

Lectors for Sundays and Holy Week

- March 23rd – Larry Poole
- March 30th – Shanta Bailey
- April 6th – Marilyn Baker
- April 13th Palm Sunday – TBD
- April 17 Holy Thursday – TBD
- April 18th Good Friday – TBD
- April 19th Holy Saturday – TBD
- April 20th Easter – Franchiel Nyakatura
- April 27th – Loretta Johnson

Eucharistic Ministers

- March 2nd – March 30th
Franchiel Nyakatura & Tanya Selectman
- April 6th – April 27th
Jeanna Thatcher & Marilyn Baker

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

Prayer by guest chaplain, Msgr Stuart W. Swetland, Dr. of Sacred Theology, Donnelly College, Kansas City, KS and guest of Rep. Curtis

O God, our Creator and Redeemer, we give you thanks and praise for the many and manifold gifts you have bestowed upon us and our nation and our state. Bless our president and his cabinet, our governor and mayors, our representatives and senators.

We hold up for your protection and care, elected and appointed officials and judges at every level. Give them the gifts of knowledge and understanding, wisdom and good counsel. My they always know and put into practice the true common good, being particularly concerned and caring for those on the margins and those whose lives and livelihoods are threatened.

You have revealed to us in many ways your preferential option for the poor and the needy, even identifying yourself with the hungry and the thirsty; the sick and the alien; the naked and the imprisoned. My we imitate in every way possible your care and concern, your love and your mercy.

We ask this in your Holy Name. Amen

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

Our Lady & St. Rose Catholic Church

2300 N. 8th Street – Kansas City, Ks. 66101
Third Sunday In Lent
March 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.

It Could Happen to YOU: The Stinking Thinking of Blaming Others for Their Misfortune.

In today’s Gospel, Jesus preaches into some current events, the exact nature of which have been lost to history. They are events in which people are unexpectedly killed. People who woke up that day, not knowing it was their last. Jesus preaches against a common assumption that these misfortunes happened as God’s punishment for their sins. Our lives are more fragile than we would like to admit, and so if we can blame the victim we can also pretend that because nothing bad has happened to us, we are in God’s favor and thus safe. In the Church we might call this a sin of presumption, in Alcoholics Anonymous they would call it, “stinking thinking”.

Jesus calls us out of our stinking thinking when he reminds us, “if you do not repent, you shall all shall perish as they did.” Yes, it could happen to you too. To repent entails that we turn away from our sins and cultivate in our hearts sorrow that is grounded in a love that brings us closer to God and others. That’s the fig, God wants. While fear of God is the beginning of wisdom, God doesn’t want us to repent just because we fear death and Hell. That kind of repentance hinders our love for God and tempts us to cultivate a false sense of security by blaming others for their misfortunes. It is a way of self-justification that says, “that would never happen to me.” No, that is not the fruit God is seeking from us fig trees.

Jesus reminds us that our lives are fragile and bad things sometimes happen. After death, we can no longer repent, and so the time is now. We should not presume membership on God’s team protects us from harm or gives us a hall pass to sin by deferring repentance. It is as St. Paul warns us, “whoever thinks he is standing secure should take care not to fall.” (1 Cor: 12)
Deacon Bill Scholl

- 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
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Young Disciples In Training
Contact Anthony Marie Johnson

Adult Choir Rehearsal
9:30am Sundays

Join In And Sing**Devotional:**

BB # 431 –There's A Wideness In God's Mercy

Processional Song:

LMGM 598 – I Heard The Voice Of Jesus Say

Soulful Lenten Mass no gloria during Lent**The Liturgy Of The Word:****First Reading:**

BB-PG 86 – Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15

Responsorial:

BB-PG 86 Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11

Second Reading:

BB-PG 87 – 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12

Gospel Reading:

BB-PG 87 – Luke 13:1-9

Preparation Of The Gift

BB # 566 - O God, You Search Me

Holy, Holy, Holy: Soulful Lenten Mass

Memorial Acclamat.: Soulful Lenten Mass

Lord's Prayer: Soulful Lenten Mass

Amen Soulful Lenten Mass

Lamb Of God: Soulful Lenten Mass

Communion:

BB # 393 - Here I am, Lord

Recessional:

LMGM 743 – Come to Jesus

SACRAMEOF RECONCILIATION

Every Sunday Morning 10:15am

During Lent – Stations of the Cross at 10:15

*I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future.
(Luke 13:8-9)*

In today's Gospel, Jesus concludes his call to repentance with a parable about a barren fig tree. The owner of the tree, after three years without any fruit, decides to cut it down. The gardener intervenes, however: "Sir, leave it for this year also, and I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future. If not you can cut it down" (Luke 13:8-9). The crowd listening to this parable likely recalled that Israel was called "the vineyard of the Lord," which "yields its fruit in season" (Isaiah 5:7; Psalm 1:3). They knew God was looking for his people to bear fruit in good deeds, but Jesus reminded them that God was also willing to show patience to sinners. In his mercy, he would "cultivate" and "nourish" them while he delayed their day of reckoning.

We all know that God is patient, but we don't know when our day of reckoning will come. Look what happened to the Galilean Jews that Pilate killed (Luke 13:1-3). The people who heard of this tragedy asked Jesus what these victims had done to deserve such a fate. Were they being punished for their sin? Jesus refutes this logic and reminds his listeners that they were no greater sinners than anyone else. Instead, he warns, this tragedy should urge us *all* to repent.

God calls us not only to repent, but to "produce good fruits as evidence of [our] repentance" as well (Luke 3:8). This fruitfulness lies at the heart of Lent: *Repent and be faithful to the gospel*. The good news is that we are not left to bear fruit on our own. Jesus, our faithful Gardener, is here to help us face the areas of our lives that need repentance. He will tend the soil of our hearts, prune the branches that lead us to sin, and pour out his grace to help us grow.

"Thank you, Lord, for helping me to repent of my sins and bear fruit!"

The Word Among Us**Weekly Stewardship 3/16/2025**

Collected	Collected Fiscal
\$ 1,084.00	\$ 63,996.00
Collected Online	Collected Online
\$ 465.00	\$ 14,797.00
Needed Weekly	Needed YTD
\$ 3,100.00	\$ 105,400.00
Difference	Difference YTD
\$- 1,551.00	\$- 26,607.00

Capital Improvement YTD \$835.00

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Family Faith Formation: Empowering parents to be faith leaders! Sunday School reimagined for today's families.

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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
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.

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

Pray for the soul of Reba Mitchell who passed March 4th. A memorial service is being held at Highland Park Mortuary 41st & State Ave on March 31st at 9:30am.

SUPPORT THE CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION

March 30th is the collection for the Catholic Relief Services. There are many challenges facing our world and we ask you to pray and stand in solidarity with the poor and marginalized, both here in the US and around the globe.