

Our Lady of SORROWS CHURCH



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Ministry Spotlight: The Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus is a men's fraternal order and was founded by Father Michael J. McGivney at St. Mary's Church in New Haven, CT on Feb. 6, 1882 with a mission of charity, particularly for widows and orphans. The Order grew dramatically at the beginning of the 20th century to serve communities beyond the United States. During World War II, Knights of Columbus Huts provided services under the motto "Everybody Welcome, Everything Free", a philosophy upheld in today's charitable programs. The Order spearheaded anti-defamation work in the United States and took a stand for religious freedom in Mexico. The Great Depression led to a renewed sense of volunteer service, and Knights across the nation stepped up. Following the end of World War II, the Order turned its attention to the growing threats of communism and fascism, which threatened communities and religious freedoms. In 1954, the words "under God" were added to the Pledge of Allegiance, completing an effort the Knights had begun three years earlier. The Order embraces the challenge of authentic ecclesial reform, while remaining faithful to timeless truths and traditional values. During John Paul II's pontificate, the Knights strengthened ties to the Church through increased support of the Vatican. As they responded to the forces of secularism and prejudice in the past, Knights have stood by their bishops witnessing to the importance of religion and religious liberty for society. As the cause for canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney moves forward, so too do his Knights, seeking to build a civilization of love. Our partners in charity include Special Olympics, Habitat for Humanity, American Wheelchair Mission, Gary Sinise Foundation, and CNEWA, a papal agency for humanitarian and pastoral support.

All the good works done are informed by the Order's four core principles:

Charity – Our Catholic faith teaches us to "Love thy neighbor as thyself." Members of the Knights of Columbus show love for their neighbors by conducting food drives and donating the food to local soup kitchens and food pantries, by volunteering at Special Olympics, and by supporting, both spiritually and materially, mothers who choose life for their babies. Knights recognize that our mission, and our faith in God, compels us to action. There is no better way to experience love and compassion than by helping those in need, a call we answer every day.

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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

FEBRUARY 12, 2023
THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions and Feasts

SATURDAY, February 11—6th Sunday of Ordinary Time
4:00pm † Brian Waldbillig

SUNDAY, February 12—6th Sunday of Ordinary Time
11:00am The Parishioners of Our Lady of Sorrows

MONDAY, February 13

TUESDAY, February 14—Sts. Cyril and Methodius

WEDNESDAY, February 15
Noon † Andrew Leonard Sandhoefner

THURSDAY, February 16
Noon

FRIDAY, February 17—The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

SATURDAY, February 18—7th Sunday of Ordinary Time
4:00pm † Isabella Creedon

SUNDAY, February 19—7th Sunday of Ordinary Time
11:00am The Parishioners of Our Lady of Sorrows

Please Note: MASS INTENTIONS

Mass intentions are available for the posted times in the bulletin, on our church sign, and on our website. We do have days with openings for intentions coming up. Call or email the office at (816) 421-2112 or bgeist@oloskc.org if you would like to have a Mass said for yourself or a loved one, living or deceased.

Parish Calendar of Events

- February 11-12— Food Pantry Collection after Mass
- February 13— Legion of Mary at 6pm
- February 16— Holy Hour for Marriage from 6-7pm
- February 20— Legion of Mary at 6pm
- February 21— Water Garden Society from 5-9pm
- February 22—Ash Wednesday at Noon
- March 1— Knights of Columbus at 6:30pm
- March 2— Bible Study (The Gospel of John) at 7pm
- March 11-12—Food Pantry Collection after Mass
- March 16— Holy Hour for Marriage from 6-7pm
- April 6— Maundy Thursday (Holy Thursday)
- April 9— Easter Sunday

Keep watching for more info & dates to come!

Volunteers

2/11 & 12	4:00pm	11:00am
Reader	Anthony Effertz	AnnMarie Creedon
Eucharistic Minister	John Pileggi	Joe Creedon
Server/Sacristan	John Pileggi	George Bryde
Usher	Edward Stevens	

2/18 & 19	4:00pm	11:00am
Reader	Anthony Effertz	Molly Schmidt
Eucharistic Minister	Deacon Michael Elsey	Rita Witt
Server/Sacristan	John Pileggi	George Bryde
Usher	Edward Stevens	

Readings for the 6th Week in Ordinary Time

- Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13
- Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21
- Wednesday: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-15, 18-19; Mk 8:22-26
- Thursday: Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mk 8:27-33
- Friday: Gn 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-15; Mk 8:34 — 9:1
- Saturday: Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Mk 9:2-13
- Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

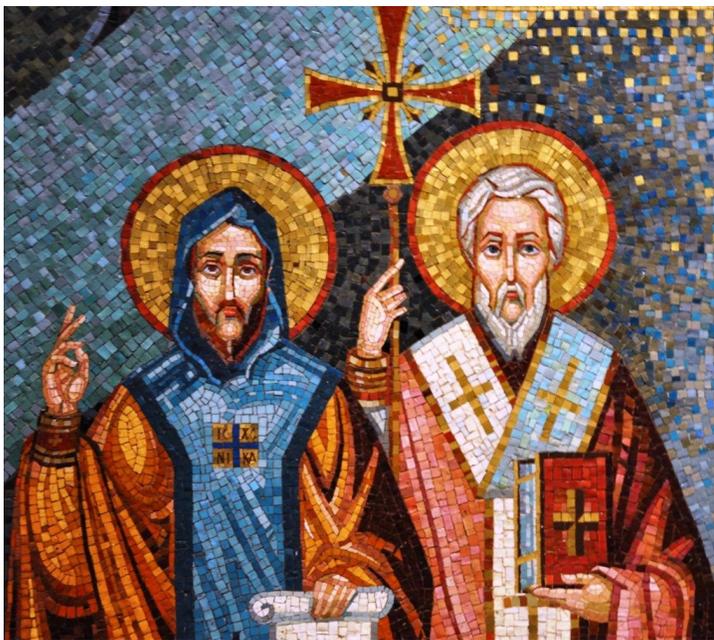
Ushers Needed

We are in need of regular ushers at our weekend Masses. Ushers provide a welcoming face for those coming to our parish, help people find what they need, and help organize and gather the collection during Mass. We are especially in need of ushers for the 11am Sunday Mass. Please contact the parish office if you can help.

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.

Weekly Activities & Events



Saint of the Week—Sts. Cyril and Methodius

Sts. Cyril and Methodius were brothers who lived in the 800's AD. They were both monks in the Byzantine Empire and known as keen thinkers and administrators. They were sent by the Eastern Emperor as missionaries to Greater Moravia (the region that now is split into Poland, Czech Republic, Germany, Ukraine, Hungary, Austria, Serbia, and Slovakia). They began by translating the scriptures and liturgical books into what is now known as Old Church Slavonic and Cyril devised a new alphabet called Glagolitic alphabet to help in this endeavor. Its descendant, Cyrillic, is still used today in many countries today. Their free use of vernacular in their preaching and liturgy led to opposition among the German clergy. They took their case to Rome and received support from the Pope for their endeavors. During this time, Cyril died in Rome. Methodius returned and was consecrated the a bishop of a major ancient see in what is now the Czech Republic. He continued to struggle with the other bishops and was at one point exiled for 3 years. After being released by the Pope, he returned to his bishopric, where after more missionary activity, he died in 885. Pope St. John Paul II named Cyril and Methodius as Patrons of Europe, along with St. Benedict of Nursia.

Social Outreach Ministry

The parish Social Outreach ministry will be taking monthly donations of non-perishable food, toiletries, hygiene products, diapers, and laundry items for donation to the food pantry at St. Monica's. Our next monthly collection of these items will be during the weekend of February 11-12th and will take place on the second weekend of the month. You can leave your items in the back of the church. If you forget, you can always bring the items later. If you would like to help with the social outreach ministry, please contact Bill Capotosto at bcapotosto@gmail.com.

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Unity – None of us is as good as all of us. Members of the Knights of Columbus all know that together we can accomplish far more than any of us could individually. So we stick together, we support one another. That doesn't mean that we always agree or that there is never a difference of opinion. It does mean that as a Knights of Columbus we can count on the support and encouragement of our brother Knights as we work to make life better in our parish and community.

Fraternity – Blessed Michael McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus, in large part, to provide assistance to the widows and children left behind when the family breadwinner died, often prematurely. The Order's top-rated insurance program continues to do this today, as do the good works of individual Knights, who gave more than 75.6 million service hours in 2017, illustrating how Catholics serve each other in fraternity and mercy.

Patriotism— Members of the Knights of Columbus, be they Americans, Canadians, Mexicans, Cubans, Filipinos, Poles, or Dominicans, are patriotic citizens. We are proud of our devotion to God and country, and believe in standing up for both. Whether it's in public or private, the Knights remind the world that Catholics support their nations and are among its greatest citizens.

Our council #2457 here at Our Lady Of Sorrows was originally chartered in April, 1923 and folded for a time following World War II. In 2011 we re-chartered, maintaining our original council number! In addition to serving our parish and community at Our Lady of Sorrows, we also have established Round Tables within our council for Our Lady of Perpetual Help and Our Lady of Good Counsel parishes to help serve their pastors until they establish their own councils in the future. Thank you for your prayerful support as we celebrate our Centennial year!

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 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 for more information.

Weekly Activities & Events

Last Weekend's Collection

From January 30 to February 5, 2023

Plate.....\$292.00

Envelopes.....\$1,396.00

Prayer of the Week

The Morning Offering

○ *Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer you my prayers, works, joys, and sufferings of this day for all the intentions of your Sacred Heart in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world, for the salvation of souls, the reparation of sins, the reunion of all Christians, and in particular for the intentions of the Holy Father this month.*
Amen.

"When you awake in the morning, let your first act be to salute My Heart, and to offer Me your own. ...Whoever shall breathe a sigh toward Me from the bottom of his heart when he awakes in the morning and shall ask Me to work all his works in him throughout the day, will draw Me to him. ...For never does a man breathe a sigh of longing aspiration toward Me without drawing Me nearer to him than I was before."

-The words of Jesus in a vision to St. Mechtilde (1241-1298)

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. 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 Gumming, 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 Thursday 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.

Parish Bible Study— The Gospel of John

The next Bible study session is on **March 2nd at 7pm** and it will meet monthly on the first Thursday of every month. We are studying the Gospel of John, known as the Spiritual Gospel due to its emphasis on Christ's divinity. Our next session will dive into the preaching of John the Baptist and the calling of the first disciples, including John the Evangelist himself, Andrew, Peter, Phillip, and Nathanael. All are welcome! Please email Brad at bgeist@oloskc.org for updates and details.

The Holy Hour for Marriage

The first Holy Hour for Marriage was a big success! The next Holy Hour for Marriage will be held at 6pm on February 16th at Our Lady of Sorrows and will be done monthly on the third Thursday of every month. The Holy Hour will be for married and engaged couples to come and pray in eucharistic adoration over each other and for the needs of their marriage. There will be a short reflection on an aspect of married life, confession, and ample time to pray. When it is over, all couples are encouraged to go on a date with their spouse or fiancé. This event is open to any Catholic couple throughout the city. Please plan on attending this beautiful time of prayer and support the vocation of marriage in our community and diocese.

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 for more information or come to the meeting.



Email Prayer Chain

If you would like to request prayers, please email our prayer chain at AnnMarie@oloskc.org. If you would like to join the prayer chain to pray for these intentions, please send an email request to be added to the list.

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