



JULY 31, 2022

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS SCHEDULE
Weekends: 4:00PM Saturday - 8:30AM Sunday
Daily: 8:30 AM Monday through Saturday
Hour Hour 7pm Wednesday Adoration 7:30am Saturday
Confessions 30 minutes prior to every Mass

Mass Intentions

Sat	July 30	4:00 PM	James Kenny Sr.+
Sun	July 24	8:30 AM	St. Ann Parishioners
Mon	Aug 1	8:30 AM	Nancy Gorski+
Tue	Aug 2	8:30 AM	John & Sadie Falco+
Wed	Aug 3	8:30 AM	Paul Mercurio

Thur	Aug 4	8:30 AM	Adam Ridder
Fri	Aug 5	8:30 AM	Mary Dirkes
Sat	Aug 6	8:30 AM	Virginia Drew
Sat	Aug 6	4:00 PM	The Holy Souls in Purgatory

<u>OFFERING</u>	
July 24	\$5,512.31
Online giving (7/18-7/24)	\$ 100.00

PRAYER REQUESTS
Bill Greim, Tim Pingell, Stephan 'Doc' Kohl

FROM FATHER DREW

He who sows sparingly will reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will reap bountifully.

Friends, we are having a capital campaign to renovate our church and therefore are asking for you to consider being gracious and generous with this noble endeavor. The fashionable thing today is to say that the money spent on beautifying a church would be better spent on helping the poor. But that was fashionable in Christ's time as well. Shortly before Christ's Passion His betrayer Judas said as much.

Yes, the poor need our help. The poor need food. The poor also need fed spiritual food. The poor need to understand that there is life beyond this earthly valley of tears. That is why a Catholic Church should look timeless and never fashionable. A Catholic church should remind anyone, be he rich or poor, that heaven awaits the person who puts God first. If a church does not do that, it becomes in effect just another soup kitchen or government program.

And understand: Priests asking for money is nothing new. St Paul prepped the church in Corinth on an upcoming collection in 55 AD about the spiritual fruits of giving ...

There is really no need for me to write you about this collection for the members of the church. I already know your willingness, and boast about you to the Macedonians with respect to it, saying that Achaia has been ready since last year. Your zeal has stirred up most of them. I nonetheless send the brothers so that our claims for you in this regard may not be shown empty. I do so that you may be ready, as I have been saying you are, lest any Macedonians come with me and find you unready; then I should be put to shame—to say nothing of you—for having had this trust. I have thought it necessary to exhort the brothers to go to you and arrange in advance for the bountiful gift you have already promised. It should be ready as a gracious gift, not as an exaction.

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Fr. Drew, Continued

Let me say this much: He who sows sparingly will reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will reap bountifully. Everyone must give according to what he has inwardly decided; not sadly, not grudgingly, for God loves a cheerful giver. God can multiply his favors among you so that you may always have enough of everything and even a surplus for good works, as it is written: "He scattered abroad and gave to the poor, his justice endures forever."

He who supplies seed for the sower and bread for the eater will provide in abundance; he will multiply the seed you sow and increase your generous yield. In every way your liberality is enriched; through us it results in thanks offered to God. The administering of this public benefit not only supplies the needs of the members of the church but also overflows in much gratitude to God. Because of your praiseworthy service they are glorifying God for your obedient faith in the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with all. They pray for you longingly because of the surpassing grace God has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift! (1 Corinthians 9.1-15)

Please sign up online at virtusonline.org for the next session at St Ann parish hall for

Protecting God's Children for Adults

Wednesday, August 17, 2022 - 6:00 PM

St. Ann Parish Hall (1503 Tracy Ave Excelsior Springs, MO 64024)
Facilitator: Deacon Bandy

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

The capital campaign for our renovation is going very well and our goal of \$500,000 - \$750,000 looks very reachable. Pray on it and fill out your pledge card, making sure you are part of this very special and holy undertaking here at St Ann.

Did you miss 8:30 Mass at St Ann? Go to Richmond for the 11:00 Mass.

Friends, I've seen some of you at the Sunday 11:00 Mass at Immaculate Conception in Richmond. If, for whatever reason, you cannot make the 8:30 Mass in Excelsior, instead of driving west toward Kansas City for a later Mass, let me suggest you take Hwy 10 east to Richmond. Driving toward Kansas City entails long traffic stops and getting on I-35. The 16-mile drive to Richmond is relaxing, and full of great scenery, which includes a lot of horses in the fields. For lunch in Richmond, there's a buffet called Stella's. It has good fried chicken and a soft-serve ice-cream machine!

First Friday & First Saturday, Aug. 5 & 6, 8:30am Mass. Come and make reparation for blasphemies and sacrilege against the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary.

To listen to Fr Drew's homilies, go to the "Podcast" app on your phone. Search "Daily Homily Father Kevin Drew". Touch that screen and listen to current and past episodes of his homilies.

Two ways to listen to the daily Mass at St. Ann, tune into Catholic Radio 1090 AM or go to catholicradionetwork.com. Click on "Listen Live"; aired at 11:00 AM; daily homily airs Monday-Friday at 3:50 PM.



If you would like to register to St Ann Parish call, email, or see Fr Drew after Mass .

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. Victim Assistance Coordinator, Whitney True-Francis, 816-392-0011