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**Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception - Expansion**  
416 W 12th Street, Kansas City, MO

## CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

### July 19, 2023

**OWNER:** Diocese of Kansas City - St. Joseph

**ARCHITECT:** SFS Architecture

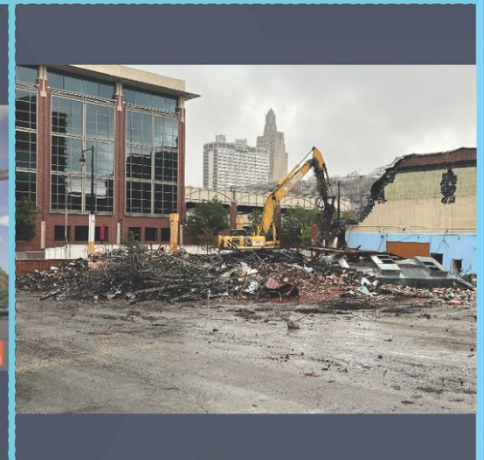
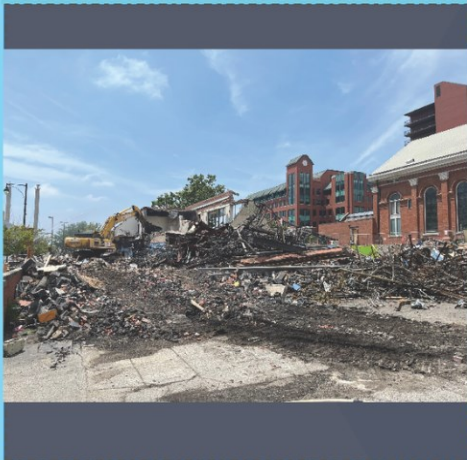
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### CURRENT PROGRESS

-Started Demolition of Morning Glory Ministries

### 4 WEEK LOOK AHEAD

- Complete demolition of Morning Glory Ministries.
- Start mass excavation and site grading.
- Set new transformers and permanent power.



# Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception



### **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

### **Cathedral Office**

Mon-Fri: 9:00 am-3:00pm

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Eucharistic adoration every First Friday  
after the 12:15 Mass until 2:00 PM

### **Prayer List**

**Pam Guerra,**

**Peter Susberich.**

Each week we will be publishing a list of names of those who have asked for prayers. To put your name in the weekly bulletin for 2023, please contact Adriana Mears.

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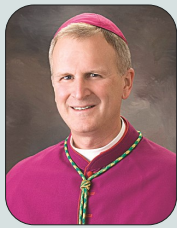
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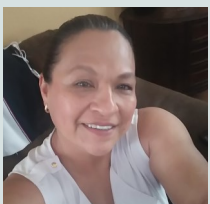
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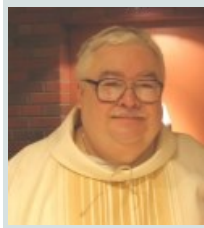
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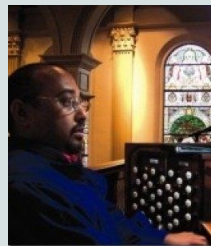
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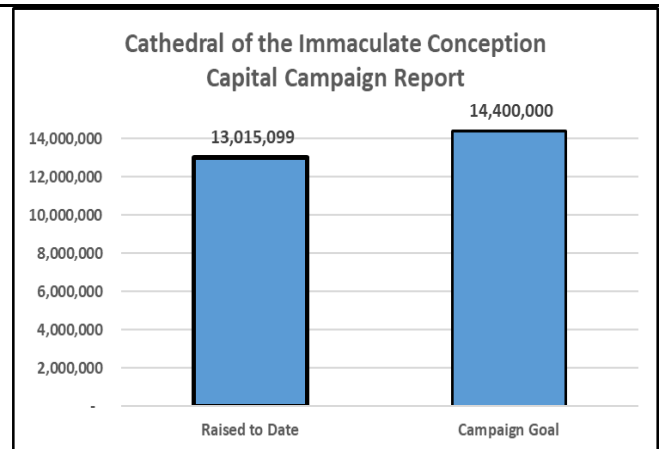
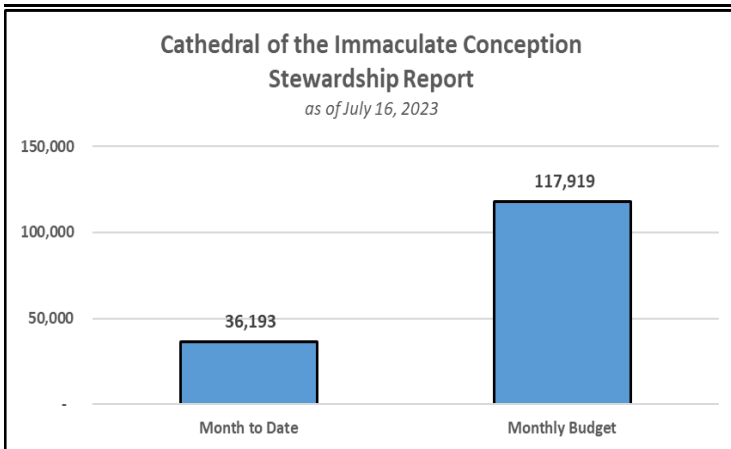


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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, July 29**

2:30 pm + Rick Jennings

**Sunday, July 30**

9:00 am Steven Christopher—Wellness

11:00 am + Antonia Diaz– by Morales family

8:00 pm For Members of the Cathedral Parish

**Weekday - 12:15 p.m.**

Mon 31 + Fr. John Joseph McCormack

Tues 1 Suanez– Muro Family– Healing & Peace

Wed 2 + Rosamma Kadookunnel

Thurs 3 For the Sick

Fri 4 All affected by depression & anxiety

*The small + denotes one who is deceased*

**CATHEDRAL CALENDAR  
July**

Sat 29	**** <b>Happy Birthday Mario Pearson****</b> 4:30 pm Wedding: Anthony Meis/ Shannon Brouk. Congratulations!
Sun 30	10:00 am Knights of Columbus fifth Sunday Rosary
Mon 31	6:30 pm RCIA 6:30 pm Pastoral Council
Tues 1	6:30 pm Bible Study- The Bible Timeline
Wed 2	**** <b>Happy Birthday John Kraus*****</b> 12:15 pm Funeral Mass for John Hanis
Thurs 3	Diocesan of Prayer for Farm Animals
Fri 4	1:00—2:00 pm First Friday Adoration 4:30 pm YouTube Live with Fr. Paul <a href="https://www.youtube.com/c/CathedraloftheImmaculateConceptionKC">https://www.youtube.com/c/ CathedraloftheImmaculateConceptionKC</a> 5:30 pm Wedding Rehearsal
Sat 5	4:30 pm Wedding: Travis Lueger/ Mary Frances Donnelly. Congratulations!
Sun 6	9:00 am Reception into the Full Com- munion of the Catholic Church for Jay Weisbrod. Congratulations! 12:15 pm Catholics and Coffee

GOLDEN WEDDING  
ANNIVERSARY MASS



*The Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on Sunday, August 27, 2023, at 11:00 AM Mass. Bishop James Johnston will preside at the mass honoring the Golden Wedding couples. A card and gift will be presented to each couple. The event is for the couples and their immediate family (limit of 10). The celebration includes those couples whose 50th Wedding Anniversary falls between January 1, 2023 and December 31, 2023.*

*Due to the construction, there will be no reception this year, but small treat bag will be presented to each of the jubilee couples in attendance.*

Please call Adriana Mears at the parish office so that you can be acknowledged. 816-842-0416 ext 124, You will be acknowledged even if you can not attend the event.

# Pastoral Associate

## Job Type

Full Time

## Description

### Position Objective

The Pastoral Associate at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception will assist the pastor with administrative and pastoral duties, serve as a member of the parish staff, provide leadership and consultation for various groups, committees and processes in the parish. This position will collaborate in or direct a variety of aspects of parish life such as the faith formation team, RCIA, sacramental preparation, adult faith development, evangelization, the stewardship council with volunteerism and the annual auction, senior adults, women's spirituality, young adult ministry, sacramental records, substitute priests and social media. The position is full-time based upon 40 hours per week.

### Essential Duties

- Plan and prepare events or series for adult faith formation.
- Collaborate with Young Adult group for regularly-scheduled functions.
- Develop school-year based faith formation for children and youth.
- Direct a variety of aspects of parish life and sacramental preparation, which includes RCIA, adult confirmation, First Communion, Baptism, and Marriage preparation.

## Requirements

### Skills

- Set priorities and organize work effectively and efficiently.
- Display strong verbal and written communication skills.
- Build collaborative relationships.
- Build constructive working relationships with diverse groups of people.
- Exhibit strong teaching methods in Catechesis and discipleship principles.

### Qualifications

- Required:
  - Bachelor's Degree in Theology or equivalent experience and education.
  - 5 years' experience in Pastoral Ministry.
  - Basic proficiency in Microsoft Office.
  - Practicing Catholic with ethical standards, personal integrity, and conduct consistent with the morals and teachings of the Catholic Church; includes faithful obedience to the Magisterium.
  - Proficiency in the use and management of digital and social media.
- Preferred
  - Fluency in more than one language, as well as English (both verbal and cultural competency).

The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception offers a comprehensive benefits program, including medical, dental and vision plans, STD/LTD fully paid by the employer, retirement plans including a 403b plan and a defined benefit pension plan. Paid time off includes generous Vacation and Sick leaves, plus paid Holidays.

Apply <https://recruiting.paylocity.com/Recruiting/Jobs/Details/1778974>

# Maintenance Supervisor

## Job Type

Full Time

## Description

### Summary:

The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Kansas City, Missouri is seeking a full-time Maintenance Supervisor. This person will be responsible for the effective, efficient, and safe maintenance, renovation and upkeep of the parish buildings and grounds. This position is full time and will average 40 hours per week.

### Duties:

- Maintain, renovate, restore and see to the upkeep of buildings' mechanical, plumbing and electrical systems.
- Perform semi-skilled carpentry, plumbing, electrical and other minor repair work.
- Maintain grounds by mowing, pruning and ice and snow removal with ground equipment.
- Maintain inventory of supplies.
- Engage and supervise outside contractors.

## Requirements

### Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

- Collaborate with coworkers and parishioners
- Communicate professionally verbally and written
- Complete work accurately with strong attention to detail
- Lift up to 50 pounds; work safely from ladder; stand and walk majority of shift
- Work independently with occasional oversight

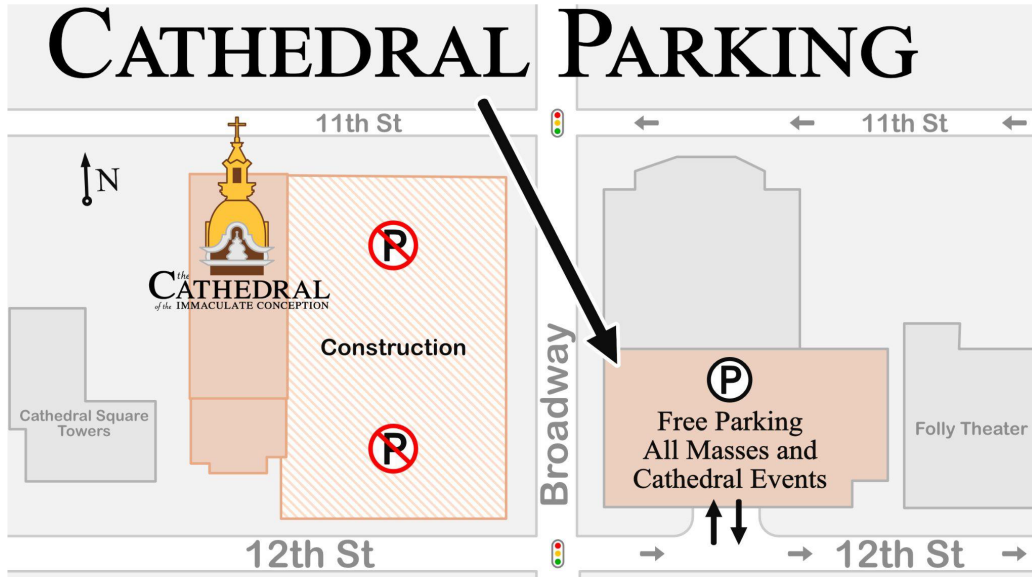
### Qualifications

- Strong understanding of general maintenance practices.
- Must possess general maintenance skills such as spackling, painting, carpentry, plumbing, boiler maintenance, and light electrical.
- Familiarity with the Catholic understanding of ministry is an asset.

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Note: All employees are required to consent to a background check, commit to our Code of Conduct policy, and complete online and in-person trainings prior to hire.

Apply <https://recruiting.paylocity.com/Recruiting/Jobs/Details/1778470>



## Parking Barcode for July



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1. **Free parking** is available in the **parking garage** east of **Broadway on 12th Street**. *You will need a barcode to exit.* The barcode will be distributed when you visit the Cathedral and is also available on the [Cathedral Website](#). The barcode *will change every month*.
2. Attendees can pull out a parking ticket any time to get into the garage when the gates are down. Then you need to use the barcode to get out. The machine will display instructions: scan the barcode first, then insert the original ticket. If you display the code on your phone, it should let you out. If you try to print the barcode out in advance, please make sure you are using a high resolution printer, like a laser jet. It would be best to print the barcode on heavy stock paper.
3. The bar codes can be used **as many times as needed during the month**, so pick up a code at the first service you attend. Then hang on to that code for the rest of the month and you won't have to get replacements. When you get the code for the next month, dispose of the old one. Replacements are available online and at the Cathedral.
4. On high activity Bartle Hall Event days when MidCon staffs the garage entries, you need only tell the attendant that you are there for a church event and you will be let in free.
5. If the garage fills up, you will be directed to the Ten Central Garage at 10<sup>th</sup> & Broadway where you will also be allowed to park for free.
6. If **riding a bike**, racks will be available soon. For now, please park in the vestibule.



# ***Assistive Listening Devices***



The Cathedral has a limited number of assistive listening devices available for those who have difficulty hearing the audio during Mass. Please visit the sacristy before Mass to borrow a device from the sacristan. You are encouraged to bring your own headphones to plug into the unit. Kindly return it to the sacristy following Mass.



# KNOWING WHAT IS RIGHT

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
1 KINGS 3:5, 7-12

The beginning of wisdom is its absence. When we reach inside ourselves and realize what we do not have, we start the journey to attain what we need.

When we speak about someone having “the wisdom of Solomon,” we mean he or she is wise beyond measure. Solomon won that wisdom by first acknowledging he was not smart enough to do the job God had given him to do.

Solomon’s father was David, the greatest of the kings. Solomon followed him while still a youth. He was placed in charge of numerous people. Solomon, not wishing to disappoint God, feared that he lacked the skills necessary for the task. So he asked God for wisdom to tell right from wrong.

Another leader would have asked for a long life and personal gain, or for riches and personal pleasure, or for the death of enemies and the removal of fear. But Solomon realized he needed something much more practical for the people he was to lead: the wisdom to know right from wrong.

When we face a decision, the first step may be to acknowledge we do not know the answer. We ask God not for personal gain, but for the gift of knowing what is the right thing to do. That will bring peace.

## Happenings & Opportunities Throughout the Diocese



**Save the Date**  
September 22-24, 2023

Rekindle the love and joy, the hopes and dreams that you and your spouse cherished on your wedding day by attending the next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter**.

*"It was amazing! The most fruitful weekend my wife and I have ever had. Do whatever it takes and schedule yours now!" - Bruce R.*

Visit [www.WWME.org](http://www.WWME.org) or scan the QR code for registration & information!



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](mailto: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](mailto:true.francis@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.



**Matrimony:** A calling to forgive! "Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope."

Upcoming Retrouvaille weekend September 1-3.

Retrouvaille offers a welcoming and loving space to couples who have been living with the misery of a failing marriage. Retrouvaille offers hope: hope that it is not too late, hope of a different and better marriage. Retrouvaille helps couples to show each other mercy through the opportunities it provides to listen, to forgive, to be reconciled and to move into their futures believing that God loves them and with His help and their efforts, their marriages can be healed and restored. Retrouvaille provides help for marriage problems/difficulties/crises. For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact registration team: [Local Telephone @ 800-470-2230](tel:800-470-2230) or visit our website: [HelpOurMarriage.com](http://HelpOurMarriage.com)

Blessings,

Frank and Marci

#### **EYEGLASS EXAM AND EYEGLASS COLLECTION – AUGUST 12th**

Catholic Charities is partnering with the Lions Club to host back-to-school eyeglass exams. You are invited to sign-up for an eye exam or donate your previous eyeglasses that will be cleaned and refurbished. The event will take place at Catholic Charities of Kansas City – St. Joseph located at 4001 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard, Suite 250, KC, 64130.

<https://catholiccharities-kcsj.org/free-eye-exam-and-free-eye-glasses/>.

#### **COMMUNION MINISTER TRAINING, AUGUST 16**

Deacon Doug Warrens will lead the training of communion ministers at St. John LaLande Parish on Wednesday, August 16, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. New and experienced ministers are welcome. Please contact Adriana Mears at the parish office if you would like to attend.

## August 3: Blessing of Farm Animals

### New Diocesan Day of Prayer

*“Animals are our companions on Earth, be they house pets, domesticated livestock or wild creatures. We receive much from them: comfort, protection and wonder, as well as labor, food and clothing. So we ask God to help us remember our dependence on these creatures, great and small, and to make us wise enough to care properly for all animals: they too reveal God’s loving presence.”* (catholicrurallife.org)

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph has established a new day of prayer, based on Catholic traditions of Rogation days and rooted in biblical respect for all life given by our Creator. In spring our Diocesan Day of Prayer sought God’s blessing on the plants of the earth and those who nurture them. We blessed seeds, preparing for the growing season: “At Seedtime” (Feb. 4).

As summer moves towards fall and state fairs happen, we ask blessing for the animals of the earth --- especially those who provide nourishment for our tables and are part of human agriculture. On Thursday, August 3, our Diocesan Day of Prayer: “Blessing of Farm Animals” will take place at a farm near Nevada, Missouri and at Jerusalem Farms 520 Garfield Ave, Kansas City, Mo 64124 at 7:00 PM.

On the reverse side is a prayer service for individuals and groups blessing animals, whether agricultural, domestic, or wild. People can bring animals, or plan to gather where the animals are: barn, field, pasture or yard. This service is taken from the following:

- Book of Blessings, ‘Order of Blessing for Animals’, ‘Order of Blessing for Fields & Flocks’
- Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers, ‘St. Francis Blessing of Animals’
- Catholic Rural Life, (catholicrurallife.org) ‘October: Blessing of Animals’
- Laudato Si’ (Pope Francis), paragraphs 66-69

*“If the farmer is blessed with a good harvest, the city dweller has plenty of good food; if the city dweller makes a living wage, he or she can buy the farmer’s food. It is this universal dependence of the members of Christ’s Body on one another that makes the blessing of the farmer a blessing also for the city dweller. It is faith that traces the origin of good food beyond the...grocery store to the shipper---beyond the shipper to the farmers whose job it is to produce food, and beyond the farmer to God the Creator.... So it is fitting for the man or woman in the city...as well as the farmer in the little rural church to pray together....”* (Family Sacramentals: Walter Sullivan, O.S.B.)

**Hear our humble prayer, O God, for our friends the animals, your creatures.**

**We pray especially for all that are suffering in any way:**

**for the overworked and underfed, the hunted, lost or hungry;**

**for all in captivity or ill-treated, and for those that must be put to death.**

**For those who deal with them we ask a heart of compassion,  
gentle hands, and kindly words.**

**Make us all true friends to animals and worthy followers of our merciful Savior,  
Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*(Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers)*



## Blessing of Farm Animals

**Introduction:** The animals of God's creation inhabit the skies, the earth, and the sea. They share in the fortunes of human existence and have a part in human life. God, who confers his gifts on all living things, has often used the service of animals or made them symbolic reminders of the gifts of salvation.

Animals were saved from the flood and afterwards made a part of the covenant with Noah (Genesis 9:9-10). The paschal lamb brings to mind the Passover sacrifice and the deliverance from the bondage of Egypt (Exodus 12:3-14); a giant fish saved Jonah (Jonah 2:1-11); ravens brought bread to Elijah (1 Kings 17:6); animals were included in the repentance enjoined on humans (Jonah 3:7).

Animals share in Christ's redemption of all of God's creation. We therefore invoke the divine blessing on these animals. As we do so, let us praise the Creator and thank him. Let us also ask that, remembering our human dignity, we may always walk in God's law.

**Scripture Reading** (suggestions)

Gen 1:1, 20-28    Deuteronomy 32: 10c-14    Gen 6:17-23    Gen 1:1, 11-12, 29-31a  
Job 12:7-10    Isaiah 11:6-10    Daniel 3:57-88, 56    Matthew 6:25-34    Mark 4:26-29

**Psalms Response** (Ps 148:5-7, 9-13) **Response:** Praise the Lord from the earth, all you creatures of God.

- Let them praise the Lord's name, for he commanded, and they were created; assigned them their station forever, set an order that will never change. **R.**
- Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea monsters and all the deeps of the sea; mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars; animals wild and tame, creatures that crawl and birds that fly. **R.**
- Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all who govern on earth; young men and women too, old and young alike. Let them all praise the Lord's name, for his name alone is exalted; his majesty is above earth and heaven. **R.**

**Intercessions** **Response:** Let us bless the Lord.

- Blessed are you, O Lord, who offered your Son to us as the paschal lamb and in him willed that we should be called and should truly be your children. **R.**
- Blessed are you, O Lord, through your lowliest creatures ceaselessly drawing us toward your love. **R.**
- Blessed are you, O Lord, who gave us food from animals to replenish our energies. **R.**
- Blessed are you, O Lord, who for the sake of comfort give us domestic animals as companions. **R.**
- Blessed are you, O Lord, who show us a sign of your providence by caring for the birds of the air. **R.**

**Closing Blessing** (All are invited to gather around the animals to be blessed.)

Blessed are you, Lord our God, for you have made all things well. You have given us innocent companions on our life journey, animals wild and tame. They are wonderful in all their variety of shapes, sizes and abilities. We marvel at their beauty, which draws us closer to You who make them.

Keep them thriving and able to carry out what Your law intends for them. Let us never see them as only for trade or profit, but always as creatures of Your wisdom. Bless these animals with us now and all the creatures throughout Your good earth. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Song suggestions:** *"All Creatures of our God and King"* (text by St. Francis of Assisi); *"All Things Bright and Beautiful"*; *"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"*