

### 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.



### Lectors for Sundays

**April 12th – Divine Mercy**  
Marilyn Baker

**April 19th – 3rd Sunday of Easter** - Franchiel Nyakatura

**April 26th – 4th Sunday of Easter** - Loetta Johnson

### Eucharistic Ministers

**April 5th thru April 26th**  
Marilyn Baker and Sr. Therese

**May 3rd thru May 31st**  
Jeanna Thatcher and Tanya Selectman

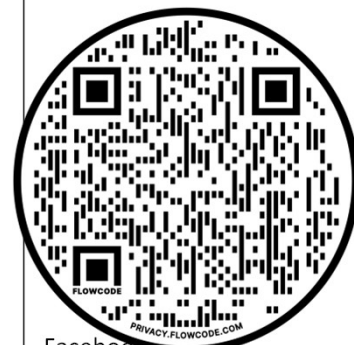
OLSR needs you to be a Eucharistic Minister. Please contact Barbara at the church office or speak with Deacon Bill after Mass

Our Lady & St. Rose Catholic Church  
2300 N. 8<sup>th</sup> St.  
Kansas City, KS 66101  
Sunday Mass 11a

- 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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Adult Choir Rehearsal  
9:30am Sundays

### WE NEED YOUR HELP Mobilizing Our People Power for JUSTICE

Homelessness, Affordable Housing, Helping Seniors stay in their Homes, these are the issues OLSR is working on as part of Churches United for Justice. We've got a smart plan, but the Unified Government is only going to do something if we show them the people are behind it.

**We need volunteers to help us call parishioners and friends to get our people to attend the NEHEMIAH ACTION,** which happens on Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm at St. Patrick's in KCK. Last year we only brought 14, this year we've promised at least 40.

**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 - Lila Johnson  
Willetta Madison - Kathy Ness  
Levita Ross - Frances Smith**

Dear Friends,

St. Peter teaches in the second reading (1 Pt. 1:3-9) today (Divine Mercy Sunday) that the goal of our faith is "the salvation of our souls" (cf. 1 Pt. 1:9). The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* defines salvation as "the forgiveness of sins and restoration of friendship with God, which can be done by God alone" (*Glossary*, cf. CCC 169).

St. Paul puts it this way:

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not from you; it is the gift of God; it is not from works, so no one may boast. For we are his handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance, that we should live in them (Eph. 2:8-10). We are saved by faith, a gift from God by which we are able to give ourselves totally to God and to assent to the truth (all of it!) he has revealed in Jesus Christ.

Our act of faith must be both honest and courageous. A great model of honest and courageous faith is given to us in today's Gospel (Jn. 20:19-31) in the person of St. Thomas, the apostle. After making the mistake of separating himself from the community of believers and thus missing the appearance of the Risen Lord, Thomas is honest enough to admit his struggle to believe. However, having restored his friendship and communion with the other apostles, he goes beyond what they have confessed to recognize in the Risen Lord that he is indeed both Lord and God. His honesty led to this courageous leap of faith.

St. Peter calls the salvation won for us in Christ Jesus a "great mercy" (1 Pt. 1:3). St. Paul puts it this way: "But God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ (by grace you have been saved)" (Eph. 2: 4-5). St. Thomas Aquinas, writing in his masterpiece the *Summa Theologiae* (II-II, q.30, a.4), reminds us that "just as the work of Creation is a manifestation of God's omnipotence, so his new Creation is an expression of his mercy" (*Navarre Bible Commentary: Catholic Epistles*, p. 88).

Today, we celebrate this great mercy won for us by Jesus in his life, passion, death, resurrection, and ascension. May we share this good news of Divine Mercy and our salvation with all the world.

Pax, SWS

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

BB NBR 407 – There Is A Wideness In God's Mercy

**ProceSSIONAL Song:**

BB NBR 190 –He Is Risen

**The Liturgy Of The Word:****First Reading:**

BB-PG 141 – Acts 2 vs 42-47

**Responsorial**

BB-PG 141- Psalm 118 vs 2-4, 13-15, 22-24

**Second Reading:**

BB-PG 142 – 1 Peter 1 vs 3-9

**Gospel Reading:**

BB-PG 142 – John 20 vs 19-31

**Preparation Of The Gifts:**

BB NBR 518 - All Is Well With My Soul

**Holy, Holy, Holy:** Celtic

**Memorial Accla.:** Celtic

**Lord's Prayer:** Celtic

**Amen** Celtic

**Lamb Of God:** Celtic

**Communion:**

BB NBR 183 – Ye Sons And Daughters

**Recessional Song:**

BB NBR 572 – Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Every Sunday Morning 10:15am

**... in his great mercy. (1 Peter 1:3)**

As he opens his letter, St. Peter blesses God, whose "great mercy" has given us "a new birth" (1 Peter 1:3). On this Divine Mercy Sunday, let's look at some of the blessings that God's mercy has won for us.

*A living hope (1 Peter 1:3).* Jesus, risen in glory, has opened heaven! We aren't doomed to a life of hopelessness marked by sin and death. Now freed from these forces, we can live every day in the sure knowledge that the God of heaven is walking with us. We can know a living hope that assures us that we can be "transformed . . . from glory to glory" as we stay connected to him (2 Corinthians 3:18).

*An inheritance that is imperishable (1 Peter 1:4).* Just as parents leave their children an inheritance, Jesus has left one for us—an imperishable one. Silver and gold, valuable though they may be, can give us only earthly security. But Jesus has left us with the gifts of faith, hope, and love, and these last forever (1 Corinthians 13:13). They sustain us and lift us up in good times and in bad, in plenty and in need. They bind us to the God who loves us without end.

*A salvation that is ready to be revealed in the final time (1 Peter 1:5).* We often look at divine mercy as a gift for today, but God takes a longer view as well. He promises that in "the final time," at the very end, he has a great salvation waiting for us. As we enter into eternity, "we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is" (1 John 3:2). All pain, suffering, temptation, sadness, and sin will be wiped away, and we will enter the new creation to live forever in the presence of the Lord.

A living hope. An imperishable inheritance. A final salvation. Our God is merciful beyond compare. May we never cease to praise him!

***"Jesus, my Savior, I am in awe of your overflowing mercy!"***

***The Word Among Us***

**Weekly Stewardship 04/05/2026**

Collected	Collected Fiscal
\$ 2,449.00	\$ 63,226.00
Collected Online	Collected Online
\$ 970.00	\$ 17,987.00
Needed Weekly	Needed YTD
\$ 3,100.00	\$ 114,700.00
Difference	Difference YTD
\$- 319.00	\$- 33,487.00

Capital Improvement YTD \$ 705.65

To make contributions online  
go to **Our Lady & St. Rose:**  
<https://www.osvhub.com/ourladyandsaintrose/giving/funds>

**The Special Intention of Pope Leo XIV**

Dear Father,  
Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

**NEW HOME FOR YOUR ONLINE GIFTS!!!!**

If we have an email address in your parishioner profile, you should have received an email with the link to the new **OSV online giving portal**. Please create a new account and follow the steps given. If you have not received the email, just go to [ourladyandstaintrose.org](http://ourladyandstaintrose.org) and click on the icon that says Online Giving by OSV. As of February 22 the WeShare online giving portal was closed.

**Lenten - Beatitudes from the Heartland**

This survey is to gather information related to Lenten series participation. This series is intended to encourage all Catholics to deepen their engagement in their faith and parish. Please consider joining a small group within our church community. Here is the link to the form

[Or scan the QR code below with your mobile phone. Thank you.](#)

