



# Saint John Paul II Parish

## Olathe, Kansas

**Weekend Mass: Saturday Vigil 4:00pm Sunday 8:30am & 10:30am**  
at Madison Place Elementary School (16651 S Warwick, Olathe, KS 66062)

**Weekday Mass: Tuesday-Friday 7:00am**  
at Cedar Lake Village Worship & Life Center (15325 S Lone Elm Rd, Olathe KS 66061)

**Website: [www.jp2kc.org](http://www.jp2kc.org) Email: [office@jp2kc.org](mailto:office@jp2kc.org) Social Media: @jp2kc**

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Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00am-2:00pm

*Saint John Paul II Catholic Church is called to open doors to Jesus Christ through authentic witness in the home, joyful hope in worship, and fruitful service to our neighbors, offering the opportunity not to have more but to be more.*

## October 13-14 & 20-21 2018

### Message from Fr. Andrew

As you drive by our corner of 167th street and Ridgeview, you'll notice a new sign and some white crosses for October. October is Respect Life Month. As a parish, we are blessed with a patron saint in John Paul II that was a fearless and loving defender of the dignity of every human life from conception to natural death. The sign on our corner reminds everyone passing by to "Pray for Life." The defense of life is first of all a spiritual endeavor. We are made body and soul. Each person has a beginning point and no ending point. We are made for eternity. Our prayers are needed in the defense of the human person, especially to aid children yet to be born. The white crosses on the corner represent a "Cemetery for the Innocent." The value of each life is incalculable. Jesus gave His life on the cross for each of us. The intentional taking of innocent life is an offense that must be mourned and fought. We are called to pray especially for mothers, fathers, and families who are also the victims of abortion. I am excited about the opening of the new Olathe Pregnancy Clinic that will be a beacon for the protection of life. They are located at 1313 E. Santa Fe Olathe, Ks 66061 just 2 blocks west of I-35 on Santa Fe in the Twin Trails Shopping Center. My hope is that our parish can be a great support for the new clinic. If you know someone who needs their support, please call 913-289-0100 or text 913-815-0434. You can find out more at [www.olathepregnancyclinic.org](http://www.olathepregnancyclinic.org). The proceeds from our October Baby Shower and the Knights of Columbus Pro-Life Sausage Sale will benefit the Olathe Pregnancy Clinic. I'm grateful to our parish Respect Life Committee, the Knights of Columbus, and the tremendous work of all you to cherish the most vulnerable among us. Saint John Paul II, pray for us! Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Unborn, pray for us!



Need Help?

Call 913-289-0100 or Text 913-815-0434  
1313 E. Santa Fe Olathe, KS 66061

### Quick Calendar

#### **OCTOBER - Knights of Columbus Baby Shower** **SAT Oct 13**

- ◆ Knights of Columbus Sausage - orders taken (page 1)
- ◆ St. Mary's Food Kitchen signups

#### **SUN Oct 14**

- ◆ Knights of Columbus Sausage Sale - orders taken (page 1)
- ◆ St. Mary's Food Kitchen signups
- ◆ St. John Paul II Mass for of Innocents 10:30am Mass (page 2)
- ◆ UNITE Faith Formation following 10:30am Mass - All are invited!

#### **TUES Oct 16**

- ◆ No Daily Mass at Cedar Lake Village

#### **WED-FRI Oct 17-19**

- ◆ No Daily Mass at Cedar Lake Village
- ◆ Parish Office Closed (Financial Peace classed will still occur)

#### **SUN Oct 21**

- ◆ JP2 High School Youth - Let God Transform You (page 1)

#### **FRI Oct 26**

- ◆ Serve at St. Mary's Food Kitchen

#### **SAT Oct 27**

- ◆ Knights of Columbus Sausage pre-order pickup (page 1)

#### **SUN Oct 28**

- ◆ Priesthood Sunday (page 4)
- ◆ Knights of Columbus Sausage pre-order pickup (page 1)
- ◆ Knights of Columbus Pancake breakfast (page 4)

### Knights of Columbus Baby Shower & Sausage Sale



During the month of October, the Knights will be collecting new and gently used baby items. Please place your donations in the play yard located in the hallway at Madison Place.

The Knights will also be taking orders for the famous Krisman's Sausage from Strawberry Hill. All proceeds will go help fund an ultrasound machine for the Olathe Pregnancy Center. Orders will be taken Oct. 13/14. Pick up will be on Oct 27/28 after all masses.

## PARISH INFORMATION

### REGISTERED FAMILIES

729

### NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome! Registration forms are available online at [jp2kc.org](http://jp2kc.org), at weekend Masses, or by emailing [office@jp2kc.org](mailto:office@jp2kc.org).

### CONFESSIONS

3:30-3:50pm Saturday evening and 7:30-8:15am Sunday morning in the Madison Place Elementary cafeteria.

### INFANT BAPTISM

Contact Jenna in the Parish Office to register for a baptismal preparation class and schedule a Baptism. Baptismal preparation class is required before a Baptism. Classes are held the first Sunday of each month and may be attended prior to the child's birth.

### MARRIAGE

The bride or groom should contact the Parish Office for an appointment with Fr. Andrew at least 6 months prior to an anticipated date. Weddings can't be scheduled before meeting with Fr. Andrew.

### FUNERAL

Direct your funeral home to contact the Parish Office to set up funeral and memorial service arrangements.

### SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCY

Call the Parish Office if you are in need of anointing, last rites, or emergency baptism. After office hours, the voicemail will direct you on next steps.

### MASS INTENTIONS

Masses may be offered for weekend and daily Masses. Please contact Jenna in the Parish Office prior to sending in any intentions. Suggested offering is \$10 per Mass.

### RCIA - BECOMING CATHOLIC

Classes are ongoing throughout the year. Contact Curtis, Director of Faith Formation, for information @ [curtiskeddy@jp2kc.org](mailto:curtiskeddy@jp2kc.org)

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

See the "Faith Formation" section of the Newsletter and website.

### NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Send to [office@jp2kc.org](mailto:office@jp2kc.org). Newsletter submissions are due 10 days prior to their potential run date. All submissions are subject to approval and are limited due to space availability.

## STEWARDSHIP

**Collections:** October 6-7, 2018

Envelope Collections	\$11,914.00
Faith Formation Financial Donations	117.00
Food Kitchen Financial Donations	100.00
Leaven Financial Donations	172.00

### 2018 Stewardship Pledges:

**As of October 8, 2018: 333 (45%)**

**Please help us reach 100%!**

Stewardship forms are available online at [jp2kc.org](http://jp2kc.org), at weekend Masses, or by email [office@jp2kc.org](mailto:office@jp2kc.org). Your response is appreciated, as it helps with our planning, budgeting, and parishioner engagement.

### Why stewardship?

*"It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." MARK 10:25*

Jesus uses tough language that we may not want to hear. But, we are all called to be generous with all our gifts. Not just the ones we pick and choose, but all our gifts: our time in prayer to God, our talent in participating in parish ministries and our treasure supporting our local parish and other charities.

**Be More**



### The Leaven Newspaper

The Leaven Newspaper is sent to every registered family of St. John Paul II Parish.

Our parish will pay **\$14,574** (\$21/family) this year.

Can you help us cover this cost by using the special envelop in your packet?

### WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Saturday</b>	Oct 13	4:00pm	† Joseph Rooney
<b>Sunday</b>	Oct 14	8:30am	For the People of the Parish
		10:30am	† Pregnancy & Infant Loss

### St. John Paul II Parish Mass of Innocents

On Sunday, Oct 14th at 10:30am Mass we will celebrate the lives of children who have been lost during pregnancy or early infancy. We invite you to be surrounded by the support from your Catholic family and hope to provide our church community with an understanding of our loss.

We will honor each child and invite you to include your child's name in our display. You can sign up your child or family before or after any of the weekend masses.

Hope Grows Here  
Be More

FINANCIAL *Peace*  
UNIVERSITY

St. John Paul II Parish is hosting *Hope Grows Here* - our Financial Peace University program.

Another class will be beginning soon. Contact the parish office to sign up at [office@jp2kc.org](mailto:office@jp2kc.org)

Questions? Email: [financialpeace@jp2kc.org](mailto:financialpeace@jp2kc.org). Costs should not be prohibitive, scholarships are available.

## PARISH FAITH FORMATION

### Live the Gospel this Week...

The readings today challenge each of us to examine our priorities. We have each heard the call of Jesus to follow Him, to trust Him in faith – but, like the rich man in the Gospel, it can be difficult (or impossible) to truly place Christ first in all things. We are so anxious! How many of us, if Christ stood before us and ordered us to *sell all that we have and give the money away*, would do so immediately with joy? But it doesn't have to be this dramatic... What if He called us to stop watching TV and dedicate that time to Him instead? What if He called us to stop following our favorite sports team, and to learn and memorize the Word of God with the same vigor we give to learning and memorizing football stats? What if He called us to stand up for the (uncomfortable) Truth, even if that meant the end of a close relationship to a family member? What we are called to leave behind may be different for all us, but what we are called to is always the same – a life completely centered on Jesus Christ. May God make the impossible possible, and give us the courage to follow!

### WEEKLY CHALLENGE:

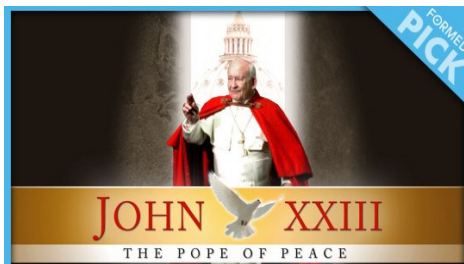
This week, reflect on your life as a Catholic. What makes you different from someone who *doesn't* have the gift of faith? If someone looked at your life, what signs would there be that you are following Christ? Spend some time in prayer, and ask the Holy Spirit to show you those things in your life you need to let go of.

### FAMILY MEALTIME QUESTION:

The second reading compares the Word of God to a sharp, two-edged sword (Hebrews 4:12). What do you think this means?

### FORMED Pick of the Week

An inspiring feature film on Saint Pope John XXIII, starring Edward Asner in an acclaimed performance as the beloved pontiff, who came from common stock and was known for his simplicity, courage, and love for humanity. This movie tells the whole life story of John XXIII from his youth through his young priesthood, episcopacy, life as cardinal, and eventually his life as Pope. Elected supposedly as an "interim Pope" who would just keep the status quo and listen to the advisers around him, John XXIII proved to be his own man when he surprised the Church and world by calling for the Second Vatican Council.



### UNITE Faith Formation for EVERYONE!

**WHAT:** This model of Religious Education seeks to engage the whole family and puts emphasis on our homes and the role of the domestic church in our formation.

**WHO:** All adults AND all children - all ages

**WHY:** We have been called to be authentic witnesses for Christ in all areas of our lives. These gatherings help us grow in our knowledge and love of our Lord, so that we can more effectively share His love with our community.

**COST:** Free and no registration is required

Approximate program start time: 12:15pm.

Lunch and child care (under the age of 5) will be provided.

For Faith Formation information, visit our website at

[www.jp2kc.org/parish-faith-formation](http://www.jp2kc.org/parish-faith-formation)

Questions? please contact Curtis Keddy at [curtiskeddy@jp2kc.org](mailto:curtiskeddy@jp2kc.org).

This month's guide "Repentance" is available on the website and at the hospitality table. Past month's videos and guides are on our website.

**Join us Sunday, October 14th following 10:30am Mass for lunch and our Unite Faith Formation program.**

OCTOBER JP2  
HIGH SCHOOL  
YOUTH GROUP  
NIGHTS


LET GOD  
TRANSFORM  
YOU

October 21st 7PM -8:30PM  
October 28th 7PM-8:30PM

The Simmons Residence  
15967 S Chester Court  
Olathe KS 66062

## PARISH VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

### Ministers of Holy Communion Needed

 Deacon Joe is recruiting volunteers who can help bring Holy Communion to Catholic residents at Good Samaritan Nursing Home (next to Olathe Medical Center). This would involve only ONE Sunday morning every other month. For more information, email [dcnjoeallen@jp2kc.org](mailto:dcnjoeallen@jp2kc.org).

### Mass Set Up Assistance Needed

We **REALLY** need assistance with set up on Saturday afternoon for 4:00pm Mass! Currently 4 volunteers rotate this responsibility. Chairs are set up by the custodians but items needed for Mass are set up by our volunteers. For instance setting up the tables for the altar and hanging our art work and a few other responsibilities. All items can be completed in about 30 minutes. Can you help? Please contact [office@jp2kc.org](mailto:office@jp2kc.org) to volunteer.

### Vocations Ministry Traveling Crucifix

The traveling crucifix has many openings in the coming months. Keep the crucifix for one week and pray for vocations each day. Return the crucifix prior to 4:00pm Mass the next Saturday for the next family. The case with the crucifix contains suggested prayers and reading materials. Sign up at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0b4daeab22a13-stjpii>



## MINISTRY GROUP NEWS

### Knights of Columbus (KofC) Council

Next meeting is October 25th starting at 6:45pm. New members are always welcome. Contact Steven James at sjamesplc@gmail.com for information. **Email:** knights@jp2kc.org / **Facebook:** @KofC16595



### Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus will be serving pancakes with toppings and sausage after the 8:30 and 10:30am masses on Sunday, October 28th. All proceeds will be used to buy Coats for Kids and give them to the Franciscan Sisters of the Poor of Jesus Christ to distribute. We look forward to seeing you there!

### Children's Choir

Does your child like to sing? Choir practices will be the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month following the 10:30am Mass at Madison Place Elementary. The choir is open to children in grade one through nine. Children can join at any time. Questions: contact Ana Berhenke at atberhenke@gmail.com.



### Vocations Crucifix

Our parish has a traveling crucifix to encourage prayers for vocations. Keep the crucifix for one week and pray for vocations each day. Return the crucifix prior to 4:00pm Mass the next Saturday. The case with the crucifix contains suggested prayers and reading materials.

Sign up at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0b4daeab22a13-stjpii>.

**Oct 14** - OPEN

**Oct 28** - OPEN

**Oct 21** - Steve & Michelle Johnson **Nov 4** - Jason & Kathy Rhodes

### JP2MOMS (MOMS - Mothers of Ministry & Service)

Join us for faith, fellowship, and fun! Our meetings will be on the 2nd THURSDAY of each month. Find us on Facebook for more information or email us at jp2moms@jp2kc.org.



### Marian Mantle Prayer Group

Does your family have an empty chair at Mass? Join the Marian Mantle Prayer Group to pray for loved ones who are not practicing Catholics. The silent strength of prayer is powerful and comforting; we meet weekly on Wednesdays (excluding Holy Days) at 7:00 P.M. at the Girard home (18303 W. 155th St). Call (913)530-6229 or email sharridg@gmail.com for more information.

### St. Mary's Food Kitchen Food Donations



JP2 provides fruit and vegetables as part of the meal served at St. Mary's food kitchen each month. We serve approximately 14 cans of either green beans or fruit cocktail. Can you help by providing a #10 can (the BIG one) of either of these? Please drop off donations at the parish office Mon.-Thurs. from 9:00am-2:00pm.



### JP2 Book Club

The Book Club is reading *On the Dignity and Vocation of Women* by John Paul II. The next meeting will be Tuesday, Nov 13th, 7:00pm at Bridget Van Gotten's home. (16302 W. 165th Terrace; Olathe). We will cover parts 7-9. All are welcome even if you haven't read the book.



We will be celebrating Priesthood Sunday on October 28th. Thank you cards will be available the weekends of October 21st and 28th to show our appreciation to Fr. Andrew. There will also be a basket available to place your cards.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Teens Encounter Christ (TEC)

Are you a high school student looking for a way to deepen your relationship with Jesus Christ? Join us Nov 9-11 at Savior Pastoral Center for the Teens Encounter Christ weekend. This is a three-day retreat centered around the Paschal Mystery. Sign up at [www.sunflowertec.org](http://www.sunflowertec.org). Cost is \$90, however no one is turned away because of cost.

### St. Thomas Aquinas Info Night

There will be an information night for students and parents of Prince of Peace Catholic School on Monday, Oct 15th at 7:00pm at STA Learning Commons. Families will hear from the school president, academic principal, and current students speak on the Aquinas Four Core Values. RSVP at [www.stasants.net/](http://www.stasants.net/) admissions.

### Fostering, Adoption & Caring for Families

Join us for the Grid KC event focusing on foster care, adoption, and caring for vulnerable children and families in our parishes and communities on Sat, Oct. 20 from 8:30am-3:30pm at Savior Pastoral Center. Tickets \$0-\$20 (free to those who volunteer). Email [kzubillaga@archkck.org](mailto:kzubillaga@archkck.org) for more information and registration.

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(913) 747-9636

**Update to Family Information?**  
Have you recently had a baby, moved to a new home, got a new phone number or email address? These changes may be made through our website at [jp2kc.org](http://jp2kc.org). See "Update my Parishioner Information" under the **Contact** tab.