

Our Lady of SORROWS C H U R C H



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IN MARY'S TEARS AND SORROWS WE FIND GRACE

From Our Pastor:

"Where Your Treasure Is, There Also Will Your Heart Be"

One powerful theme that echoes through this Sunday's Gospel is the question of *treasure*—not just what we possess, but what possesses us. Jesus says, "Provide money bags for yourselves that do not wear out, an inexhaustible treasure in heaven... For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be."



This is more than a financial teaching. It is a heart teaching. Jesus is not primarily concerned with how much we own, but with where our affections lie. The word *treasure* here is not about gold or goods, but about our ultimate concern—what we love most, chase after, or even fear losing. Our "treasure" could be anything: financial stability, reputation, career success, personal comfort, even relationships. Jesus asks us to examine what really holds first place in our lives.

In many ways, our treasure guides our entire direction. If your treasure is your career, then your heart—your time, your energy, your joy—will be tied to your job. If your treasure is your comfort, then every inconvenience will feel like a crisis. But if your treasure is the Kingdom of God—mercy, truth, love, holiness—then your heart will be rooted in something eternal, unshakeable.

This is why Jesus urges us to build up treasure in heaven. Not because heaven is a distant, future-only place, but because heavenly treasure is the only kind that endures. It's the treasure of a generous heart, a forgiving spirit, a life poured out in service, a soul at peace with God. These are investments that pay eternal dividends.

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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 or email
bgeist@oloskc.org

AUGUST 10, 2025
THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Feasts and Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, Aug 9— The 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 4:00pm † Regina Garcia Foster, Joseph, Paula,
 Ronald I Garcia

SUNDAY, Aug 10— The 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 11:00am The Parishioners of Our Lady of Sorrows

MONDAY, Aug 11— St. Clare of Assisi

TUESDAY, Aug 12— St. Jane Frances de Chantal

WEDNESDAY, Aug 13— Sts. Pontian and Hippolytus
 Noon

THURSDAY, Aug 14— St. Maximilian Kolbe
 Noon † Anthony and Anastasia Martinez,
 Family, and Friends (living and
 deceased)

FRIDAY, Aug 15— The Assumption of the BVM
 Noon

SATURDAY, Aug 16— The 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 4:00pm The Parishioners of Our Lady of Sorrows

SUNDAY, Aug 17— The 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 11:00am Faye Jolly

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.

Liturgical Assignments

8/9 & 10	4:00pm	11:00am
Reader	Lynette Wheeler	Jim Carley
Eucharistic Minister	Nancy Lowdon	Rita Witt
Server/Sacristan	John Pileggi	George Bryde
Usher	Ted Tschirhart	Bill Capotosto
8/16 & 17	4:00pm	11:00am
Reader	James Hardy	Bill Capotosto
Eucharistic Minister	Deacon Michael Elsey	Deacon Michael Elsey
Server/Sacristan	John Pileggi	George Bryde
Usher	Ted Tschirhart	Bill Capotosto

Readings for the 19th Week in Ordinary Time

Monday: Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20;
 Mt 17:22-27
 Tuesday: Dt 31:1-8; Dt 32:3-4, 7-9, 12;
 Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
 Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12; Ps 66:1-3, 5, 8, 16-17;
 Mt 18:15-20
 Thursday: Jos 3:7-11, 13-17; Ps 114:1-6; Mt 18:21-19:1
 Friday: Rev 11:19-12:6, 10; Ps 45:10-12, 16;
 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
 Saturday: Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 11;
 Mt 19:13-15
 Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8;
 Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

Parish Calendar of Events

- Aug 9-10— Food Pantry Collection
- Aug 15— Solemnity of the Assumption (Holy Day of Obligation) at Noon.
- Aug 16— Wedding at 1:30pm
- Aug 16-17— Diocesan Life and Justice Collection
- Sep 3— Knights of Columbus at 6:30pm
- Sep 4— Bible Study at 7pm
- Sep 6— Church Cleaning at 9am
- Sep 6— Wedding at 1:30pm
- Sep 13— Wedding at 1:30pm
- Sep 13— Founders' Day
- Sep 13-14— Food Pantry Collection
- Sep 16— Water Garden Society at 5:30pm
- Sep 20— Wedding at 1:30pm
- Sep 20— Wedding at 6pm
- Sep 20-21— Church in Latin America Collection
- Sep 27— Wedding at 1:30pm
- Oct 1— Knights of Columbus at 6:30pm
- Oct 2— Bible Study at 7pm
- Oct 4— Church Cleaning at 9am
- Oct 4— Wedding at 1:30pm
- Oct 11— Wedding at 1:30pm
- Oct 11-12— Food Pantry Collection
- Oct 18— Wedding at 1:30pm
- Oct 18-19— Mission Sunday Collection
- Oct 21— Water Garden Society at 5:30pm
- Oct 25— Wedding at 6pm
- Nov 1— Wedding at 1:30pm

Keep watching for more info & dates to come!

Ministries & Reflections



Feast of the Week— St. Clare of Assisi

St. Clare was born in Assisi on July 16, 1194, as Chiara Offreduccio, the beautiful eldest daughter of Favorino Sciffi, Count of Sasso-Rosso. At the age of 15, she heard the preaching of St. Francis and was deeply moved. At 18, Clare escaped from her father's home one night, was met on the road by friars and in the poor little chapel received a rough woolen habit, exchanged her jeweled belt for a common rope with knots in it, and sacrificed her long tresses to Francis' scissors. He placed her in a Benedictine convent, which her father and uncles immediately stormed in rage. Clare clung to the altar of the church, threw aside her veil to show her cropped hair, and remained adamant. Sixteen days later her sister Agnes joined her. Others came. They lived a simple life of great poverty, austerity, and complete seclusion from the world, according to a Rule which Francis gave them as a Second Order. At age 21, Francis obliged Clare under obedience to accept the office of abbess, which she exercised until her death. The Poor Ladies went barefoot, slept on the ground, ate no meat, and observed almost complete silence. Later Clare persuaded her sisters to moderate this rigor: "Our bodies are not made of brass." They possessed no property, even in common, subsisting on daily contributions. She served the sick and washed the feet of the begging nuns. She came from prayer with her face so shining it dazzled those about her. She suffered serious illness for the last 27 years of her life. She remained a close friend of St. Francis until his death. Clare died August 11, 1253. She was canonized two years later.

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Let's make it practical:

- When you receive an unexpected blessing, where does your heart turn—gratitude or greed?
- When your plans fall apart, what do you cling to—control or trust in God?

When faced with the opportunity to serve or give, do you hesitate out of fear of lack, or step forward in faith?

Jesus invites us to reorder our lives—to store up treasure not in bank accounts or social accolades, but in selfless love, faithful stewardship, and daily obedience. In truth, the only treasures we take with us into eternity are the ones we've given away.

St. Lawrence, a third-century martyr, understood this deeply. When Roman officials demanded he turn over the Church's treasures, he brought forward the poor and said, "These are the Church's treasures." He knew what mattered to God.

So this week, take inventory:

What do I treasure most?

Is my heart in heaven or only here below?

Am I investing in what will outlast me?

Jesus says, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father is pleased to give you the Kingdom." With that promise, we are free—free to love, free to give, free to live with a heart anchored in heaven. Because when God is our treasure, our hearts will never be lost.

Diocesan Life and Justice Collection

The Life & Justice Campaign second collection will take place over the weekend of August 16-17. We invite you to scan the QR Code below for a 3-minute video featuring our most recent grant recipients who benefit from your generous giving and support.



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 at 816-213-6024 or ombudsman@diocesekcsj.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 Assistance Coordinator at 816-714-2357 ext. 516 or victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org

Weekly Activities & Events

Last Week's Offering

From July 28, 2025 to July Aug 3, 2025

Plate	\$301.00
Envelopes	\$2325.00
Candles	\$71.75
Poor Box	\$130.00
Maintenance	\$305.00
Weddings	\$2995.00
Online	\$148.05

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.

The Legion of Mary

Under the patronage and care of the Mother of God, the Legion of Mary is formed to serve both the spiritual growth of her members and in commitment of work and service to the Church.

The Our Lady of Kibeho Praesidium meets every **Monday at 6:00pm in the parish hall except for the last Monday of the month, when we meet at St.**

Monica's. This group collaborates with parishioners of St. Monica's, our sister parish.



Prayers Requested

Pray for Mary Weatherford, Grace Diaz, Sarah Eck, Jim Healy, Mary Healy, Rose Ann Jett, Jane Carey, Jerry Gumminger, Ken Blundell, Allan Schaff, Grace Weatherford, Joe Creedon, Jacob Rivera, Jaxson Rivera, Nolan Davidson, Jay Keen, Berhane Shiker, Jim Tabor

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 email Brad at the office at bgeist@oloskc.org.

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The Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus will be meeting at 6:30pm on Wednesday, August 6th in the parish hall. If you have an interest in joining the Knights, we strongly encourage you to attend this meeting.



Parish Bible Study

The next Bible study session is on Thursday, **September 4th at 7pm** and we normally meet monthly on the first Thursday of every month. We have just concluded our study of the Gospel of John. Our next study will be announced soon. Please email Brad at bgeist@oloskc.org for updates and details.



The Solemnity of the Assumption

The Solemnity of the Assumption is on Friday, August 15th and is a holy day of obligation. Mass will be at Noon on Friday.

Social Outreach Ministry

The parish Social Outreach ministry will be taking monthly donations of perishable and non-perishable food, toiletries, unopened hygiene products, diapers, and laundry items for donation to the food pantry at St. Monica's. **Our monthly collection of these items will take place on August 9 & 10** and takes place on the second weekend of each month. You can leave your items in the back of the church. If you would like to help with the social outreach ministry, please contact Bill Capotosto at bcapotosto@gmail.com.