

Lectors

- February 23rd - Maura Sweeney
- March 2nd - Marilyn Baker
- March 9th – Loretta Johnson
- March 16th – Franchiel Nyakatura
- March 23rd – Larry Poole
- March 30th – Shanta Bailey

Eucharistic Ministers

- February 2nd– February 23rd – 2025  
Marilyn Baker & Sr. Therese Bangert
- March 2nd – March 30th – 2025  
Franchiel Nyakatura & Tanya Selectman

OLSR needs you to be a Eucharistic Minister. Please contact Barbara at the church office or speak with Deacon Bill after Mass.

Please pray for the members and their families who are ill or unable to attend Mass. If you or a family member or friend request prayers for someone we will print them on our Prayer List. Please contact either church office to renew, add, or remove a name from the list.

- Delories Broussard - Lawrence Brooks
- Darsie Clark - Linda Chaplin
- Evalena Davidson - Bernice Ingram
- Leonard Johnson- Kathy Ness
- Franchiel Nyakatura
- Robert Perkins - Louise Pollard
- Levita Ross - Frances Smith
- Sr. Mary Geraldine

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In August of 2002 in Poland, Pope St. John Paul II entrusted the world to Divine Mercy. Having canonized St. Faustina, the missionary of mercy, and dedicated the Second Sunday of Easter to the celebration of Divine Mercy, St. John Paul II said in his homily: “The proclamation, this confession of trust in the all-powerful love of God, is especially needed in our own time, when mankind is experiencing bewilderment in the face of many manifestations of evil...That is why we come here today...in order to glimpse once more in Christ the face of the Father: ‘The Father of Mercies and the God of all consolation (2 Cor. 1:3).’” It was poignant and fitting then that St. John Paul II passed into eternity on the vigil of Divine Mercy in 2005.

Interesting enough, Fr. Garrigou-Lagrange, O.P. was St. John Paul II’s doctoral advisor and mentor. These men well understood the times in which they lived. They call us now to live fully the gospel’s message of mercy.

Pax,  
SWS

# Our Lady & St. Rose Catholic Church

2300 N. 8<sup>th</sup> Street – Kansas City, Ks. 66101

Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

February 23, 2025

Sunday Mass 11:00AM



Don Wolf

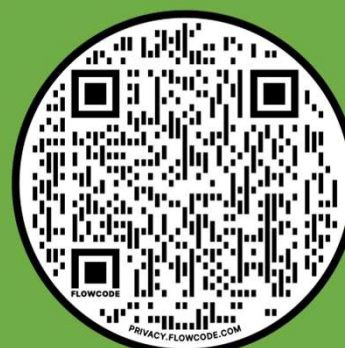
Mission Statement

Our Lady & St. Rose Catholic Church is a faith-filled, diverse, family community, devoted to fulfilling the Gospel and God’s commandment to love one another through worship, evangelization, and works of justice and charity.

- Msgr Stuart Swetland, *Pastor*
- Deacon Bill Scholl, *Parish Administrator*
- Ms. Barbara Bailey, *Pastoral Associate*
- Patricia Goering and Anthony Marie Johnson *Religious Educ*
- Ms. Lorraine Long, *Dir. Of Music*
- Laleta Jones - *Pianist*

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Contact Anthony Marie Johnson

Adult Choir Rehearsal  
9:30am Sundays

Dear Friends,

The great 20<sup>th</sup> century Dominican theologian and advisor to numerous popes, Fr. Réginald Garrigou-Lagrange, O.P., liked to say that the 19<sup>th</sup> century was the century of the blessed Virgin Mary because of the definition of her Immaculate Conception in 1854 and the numerous approved Marian apparitions (La Salette; Lourdes; the Miraculous Medal; Campion, Wisconsin, etc.) and the twentieth was the century of the Sacred Heart of Jesus because of Pope Leo XIII’s act of Consecration of the Human Race in 1899.

With this in mind, it seems to me that the 21<sup>st</sup> century is the time dedicated to Divine Mercy. God’s infinite, compassionate Divine *agape* love is experienced in a world corrupted by sin and injustice as mercy. As recipients of God’s merciful love we are called to “pay it forward” by being merciful to others, even those who cannot reciprocate or even those who hate us or who are our enemies.

This is perhaps the most difficult (or at least among the most difficult) of Jesus’ teachings: love your enemies, give to those who cannot repay, turn the other cheek, give to the one who asks, do not judge, do not condemn—in other words, “be merciful just as your Father is merciful” (Luke 6:36). It is amazing to me that Jesus commands us to show a God-like love but he never asks us to do what he knows we cannot do. Thus, by his grace and generous gift, Divine *agape*—merciful, charitable love—is infused in us at baptism. Our capacity to love as we are loved grows as we cooperate with God’s grace and gift.

Because he has made it possible for us to love this way, he also lays out that we will be judged on our living out the life of merciful love: “For the measure you measure with will in return be measured out to you” (Luke 6:38).

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**Join In And Sing****Devotional:**

LMGM – PG 2 – Woke Up This Morning

**Processional Song:**

BB NBR 6434 – Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

**Mass of Sr Thea Bowman****The Liturgy Of The Word:****First Reading:**

BB – PG 73 – 1 Samuel 26 vs 2,7-9,12-13, 22-23

**Responsorial:**

BB–PG 74 –Psalm 103 vs 1-2,3-4,8,10,,12-13

**Second Reading:**

BB–PG 74 – 1 Corinthians 15 vs 45-49

**Gospel Reading:**

BB-PG 75 – Luke 6 vs 17, 27-38

**Preparation Of The Gift**

LMGM PG 387 – Lord I Want To Be A Christian

**Holy, Holy, Holy:** Mass of Sr Thea  
**Memorial Acclamat.:** Mass of Sr. Thea  
**Lord's Prayer:** Malotte  
**Amen** Mass of Sr Thea  
**Lamb Of God:** Mass of Sr Thea

**Communion:**

BB NBR 563 – Be Not Afraid

**Meditation:** Felicia Safir**Recessional:**

BB NBR 384 – Sent Forth By God's Blessings

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Every Sunday Morning 10:15am

***Stop judging and you will not be judged.  
 Stop condemning and you will not be  
 condemned. (Luke 6:37)***

Whether it's the celebrity on TV or the disheveled person in the store or even the person we work with whose food choices are different from ours, we can find it so easy to pass judgment on people. And if we're honest, it may even seem like a very acceptable thing to do! But in his sermon to the crowds, Jesus is very clear: "Stop judging. . . . Stop condemning" (Luke 6:37). So what should we do instead?

The line that immediately precedes this passage gives us the answer: "Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful" (Luke 6:36).

Consider the mercy of God our heavenly Father. When you catch yourself judging another person, think about the love that God has for you: he sent his Son to die for you when you didn't deserve it—when you didn't even ask for it! Or recall all those instances when you didn't get "what you deserved" in your life. Maybe you spoke harshly to someone, and they spoke kindly back to you, or maybe your boss at work chose to overlook the fact that you were late on a project. Mercy flowed out to you, just as God's mercy extends to each and every person in the world.

When you run into "sinners" today, consider the Father's mercy and then share it generously. Speak kindly in response to harsh words. Bless the person you disagree with. Forgive the aggressive driver in the next lane. Jesus promises that if you offer mercy to those around you, "Your reward will be great and you will be children of the Most High" (Luke 6:35)

God is the perfect judge. We can trust him to do his job. He knows when to be merciful, and he knows when to bring correction. He doesn't need our help! Instead, we can be merciful, we can forgive, and we can glorify our heavenly Father as we do.

***"Father, help me to be a reflection of your merciful love today."***

*The Word Among Us***Weekly Stewardship 2/16 /2025**

<b>Collected</b> \$ 1,687.00	<b>Collected Fiscal</b> \$ 58,653.00
<b>Collected Online</b> \$ 265.00	<b>Collected Online</b> \$ 13,707.00
<b>Needed Weekly</b> \$ 3,100.00	<b>Needed YTD</b> \$ 93,000.00
<b>Difference</b> \$- 1,148.00	<b>Difference YTD</b> \$- 20,640.00

**Capital Improvement YTD** \$720.00

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**YOUNG DISCIPLES IN TRAINING FAMILY**

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Includes Grow Your Child's Faith First You Learn and Then You Teach

Bible Based Fun Lessons  
 Community Service Teen Activities  
 Love Christ, Know Christ, Show Christ  
 Family Time Not Screentime!

**Adults & Youth** on the following Sunday's  
 After Mass 12:30 to 2:00pm  
 March 16, 2025  
 April 20, 2025  
 Call or Text Anthony Marie Johnson  
 (913) 972-0681 or (913) 535-6167

For **Black History Month**, This 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in February Felicia Safir being y – Black Catholic Music Educator in Public Schools

**Prepare for Lent**

Lenten preparation involves prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. It's a time to deepen your relationship with God and prepare for Easter. Almsgiving Donate money or goods to the poor and Perform other acts of charity

**Lent is a time to:**

Deepen your relationship with God  
 Repent of Sins  
 Practice self control  
 Improve your spiritual well being  
 Become more mindful of how God is working in your life.

**Ash Wednesday – March 5, 2025****Holy Thursday – April 17, 2025****Good Friday – April 18, 2025****Holy Saturday – April 19, 2025****EASTER SUNDAY – APRIL 20, 2025**