



ST JOHN
THE EVANGELIST
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Presentation of the Lord

“Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, just as you have promised.”
Luke 2:29

These words of the old man Simeon are so encouraging, and worth our occasional thought. He had served the Lord all his life, and was now ready to enter fully into God’s presence. What a wonderful vision for those of us in the fullness of our service!

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St. John the Evangelist, a Catholic Capuchin Franciscan Parish, welcomes all who are called to be disciples of Jesus Christ and proclaims His Gospel through prayer, worship, His Word, and the sacraments. Members, inspired by the Holy Spirit through faith formation and spiritual renewal, witness to the Gospel in lives of justice and charity, build up families and children through education, hospitality and fellowship, and serve those in need with compassion.

DO YOU THINK THAT THERE CAN BE ANYTHING GREATER
THAN TO BRING JESUS TO PEOPLE AND PEOPLE TO JESUS?
~POPE JOHN PAUL II

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Monday—Friday 8:30 am—4:00 pm

Weekend Masses

Saturday.....4:30 pm

Sunday.....7:00 am, 8:30 am, 11:00 am, 2:00 pm (Spanish), 5:00 pm

Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday.....7:30 am

Saturday.....8:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

In the Padre Pio Chapel (inside the north church entrance)

Wednesday.....11:00 am-12:00 pm, 7:00-8:00 pm

Saturday.....3:00-4:00 pm

.....(and by appointment)

AdorationMon, Tues, Thurs, Fri: 7:00 am—9:00 pm
.....in the Padre Pio Chapel

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FROM THE DESK OF FATHER JOHN



Dear Parish Family,

The time has come to say good bye (for a month). I will be leaving to take an intensive Spanish course at the Mexican American Catholic College in San Antonio, Texas. They say it is difficult to teach an old dog new tricks, or it is hard to learn another language the older you get. So, please, say a prayer for this old dog or old man. I want to thank all those who attend the Spanish Mass for putting up with me and having so much patience with me. I promise to try to learn as much as I can.

Fr. Francisco Ramirez, one of my brothers from San Antonio, will be coming to be with you during most of my absence. He will arrive on February 12 and leave on March 3. He is presently working with Marriage Encounter. He covers a lot of the Spanish speaking weekends and is on an international commission for Marriage Encounter. I was very fortunate to get him to come for he has a busy schedule.

Thank you to everyone who helped me get acclimated for the first six months of being among you. I still have a long way to go to get up to speed, so your continued patience will be much appreciated.

Enjoy the last days of Ordinary Time and may you have a great beginning of Lent. I will keep you in my prayers.

Take care,

SAINT JOHN SCHOOL



DID YOU KNOW.....

St. John Catholic School is a tithing-based Catholic school. This means as a parishioner of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church your children have access to a Catholic education through your tithing and service to the St. John parish community. Please contact Samantha Romero at: sromero@saint-johns.net for more information about this tithing-based Catholic education. You can also visit us online to learn more about the school at: sjevangelist.com/school

STUCO'S CHOSEN CHARITY FOR THE NEXT FEW WEEKS

Student Council is gathering cash to donate to the Australian Red Cross through **February 28**. As you are probably aware, Australia has been suffering through a record heat wave and uncontrollable brush fires. The extreme weather and fires have destroyed homes and lives of people as well as animals. We ask that donations be in the form of cash or coins deposited directly into the donation box near the front office or given to homeroom teachers in envelopes during homeroom time for the sake of privacy.

ST. JOHN CATHOLIC SCHOOL

MIDDLE SCHOOL SHADOW DAY & KINDERGARTEN BOOT CAMP

MIDDLE SCHOOL SHADOW DAY

Experience life as an Eagle!

4th-7th graders

Friday, February 14th

Lunch Provided

Drop-off 8:15am

St. John Church Basement

Pick-up 2:30pm

St. John Church Basement

Open house, Q&A for parents

KINDERGARTEN BOOT CAMP

For 2020-2021 Kindergartners

Monday, February 24th

8:30a-9:30a

Friday, February 28th

2:00p-3:00p

Meet the Teacher

Experience the Classroom

School Tour, Q&A for Parents

REGISTER ONLINE AT WHYSTJOHN.COM



1208 Kentucky St.
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DISCOVER THE DIFFERENCE

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus will host a **Parish Breakfast** **Sunday, February 9** after both the **7:00 and 8:30 am Masses in the church basement.**

Proceeds benefit Knights charities: Pro Life, St. John church/school, Seminarians, Scholarships, etc.



KU BASKETBALL TICKETS TO BENEFIT THE CHURCH FLOORING/CARPET PROJECT

We are offering single game tickets to four games at a discounted price:

February 3 home game v. Texas

February 15 home game v. Oklahoma

February 17 home game v. Iowa State

March 4 home game v. TCU (This game will be EXTRA fun, since it is Senior Night!)

Go to <https://fevo.me/st-john> to purchase tickets.



Every ticket you buy will add \$5 to our Church Flooring/Carpet Project! Questions? Call Nora at **785-331-0421**

NEW CLASS WITH FATHER BARNABAS

This Spring I will offer a short series of classes on the topic of salvation. I am sure many of you have been asked by evangelical friends and acquaintances "Are you saved? Or "have you been born again?" Salvation or "justification" is an issue that has divided Catholics and non-Catholics since the reformation some 500 years ago. We will take a look at the different answers given by Catholics and non-Catholics to the question of salvation of how we are made right before God-that is "justified" before God. You will learn in this class that Catholics and non-Catholics are not as far apart as you might think. You will be better equipped to hold an informed conversation with others on the complex and fascinating subject of salvation. The class will provide you with plenty of opportunities to reflect on your relationship with the Lord this Lenten season.



We will be going through the "Joint Declaration on the Doctrine of Justification" created and agreed to by the Catholic Church's pontifical council for promoting Christian Unity and the Lutheran world Federation in 1999. We will also be looking at the book *Salvation* by Michael Barber.

Saturday classes are at **9:00 am** and the **Tuesday** encore classes are at **7:00 pm**. All classes are in the church basement unless otherwise noted.

Saturday class date	Tuesday encore date
Class 1) Feb 22	Feb 25
Class 2) Feb 29	March 3
Class 3) March 21-Bosco room	March 24
Class 4) March 28-Bosco room	March 31

THANK YOU FROM THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA

Thank you for your generous support last week of the Collection for the Church in Latin America. This collection will be used to share the faith with our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean so they in turn can share the Good News with others. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Visit: www.usccb.org/nationalcollections. Your gift make a difference!

FAMILY PROMISE NOTE OF THANKS

Thank you for being a support church for our families. It is a huge blessing and without you our rotation wouldn't be possible. Thanks for all you do!

PRAY THE ROSARY WITH THE LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary, Our Lady of Fatima Praesidium, leads the Rosary **30 minutes** before Mass on **Sundays** at the Padre Pio Chapel. Come join us in praying the Rosary at **6:30 am, 8:00 am** and **10:30 am** in English.

STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING

WEEKLY PARISH GIVING

Our fiscal year is July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020

Information below reflects donations received July 1, 2019 through January 26, 2020.

Budgeted weekly collection amount	\$29,807.69
Average weekly collection amount	\$29,770.85
Budgeted collection fiscal YTD	\$894,230.70
Actual collection fiscal YTD	\$893,125.59
Net Shortage	\$1,105.11

Visit: www.sjevangelist.com/giving for more information or to set up and manage your account today!

Contact Cris Denning at: cdenning@saint-johns.net or by phone at **785-843-0109** if you have any questions.

SOCIAL JUSTICE SOCIAL ACTION

By Susan Tabor

Social Concerns Committee for Peace and Justice

A new committee in our parish that you'll be hearing more from and more about over time is the Committee Concerned with Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities. For your information, members of this committee include: Monte Mace, Angee Barcus, Lois Mersmann, Chris Reffett, Jill Reffett, Julie Colvin, M.D., Sean Smith, Ph.D., and Susan Tabor.

We will be focusing on a multitude of issues as a committee, and one area we will focus on is awareness. For starters, we recognize that interacting with persons with disabilities can be awkward for some. To that end, we offer the following general suggestions that we hope will be useful:

10 Commandments of Communicating with People with Disabilities

Speak Directly to the person. Always speak directly to the person. Do not speak through a companion or a service provider.

Offer to shake hands. Always use the same good manners in interacting with a person who has a disability as you would with anyone else.

Identify yourself when speaking to a person who is blind. As common courtesy, always identify yourself when entering and/or leaving the room, especially if the person is still getting to know you. This helps to make a person who is blind feel more comfortable. Also, use your normal tone of voice; no need to speak more loudly unless the person has a hearing impairment.

Wait for a response and instructions when offering assistance. If you offer any kind of assistance, wait until the offer is accepted. Then listen to the person's response and/or ask for suggestions or instructions.

Treat adults as adults. Always be courteous. Do not assume familiarity with someone who you do not know well by using a first name or touching his/her shoulder. Do not patronize or make decisions for the person.

Do not hang or lean on a person's wheelchair. People who use wheelchairs depend on their wheelchairs to get them from here to there. The wheelchairs are thus an extension of themselves, so please be courteous.

Listen attentively. If a person has difficulty speaking or speaks in a manner that is difficult for you to understand, listen carefully – then wait for her/him to finish. If needed, clarify what the person has said. Ask short questions that can be answered by a "yes" or "no" or a nod of the head. Never pretend to understand. Reflect what you have heard and let the person respond.

Speak to people at eye level. Use common courtesy when interacting with someone who uses a wheelchair. Sit in a chair (or bend down, if a chair is unavailable) so you can be at eye level. This helps make the person feel more comfortable and included as an equal in the conversation.

Tap a person who is deaf on her/his shoulder. To get the attention of someone who is deaf, tap the person on the shoulder or wave a hand in her/his direction. Once you have the person's attention, speak in a normal tone. Keep objects away from your mouth so the person can read your lips. Be courteous; do not shout.

Relax! The most important thing to remember when interacting with people with disabilities is to BE YOURSELF. Do not be embarrassed if you happen to use common expressions that seem to relate to disability.

This is the Last and Greatest Commandment: Treat People with any kind of disability or disabilities as you would wish to be treated yourself.

JUSTICE MATTERS

Justice Matters – an interfaith network working for justice

Justice Matters leaders gather to celebrate Martin Luther King Day

On Martin Luther King Day, over 50 Justice Matters leaders and clergy gathered at First United Methodist Church for a workshop on how to be effective leaders for justice in their respective faith

communities. The event featured **Shanae' Holman**, a minister and community organizer from Topeka who gave reflections on Dr. King's **Letter from a Birmingham Jail** and the Exodus story, and trainer DJ Whitten from the **Kansas Leadership Center**.



For more information about Justice Matters and dates for research group meetings check out our JM website. www.justicemattersinkansas.org.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

St. Jude Circle meets on the **second Monday** of each month in **Holy Family Hall at Corpus Christi, at 7:00 pm**. If you need additional information and/or would like to join us in the coming month, please contact Regent Sandy Hare at **518-573-3478**.

SAVE THE DATE



TO BENEFIT THE CHURCH CARPET PROJECT

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church
Performing Arts and Events Center - Lawrence, Kansas

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SATURDAY
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2020
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advance after all Masses
starting February 2 or by
calling 785-331-0421



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STEWARDSHIP OF PRAYER

PARISH PRAYER LIST

The "Prayer List" includes the most recent information that the Simon Parish Center has about a parishioner and/or their family member. Contact the Center to request someone for the "Prayer List." **Thank you** on behalf of the families of those individuals for whom we pray.

Nicole Allensworth
Andrew Bouchard, son of
 Steve & Patti Fisher
Susan Guenther Brown,
 friend of Craig Fincham
Curtis Burns, friend of
 Joe & Bev Mater
Roger Caldwell, brother of
 Leila Soper
Linda Erp, mother of
 Emily Vigne
Joanne Feist, friend of
 Ginny Short
Linda Flyer, friend of
 Le Marie Gilbert
Janet Fox, family of Norb &
 Jeanette Otter
Rudy Fritz
Ed Garza
Marianne Gowen
Bonnie Griggs
Tony Guadian
Buddy Hadl, brother of
 Shirley Steffen
Michael Hamer
Lonna Hamm, daughter of
 Larry & Martha Hamm
Mary Hane
Peggy Harders, niece of
 Norb & Jeanette Otter
Newt Hasson
Dustin Harper-Head, great-
 nephew of Mary Head
Luke Henry, nephew of
 Galen & Beth Uhrich
Kathy Higley
Dianne Hofmann
Bob Holey
Bonita Holtkamp
Tina Jinkens
Michele Johnson
Allen Kehde
Diana Matthews
Leo Mauler, son of
 Al & Marcy Mauler
Russ McDonald
Jim McMurray
Ed Medrano

Zackary Messerly, nephew
 of Debra Bradley
Linden Morgan
Lisa Morrow-Welsh,
 daughter of Linda Brey
Augustus Nelson
Danny Nguyen
Diane Nichols, sister of
 Phyllis Stone
Theophilus Obiefule
Josephine Ramirez
Eva Ricketts, mother of
 Ingrid Hartman
Joel Rivera
Virginia Romero
Jon Rossillon
James Sandy
Alexander Ramirez Salazar
Jerry Scherer
Greg Schurer, brother of
 Mick Schurer
Julia Scott, friend of
 Monica Cordova
Mary Kay Seidl, sister of
 Loretta Seidl
Pete Sethatut, father of
 Paula Higbie
Christine Shipley
Gerald Simon
Brett Smith
Meyer Sneed, son of
 Taylor & Melissa Sneed
Linda Snyder, aunt of
 Dan Taylor
Cameron Stupansky,
 friend of Kathy Colson
Jack Taylor, brother of
 Daniel Taylor
Amelia Tinio
Mary Vannicola
Cindy Vasquez, sister of
 Gina Hodges
Jeanette Walker
Susan Williams
Nancy Wright
Jon Yarnell

**IN MEMORIAM-HENRY RYLKO
 AND BRETT DAVIS**

MASS INTENTIONS: FEB 3-FEB 9

Monday: 7:30am Melania Thomast
Tuesday: 7:30am..... Andrew Bouchard
Wednesday: 7:30am Drake Rinert
Thursday: 7:30am..... Osborne-O'Connor Family
Friday: 7:30am..... Amelia Tinio
Saturday: 8:00am Witold Grzymala-Busset
 4:30pm Leann Shelton
Sunday: 7:00am Ray & Magdalena Rommet
 8:30am Lois McGovern
 11:00am..... Parishioners of St. John
 2:00pm(Sp.)..... Angel & Cristobal Galarzat
 5:00pm..... Carla Phipps

MINISTERS FEB 8- FEB 9

LECTORS

Contact Sean Smith
seanj@ku.edu

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday
 4:30pm S Wondrack
Sunday
 7:00am..... L Alexander, F Alexander
 8:30am N Peltier, L Kelne
 11:00am M Green, J Green, E Green
 5:00pm..... F Hano, C Denton

CANTORS

Saturday
 4:30pm A Mauler
Sunday
 7:00am..... E Fuger
 8:30am..... A Koster

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday
 4:30pm L Reimond, M A Roesner, L Seidl,
 L Arnold, B Brill, D Depenbusch
Sunday
 7:00am..... B Menke, N Murphy, B Osborne
 8:30am..... Y Ruder, M Steichen, N Albrecht,
 G Diepenbrock, J Fox, S Galarza, E Grob-Creasey
 11:00am C & D Ehrlich, J Evers, S Goodwin,
 P Gripka, D & T Gunselman
 5:00pm L DeVader, C Garcia, S File,
 A Hill, P & R Houle

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 2

Sunday: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 [10b]/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40
 or 2:22-32
Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [8a]/Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-
 6 [1a]/Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 [cf. 5c]/Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd
 [12b]/Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Sir 47:2-11/Ps 18:31, 47 and 50, 51 [cf. 47b]/Mk 6:14-29
Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 [12b]/Mk 6:30-34

CUENTO NÚMERO 95 LOS BUENOS VECINOS

Un jovencito, hijo del molinero del pueblo, que jugando se había acercado demasiado a la orilla del río, cayó dentro y estaba para ahogarse cuando un campesino que estaba en la otra orilla lo vio, se arrojó inmediatamente al agua, sacó al niño y se lo entregó a su padre.

Un año después, se prendió un incendio durante la noche en la casa del campesino y antes de que éste se diese cuenta la casa era toda presa de las llamas. De todas maneras, se pudo salvar el con su mujer y sus hijos; pero entonces se dio cuenta de que faltaba su hija más pequeña.

La criatura gritaba en la casa envuelta en llamas, pero nadie se atrevía a acudir en su auxilio.

En aquel momento acudió el molinero, que se lanzó en medio del humo y del fuego, tomó a la criatura, la sacó fuera y la entregó a su padre diciéndole:

-Doy gracias al cielo que me ha dado esta ocasión para demostrarte mi agradecimiento haciendo en tu favor lo que tú hiciste por mí. Con el auxilio de Dios sacaste a mi hijo del río, y ahora yo libero a tu hija de las llamas.

MUSICA, CORO, MUSICA

¿Te gusta cantar? ¿Tocas algún instrumento musical, o te gustaría aprender? Ven a practicar con nosotros, comunícate al **785-304-5509**.

CADA LUNES EN TODO EL AÑO

A las 8 de la noche rezamos el Santo Rosario, para pedir por nuestras necesidades y por los que amamos; también si alguno de sus parientes fallece podemos hacer el novenario, nos vemos los lunes en LA CAPILLA DEL PADRE PIO, frente a las veladoras.

PLATICAS PARA BAUTIZAR

Cada primer sábado del mes de **6:00 a 9:00 de la noche**, sin niños, llamar antes para anotar su asistencia.

RECICLAGE

Trae tus latas de aluminio y ayuda a tu Parroquia, por un mundo mas limpio, déjalas atrás de la oficina y ponle para María Mota. Gracias.

LA FE SE PUEDE ALIMENTAR

Hermano, a veces te sientes triste o con necesidad de Dios, ven yo te puedo acompañar a orar, nos podemos ver en la Iglesia o en la oficina. Estoy para ayudarte. Oro por todos, bendiciones María Mota.

Preparación al matrimonio por la Iglesia Católica, solo para parejas que viven juntos y tienen niños.

Adultos que necesitan los sacramentos de confirmación y primera comunión.

CATECISMO EN ESPAÑOL

Las Inscripciones son en agosto y en mayo. Por favor para mas informacion llamar a Maria Mota.

CONFESIONES

A partir del mes de septiembre, de **1:00 pm a 1:45 pm** Habrá confesiones en español para quien lo necesite, y pueda recibir este sacramento.

LAS LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA DEL 2 DE FEBRERO

Domingo: Mal 3, 1-4/Sal 24, 7. 8. 9. 10 [10]/Heb 2, 14-18/Lc 2, 22-40 o 2, 22-32

Lunes: 2 Sm 15, 13-14.30; 16, 5-13/Sal 3, 2-3. 4-5. 6-7 [8]/Mc 5, 1-20

Martes: 2 Sm 18, 9-10. 14. 24-25. 30—19, 3/Sal 86, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6 [1]/Mc 5, 21-43

Miércoles: 2 Sm 24, 2. 9-17/Sal 32, 1-2. 5. 6. 7 [cfr. 5]/Mc 6, 1-6

Jueves: 1 Re 2, 1-4. 10-12/1 Cr 29, 10. 11. 11-12. 12 [12]/Mc 6, 7-13

Viernes: Ecd 47, 2-13/Sal 18, 31. 47 y 50. 51 [cfr. 47]/Mc 6, 14-29

Sábado: 1 Re 3, 4-13/Sal 119, 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14 [12]/Mc 6, 30-34

Domingo siguiente: Is 58, 7-10/Sal 112, 4-5. 6-7. 8-9 [4]/1 Cor 2, 1-5/Mt 5, 13-16



REUNIONES DE BIBLIA

En la oficina de la Iglesia

Miercoles 7:00 pm, Viernes 7:00 pm.

Sabados 11:00 am sólo para mujeres.

Sabados 6:00 pm hombres y mujeres.

Domingo 7:00 pm to do adulto.

Elige que día puedes asistir. Bendiciones



AREA EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY MASS

Sunday, February 9 come celebrate World Marriage Day and renew the commitment you made to one another on your wedding day! **Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann at 11:45 am**, at the Church of the Ascension, 9510 W. 127th Street, Overland Park. Mass will include a "Renewal of Commitment and Blessing" for the married couples. Mass will be followed by a reception. Families are welcome! Sponsored by the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas and the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. For more information call **913-647-0329**.

LIVING IN LOVE RETREAT

See why over 700 couples in the Archdiocese have experienced the "Living in Love" retreat. You can sign up now for a "Living in Love" retreat at:

- **February 15-16**, St. Lawrence Catholic Campus Center/ Kansas University in Lawrence,
- **April 18-19**, Holy Spirit Parish in Overland Park,

Register online at:

www.archkck.org/LivingInLove

or contact Mary Anne Kierl at the Archdiocese at **913-647-0345** for information.



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WHERE: St. John the Evangelist School
1208 Kentucky St., Lawrence, KS

WHEN: Begins Wednesday, Feb. 19th

TIME: 6:30 P.M.

MEETINGS: Three

COST: \$135 (Includes all materials)

Pre-registration required at live-the-love.org.

Financial assistance with fee available.

Call: Shannon or John Rasmussen at (785) 749-1015

Offered by the Couple-to-Couple League

live-the-love.org

PRAYERFUL PAUSES – MAKING LENT A TIME OF RENEWAL

Tuesday, February 18, 10:00 am– 3:00 pm

Sophia Spirituality Center, 751 South 8th Street, Atchison

With Lent right around the corner, what needs to be reawakened in your soul? Let's share practical ideas for making the most of this season, so we can really experience the rebirth of Spring/Easter. We begin with spiritual sharing and joining the sisters in the monastery for lunch. The afternoon will be your time. You may continue the spiritual experience from the morning, relax into silence and contemplation, and basically grow closer to yourself and to God. Suggested donation of \$30 includes the noon meal. For more information or to register, call **913-360-6173** or visit the Sophia Spirituality Center website at: www.sophiaspiritualitycenter.org.

"COPING WITH LIFE ALONE" - PEER-TO-PEER GRIEF SUPPORT

Is a Beginning Experience[®] grief support program that meets each week for seven weeks. The program helps those who have lost a love relationship due to death, divorce or separation, move through the experience of grief and loss into a future with renewed hope. Upcoming program dates and location: **Saturdays, February 22 through April 4, from 1:30 to 3:30 pm** at St. Bernadette Church, Parish Hall, 9020 E 51st Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64133. Contact Donna at **816-305-3760**, for more information and registration.

DAY OF PRAYER COMBINES CLAY AND CONTEMPLATION

Two Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth artists will facilitate a playful and contemplative approach to shaping earthenware clay while exploring transformation during a day of prayer titled "I am the potter ..." on **Saturday, February 22** in Marillac Center, Leavenworth. Sisters Lynn Casey and Pam Hinkle will give the retreat day of prayer from **9:30 am -3:30 pm**. Cost is \$35 (includes lunch). A \$15 deposit will hold a reservation. Overnight accommodations are available for an additional fee. **Registration deadline is February 15**. Register online at: www.marillaccenter.org; by email, at: retreats@scls.org; or by phone at **913-758-6552**.

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