov. 16 we will tour the Chatham Senior Apartments located at 3701 Broadway. They have invited us to come and see the newly renovated building. A light snack will be provided. This is a free event. Leave the Senior Center at 10:30 am. Please sign up in the reservation book.

Thurs. Nov. 17 we will have our annual Thanksgiving Dinner at 12:00 Noon. NO Pokeno or Bingo on this day—just a delicious home cooked turkey dinner with all the trimmings. All are welcome.

Thurs. Nov. 24 is Thanksgiving Day and the Senior Center will be **CLOSED** on this Day.

Wed. Dec 7 is our shopping trip for the month. This will be a good time so shop for all your Christmas needs. Reservations are a must.

Thurs. Dec 8 we will have our Christmas program at 1 pm. We will welcome some children from Holy Name School along with their teacher Karen Engbretson.

Wed. Dec 14 we will head down to view the Plaza Christmas lights. Reservations are a must.

Wed Dec 21 we will visit Crown Center to see the Mayor's Christmas Tree and all the fine holiday decorations.

Thurs. Dec 22 is our annual Christmas Dinner at 12 Noon. All are welcome.

Stewardship Corner

This week we continue with a look at more of the document on Stewardship from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Stewards of the Church

Stewards of God's gifts are not passive beneficiaries. We cooperate with God in our own redemption and in the redemption of others. We are also obliged to be stewards of the Church—collaborators and cooperators in continuing the redemptive work of Jesus Christ, which is the Church's essential mission. This mission—proclaiming and teaching, serving and sanctifying—is our task. It is the personal responsibility of each one of us as stewards of the Church. All members of the Church have their own roles to play in carrying out its mission:

- Parents, who nurture their children in the light of faith;
- Parishioners, who work in concrete ways to make their parishes true communities of faith and vibrant sources of service to the larger community;
- All Catholics, who give generous support—time, money, prayers, and personal service according to their circumstances—to parish and diocesan programs and to the universal Church.

Obstacles to Stewardship

People who want to live as Christian disciples and Christian stewards face serious obstacles. In the United States and other nations, a dominant secular culture often contradicts religious convictions about the meaning of life. This culture frequently encourages us to focus on ourselves and our pleasures.

At times, we can find it far too easy to ignore spiritual realities and to deny religion a role in shaping human and social values. As Catholics who have entered into the mainstream of American society and experienced its advantages, many of us also have been adversely influenced by this secular culture. We know what it is to struggle against selfishness and greed, and we realize that it is harder for many today to accept the challenge of being a Christian steward. It is essential, therefore, that we make a special effort to understand the true meaning of stewardship and live accordingly.

It's never been easy being a Christian, but isn't it wonderful to know that we have our faith family to help us make our way through life's challenges?

Karen Engebretson, Stewardship

Calendar of Events

Mon Nov 14 5:30pm AA in Sr Ctr
9pm Gym

Tues Nov 15 6-9p CCD in Banquet Hall
6pm Center Bd Mt in Sr Ctr

Wed Nov 16 6-9 pm Cub/BoyScouts BH
7p Baptism Class Bride's Rm rectory
6-7:30 on /Ambassador Training GR
7-10 pm Gym

Thurs Nov 17 5:30 pm AA in Sr Ctr
7 pm Choir Church and BH

Fri Nov 18 7:30 am Lawyer Guild BH
9am—9 pm ARS Kitchen and BH to decorate
5pm Wedding Rehearsal
5:45 pm Wedding Rehearsal
6:30 pm Wedding Rehearsal

Sat Nov 19 9 am—9 pm ARS Spagetti Dinner and Raffle Banquet Hall
11:am Wedding
1:30 pm Wedding
5 pm Vigil Mass
6:30 pm Wedding

Sun Nov 20 8:30 am AA in Sr Ctr
1-3 pm Catholic Order of Foresters in Sr Ctr
6p Gym

Bishop Helmsing Institute

On November 16, the next elective course will be on the Early Church Fathers with Dr. Claude Sasso. Students will learn about the growth of the early church through the first six centuries after Christ, including the many Saints and Doctors of the Church that lived during this time. This course is offered at the Catholic Center on Wednesdays from 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm.

Liturgy and Sacraments 2 studies Part 2 of the Catechism, "The Celebration of the Christian Mystery". Students will learn about the Mass and other liturgies and about the Sacraments of service and healing. This course begins Nov 17 at St Patrick's in KC. Also at Our Lady of Lourdes in Harrisonville, and Our Lady of Lourdes in Raytown, and the Catholic Center the week of Nov 28.

Liturgical Roles

Serving in our Liturgies this weekend;

5:00 P Lectors: Mary Finn, Sara Mosbacher EM: Patricia Finn, Pat Larison, Kathy Kane, Rosemary Kilker

7:30A- Lectors: Br Charles Long, Bernie Jung EM: Eileen Franke, Barbara Jung, Br John Matthys

9:30A- Lectors: Pete McCluskey, Kristi Bauer EM: Neal Volz, Jane Mathews, Bette Szafranski, Catherine Daugherty, Amy Basurto, Eileen McKeon

11:30A-Lectors: Cynthia Clark Campbell, Denise Briones EM: Lillian & Manuel Pardo, John Rayos,, Tom Brusnahan

5:00P-Lectors: Dan Shea, Kathleen Fenton EM: Kelly Schwalbe, Kendra Brigham, Nicki Salido

Looking to next week

11/19-20	Lectors	E. Ministers
5:00pm	John Kane Betty Wood	Peg Mosbacher Kathy Kane Debra Klug Don Hiltner
7:30am	Sherry Burns Joe Forcucci	David & Rebekah Perron Chad Cillessen Evelyn Acosta
9:30am	Rachel & Jason McBride	Teresa Bohon Jane Mathews Jerry Tubbs Elizabeth Brown Ed Rodriguez Susan Montague
11:30am	Michele Paynter Cynthia Clark Campbell	Pat McDonald Richard Aguilar Tom Brusnahan John Rayos
5:00pm	Nancy Miller Mark Reichle	Joe Oropeza Nicki Salido Rich Folker Kathleen Fenton

The Sound of Music

The hills are alive with the Sound of Music, presented by St Pius X High School on 1500 NE 42 Terrace. The musical will be on November 10, 11, and 12 at 7:00 pm. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at the door. For pre-show tickets, please contact Mrs. Prothman at sprothman@stpiusxhs-kc.com.

Diocesan Corner

Diocese of KC-St Joseph Youth Mass

For Grades 8-12 you are invited to a special Mass on December 3 at O'Hara High School auditorium. Doors will open at 5:30. Mass is at 6:30 pm. After Mass, the Mikey Needleman Band will lead us in praise and worship. There is no cost for this event and no registration is required. For more information, please call the Office of Youth Ministry: 816-756-1850 x 554

Director of Child & Youth Protection Office

The Diocese of Kansas City-St Joseph is accepting resumes for the Director of Child & Youth Protection Office.

The primary responsibilities of this position encompass all aspects of the implementation and ongoing compliance with the Charter for the Protection of Children & Young People for the Diocese.

A complete job description can be found at www.diocese-kcsj.org.

Interested and qualified candidates are encouraged to apply via our web-site at www.diocese-kcsj.org or by email to stucinski@diocesekcsj.org.

St Theresa's Academy Auction

Larry Moore, KMBC news anchor, is the Master of Ceremonies for the evening with dinner on **Saturday, November 19, 2011**. Time: 5pm on. One of the highlights of the auction is a raffle for a **Car, Tuition or Cash**. The lucky winner will choose either a 36 month lease on a **2011 Toyota Corolla S, a year of free tuition at STA or \$10,000 Cash!!** For reservations/tickets call STA Development office at 816.501.0022