



### On the Calendar...

**August 16** – Rosary at St. Stephen 12:00 noon  
Holy Rosary School Registration 4-7  
**August 19** – First Day of School for Holy Rosary  
**August 22** – Prayer Walk for schools 6 p.m.  
**September 11**–KC 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification ceremony

**God is never early and never late. Persevere until the promise is in full view.**

### Readings for August 22, 2021

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b** Joshua told the Israelites they were to decide whom they would serve: the Amorite gods or the Lord who brought them out of Egypt. They agreed to “serve the Lord, for he is our God.”

**Responsorial Psalm– Psalm 34:2-3, 17-17, 18-19, 20-21**  
Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Ephesians 5:21-32** Paul likened the love of a husband and wife to the love Christ has for the church. As Christ loves the church, so should husbands and wives love each other.

**Gospel – John 6:60-69** Jesus’ disciples were puzzled by his words. Jesus reminded them, “It is the spirit that gives life, while the flesh is of no avail.” Simon Peter responded, “You have the words of eternal life.”

### Please pray for:

Jeff Thomas Phyllis Taylor Lakian Lehenbauer  
Janice Kendrick Richard Elliott Rusty Adam  
Regina Hays Tim Quinn John Kendrick  
Deacon Mike Long Trent Zeiger Hazel Smith  
Sue Gilbert Natalee Amos Rosemary Evans  
Deanna Buckman Jackie Ryan Logan Maher  
Mark Leake Daniel Patrick Mudd Bonnie Ess  
Barbara Kendrick Connie Kendrick Nick Mudd  
Bill Smith Teresa Ritter Toland Frankie Maddox  
Michael Kellerman

Heavenly Father, Let the fire of your healing love pass through the bodies of those in need. Saturate their entire being with your presence, love, joy and peace while drawing them ever closer to you. Amen.

### St. Joseph, Pray for us!

#### Liturgical Ministries

#### August 21 – 5:30 p.m. Mass


**Rosary:** Therese Long  
**Servers:** Rhett Watson, Blaine Watson  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Debbie Durbin, Dorothy Ritter, Regina Miskell, Courtney Smith, Gary Yager, Ruth Ann Lorenson, Bob Kendrick  
**Lector:** Lori Watson  
**Ushers:** Kevin Bichsel, Joe Gass, Kent Bichsel  
**Cross Bearer:** John Ritter  
**Gift Bearer:** Mark & Jane Vollrath  
**Greeters:** Bill & Ellie Couch


#### August 22 – 9:30 a.m. Mass


**Rosary:** Dennis Long  
**Servers:** Mackenzie Crowe, Reed Miller  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Michelle Wilson, David Wilson, Linda Willard, Phil Thompson, Charlotte Schneider, Howard Willard, David Pfaff, Cathy Jo Pfaff, Jennifer Richardson  
**Lector:** Jerry Copenhaver  
**Ushers:** Mike Bichsel, Scott G. Hays, Parker Kendrick  
**Cross Bearer:** Billy Taylor  
**Gift Bearer:** Adam Oswald Family  
**Greeters:** Aaron Benson Family

**The K of C Fourth Degree** tentatively will have an IN PERSON Exemplification Ceremony for any/all Third Degree members that want to join on Saturday, September 11, 2021. The Ceremony will be at the St Louis Airport Hilton with registration starting at 9:30 am. Contact Parker Kendrick 735-4746 for more info if any members are interested in attending. FORMS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY AUGUST 25.

### School News:

 Holy Rosary School Registration will be held on Monday, August 16, from 4:00 – 7:00. At that time, parents and students are invited to come and greet the teachers, receive important information and pay school fees.

 The first day of class will be on Thursday, August 19, with a half-day session. We are looking forward to a great year!!

 Preschool classes will begin on Monday, August 23.

**Thank you** for the prayers, cards, text, and acts of kindness during my recent illness. They were a blessing and helped to fill my days during recovery. Special thanks to Father Greg, Donna, Sally and Cheryl for covering my duties while still handling your own responsibilities. ~ Blessings, Melody

*And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. James 5:15-16*

### Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturdays at 4:00

#### Following God’s Lead along with Donna

**PSR Registration** – Online registration is available on the parishes’ websites. In-person registrations will be August 14/15 and August 21/22 after the weekend Masses at both churches.

**Parish-Wide Study** – Parousia: The Bible and the Mass will continue with Lesson 2 – Covenant and Communion this week. If you were not able to join us for week 1, you are welcome to join us this week. We meet on Mondays at 5:00 pm; Wednesdays at 7:00 pm; and Thursdays at 1:30 pm – choose the session that fits your schedule. Each session is the same. Bring a friend!

**RCIA Sessions** - Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults will begin September 1 at 6:30 at Holy Rosary School in the Library. If you or someone you know someone is interested in inquiring about the Catholic faith contact Donna at the rectory.

**FORMED.org** – This Sunday, August 15 is the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. FORMED has many selections about Mary. If you are looking for a movie try Mary of Nazareth (2hr41min) <https://watch.formed.org/videos/mary-of-nazareth>

This film captures the essence of Mary’s profound faith and trust in God, as well as her compassionate humanity and concern for others.

If you are looking for something shorter try Our Mother Mary <https://watch.formed.org/videos/mary-of-nazareth> With Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Mark Miravalle’s discussion of Mary(18 min).

To inquire about faith formation/religious education contact Donna Long anytime at donnalong.hrss@gmail.com or call me at the rectory at 735-4718, my office hours are 8:00 am to Noon, Monday through Friday.

Blessed are you, Lord God, Creator of body and mind and heart; you have sent the Spirit of wisdom and knowledge to guide your people in all their ways.

At the beginning of this new school we implore your mercy: bless the Students, teachers, and staff of our Catholic schools that together we may grow in faith, hope, and love as we learn from you and each other how to follow your Son Jesus.

Expand the horizons of our minds, that we may grow in wisdom, understanding, and knowledge; deepen our commitment to seek the truth of your ways; and enliven our faith to reach out to those in need.

Glory and praise to you, Lord God, in the Church and in Christ Jesus forever and ever.

Amen