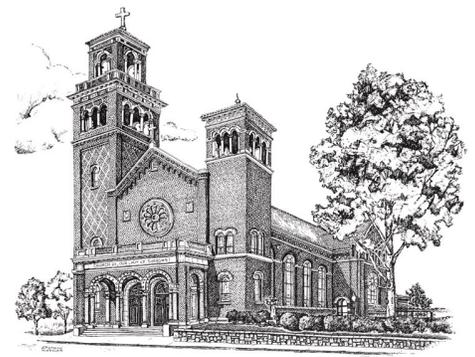


# Our Lady of SORROWS CHURCH



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## A Reflection on this Sunday's Gospel:

And again, what a situation! There stands the poor Rabbi from Nazareth who in a few days will be arrested, and says: The city will be destroyed! The world will be destroyed! And both because you have failed to accept the Son of God! The world will come to an end when your resistance to him has passed its fixed limit, and the measure of divine wrath is full. Signal to the catastrophe will be the sign of the Son of Man, the proclamation of his advent... Really, it takes great faith to assent to this! It has been suggested that when Jesus realized that he was getting nowhere with his message, he took refuge in the incomprehensible; that by hoping for power in some nebulous future, he bridged the actual impotence of the hour... Much could be said to this view— primarily that for all its cleverness, it is highly superficial. But the observation would hardly be decisive; everything depends on the answer to the question: "But who do you say that I am?" (Matt 16:15) If we consider Jesus only the greatest of all religious geniuses, a man, not also divine, then his words are helpless ravings, and the terms "faith of Christ" and the "faith" of those who believe in him are nothing but abuses of the word. If, however, we recognize him as the actual Son of God the Creator and Lord, we do not presume to judge his words, because there is no standard by which to do so— neither scientific, historical, nor religious. They are their own standard. He is the First and the Last, and what he says is revelation (Rev 1:17). Here faith begins. This is our answer to the world. We must remember that in the final analysis, faith has no legitimation but itself. Perhaps the modern Christian's 'arena' is the constant challenge to his words and beliefs by an incredulous world. To every answer faith gives, the world knows a different one. The world's conception of existence seems to grow increasingly complete, whereas the reasoning of faith continues to be looked at askance and is accordingly isolated. Thus it becomes more and more clear that the believer can prove his standpoint to the world only after death. This is not easy, but must be accepted, along with the mockery over faith itself, which the world can explain only as the self-consolation of its losers.

This is the faith in which we must exercise ourselves, even as in the fear of God. The end of the world and Judgment are not to be regarded as myths of a distant future, but as possibilities of God's wrath that keep astride of our lives. We do not inhabit a safe, biological, historical and spiritual unit that goes its invulnerable way under the canopy of a harmless religious mystery called God, but like Jerusalem, both we as individuals and the world as a whole live under the ever-present possibility of judgment. Only when the protection that direct reality seems to give my obtuse senses has been partly withdrawn and the threat of God has become a personal reality, am I a believer in the full Biblical meaning of the word.

Modern thought has pushed all this to the background. The modern approaches the whole subject of the fear of God morally or with a peculiar shyness, because he does not see it for what it is; the fruit of sacred, threatening wrath mightier than the city of Jerusalem and mightier than the world. Therefore the Christian today does well to "practice" this too, sharpening the consciousness of the situation as seen from the standpoint of faith.

-Romano Guardini, *The Lord*

## Parish Office Hours

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### Ombudsman, Joe Crayon

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## Weekly Schedule

### Saturday

Confessions 3:30 pm

Mass 4:00 pm

### Sunday

Mass 11:00 am

### Wednesday and Thursday

Confession 11:30 am

Mass 12 Noon

### Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday 11:00 am

### Baptism and Marriage

Call for information

**To register to become a parishioner, return slip on back page or call the office**

NOVEMBER 13, 2022  
33RD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

# Mass Intentions and Feasts

**SATURDAY, November 12—33rd Sunday in Ord. Time**

4:00 pm † Geraldine DeGuzman

**SUNDAY, November 13—33rd Sunday in Ord. Time**

11:00 am Parishioners of Our Lady of Sorrows  
Carole Faltermeier

**MONDAY, November 14**

**TUESDAY, November 15—St. Albert the Great**

† Elia de la Garza Ibarra

**WEDNESDAY, November 16— St. Margaret of Scotland**

Noon

**THURSDAY, November 17— St. Elizabeth of Hungary**

Noon

**FRIDAY, November 18— Dedication of the Basilicas of St. Peter and Paul**

**SATURDAY, November 19—Solemnity of Christ the King**

4:00 pm † Russ Daly, † Roger Fugelsong, † Brian Waldbillig

**SUNDAY, November 20—Solemnity of Christ the King**

11:00 am Parishioners of Our Lady of Sorrows

**Please Note: MASS INTENTIONS**

If Mass intentions listed above are on days when there is no public Mass they are said privately by Fr. Leonard during his personal daily Mass.

Our weekend Masses will have the intention for that day. We do have days with openings for intentions coming up. Call or email the office to schedule a Mass intention you would like to have. 816.421.2112 or bgeist@oloskc.org

# Volunteers

11/12 & 13	4:00pm	11:00am
Reader	Lynette Wheeler	AnnMarie Creedon
Eucharistic Minister	Deacon Mike Eley	Joe Creedon
Server/Sacristan	John Pileggi	George Bryde
Usher	Edward Stevens	Richard Grindell

11/19 & 20	4:00pm	11:00am
Reader	Anthony Effertz	Molly Schmidt
Eucharistic Minister	Nancy Lowdon	Rita Witt
Server/Sacristan	John Pileggi	George Bryde
Usher	Edward Stevens	Richard Grindell

**Readings for the 33rd Week in Ordinary Time**

Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15:2-5; Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 19:11-28

Thursday: Rv 5:1-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 19:41-44

Friday: Rv 10:8-11; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Lk 19:45-48 or (for the memorial of the Dedication) Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Ps 98:1-6; Mt 14:22-33

Saturday: Rv 11:4-12; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 20:27-40

Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3; Ps 122:1-5; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43

# Parish Calendar of Events

- November 14— Legion of Mary at 6pm
- November 15— Water Garden Society at 5-9pm
- November 19— Wedding at 1:30pm
- November 21— Legion of Mary at 6pm
- November 24-25—Thanksgiving Office Closed
- November 27— First Sunday of Advent
- December 1— Knights of Columbus at 6pm
- December 3— Christmas Party after 4pm Mass
- December 8— Immaculate Conception at 12:00pm  
Holy Day of Obligation, Office Closed
- December 9— Voces Festivas Concert at 7:30pm
- December 10— Wedding at 1:30pm
- December 10— Wedding at 6:00pm

- December 11— Religious Retirement Collection
- December 13— Water Garden Society at 5-9PM
- December 17— Wedding at 1:30pm
- December 17— Wedding at 6:00pm
- December 23-24— Office Closed
- December 24— Christmas Eve Vigil Mass at 4pm
- December 25— Christmas Day at 11 am
- December 31— Vigil of Mary Mother of God at 4pm
- January 1— Mary Mother of God at 11 am
- January 14— Wedding at 6:00pm
- January 28— Wedding at 1:30pm

**Keep watching for more info & dates to come!**

# Weekly Activities & Events



## Saint of the Week— St. Albert the Great

St. Albert the Great, a Dominican friar, was a famous scholastic philosopher and theologian who lived in the 13th century. His writings and influence left a deep and lasting impact on the Church's intellectual life. St. Albert is famous for working to understand and synthesize the writings of the Greek philosopher Aristotle, who had been reintroduced to Europe by the spread of Islam. He also began to comment on the Muslim Aristotelian scholars Averroes and Avicenna, which brought him into a greater conversation with Islam with whom he sought to correct their errors. St. Albert, along with St. Thomas Aquinas (his student), created a program of study for the Dominican order. Near the end of his life, Albert helped to successfully defend St. Thomas Aquinas, who had died just a few years before, from critics of his teaching. St. Albert was a philosopher, theologian, scientist, astronomer, spiritual writer, ecumenist, and diplomat. His impact on the intellectual life is so profound that he is one of the Doctors (teachers) of the Church— a high distinction given to only 37 saints so far.

## New Ministries Beginning!

Our new ministries are beginning to start. Stay tuned in the next few weeks for more info as they all begin to get days and times on the schedules. Here's some to look forward to:

**Bible Study**

**Refresh Your Faith**

**Email Prayer Chain**

**Prayer Line**

**Holy Hour for Marriage (Eucharistic Adoration)**

**Book Club**

**Fellowship Sunday**

**Social Outreach**

**Giving Tree**

To learn more about these ministries, please contact the parish office.

## For your reflection:

**“Go preach the Gospel to the whole creation”**

Those words supply the Christian keynote. Faith must strain after people with inextinguishable ardor. Sometimes that essential note is missing. People are not sought after, neither those in the fold nor those outside it. But if that Ascension commandment be disregarded, it will be at a price— the price of loss of grace, of diminution and decay, even to the extinction of faith. Look around and see how many places have already paid that awful price.

When Christ said all, he meant ALL. Actually he had before his eyes each individual one- “for whom he had worn the Crown— and borne the Cross, the nails, the lance – the rabble’s ignominious glance— unnumbered griefs, unmeasured woes— faintings and agonizing throes— and death itself on Calvary.” Labor so great must not be thrown away. The Precious Blood must now be touched to everyone for whom it was so prodigally shed. That Christian commission drastically drives us out to people everywhere— to the least ones, to the greatest ones, to those near, to those remote, to the ordinary people, to the wickedest, to the farthest shack, to all afflicted creatures, to the leper, to the forgotten sort, to the victims of drink and vice, to the dangerous classes, to the dwellers in caves and caravans, to those on the battlefield, to those who hide, to the avoided places, to the lowest den, to the icy wastes, to the sun-baked desert, to the densest jungle, to the dismal swamp, to the uncharted island, to the undiscovered tribe, out into the absolute unknown to find if there is someone living there, right on to the ends of the earth where the rainbow rests! No one must evade our search, lest the gentle Jesus frown upon us.

*-Legio Mariae: the Handbook of the Legion of Mary*

## Office of Child & Youth Protection—Sexual Abuse

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating 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](mailto: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 Victim Advocate Whitney True-Francis, at 816.392.0011 or [true.francis@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:true.francis@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.

# Weekly Activities & Events

## Last Weekend's Collection

From October 31 to November 4, 2022

Plate.....\$209.00

Envelopes.....\$2466.00

## Prayer of the Week

### The Angel of Fatima Prayer

*O most Holy Trinity—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—I adore thee profoundly. I offer thee the most Precious Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus Christ—present in all the tabernacles of the world—in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges, and indifference by which He is offended. By the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg the conversion of poor sinners.*

This prayer was taught to the three visionaries at Fatima by an angel who had come to prepare the children for their visit by Our Lady of Fatima. It is a prayer to be recited before the Blessed Sacrament.

## The Knights of Columbus

Our Knights of Columbus Council #2457 meets in the Parish Hall on the first Wednesdays beginning with recitation of the Rosary at 6:30pm. In addition to serving our Pastor, the Council has established Roundtables for Our Lady of Perpetual Help as well as Our Lady of Good Counsel. We are also establishing a Women's Auxiliary to help support the Knights' charitable works both practically and spiritually, convinced that 'behind every good man is a great woman!' Please contact Brad Geist or John Pileggi for more information."



## Prayers Requested

Pray for Mary Weatherford, Grace Diaz, Sarah Eck, Jim Healy, Mary Healy, Rose Ann Jett, Jane Carey, Mike Burke, Maurice Carey, Jerry Gumminger, Ken Blundell, Allan Schaff, Sandra Freeman, Grace Weatherford, Jim Randolph, Joe Creedon, Jacob Rivera, Jaxson Rivera

## A Note From The Editor

Announcements and changes for the bulletin must be submitted to the parish office in writing no later than Wednesday by Noon. Please indicate which dates you would like the notice to run.

Please mail the information to the office or fax it to 816.421.6037 or email Brad at the office at [bgeist@oloskc.org](mailto:bgeist@oloskc.org).

## The Legion of Mary

The Our Lady of Kibeho Praesidium of the Legion of Mary meets every **Monday at 6:00pm in the parish hall**. The Legion of Mary is a Marian group that, confident in the help of Mary, seeks to imitate her in serving Jesus in those they meet by evangelizing and performing spiritual works of mercy. This group collaborates with parishioners of St. Monica Catholic Church, our sister parish. If you would like to join the Legion or want more information, please contact Brad at [bgeist@oloskc.org](mailto:bgeist@oloskc.org) for more information or come to the meeting.



## Archdiocese of Military Services Collection

The National Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS), was first approved by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops in 2012 and is scheduled to be taken every three years. This collection goes to helping Catholic U.S. armed-service members throughout the world. This collection will be taken next week. Please be as generous as you are able.

## Annual Catholic Appeal

The 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) supports over 30 ministries and the people they serve to provide spiritual, educational, and social needs in our Diocese. This is an opportunity to commit our support to diocesan programs and ministries that no one parish could provide on its own. You will receive an invitation from Bishop Johnston inviting you to participate. Our goal is 100% participation. No gift is too small. Please join the effort.

## Come to Our Christmas Party!

Our annual Christmas Party will be on December 3rd following the 4pm Mass in the parish hall. There will be food, drinks, music, caroling, and a white elephant gift exchange. To sign up to attend, please see the sign up sheet in the back of the Church or contact the parish office. Come join in for some good fellowship and camaraderie!



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