



Saint John Francis Regis Parish

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Fr. Emmanuel Lopez, Pastor

December 7, 2025

Come Home to Communion

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 3:00PM

Sunday: 8:30AM, 10:30AM &
5:00PM In Spanish

Daily Mass

Tuesday - Friday: 8:30AM

Tuesday - 7:00PM In Spanish

Confessions

Sat: 2:00PM & *Wed:* 6:00PM

& *by appointment*

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday: 6:00-7:00PM

Parish Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8AM-3PM

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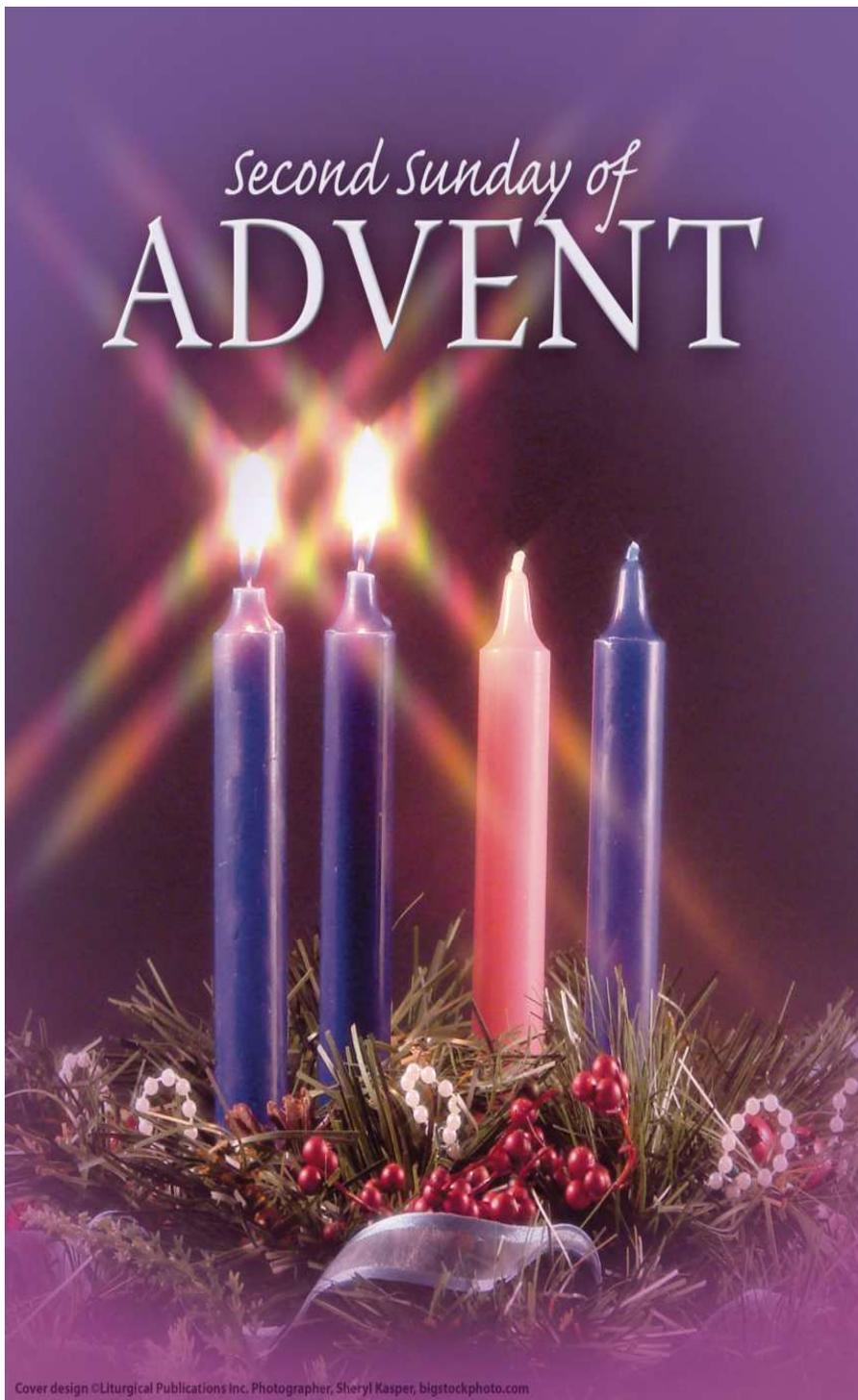
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**Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Monday, December 8.**

All are encouraged to attend Mass on this holy day of obligation.

Masses at St. Regis will be at:

9:00am in English

6:00pm in English

7:00pm in Spanish

Please plan to join us as we honor our Blessed Mother
And the special role she has in our lives.

SIGN UP FOR THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Greeters, Lectors, Communion Ministers, Servers, Mass Coordinator and Sacristan are invited to sign up for the 9am Mass and 6pm Mass on the Immaculate Conception, **Monday, December 8.** Please sign up in the Gathering Space.

SIGN UP FOR CHRISTMAS MASSES

Greeters, Lectors, Communion Ministers, Sacristans, Mass Coordinators and Servers are invited to sign up for the 3pm Mass on Christmas Eve and the 10:30am Bilingual Mass on Christmas Day. Please sign up in the Gathering Space.

FEED YOUR FAITH

In observance of the Immaculate Conception Holy Day, **Feed Your Faith** will not meet tomorrow night, December 8. Please join us next Monday, for the continuation of The Joyful Mysteries.

**Parish Support
November 17-23, 2025**

<u>Contribution Income</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Weekly Offertory	\$ 4,234
Plate	\$ 1,769
Online Giving	\$ 2,870
IRA Distribution	\$ _____
Total	\$ 8,873

Any parishioner who has questions regarding the parish finances can email: estice@regischurch.org

THOUGHTS FROM FR. EMMANUEL

Friends,

On this 2nd Sunday of Advent, we come to encounter the great figure of John the Baptist. He is an example of how we should get ready for our Savior and how to influence and help others to encounter Christ.

Jesus found his first disciples among those who were influenced by the preaching of John the Baptist. He had showed them the value of self-control and of prayer; he urged them to listen to the inner voice of God, with repentance and a faithful heart.

Clearly, God wishes us Christians also to help other people to know and love him. If in the first place, we were more committed to our own Christian calling, we would be more effective in influencing others towards religious commitment. Let's become influencers for God.

Remember to join us at our Advent Penance Service on **Wednesday December 17th at 6:00pm.** Finally, mark your calendars for a potluck dinner, rosary, and fiesta in celebration of "Las Posadas" on **Saturday December 20th at 5:30 pm** in the Parish Hall.

In Christ,

Fr Emmanuel Lopez

FOOD COLLECTION

Next weekend, **December 13 & 14** is our monthly food collection. Your canned goods and other non-perishable food donations help keep the food pantry stocked. We are especially in need of canned pasta, fruit and stew. Your donated food items are greatly appreciated. Thanks for your continued support of this ministry.

BAPTISMS

Welcome to the newest members born to new life in Christ through the Holy Waters of Baptism, **Melody So-lieth Sanchez Carranza**, daughter of Diego and Jazmin, **Daphne Alexandra Leon**, daughter of Alexander and Diana, and **Emilo Etienna**, son of Alex and Jennifer who were baptized last weekend. May they be blessed throughout their lives and be guided by the Holy Spirit.



RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS
A lifetime of service deserves care in return. “Thanks to your generosity, we can provide the very best care to the sisters in our community,” says Sister M. Stephanie Belgeri, 73, a member of the Sisters of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George in Alton, IL. Donations to the Retirement Fund for Religious provide housing, medical assistance and essential support for thousands of aging religious. Please consider giving next week.

CHRISTMAS CARD & NOTECARD SALE
December 6 & 7 the Worship Council will have its final onsite Christmas Card and Notecard sale after all Masses. There are 21 assorted Christmas cards for \$12 and the Notecards are \$9. These beautiful cards tell the story of St. Regis and our beautiful faith through St. Regis events and displays. Christmas and Notecards can be ordered anytime by contacting katei@richardgross.net.

JOY TO THE WORLD!
 Help us fill St. Regis with joyful music on Christmas Eve & Christmas Day! You and your family are invited to join the choir to sing beloved Christmas hymns. Rehearsals are **Mondays, December 8, 15 & 22** at 7pm; **Thursday, December 18** at 7:30pm; **Sundays, December 7 & 21** at 9:30am. All ages and voices are welcome. No Prior music knowledge required. Will be singing at Christmas Eve Mass at 3pm and Christmas Day Mass at 10:30am. For more information contact Jennifer Hampton, 816-767-8366 or Diane Banks at dbanks@stregischurch.org.

ST. REGIS CHIEFS TAILGATE 2025
 Sunday, December 14, 2025, 11:30am
 in the Parish Hall

Tickets: \$12 Single, \$30 Family

All are invited and bring a friend or two.

Chili, Hotdogs and sides provided. Desserts available for a donation. Door Prizes each Quarter. Halftime Heads & Tails Game.

We are seeking new donations for door prizes and raffle baskets. Anyone who would like to donate items, volunteer to help at this event or have questions, please contact Randy Seever at seevrj@gmail.com or call 248-404-0939.

Advent Penance service
 &
 First Reconciliation for kids preparing to do their first communion

Wednesday, December 17 6-8pm
 St. Regis Church
 8941 James A. Reed Rd.
 Kansas City, MO 64138

Academy Corner

Let Their Light Shine



We are so thankful for a wonderful Special Friends Day that concluded with our Exhibitio Oratorium. Our scholars did an incredible job—truly one of the best performances yet from every grade! Their hard work, reverence, and joy shone through each recitation. What a blessing to share this day with our beloved special friends!



Important Dates!

- December 8 - No School; Immaculate Conception
- December 11 - PK - 4 Christmas Program 6:30pm
- December 16 - 18 - Kids Kastle Holiday Shop
- December 18 - End of Quarter 2
- December 18 - January 5 - No School; Christmas Break

Now Accepting Applications for 2026-2027 Enrollment!

Preschool (3 years old) -8th Grade



Servicio Penitencial de Adviento
y
Primera reconciliación [Primera Confesion] para
niños que se están preparando para hacer su
Primera Comunion

Miercoles 17 de Diciembre de 6-8pm
Parroquia San Regis
8941 James A. Reed Rd.
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Reunión previa al partido de los Chiefs 2025

Domingo, 14 de diciembre de 2025,
11:30 am en el Salón Parroquial

Entradas: 12 \$ individual y 30 \$ familia

Todos están invitados y traen uno o dos amigos.

Chili, perritos calientes y acompañamientos. Postres disponibles para donar. Premios de puerta cada trimestre. Partido de cara y cruz en el descanso.

Estamos buscando nuevas donaciones para premios de entrada y cestas de rifas. Cualquier persona que desee donar artículos, ofrecerse como voluntaria para ayudar en este evento o tenga preguntas, por favor contacte con Randy Seever en seevrj@gmail.com o llame al 248-404-0939.

PENSAMIENTOS DEL P. EMMANUEL

Amigos

En este segundo domingo de Adviento, nos encontramos con la gran figura de Juan el Bautista. Él es un ejemplo de cómo debemos prepararnos para nuestro Salvador y de cómo influir y ayudar a otros a encontrarse con Cristo.

Jesús encontró a sus primeros discípulos entre aquellos que fueron influenciados por la predicación de Juan el Bautista. Les había mostrado el valor del autocontrol y de la oración; les instaba a escuchar la voz interior de Dios, con arrepentimiento y un corazón fiel.

Claramente, Dios quiere que los cristianos también ayudemos a otras personas a conocerle y amarle. Si en primer lugar estuviéramos más comprometidos con nuestro propio llamado cristiano, seríamos más efectivos influyendo en otros hacia el compromiso religioso. Convertámonos en influencers de Dios.

Recuerda acompañarnos en nuestro Servicio de Penitencia de Adviento el **miércoles 17 de diciembre a las 6pm**. Por último, marca tu calendario para una cena compartida, rosario y fiesta en celebración de "Las Posadas" el **sábado 20 de diciembre a las 5:30pm** en el Salón Parroquial.

En Cristo,

P. Emmanuel López

RECOGIDA DE ALIMENTOS

El próximo fin de semana, **13 y 14 de diciembre**, es nuestra recogida mensual de alimentos. Tus conservas y otras donaciones de alimentos no perecederos ayudan a mantener la despensa abastecida. Necesitamos especialmente pasta enlatada, fruta y guiso. Agradecemos mucho los alimentos donados. Gracias por tu apoyo continuo a este ministerio.

FONDO DE JUBILACIÓN PARA RELIGIOSOS

Una vida de servicio merece atención a cambio.

"Gracias a su generosidad, podemos ofrecer la mejor atención posible a las hermanas de nuestra comunidad", dice la hermana M. Stephanie Belgeri, de 73 años, miembro de las Hermanas de San Francisco del Mártir San Jorge en Alton, IL. Las donaciones al Fondo de Jubilación para Religiosos proporcionan vivienda, asistencia médica y apoyo esencial para miles de religiosos mayores. Por favor, considera donar la semana que viene.

***Fiesta de la Inmaculada Concepción
Lunes, 8 de diciembre.***

Se anima a todos a asistir a misa en este momento
Día sagrado de obligación.

Las misas en San Régis serán en:

9:00am en inglés

6:00pm en inglés

7:00pm en español

Por favor, planea unirse a nosotros mientras honramos a nuestra Santísima Madre

Y el papel especial que tiene en nuestras vidas.

TODA LA REUNIÓN DEL CONSEJO

Todos los miembros del Consejo están invitados a nuestra reunión de todo el Consejo el domingo **7 de diciembre** (después de la Misa de las 10:30) en el Salón Parroquial.

¡Ayude a correr la voz y haga todo lo posible para asegurarse de que su gente tenga una buena representación!

¡Comuníquese con el diácono Ken Albers al (816) 519-4891 si tiene alguna pregunta!

**upcoming Events
Eventos Proximos**



Our lady of Guadalupe
Celebration/Celebración de Nuestra
Senora de Guadalupe
5pm Rosary/Rosario
6pm Matachines
7pm Mass/Misa
8pm Apariciones/Play
9Pm Dinner/Cena
Dec
12
2025



Festejos
Guadalupanos/Festivities of our
Lady of Guadalupe
3pm Rosary/Rosario
4pm Matachines
5pm Mass/Misa de las Rosas
Dec
14
2025



Posada Familiar/Family Posada
5:30pm Rosary/Rosario
6pm Posada
Traer Comida para compartir/Potluck
bring something to share!
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2025

Estamos aceptando donaciones de Dulces para la posada traer a la oficina parroquial/
Accepting candy donations for posada please bring to parish office.

ÁRBOL DE DONACIONES

Las etiquetas de regalo para el Árbol de Donaciones estarán disponibles el fin de semana del **15 al 16 de noviembre**. ¡Únase a la tradición de dar a St. Regis! Ayude a alegrar a los residentes de Carroll Park esta Navidad quitando una etiqueta del Árbol de Donaciones. Los regalos deben estar **envueltos**. **Por favor, adjunte** la etiqueta de regalo en el **exterior** del regalo. Devuelva los regalos antes del **domingo 14 de diciembre**.

Este año volveremos a recolectar **artículos de tocador de tamaño completo para hombres y mujeres**: loción, jabón en barra, pasta de dientes, cepillos de dientes, gel de baño, champú (sin acondicionador), desodorante, peines, cepillos, limas, kleenex. Habrá tinas junto al Árbol de Donaciones para artículos donados. Todos los artículos de tocador deben entregarse antes del **domingo 14 de diciembre**. También habrá un contenedor para donaciones monetarias.

¡Los residentes del Centro de Atención de Carroll Park **siempre están** muy agradecidos por los regalos de Navidad! Gracias por su continua generosidad. Consejo de Pastoral de Servicios Sociales

GIVING TREE

Gift tags for the Giving Tree will be available the weekend of **November 15–16**. Join in the St. Regis tradition of giving! Help bring joy to the Carroll Park Residents this Christmas by taking a tag off the Giving Tree. The gifts should be **wrapped**. **Please attach** the gift tag on the **outside** of the gift. Return the gifts by **Sunday, December 14th**.

This year we will again collect **full size** toiletry items for men and women: **lotion, bar soap, toothpaste, tooth brushes, body wash, shampoo, (no conditioner), deodorant, combs, brushes, emery boards, kleenex**. There will be tubs by the Giving Tree for donated items. All toiletry items are due by **Sunday, December 14th**. There will also be a container for monetary donations.

The Residents at the Carroll Park Care Facility are **always** so appreciative of the Christmas gifts! Thanks for your continued generosity. Social Service Ministry Council

DIOCESAN NEWS

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 If the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City~St. Joseph report the suspected abuse to the Diocesan Ombudsman, 816-213-6024 or ombudsman@diocesekcsj.org.

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, at 816-714-2357 ext. 516 or victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

Please Remember In Your Prayers: Aidan Jones, Dolores Dick, McCartney Weist, Teresa Foster, Joseph Gregory, Margaret Kelly, Gregory Richard, Teefey Family, Hanger Family, Daniel & Jeneth Hunter, John Stadler, Genevieve Thieme, John Minton, Ben Rosenblum, Georgiana Smith, Mary Jill Reid, Rosie Murphy, Vickie Young, Lou & Terrie Ramsey, Bobby Washington, Andres Foncha, Robert Harvey, Rick Martin, Julie Boisen, Kathy Gross, Marek Family, Hodge Family, Sylvia Mooney, Jerry Crowley, Jane Marzano, Kenny Thornton, Michael Sheehan, Tammy Fayard, Jennifer Buddemeyer & family, Dianne Greene, Phoebe Reitingner, Mary Hunter, Martha Aquino, John Reyes, Sr., Lupita Sharkey, Yair Arvizu, Christopher Rivera, Julie Schneider, Teresa King, Thomas Severt, Dennis Reilly, Steve Beaven, Virginia Reyes, Manuel Botello, Milt Bryant, Ellen Newman, Evelyn Crews, Jerry Walker, Susie Tobin, Amir Smith, Richard Weidner, Lynette Robertson, Joanne Pommerer, Isaiah Love and the many parishioners who are experiencing situational and financial hardships.

Please Pray for our parishioners' family members serving in the military: Tyler Griggs, Buck Roberts, Cathy Roberts & Troy Fraser

BULLETIN DEADLINE

The deadline to put announcements in the bulletin is 8am on Tuesday prior to the following Sunday. Send announcements to cmelchior@regischurch.org

Liturgical Roles

December 13 & 14

Lectors

- 3:00pm Jake Smith & Becky Smith
- 8:30am Katie Radford & Dave Vorbeck
- 10:30am John Reyes, Jr. & Virginia Reyes

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

- 3:00pm Alex Pope & Jim Filley
- 8:30am Dave Vorbeck & Sue Quanty Smith
- 10:30am Diane Pacheco & Teresa Mahnke

Servers

- 3:00pm Enderlyn Cartagena & Neylly Gonzalez
- 8:30am Miguel Martinez & Riley Winder
- 10:30am Jared Villalobos, Emma Campbell, Hazel Poindexter
Evelyn Poindexter & Natalie Poindexter

Greeters

- 3:00pm Don Wolff & Chip DeMoss
- 8:30am Joan Sack & Maxine Rodriguez
- 10:30am Dennis Reilly & Julie Schmidt

Mass Coordinator

- 3:00pm Becky Smith
- 8:30am John Wood
- 10:30am Frankline Musongwe

Mass Intentions

Monday, December 8

- 9:00am †Eileen Monteil by Cassie Lewis
- 6:00pm †Adolf & Margaret Brungardt by Family
- 7:00pm People of St. John Francis Regis Parish

Tuesday, December 9

- 8:30am †Eileen Monteil by Pat Hanson
- 7:00pm †San Juan Estrada Sanchez by Family

Wednesday, December 10

- †James & Catherine Kelly by Family

Thursday, December 11

- †Richard & Mary Ann Melchior by Family

Friday, December 12

- †John Kelly by Family

Saturday, December 13

- 3:00pm †Karen Davis by Jim Filley

Sunday, December 14

- 8:30am †Rose Brown by Bob Brown
- 10:30am †Eileen Monteil by Cassie Lewis
- 5:00pm People of St. John Francis Regis Parish

Sunday, December 7—Name Tag Sunday

- 8:30am Mass
- 9:30am Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary
- 10:30am Mass
- 11:30am All Council Meeting
- 12:00pm Bible Class/Eng
- 5:00pm Mass/Spanish

Monday, December 8—Immaculate Conception

- 9:00am Mass/English
- 6:00pm Mass/English
- 7:00pm Mass/Spanish
- 7:00pm CERS/Eng
- 7:00pm Social Service Ministry

Tuesday, December 9

- 8:30am Mass
- 9:30am Faith Enrichment
- 6:30pm Rosary
- 7:00pm Mass/Spanish
- 7:00pm Mental Health

Wednesday, December 10

- 8:30am Mass
- 6:00pm Adoration/Confessions
- 6:00pm Religious Ed.
- 7:00pm Knights of Columbus

Thursday, December 11

- 8:30am Mass
- 9:30am Scripture Sharing
- 6:30pm School Christmas Program
- 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00pm Boy Scouts
- 7:00pm OCIA
- 7:00pm Bible Timeline

Friday, December 12—Our Lady of Guadalupe

- 8:30am Mass
- 5:00pm Rosary
- 6:00pm Dancers
- 7:00pm Mass/Bilingual
- 8:00pm Play
- 9:00pm Dinner

Saturday, December 13—Food Collection

- 6:45am That Man Is You
- 2:00pm Confessions
- 3:00pm Mass

Sunday, December 14—Food Collection

- 8:30am Mass
- 10:30am Mass
- 11:30am Tailgate Party
- 12:00pm Bible Class/Eng
- 3:00pm Rosary
- 4:00pm Dancers
- 5:00pm Mass/Spanish

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