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Matthew 18:21-35

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Regular Mass Times for

Saturday	5:00 pm
Sunday	8:00 am
Tuesday	9:00 am
Wednesday	6:00 pm
Thursday	9:00 am
First Fridays	6:00 pm
Holy Days	See Bulletin

Regular Confession Times

Tuesday	8:25-8:50 am
Wednesday	5:25-5:50 pm
Thursday	8:25-8:50 am 6:15-6:45 pm

**4th Thursday of each Month -
No CONFESSIONS at 6:15 pm.**

First Friday 5:25-5:50 pm
Sunday 7:20-7:50 am
2nd Saturday After Mass

Office Hours
Monday-Thursday 9:00-4:00 pm
Friday 9:00-3:00 pm

**Office Closes for Lunch
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DATE	SERVERS	USHERS	LECTORS	SACRISTANS	ROSARY LEADERS	CANTORS MUSICIANS	HOMEBOUND MINISTERS	CHURCH CLEANERS	MONEY COUNTERS	MOWERS TRIMMERS
SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 19	Alex H Joseph H Thomas H	TBD	April Riley	Pat & Maurice Devolder	Marilyn Anderson	David Orson / TBD		Louise's Team September 18		Bob Dostal September 18
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 20	Bodon R	Don Ring	Laura Long	Tim Long	Cathy Vogel	Kaitlin Long / Melissa Neff	DJ Breitbach		Chris' Team September 21	
SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 26	Emmett T Bennett S	Chris Thornsberry	Liana Kilgore	Mary Adams	Shirley Baldwin	Kaitlin Long / Corbin Trimble				Rick & Charlie Kitchell September 25
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 27	Richard B	Mark Bock	Scott Bennett	Don Ring	Chris Porter	David Orson / Judy Wolf	Scott Bennett		Stephanie's Team September 28	



Mass Intentions † Indicates deceased person

Tuesday, September 15	9:00 a.m.	† Pat Ezell by Gary & Katy Crabtree
Wednesday, September 16	6:00 p.m.	† Michelle Mook by the Family of Deacon Kappler
Thursday, September 17	9:00 a.m.	Abrah Sullivan by Kevin & Patty Hennrich
Saturday, September 19	5:00 p.m.	Parishioners of St. Bridget
Sunday, September 20	8:00 a.m.	† Marion Molchen

Special Collections

2026

September 20 Latin America

October 4	Dream Fund Youth Group
October 18	Mission Sunday
November 1	Dream Fund Youth Group All Saints

Charity Opportunity

Do you desire to help our Lord Jesus Christ by seeing Him in the poor and needy in our area? Consider donating towards The Pleasant Hill Lay Clergy Council, our local food pantry and charity organization. This is a 501C3 organization, thus your donation is tax deductible. There is no electronic giving yet, but you can write checks to "Pleasant Hill Lay Clergy," mail your donation to 100 Veterans Parkway, Pleasant Hill, MO 64080. If you desire to assist (i.e. Meals on Wheels – making and delivering low cost meals, then call 816-987-3952, working at the food pantry, working at the thrift store, etc.) OR have other questions, please contact the Pleasant Hill Lay Clergy at: (816) 987-3600.

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Week ending 09/06/2026	Collection	EFT	Total
St. Bridget Parish	\$5931.00	\$5500.25	\$11,431.25
Dream Fund	\$160.00	\$447.75	\$607.75
Dream Fund MTD	\$160.00	\$447.75	\$607.75
Youth Group	\$60.00	\$30.10	\$90.10
Votive Candle	\$46.00	\$0.00	\$46.00
SC - Latin America	\$25.00	\$10.10	\$35.10
Ext. Colleciton - SOR	\$0.00	\$35.96	\$35.96
Special Collection	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Please remember the Dream Fund. Month to date: \$607.75

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Position OPEN, High School Youth Director

Henry Saubers, Parish Custodian

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Gary Crabtree
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Office of Child & Youth Protection

Victim Assistance Coordinator:
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Email: victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org

Independent Ombudsman:
Phone: 816-213-6024
Email: ombudsman@ombudsmankcsj.org

Bulletin Announcements

Bulletin announcements must be emailed one week prior to the weekend of distribution to secretary@stbridgetph.org.

Sacraments

Baptism Parent preparation session is required. Please contact the Administrative Assistant at Admin@st.bridgetph.org or call the parish office prior to the birth.

First Communion A sacramental preparation program is required through SOR or an approved other curriculum.

Confirmation Program for high school students, according to Diocesan guidelines.

Marriage Please call the parish office when engaged. A nine month preparation period is required (diocesan policy). One party should be a registered, attending parishioner.

Anointing of the Sick As requested after Mass and by appointment.

Devotions and Info

New Parishioners

Welcome! Please register by downloading a registration form from our web site, stbridgetph.weconnect.com or contact the parish office. We are glad you are here and look forward to meeting you! ***

Eucharistic Adoration
Every Thursday After Mass —7:00 p.m.
Fifth Fridays 24 hrs. 5:00pm — Sat. 4:45pm

First Friday Mass and Devotions
6:00 p.m.; devotions, adoration, and benediction follow

Rosary
Before Mass Tuesday, Saturday, Sunday; Second Thursday at 6:30pm w/ Altar & Rosary Society, and Knights of Columbus

Prayer Chain Requests If you wish to be added to the prayer chain, please contact Roberta Klein at (816) 540-5980.

Blessing Have you experienced a miscarriage?
Contact Father Vogel or Deacon Morgan to receive a blessing.

Reporting Abuse



The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting 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).
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911.
3. 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, at ombudsman@ombudsmankcsj.org or 816-213-6024
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 or victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org for more information.



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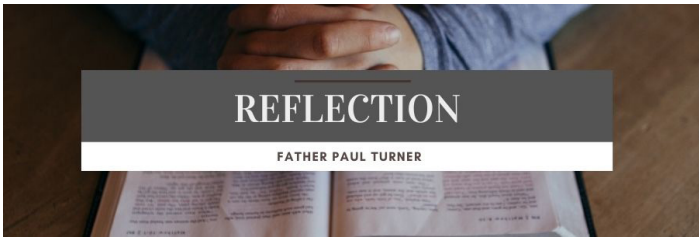
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REFLECTION

FATHER PAUL TURNER

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Romans 14:7-9

Beloved of the Master

Sadly, it may take a tragedy to remind us that we belong to God. We fill our lives with activities. We rely on our own strength. We depend on other people. We forget sometimes the God who made us, who loves us, and who will one day call us home.

When life is going well, we think of ourselves as our own masters. We have freedoms and choices. We make decisions about our families, our work, and our play.

But every so often, we discover we are not the masters. We do not have complete control over our health. We cannot determine what another driver will do. We cannot stop enemies of the state from acting irrationally and irreverently. We cannot control everything.

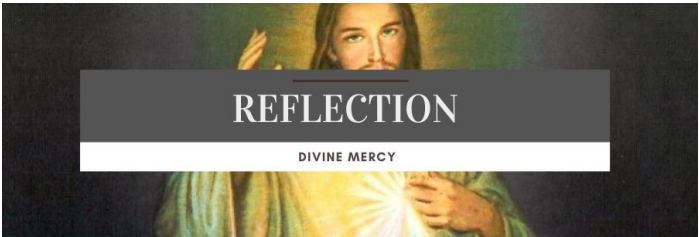
St. Paul tells the Romans, “None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself. ... whether we live or die, we are the Lord’s.”

Sometimes this does not sink in until a tragedy touches our lives. When we suddenly realize we are not in control, we wake up to our dependence on God.

God governs creation and redemption and all that lies in the middle. Although we are not masters, we are not slaves either. We are the beloved of God. God does everything for us in love, and all that we do in life is in response to the love we receive.

Yes, we live. Yes, we shall die. Yes, we belong to God.

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REFLECTION

DIVINE MERCY

The Apostolate of Mercy and Acceptance

Some people are deeply troubled in life and cannot seem to sort out their difficulties. They are “needy” in the sense that they are constantly seeking something to offer them consolation. They may believe that riches or other forms of earthly consolations are what they want but what they do not realize is that the Lord is the answer to all their needs. These wandering souls must become the focus of our mercy. One way we offer the Mercy of God to them is through our gentle presence, offering an accepting heart and listening ear. When those with heavy burdens in life discover that we care for them and wish to listen to them, they will often seize the opportunity to open up their hearts to us, revealing their wounds and troubles. It is not so much our responsibility to do the healing or to solve their problems. Our responsibility is most often to simply let them know we care and understand. This act of love and acceptance is an act of extraordinary Mercy flowing from the Heart of Jesus through us (See Diary #1282).

When you encounter others who are troubled and heavily burdened in life, how do you treat them? Do you treat them with judgment and disgust? Or do you listen to them, seek to understand them, and offer an accepting and compassionate heart? Reflect upon this question and think about those whom God has placed in your life who need to know God’s love and acceptance through you. Do not neglect this act for you are called to be an apostle of the Mercy of God.

Lord, I offer myself to You as an apostle of Your merciful Heart. Give me a true compassion and acceptance for those souls in most need of Your Divine Mercy. Help me to listen to them, seek to understand them and be there for them as a representative of Your Sacred Heart. I give myself to You, dear Lord. Use me as You will. Jesus, I trust in You.

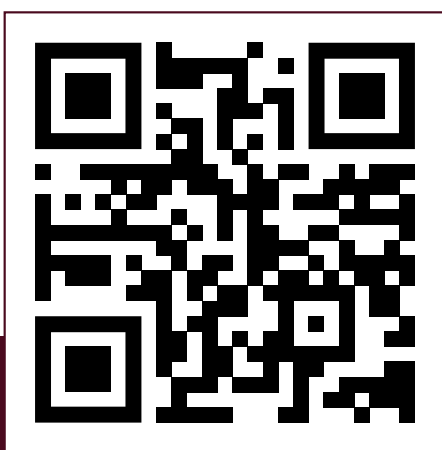
(This free reflection can be found at: <https://divinemercy.life/2026/09/08/reflection-252-the-apostolate-of-mercy-and-acceptance-2/>)



DIOCESE OF KANSAS CITY-ST. JOSEPH

This week, you should have received information in the mail about the **2026-2027 Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA)**. Each year, our **Bishop** invites every member of the diocese to support the ministries and programs that strengthen our Church and serve those in need throughout our communities. This year’s theme, **Take. Bless. Break. Share.**, reminds us that the blessings we receive from God are meant to be shared with others. We invite every family to prayerfully consider how you can share your blessings in service to others through your participation in the ACA.

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Annual Catholic Appeal



For questions or assistance, please contact the
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or email stewardship@diocesekcsj.org.



CALENDAR

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Monday, September 14

Tuesday, September 15

8:25 a.m. Confessions
8:25 a.m. Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet
9:00 a.m. Mass
1:30 p.m. Autumn Fest Committee Mtg.
6:30 p.m. Finance Council Meeting

Wednesday, September 16

5:25 p.m. Confessions
6:00 p.m. Mass
6:00 p.m. SOR: (starting w/ Mass)
6:15 p.m. Women of Faith
6:40 p.m. Men’s Group
6:40 p.m. OCIA

Thursday, September 17

8:25 a.m. Confessions
9:00 a.m. Mass
9:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration Begins
6:15 p.m. Confessions
6:50 p.m. Benediction

Friday, September 18

9:00 a.m. Bible Study
5:00 p.m. Knights Grillin’ at Cruise Nights

Saturday, September 19

4:30 p.m. Rosary
5:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday, September 20

7:30 a.m. Rosary
7:30 a.m. Confessions
8:00 a.m. Mass
9:00 a.m. Breakfast downstairs



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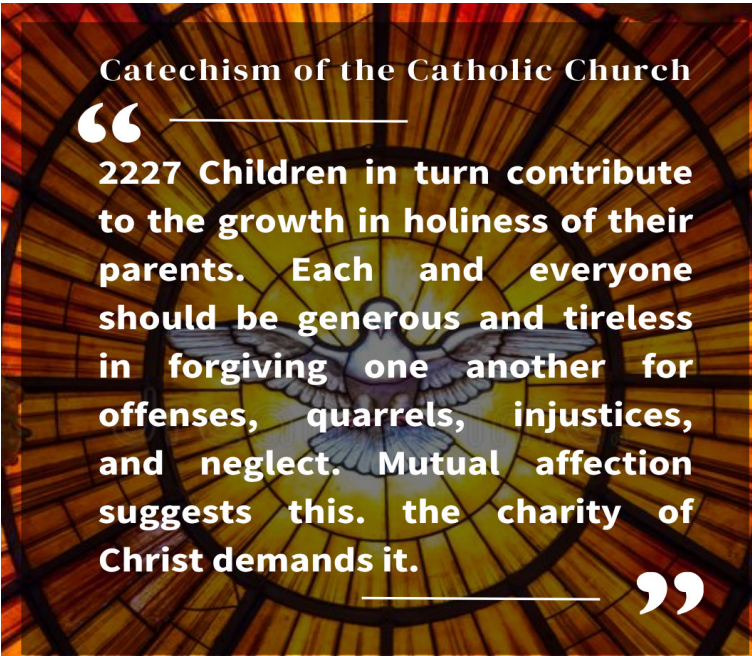
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Wednesdays at 6:15 p.m. in the Adult Ed Room
Starting September 16, 2026

Any questions contact the parish office 816.540.4563 or secretary@stbridgetph.org

Catechism of the Catholic Church

“ 2227 Children in turn contribute to the growth in holiness of their parents. Each and everyone should be generous and tireless in forgiving one another for offenses, quarrels, injustices, and neglect. Mutual affection suggests this. the charity of Christ demands it. ”



Faithful Citizenship & Amendment 3

Parish Presentations (updated 8/16/2026)



As we approach the November state elections, join us for a parish presentation on Faithful Citizenship and Amendment 3. The passing of Amendment 3 would reinstate health care protections for women and children, ensuring safety standards and abortion limitations.

Do you have questions about Amendment 3 and what it means? Do you want to have meaningful conversations with others about the Amendment? Are you opposed to the Amendment and want to understand Church teaching about abortion? Presentations about Amendment 3 are taking place at multiple parishes. All are welcome.

- Wednesday, September 16th, 6:30pm: Coronation of Our Lady
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CALL FOR AUCTION ITEM DONATIONS

St. Bridget Autumn Fest Committee is asking for already made up baskets or item donations for baskets for this year's silent auction. Please drop off any donations with description, your name, and approximate value of donation, during mass time in the vestibule by the elevator or bring them to the parish office during weekly office hours (9-4 M-TH or 9-3 F).

