

Lectors

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

Eucharistic Ministers

- March 2nd – March 30th – 2025
Franchiel Nyakatura & Tanya Selectman
- April 6th – April 27th – 2025
Jeanna Thatcher &
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
- Robert Perkins - Louise Pollard
- Levita Ross - Frances Smith
- Sr. Mary Geraldine

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Paul calls us to rejoice in Christ’s victory and to give thanks to God. And he calls us to labor for the Lord: “Therefore, my beloved brothers and sisters, be firm, steadfast, always fully devoted to the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain” (1 Corinthians 15:58). And such labors in the Lord will bear much fruit—fruit that will last. As Jesus proclaims in today’s Gospel (Luke 6:39-45), “A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit” (Luke 6:43-44a). Our fecundity, our fruitfulness, depends on our closeness to the Lord, and to one another. We participate in Jesus’ victory over sin, Satan, and death through the sacraments. Through them, we are given a share in his life and grace. This empowers us to be able to bear fruit of eternal worth and help build up the kingdom. May this upcoming season of Lent be kind to us and aid us in fulfilling our vocations as Christians to truly love God and neighbor and to bear fruit in our apostolic endeavors. In Christ Jesus is our victory and help. Long live Christ Jesus, our Victorious King! Pax, SWS

This Ash Wednesday, March 5, Catholics in dioceses throughout the United States are invited to help restore the Church and build the future by supporting the **annual collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe**. For many years, communist regimes persecuted Catholics by seizing churches, closing seminaries and convents, and imprisoning or killing clergy, religious sisters, and laypeople. Thankfully those communist regimes have ended, but new challenges such as the humanitarian crisis caused by the ongoing war in Ukraine have left people in greater need for prayer and support than ever. Your gifts to this special collection help the Church comfort those impacted by the war while also continuing its mission through education, pastoral ministry to families, and formation of seminarians. Please be generous.

Our Lady & St. Rose Catholic Church

2300 N. 8th Street – Kansas City, Ks. 66101

Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time

March 2, 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.

Dear Friends,

Today is our last Sunday before Lent. On Wednesday, we will bless and distribute ashes as a symbol of our penitence as we enter into our 40-day journey towards celebrating the Triduum / Easter. This Lent, as part of our Jubilee celebrations, we are called to imagine ourselves and to become “pilgrims of hope.”

Pope Francis in his message for Lent this year reminds us that those on pilgrimage are called to a conversion of heart and mind. He teaches that our “first conversion” is the realization that our lives are indeed a pilgrimage towards the life to come: “A first call to conversion thus comes from the realization that all of us are pilgrims in this life: each of us is invited to stop and ask how our lives reflect this fact. Am I really on a journey, or am I standing still, not moving, either immobilized by fear and hopelessness or reluctant to move out of my comfort zone.”

Of course, this pilgrimage of hope is not an individualistic one—we are called to journey together. This is why Pope Francis has called us as a Church to be a listening Church, a synodal Church, a Church that walks together in peace, harmony, and joy.

In a way, today’s readings foreshadow the message of Easter because they speak eloquently of the victory of Jesus over ancient enemies (sin, Satan, and death) that attempt to rob us of joy and leave us in fear and dread. For example, St. Paul proclaims the truth of Christ’s resurrection and its saving effects when he writes: “Death is swallowed up in victory. Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?” (1 Corinthians 15:54b-55).

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- 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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Young Disciples In Training
Contact Anthony Marie Johnson

Adult Choir Rehearsal
9:30am Sundays

Join In And Sing**Devotional:**

LMGM PG 516 – Standin’ In The Need Of Prayer

Processional Song:

BB NBR 724 – Rejoice, The Lord Is King

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

BB – PG 76 – Sirach 27 vs 4-7

Responsorial:

BB–PG 76 –Psalm 92 vs 2-3,13-14,15-16

Second Reading:

BB–PG 76– 1 Corinthians 15 vs 54-58

Gospel Reading:

BB-PG 77 – Luke 6 vs 39-45

Preparation Of The Gift

BB NBR 492 – You Are The Healing

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 337 – Taste And See

Recessional:

BB NBR 882 – Alleluia!. Give The Glory

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Every Sunday Morning 10:15am

The fruit of a tree shows the care it has had. (Sirach 27:6)

A tree is meant to bear fruit. But as Sirach reminds us, the quantity and quality of the fruit are determined by the way the tree has been cared for. What kinds of nutrients have fed its roots? How much light has shone down upon its leaves?

Jesus’ words in today’s Gospel echo Sirach’s observations. Like the Old Testament sage, Jesus tells his disciples that “every tree is known by its own fruit” (Luke 6:44). But he also says, “A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good” (6:45). That means what you put into the “storehouse” of your heart and mind—what you take in to nourish yourself—eventually flows out from you, for better or worse.

You might ask yourself, *How can I fill the storehouse of my heart with good? How can I nourish and cultivate myself so that I can bear the good fruit I was created to bear?*

There are some obvious answers to these questions. Regular prayer can help you set down deep roots in the Lord. Committing Scripture to memory can create an environment of grace and faith that will help you produce good fruit.

But there is another not-so-obvious answer: your relationships with other brothers and sisters in Christ. People who share your faith can be a great help in nourishing your heart. Sisters and brothers with whom you can pray can lift you up. People whom you can join in serving the less fortunate can help you bear the fruit of compassion. Friends who speak words of blessing and encouragement can help you steer clear of gossip, resentment, or bitterness.

Above all, never forget God’s grace. It’s God himself who created you to bear good fruit. He wants to fill you and enable your words to reveal his goodness and love, and he wants to use your friends to help you!

“Lord, help me bear good fruit!”

The Word Among Us

Weekly Stewardship 2/23 /2025

Collected	Collected Fiscal
\$ 880.00	\$ 59,533.00

Collected Online	Collected Online
\$ 115.00	\$ 13,822.00

Needed Weekly	Needed YTD
\$ 3,100.00	\$ 96,100.00

Difference	Difference YTD
\$- 2,105.00	\$- 22,745.00

Capital Improvement YTD \$720.00

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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

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, 6:30pm

Ash Wednesday is a holy day that signifies the beginning of Lent. It marks the entry into a season of spiritual preparation for Holy Week, which culminates in Easter. Any march toward the redeeming work of Christ must begin with a recognition of our need for his grace—and that reminder is Ash Wednesday. The day affirms that we are dust, as ashes are literally spread in a cross on our foreheads. The cross represents Jesus and how he has redeemed us. We are encouraged to seek repentance with humble hearts and prepare for his gift.

Catholics observe Ash Wednesday by fasting and abstaining from meat. Fasting means eating one full meal and two smaller meals that don't add up to a full meal. Abstaining means not eating meat or poultry.

**Holy Thursday – April 17, 2025 - Good Friday – April 18, 2025 -- Holy Saturday – April 19, 2025
EASTER SUNDAY – APRIL 20, 2025**