

QUEEN *of the* HOLY ROSARY

7023 W. 71st Street • Overland Park, KS 66204
(913) 432-4616

October 2, 2011 • Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule

Weekend: Saturday 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Weekday: Tuesday-Friday 8:15 a.m.

Communion Service Monday 8:15 a.m.

Holy Day: See inside bulletin

Confession: Saturday 2:30 p.m.—3:15 p.m.

*Those needing hearing assistance,
receivers are available by contacting an usher.*

Parish Office Building (Old Rectory)

Phone913-432-4616

Fax913-432-0620

Website..... www.queenoftheholYROsary.org

Parish Staff

Pastor: Father Don Cullen

Parish Administration: Gene Meiners

QHRadmin@qhr-opks.org

Parish Office: Margi Kettner

qhroffice@qhr-opks.org

Parish Office: Cathy Mahr

cathyqhr@qhr-opks.org

Building & Grounds: Merle Braden

RCIA (Adult Instruction):

Please contact the Parish Office

Annulments: Sr. Mary Ann Bartolac

(913) 894-1456

Liturgy Coordinator: Connie Crutchfield

liturgy@qhr-opks.org

Music: Wally Drone

913-432-2359 • wdron@kc.rr.com

Michael Kim 913- 432-4616

Religious Education Director /

Sacramental Preparation / School of

Religion (SOR K-12): Denise Godinez

913-722-2206 • denisegodinez@qhr-opks.org

Children's Catechesis of Good Shepherd /

Senior Adult Ministry / Hospital Ministry

Sheryl Lickteig

913-722-2250 • sherylickteig@qhr-opks.org

Bulletin: Peggy Amor

QHRBulletin@gmail.com

John Paul II

Catholic Elementary School

Phone913-432-6350

Fax913-432-5081

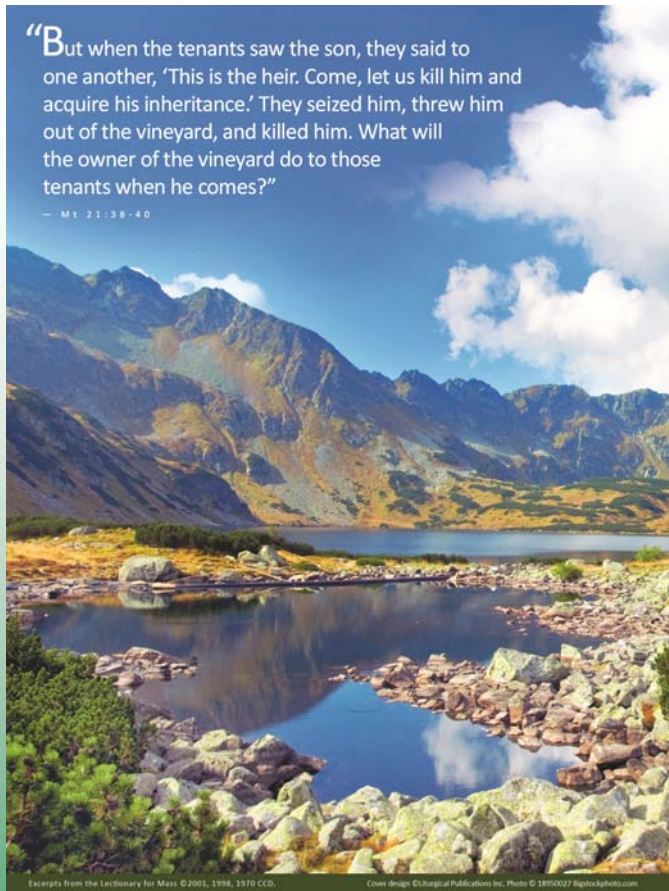
Website..... http://johnpaul2.eduk12.net

Principal: Susie English

senglish@archkcks.org

Preschool and Daycare: Donna Hogue

dhogue@archkcks.org



Our Mission Statement

Led by the Spirit of God... We are a Catholic faith community dedicated to becoming a dynamic center of worship and Christian involvement. Our enthusiasm and love will fill each member and permeate the larger communities that surround us. We strive to recognize and celebrate our unity. We challenge ourselves to lead lives that will reflect our beliefs.

Pastoral Council

Pastor: Father Don Cullen
 President: Rick Alvarez
 President Elect: Judy Wolf
 Secretary: Mary Beth Summers

Members:

John Paul II School:
 Tim Rafferty
 Religious Education:
 Denise Godinez
 High School Youth Representative:
 rotating position
 Parish Social Activities:
 Kevin Caldwell
 Community Outreach:
 Sue Ryan
 Rick Alvarez
 Parish Administrator:
 Gene Meiners
 Parish Customer Service:
 Carolyn Elder
 Nancy Pullo
 Buildings and Grounds:
 Bill Staudenmaier
 Liturgy & Music :
 Judy Wolf
 Knights of Columbus:
 Sue Ryan
 Queen's Ladies:
 Sue Ryan
 Issues at Large:
 Terrie Stanker
 At Large:
 Jeff Belgum

Phone numbers for Council members may be found in your copy of the church directory.

Finance Council

Pastor: Father Don Cullen
 Parish Administrator: Gene Meiners
 Chair: Dave Richardson
 Bookkeeper: Ruth Mailand
 Members:
 Marilyn Dugan
 Chris Redmond
 Mike Kerr

The Sacraments

Confession

The Sacrament of Confession: Saturday 2:30-3:15 p.m.

Baptisms

Baptisms are conducted on the first Sunday for each month. Registered parishioners must complete the Baptismal Preparation Class prior to their child's baptism. It is recommended to take this class at least 3 months prior to the birth. To reserve your place in class, please contact Rosalynn Redmond in the Religious Education Office (913) 378-2700, Monday-Thursday from 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., after hours please leave a message, or send an email to: rosallynn@qhr-opks.org. Your child's Baptismal date will be scheduled upon completion of this class. This is a requirement for your first child and we invite you to attend the class for each child hereafter as a refresher course. It is highly recommended, but not required, for your child's Baptismal Godparents to attend this class with you.

Weddings

Weddings require six months notice to fulfill the Archdiocesan marriage program. An appointment with the Pastor is necessary **before a date can be set.**

Anointing of the Sick

If you would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick, please see Father Cullen after Mass. The sacrament is available to all those who are ailing physically, mentally or spiritually.

Timely Information

Bulletin & Announcement Deadlines

Items for the bulletin are due the Monday prior to publication by 4:30 pm. Please drop your items off at the parish office or e-mail them to QHRBulletin@gmail.com. **Full page notices need to be submitted 2 weeks in advance for consideration and approval.** Questions? Please e-mail the above address.

Please remember that announcements and petitions (i.e. sick list) for masses must be turned into the parish office no later than 5:00 p.m. on the Thursday prior to the weekend masses.

Altar Linens

St. Cecilia's Circle is in charge of taking care of the linens for the month of October.

Hospital Reminder

If you are in the hospital and would like to receive Holy Communion, please have a family member contact Sheryl Lickteig at the Parish Office (913) 432-4616 or (913) 722-2250.

Parish Prayer Chain

The Parish Prayer Chain is ready to pray for your intentions. Please contact Doris Kapsch at 642-0410 or Carolyn Pate at 492-7612.

New Parishioners

Please register at the Information Station after any weekend Mass. The Information Station is located in the southeast corner of the church at the top of the steps by the elevator. You may also register in the rectory office Monday through Friday between 8:30 am and 5:00 pm. If you are currently a QHR parishioner but have never registered, please stop by the Information Station or the parish office and fill out an official form.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Monday, October 3

8:15 a.m. Communion Service

Tuesday, October 4

8:15 a.m. Jim Connors-Connors

Wednesday, October 5

8:15 a.m. Margaret Fligg, Jr.-Oshman

Thursday, October 6

8:15 a.m. St. Ann Galvin, BVM-Connors

Friday, October 7

8:15 a.m. Frank Herzenak-Herzenak

Saturday, October 8

8:15 a.m. Communion Service

4:00 p.m. Osmar Milbert-Foley

Sunday, October 9

7:00 a.m. Ray Bannister-Humphrey

9:00 a.m. Jerry Dano-Azar

11:00 a.m. Cristina Kerr-Kerr

5:00 p.m. Mass of Thanksgiving for Cecelia Pham
-Pham

For Mass times around the country when you travel,
call 1-734-794-2100 or visit www.masstimes.org.

Readings for the Week

Sunday: Is 5:1-7/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

Monday: Jon 1:1-2:2, 11/Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10/Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11/Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b/Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Jl 4:12-21/Lk 11:27-28

This Week's Events

We pray the Rosary at 7:50 am Monday-Saturday
before daily Mass or Communion Service.

Sunday, October 2

7:30 a.m.—FZC—Coffee & Donuts and Scrip

10:15 a.m.—JPII—School of Religion

6:15 p.m.—Junior High SOR

Monday, October 3

7:00 p.m.—FZC—Boy Scouts

Tuesday, October 4

5:00 p.m.—FZC—Aerobics

6:00 p.m.—C2—Legion of Mary

6:30p.m.—Blessing of the Animals

7:00 p.m.—CH—Novena/Benediction

7:00 p.m.—FZC—RCIA

7:30 p.m.—CH—Choir Practice

Wednesday, October 5

9:00 a.m.—C2—Bible Study

5:00 p.m.-6:30p.m.—JPII—Children's Choir

6:30 p.m.—CH—Divine Mercy

7:00 p.m.—JPII—Bell Choir Practice

7:00 p.m.—C2—Bible Study

Thursday, October 6

9:00 a.m.—C2—Bible Study

5:00 p.m.—FZC—Aerobics

7:00 p.m.—C2—Bible Study

7:00 p.m.—FZC—Knights of Columbus

7:00 p.m.—C3—Liturgy

Friday, October 7

8:15 a.m.—CH— School Mass

6:00 p.m.—CH—Wedding Rehearsal

6:30 p.m.—FZC—Senior's Wine Tasting

Saturday, October 8

1:00 p.m.—CH—Wedding

BR—Bride's Room • C1-C5—Convent • CH—Church
CGS—Catechesis of the Good Shepherd • CMR—Church Meeting
Room • FZC—Father Zawacki Center (church basement) • REO—
Religious Education Office • RMR—Rectory Meeting Room

Change in Parish Information

Old Information

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

New Information

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

If you are moving out of the parish, please check.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

October 8 - October 9: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Lector	Sacristan	Eucharistic Minister	Hospital Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server	Usher	Greeter	Children's Liturgy
Saturday, Oct 8, 4:00 PM 28th Sunday In Ordinary Time	Mlodzik, Ed (1) DeBauge, Joan (2)	Amer, Mary Clare	Anderson, Marcie Kapsch, Doris Kapsch, Pat Luchi, Robert O'Connor, Jim O'Hara, Katie Ryan, Steve Ryan, Sue		Gomerding, Victoria Manning, Josh Manning, Madalyn	Bossing, John Dalton, Bill Huyh, Huey Manning, Aaron Manning, Patricia	Enright, Betty Hurley, Sara Miller, Mary	
Sunday, Oct 9, 7:00 AM 28th Sunday In Ordinary Time	Garrison, Laura (1) Brown, Mike (2)	Benson, Theresa	Affolter, Marsha Brown, Patricia Brown, Leah Carter, Bruce Maher, Tom O'Connor, Michelle Weber, Janet		Rotert, Alex Sanders, Mark Young, Noah	Hernandez, Ricardo Holmes, Joe Rodriguez, Rod Weber, Al	Drew, Diane Hahn, Mary O'Connor Price, Mary	
Sunday, Oct 9, 9:00 AM 28th Sunday In Ordinary Time	Asher, Diane (1) Pyle, Dawn (2)	Green, Karen	Belgum, Jeff Debus, Peter/Helen Hendricks, Elizabeth Hendricks, Jim Rafferty, Tim Rineman, Joanne Van Sickle, Lindsey		Belgum, Hallee Hohnecker, Justin Laughlin, Tyler	Alvarez, Rachel Alvarez, Rick Ryan, Lori Zawada, Anthony	Goldrich, Therese Goldrich, Marianne Robinson, Frieda	Kidder, David (1) Corkill, Karen (2)
Sunday, Oct 9, 11:00 AM 28th Sunday In Ordinary Time	Rubale, Cindy (1) Sutryk, Robert (2)	Kirchner, Janelle	Davila, Nick Davila, Jessie Dillingham, Mary Kay Mayerle, Ron Sanchez, Kathy Schmidt, Teri Treacy, Joy Wilkinson, Mary		Cerda, Anthony Hawk, Sam Schmidt, Collin	Kirchner, Bill Urich, Joe Urich, Joy Urich, Tony	Coward, Amy Urich, Joe Urich, Joy	Mentzer, Joe (1) Murphy, Brigid (2)
Sunday, Oct 9, 5:00 PM 28th Sunday In Ordinary Time	Mathews, Mike (1) Redmond, Christopher (2)	Brown, Kevin	Brown, Sheryl Commodore, Robert Geving, Theresa Hargrave, Amy Osborn, Amy Shopper, Abby Sostarich, Tim Strobl, Phyllis		Martinez, Santana Matos, Janet Matos, Emily	Brady, Mark Karlsen, Beth Phillips, Danny Mischka, Scott	Boiling, Renee Phillips, Danny Taylor, Sharon	

Cantor/Accompanists:

Saturday 4:00 p.m. Cathy Mahr/Parish Choir
 Sunday 11:00 a.m. Trinh Huynh/Wally Drone

Sunday 9:00 a.m. Children's Choir
 5:00 p.m. Saints Alive!

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK

Due to privacy laws, we will not be able to put a name on the sick list unless we have been asked to do so a family member. To keep the Prayer List manageable, names will be dropped after *3 months* unless they are requested to be left on. Please call Sheryl Lickteig (913-722-2250) if you wish to have someone put on this list. Names must be received before 4:30 p.m. on Monday to appear in the next bulletin, names received after that time will be held until the next bulletin.

Steve Broaddus	Lois Evans	Winnie Hoffman	Gene Parisse	Gregory Tate
Rod Caldwell	Kent Foster	Josh Jarvi	Maurice Pieters	Susan Walter
Colette Canchola	Richard Gibbs	Joe Jablonski	Jan Ruder	Chris Whittier
Kathae Cheray	John Gualtieri	Lil Lanning	Jim Russell	Vincent Wiesing
Jackson Coleman	Dave Hamilton	Farrell McGinnis	Ralph Sabala	Anna Marie
Mary Elaine Conrad	Barbara Harper	Carole Murdoch	Al Schweers	Wilkinson
George Curry	Anne Hendricks-	Terry Navickas	Heather Sixta	
Frank Enright	Darnell	Tony Navickas	Michelle Smith	



Please remember in your prayers, those serving in the military...

1LT James Ruffin, son of Sue and Charles Ruffin
 1LT Steven White and CPL Ryan White, grandsons of Esther White
 Kenneth Young, spouse of Perry Young
 Capt. Albert Garcia IV, son of Melinda Krautmann
 Capt. Zackary Wilkes, grandchild of Tom & Theresa Wilkes
 Corp. Thomas R. Wilkes, grandchild of Tom & Theresa Wilkes
 Capt. Andrew T. Maas, great nephew of Brigid Murphy
 Msgt. Timmothy Graves, son of Denny & Kathy Graves
 A1C David A. Bellis, nephew of Robin and Scott Mills

SSGT Matthew A. Crawford, nephew of Robin and Scott Mills
 2nd LT Jacob Jeffcoat, son of Ruth and Steven Mailand
 Boatswains Mate Michael Price, grandchild of Mary Alice Price
 Cpl. Kenneth Clark, grandson of Bob & Kareen Wormington
 SSGT John Ternus, nephew of Jean Ternus
 Corp. Michael Wentline, nephew of Carole Saunders
 Sr. Airman Michael Lopez III, great nephew of Elise Barbosa
 LT Charlie Bennett, nephew of Dave & Mary Lou Richardson
 SGT 1st Class William Nash, father of Rebecca Nash
 SGT Michael Dowd, nephew of Michael & Judy Dowd

If you are a parishioner of Queen of the Holy Rosary Parish and have a relative serving in active duty please call Margi or Nancy at the Parish Office (913-432-4616), if you wish to have them listed in the bulletin.

- NOTES FROM FATHER CULLEN- Catholic Info / Trivia... Tell Me More

Upcoming Events

I am looking forward to our upcoming mission. Fr. Jim Sichko will be in charge of our Mission this year. He will be giving all of the sermons on October 22nd and 23rd. His sermons are very informative and inspirational. (This will be a nice change of pace.) He will be giving his mission talks from 7-8pm in the church Monday, October 24th through Thursday, October 27th. A reception will follow each night in the church basement from 8-9pm with an opportunity for you to visit with Fr. Sichko. Again, Fr. Sichko's programs are for everyone, singles, couples, and families.

Our friend Fr. Roland Nadeau will be visiting us from Bangor, Maine, from October 13th through the 27th. He comes every year to visit his family and stays with us here at Queen. Please give him a warm welcome when you see him at church.

Thank You and God Bless! Father Cullen

STEWARDSHIP

Needed each week.....	\$ 20,900.00
Received 09/25/11.....	\$ 18,127.60

God Bless!

Father Cullen & The Financial Council

Marilyn Dugan, Mike Kerr, Ruth Mailand, Gene Meiners, Dave Richardson, and Chris Redmond

John Paul II Auction tickets and Car Raffle tickets will be available after every mass at both parishes from September 10th to October 9th. Tickets can also be purchased at the school office or online at www.johnpaul2auction.com. Ticket prices are 35.00 per person or a VIP table of ten for \$550.00. Do you have something you would like to donate? Items with a minimum of a \$25.00 value or more are being now accepted at the school office.

Parish Mission Save the Date: Saturday, October 22-Thursday, October 27: Please put these dates on your calendar for QHR's upcoming Mission. Father Jim Sichko will be conducting the Mission, speaking at all weekend masses with the Mission to begin on Monday. Father Sichko, from Kentucky, comes highly recommended by area churches. This will be a great chance for us to update and renew our faith. Monday through Thursday we will have a presentation by Fr. Sichko from 7-8pm in the church followed by a reception with Q&A in the church basement from 8-9pm.

UPCOMING BLOOD DRIVE Sign-up here at church will be next weekend after all masses, in the back of the church. The drive itself will be Monday October 17 from 2-6:30 p.m. To meet the 2011 total of units donated/collected, QHR will need to have 59 donations with our autumn drive. WE CAN DO THAT! This past February we collected 64 units of blood.

Parish Council: It is time for New Parish Council Representatives. Anyone interested in being on this council or would like more information please contact Rick Alvarez at RickA1977@MSN.com or call the rectory for information (432-4616)

THANK YOU Troop 295 would like to THANK YOU for supporting our raffle to help raise money for traveling expenses for our troop to go on a high adventure trek at Philmont Scout Ranch. Fr. Cullen drew the winning ticket for the Sterling Silver Rosary- Congratulations to Ivy Borelli

Baptisms September 2011

Brennan Joseph Leary
Son of Joe and Katie Hardacre Leary

Finnegan Dean Mendus
Son of Fred and Amy Geving Mendus

Weddings September 2011

Michael Wondra and Angela Cordel

Deaths September 2011

James J. Ahern

October-Pro-Life Month The multinational Pro-Life Novena for Unborn Babies is scheduled for September 29th to October 7th. We can be part of this Novena by praying a rosary each day of the Novena and participating in the Mass scheduled for October 11th at the 8:15a.m. Mass. The intention of the mass and each rosary is for the protection of unborn human persons.

QHR Men's Group: The mission of the Catholic Men's Fellowship is a response to the call made by Pope John Paul II for a new evangelization, particularly the reinvigoration of faith among Catholics. Specifically, our mission is to raise awareness among Catholic men of their need to re-experience the spiritual awakening they originally received at their baptism, to nurture and deepen their ongoing relationship with Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit, so single and married men can accept their God-given roles as individuals in families, marriages, and churches.

These meetings combine readings from the Bible, Catechism, and a workbook called "The Signpost". The lessons in The Signpost lead us to discuss questions about our Faith in ways that men can relate to.

For more information call John Williams 913- 3438-3038 or e-mail at kcwilliamsj@yahoo.com



Food Pantry: QHR Food Pantry thanks all who continue to this community effort for those in need. This week we are low on canned peas, applesauce, crackers, Jell-o, noodles (macaroni, other pastas) and Hamburger Helper.

Please keep in your prayers



SACRAMENT Preparation for First Reconciliation

How very exciting, and congratulations to the following students who are preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation! We ask all of our parishioners to please keep the following children in their prayers...

- | | |
|---------------------------|----------------------|
| Chloee Belgum | Katie Beyer |
| Olivia Cerda | Elizabeth Coward |
| Calvin Denson | Morgan Dusin |
| Claire Franke | Hannah Gage |
| Joe Heidari | Emmy Herrera-Rosario |
| Katherine Herrera-Rosario | Eric Johnson |
| Brennan Johnston | Alexis Kahler |
| Collin Keeney | Anna Mailand |
| Navarro Martinez | River Martinez |
| Sophia Mendus | Sloan Munson |
| Miranda Reyes | Alex Reyes |
| Jason Saunders | James Sutherland |
| CJ Simonelli | Luke Whitfill |

Ryan Yankovich



SACRAMENT Preparation for Confirmation

Please keep in mind the following **Year I Students** who are beginning their 2 year journey in preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation...

- | | |
|------------------|-------------------|
| Allie Arnote | Ethan Asher |
| Diego Astorga | Emily Brady |
| Gabriel Gomez | Justin Hohnecker |
| Richard Honas | Paul Huynh |
| Natalia Kidder | Nicholas Massa |
| Allie Miro' | Jake Nelson |
| Sara Nelson | Grant Roesner |
| Alyssa Sanz | Spencer Sarvis |
| Megan Schulte | William Seitz |
| Colby Steck | Shelby Steck |
| Emily Stteinmetz | Quintin VanBooven |
| Oskar Walther | Grace Westermayer |

Peyton Zipf

Sacrament Meeting -

- Thursday, October 13, 7—8 pm in the Church
Father Cullen will hold his First Reconciliation Parent and Child sacrament meeting. All those preparing for this sacrament must attend this meeting.



BLESSING of the ANIMALS

Tuesday, October 4, 2011
6:30 pm

Join Father Cullen on the northwest yard (by the flag pole and bell) for our annual *St. Francis Blessing of the Animals*. Bring your pets on a leash or in a carrier.

St. Francis will be in attendance. Music will be provided by Maggie Rodgers.



And let us not forget the **Year II Confirmation Candidates** who are working hard in their final year of preparation...



- | | |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| Anthony Brown | Liam Carroll |
| Ashley Esquivel | Victoria gomerdinger |
| Aubrey Hernandez | Matthew ho |
| Daniel Huynh | Charles Kaifes |
| Ashlyn Larison | Josh Manning |
| Marco Marquez | Dustin Martin |
| Elizabeth Ann Martin | Emily O'Meara |
| Collin Schmidt | Maria Sharpton |

Shannon Sutherlin



We are looking for Queen of the Holy Rosary Junior and Senior High school students and Adult parishioners who enjoy singing, playing an instrument and/or can play the piano, and would like to be a member of one or more of these following groups.....



Children's Choir

Holy Rollers Youth Band

Parish Bell Choir

Please contact Michael Kim, Choir Director at either of the following: (913) 432-4616 or organ815@gmail.com

QHR SAINTS MEMBERSHIP – Anyone 50 and older is welcome to join the Queen's Saints. Activities are planned each month (membership is not required to attend.) If, however, you wish to become a member, contact Joan at 381-0670 for information.

MONTHLY MEETING – October 14. Anyone 50 and older is welcome to join us for the monthly planning meeting on Friday, October 14, at 9:15 a.m. in the Church Hall. Refreshments will be served.

Lunch Bunch – October 19 at 1:00 pm - For October we'll be enjoying some "ooh-la-la" at **Cafe Provence**. This French cafe is located in the Prairie Village Shopping Center at 3936 W 69th Terr. We'll meet on Wednesday, October 19th at 1:00pm. Prices are moderate and the food is quite good. Call Annette at 913-2261397 if you need a ride or wish to make a reservation.

Book Club – November 7 - 1:00 PM in the convent. The book title is to be announced.

WINE TASTING PARTY - Friday, October 7. 6:30 pm Bring an appetizer to share at our Wine Tasting Party at 6:30 pm on Friday, October 7th. downstairs in the Church Hall. We will be "tasting" six wine and cheese pairings. You will have a check sheet to mark your favorites. Wine and beer will be furnished. Come for a fun evening of fellowship!! Call Patty at 384-4644 for information

POTLUCK – There will be NO POTLUCK in October due to our Parish Mission. Our next potluck will be held Wednesday, November 9 at 5:30 PM in the church hall. Drinks will be provided. Calling ahead is not necessary. Please call Delores at 432-7255 for information.



6915 W 71st Street
Overland Park, KS 66204
913-432-6350
johnpaul2@archkckcs.org
<http://johnpaul2.eduk12.net>
Susie English, Principal

Second Grade News:

This week second grade started preparing for the sacrament of Reconciliation. The children are eager to learn more about their Catholic faith and grow closer to God. We read everyday! We have been reviewing short and long vowel sounds. The children are enjoying the stories in our reading book while learning about story elements (character, setting and plot). In Math we have been learning about ordering numbers, patterns, and place value. Our new Go Math series is fun and challenging. We have started map skills and we are finding out where we live in the big world.

Calendar:

October 15 - JP II Auction!

Auction Update:

Get your tickets now! We are selling tickets to the much anticipated JP II Auction! We promise an enjoyable evening of socialization and fun. In the mix of all that we hope to successfully raise funds to keep John Paul II going strong!

Raffle tickets for the new Nissan Versa will continue to be sold after all Masses. The tickets are a donation of \$20 each or 6 for \$100. Thank you for supporting JP II and good luck winning the car!!!

You won't want to miss bidding on:

Jewelry Making Party!

Evening out for 8 friends making beautiful jewelry and enjoying the evening!

Lodging In Ireland

Stay in wonderful Weavers' Lodge in Kenmore
Sleeps up to 8 people for 6 nights!
Beautiful mountain views

Kansas City Sports Club

Family membership for a year or
Individual instruction passes!

Wine Baskets

With lots more to come...don't miss out!

SkillBuilders: Education & Support for Widows, Widowers and Caregivers

Thursdays, Sept. 8 to Nov.17, 2011

Tomahawk Ridge Community Center

11902 Lowell Boulevard, Overland Park, Kansas

9:45–10:00 a.m. Coffee, Meet, Greet, Support

10:00–11:50 a.m. Program

Although classes are designed for widowed persons, anyone may attend. No pre-registration is necessary. There is no charge to attend. For information concerning classes and other support services for widowed individuals, information pertaining to becoming a sponsor or information about making tax exempt donations, call : Stephen E. Hamilton, WPS Board President, phone number 913-648-1520

Volunteer Opportunity: Enjoy meeting the public?

Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas has an opportunity for you! The Catholic Charities TurnStyles Thrift Store, located at 9750 W. 87th St. in Overland Park, is seeking volunteers to staff its courtesy booth. Some of the duties include answering the phone, answering questions that customers might have, and being an ambassador for Catholic Charities. For more information, contact Mary Kay Drees at mdrees@catholiccharitiesks.org or call 913.433.2080.

CATHOLIC CAREER ROUNDTABLE

JOB SEEKERS/BUSINESS OWNERS Career Roundtable Day will be held at Good Shepherd, 12800 W. 75th, Shawnee. Saturday, October 29th, 8:30 a.m. -- 10:00 a.m. in the Social Hall. We feature a panel of business owners, HR managers, and job club alumnae. Job seekers and business owners are invited and encouraged to attend. For more information, or to be on the panel, call Rick Alvarez (913) 963-2999 or email ricka1977@msn.com. Informal meetings for job-seekers at 8:30 a.m. on non-roundtable Saturdays. Get the latest information at

www.catholiccareerroundtable.com

Widows, Widowers, and Elderly: One of our parishioners, Mr. John Compton, has offered his services in finding a contractor or someone you need to fix things around your home, from small repairs to big things. He will not do the work, just help you find someone to do it for you. He doesn't want any money for helping you find someone who won't, "Rip you off!" as he puts it! Call him at (913) 381 - 5421. Or you may call Sheryl at 722 - 2250 for information about John and his services.

Bus Driver Needed: Cristo Rey K C High School is interviewing bus drivers with commercial drivers' licenses. Fulltime; \$10/hour; benefits. Contact Rick Alaniz at 816-595-2812 or cell 816-728-8988.

Caring for the Caregiver: The Amos Family Funeral Home is hosting a "Caring for the Caregiver" seminar on Friday, November 4th. We invite anyone in your organization who serves the terminally ill and their families to attend this seminar. Our presenter will be Dr. Darcie Sims, an internationally known speaker on the subject of grief. The seminar will be offered twice (a morning and an afternoon session). Here is a link to our website where you can register and learn more about the seminar and Dr. Sims <http://www.amosfamily.com/caregiver/> This is a free program designed for professionals. Please join us.

Remembering God's Ways: We may have heard "God's ways are not our ways" (Isaiah 55:8). Yet, according to Ignatius of Loyola, often "God's ways ARE our ways." You are invited to a prayer workshop on Saturday, Oct. 15, at Rockhurst High School that will help you discover how God is working in your daily life. Explore how you can get in touch with God's will for you. The workshop begins at 8:30 a.m. with coffee and conversation, and concludes about 2 p.m. with lunch. In between, you will probe, discuss and continue to grow -- with Ignatius' help -- in remembering God's Ways for us in our daily lives. The session fee of \$40 covers all the materials and lunch, and scholarships are available. You must RSVP by Oct. 7. Email info@ignatiancenterkc.org or call 816.523.5115 x 212 and leave a message with your phone number and email.

Hospital Eucharistic Minister's Day of Renewal On Saturday, November 5th, the Church of the Nativity is going to host a Day of Renewal for Eucharistic Ministers that take Holy Communion to Catholic patients in the hospitals in Johnson County. All Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion from the various parishes that minister specifically to the hospitals in Johnson County are invited to attend. The Day of Renewal will go from 9am until 1pm. There will be a light lunch available at the end of the program. Please RSVP to Kate Zon, Chaplain/Director of Hospital Ministry, Johnson County Catholic Parishes at catholic-chaplainzon@yahoo.com or Tom Garbach 913.338.4367 or tom@kcnativity.org.

How Does the Liturgy Shape Our Lives?

Kristopher W. Seaman

Being the science fiction fan that I am, I finally had occasion to watch the blockbuster movie, *Avatar*. The main character, Jake Sully, who does not have use of his legs, entered a computer machine that allowed him to connect to an avatar. To the natives of the planet Pandora, the avatar looked like the indigenous peoples, the Na'vi. Jake Sully has to learn the culture of the Na'vi. Learning the language, the customs, and the rituals takes him an astonishing three months. For many of us, it probably would have taken much longer. In the attempts at colonizing Pandora, some humans side with the Na'vi. During the course of the movie, Jake becomes open to the possibility of learning the Na'vi culture that moves his heart to be empathetic to the Na'vi's plight.

Though liturgy is not science fiction, there is something that is quite similar by comparison, that in the action of liturgy, that is, in the participation in the liturgy, our hearts have to be open to being moved by the Holy Spirit present through the liturgical event. For instance, during the Liturgy of the Word, the scriptures are proclaimed. *The Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy* is clear that these scriptural words become Christ the Word in our liturgical assemblies. Christ "is present in his word, since it is he himself who speaks when the holy Scriptures are read in the Church" (CSL, 7). It is Christ speaking to us, calling us to become better disciples, to become holy.

It is not only the scripture, but also other texts and rituals during liturgy that shape us: The opening prayers, or collects, the Eucharistic prayer, the music, the space, the environment, the bread and wine transformed into the Body and Blood of Christ, the blessed or consecrated oil, the baptismal water, and so forth. Words, music, space, and rituals not only educate or inform us, but, we believe, that Christ is active, is present, in the liturgical event and sacraments. In liturgy, not only are our minds shaped, but also our hearts and our feet in order to live what we pray in liturgy.

An example is the Eucharistic prayer. In the revised translation of Eucharistic Prayer II, we pray twice for the Holy Spirit to transform something or someone.

You are indeed, Holy, O Lord,
the fount of all holiness.
Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray,
by sending down your Spirit upon them like the dewfall,
so that they may become for us
the Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Humbly we pray
that, partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ,
we may be gathered into one by the Holy Spirit. (*The Roman Missal*, 100–105)

Therefore, the Holy Spirit changes bread and wine and those who participate in Communion. The Eucharistic prayer proclaims that the Lord is holy and "the fount of all holiness;"

a marvelous image of God's overflowing love, goodness, and truth. God freely pours out holiness. In liturgy this holiness is offered to those who participate in order to grow in holiness to which the Triune God calls us. And if we are to become holy in faith, we, too, must become fountains that share compassion, goodness and truth in our daily lives. To paraphrase Saint Augustine: We are to become what we pray.

Jake Sully, in the movie *Avatar*, had a profound change. Faith in the God of Jesus Christ whom we worship, calls us to change our hearts. In liturgy,

the Triune God calls us to holiness, strengthens our faith, nourishes us and sends us, hopefully, changed, in order to grow in communion, in unity, with one another and with God. This is most eloquently proclaimed at the first scrutiny for the elect on the Third Sunday of Lent: "Lord Jesus / . . . / [T]ouch their hearts with the power of the Holy Spirit, / that they may come to know the Father / in true faith, which expresses itself in love . . ." (RCIA, 154). The Triune God invites us to be shaped in and through liturgy. The texts, symbols, music, space, environment, and gestures communicate God's call to us to become what God intends: his holy people.

KRISTOPHER W. SEAMAN, MA, MAT, is the associate director of the Office for Divine Worship of the diocese of Gary, Indiana.

