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Cathedral Christmas Schedule

Christmas Eve: 2:30 pm, 5:00 pm,
Midnight (prelude music begins at 11 pm)

Christmas Day: 10 am



Daily Mass

12:15 pm Monday through Friday
(Livestream)

Weekend Mass Schedule

SATURDAY: *[Fulfills Sunday Obligation]*
2:30 p.m.

SUNDAY:

9 a.m., 11 a.m. (Livestream), 8 p.m.

Reconciliation Schedule

TUESDAY and THURSDAY: 11:30 a.m. to
12:00pm

SATURDAY: 1:30 p.m. to 2:15 pm

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after the 12:15 Mass until 2:00 PM

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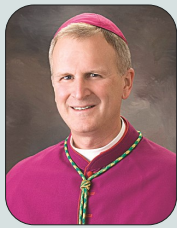
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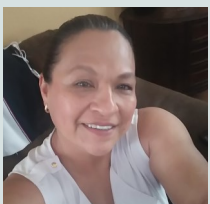
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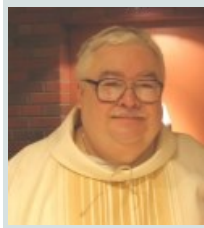
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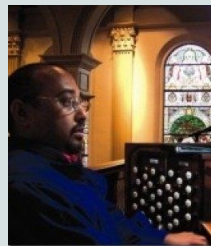
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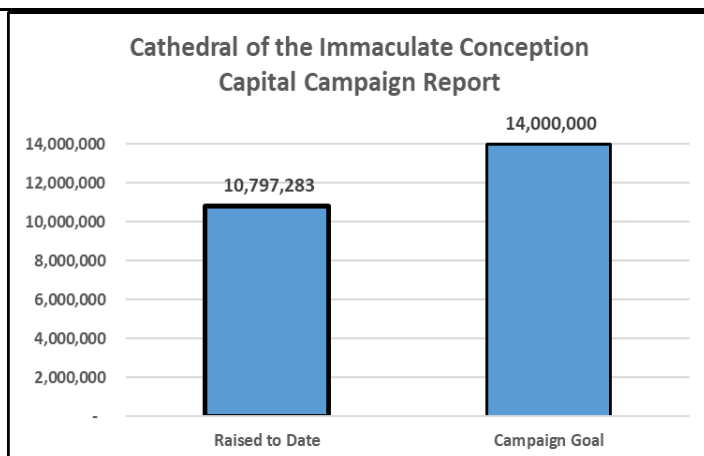
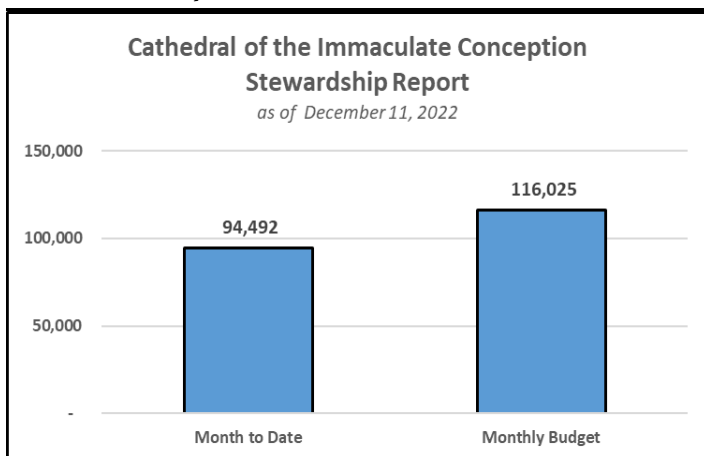


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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 17

2:30 pm +James Stark

Sunday, December 18

9:00 am + Salvatore Privitera– by family

11:00 am For the Sick

8:00 pm For Members of the Cathedral Parish

Weekday - 12:15 p.m.

Mon 19 St. Padre Pio to intercede for the Diocese of Kansas City– St Joseph– by Ramona

Tues 20 +Bob Easton —by Gary Holt

Wed 21 All affected by depression and anxiety

Thurs 22 +Mark Holt—by Gary Holt

Fri 23 Ron & Vicky Hernandez– by Murillo family

The small + denotes one who is deceased

CATHEDRAL CALENDAR December

Sun 17	4:30 pm Wedding: Parker New/ Caroline Green. Congratulations!
Mon 19	5:00 - 7:00 pm Cathedral Community Monthly Meal at Yard House. 6:00 - 10:00 pm Christmas Decorating
Wed 21	6:30 pm & 9:00 pm FeverUp Candlelight concerts The Cathedral is the venue host, not the event organizer. Tickets at this link: https://feverup.com/m/111136
Thurs 22	6:30 pm & 9:00 pm FeverUp Candlelight concerts The Cathedral is the venue host, not the event organizer. Tickets at this link: https://feverup.com/m/111136
Fri 23	Parish Office Closed 4:30 pm YouTube Live with Fr. Paul https://www.youtube.com/c/CathedraloftheImmaculateConceptionKC 6:00 pm Finish Christmas decorating
Sat 24	2:30 pm Christmas Eve Mass 5:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass 11:00 pm Prelude Music
Sun 25	Midnight Mass –Bishop Johnston Presider 10:00 am Christmas Day Mass



Come help decorate the Cathedral for Christmas

MONDAY, DECEMBER 19
6 PM - 10 PM





All are invited to our December
Cathedral Community
Monthly Meal

Monday, December 19, 2022
5 pm to 7 pm at Yard House
(1300 Main Street, KC MO 64105)

Join Fr. Paul Turner and members of the
Cathedral community to celebrate the
season.

Food will be available for purchase.
Visit yardhouse.com to view the menu
and Happy Hour specials.

RSVP to Michelle Reichart at
mreichart@kcgolddome.org



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Daily Reflections for Advent

Visit the Cathedral's YouTube channel for a new video reflection each day of Advent.

Reflections have been adapted from "Daybreaks: Daily Reflections for Advent and Christmas" by Fr. Paul Turner and will be shared by members of our Cathedral community.



Find us on YouTube at
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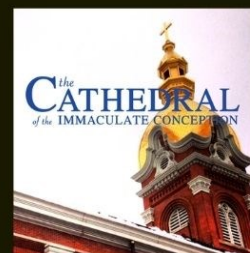
Join the Cathedral's Scripture Study

THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE BIBLE

Beginning January 3, 2023



Scripture Study meets on Tuesdays at 6:30 pm. Participants may join in person at the Cathedral or via Zoom. Contact Deacon Steve Livingston for details at slivingston@kcgolddome.org.





God's Signs

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 7:10–14

For Christians, the most famous prophecy of Isaiah is this: “The virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel.”

Isaiah spoke these words to a king worried about the future of his dominion. God invited Ahaz to ask for a sign of favor, but Ahaz refused. In so many words, Ahaz did not want to put God to any trouble. Isaiah, exasperated, tells the king that God will give him a sign anyway. Whether or not Ahaz wants one, God will give a sign.

The sign Isaiah promises is a child born to a young woman. The child will be given a name that would carry a message to the king and his people: Emmanuel. God is with us.

When Matthew wrote about the birth of Jesus in the first chapter of his Gospel, he said it fulfilled this prophecy from Isaiah. Jesus is the sign that God is with us. The young woman, his mother Mary, conceived the child while remaining a virgin.

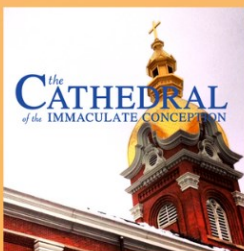
Where in the world do people not want to trouble God? How can you bring them a sign of comfort? No matter how impossible the situation might be, God is with us.



ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Thank you to those who have already made a gift to the 2023 Catholic Appeal. As you know, your support of the Appeal helps fund Ministries of the Diocese including supporting our parish on daily basis- especially as we continue to navigate the pandemic. If you have yet to make your gift this year, please consider giving in the next couple weeks as we try to reach our parish goal. Every gift makes a difference. You can make your gift online at www.kcstcatholic.org. Thank you for your support!

<https://kcsjcatholic.org/office/stewardship-and-development/annual-catholic-appeal/>



Happenings & Opportunities Throughout the Diocese

JOURNEY TO BETHANY

Journey to Bethany, with the help of survivors and members of the permanent diaconate, has created a new workshop, Trauma-Informed Care & Survivor-Centered Accompaniment. The dynamic, interactive experience includes topics such as principles of trauma-informed care, new research on the impact of trauma on the brain, and long-term impacts of trauma. An important component of the workshop is a role play exercise and discussion.

Education about trauma and its long-term effects is central to Journey to Bethany's work. This understanding helps us relate to all survivors and connect them with the resources that will help them find healing. If you would like us to present the workshop for your staff, deanery, parishioners or other group, contact Jennifer Prusa at jprusa@journeytobethany.org or 816.683.8999. To join our email list and receive notification of public offerings of this and other trainings, click CONTACT US at <https://www.journeytobethany.org/get-involved/>.

MY HOUSE WORKSHOP FOR MEN

February 23-25

A 3-day confidential, intensive for men striving to overcome and heal from unwanted sexual behaviors is geared to maximize investment of time and money by providing the equivalent of at least 8 months of individual therapy. It will enhance the work you might have started, or jump start your journey towards healing. Center for Healing, 816.786.6063, email admin@centerforhealingkc.com, or visit <https://centerforhealingkc.com/my-house/my-house-workshop>.

GABRIEL PROJECT ~ WALKING WITH MOMS IN NEED

Women facing an unplanned pregnancy often feel judged and alone, but it does not have to be that way. Visit www.respectlifekcsj.org to learn how your parish might offer support to women, babies, and families through the Gabriel Project program or the "Walking With Moms in Need" ministry.

RURAL LIFE & STEWARDSHIP OF CREATION MINISTRY

To learn how your parish, school, or faith-based organization can start a ministry dedicated to rural economic development and care for our common home, please visit www.humanrightskcsj.org or voboril@diocesekcsj.org or 816.714.2375.

FROM CONCEPTION ABBEY GUEST CENTER UPCOMING RETREAT LISTINGS

www.conceptionabbey.org/guests/ ~ guests@conception.edu

Annual New Year's Retreat

December 30, 2022 – January 1, 2023

After all the activities of Christmas, allow yourself a pause to spend a few days in quiet and prayer as you contemplate the coming of a New Year. This retreat will help you reflect on how to set spiritual commitments for the upcoming year and will challenge and invite you to look at ways to go deeper in your journey of faith. Prayers with the monastic community, a holy hour, and the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will all be part of this time away at Conception Abbey.

Icon Retreat

January 13-15, 2023

Learn how to read and discover all the beautiful and prayerful messages written in each

icon. Then prayerfully discover how to use these sacramental images as a means to prayer and reflection. Each person will go home with numerous icons and a booklet to help them continue learning.

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families.

Please contact Whitney True-Francis, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 816.392.0011 or true.francis@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

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Morning Glory Ministries

December 18, 2022 by Tom Turner,



Loving & Serving the Homeless of Kansas City

Signs, Signs, Everywhere A Sign

During the week at Morning Glory, people who are homeless receive help with clothing, hygiene products and personal identification (birth certificates and State ID). The staff interview them for their needs and, for record-keeping purposes, we ask them their name and date of birth.

My co-workers and I have noticed an inordinate number of people we interview that were born on December 25th. Whenever someone in need gives their birthday as Christmas, my mind quickly makes a connection between their poverty, the birth of Jesus and Jesus saying that he identifies with the poor, "whatever you do to the least you do to me." For my co-workers and me, it's a small sign of the presence of God.

The first reading this weekend begins with God telling Ahaz, "**Ask for a sign.**" The prophet Isaiah in this reading declares that the sign of God's presence will be "a virgin conceiving a son who will be named Emmanuel."

A more formal word for a sign from God is a "*hierophany*," which literally means a "manifestation of the sacred." Most likely, you have had times in your life where you experienced a *hierophany*, where something happened that to you was clearly a sign of God's presence.

In the Gospel reading this Sunday we'll hear of Joseph having a hierophany when he experienced the presence of God in a dream. During the Christmas season in the Scripture readings at Mass, we will hear of others who experienced hierophanies: shepherds, wise men, Simeon and Anna.

The Christmas season is a good time to take God up on his challenge to Ahaz and "ask for a sign" that God is near. That sign may be something small and subtle, or large and obvious.

Ask for it, and then, look for it.



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