

**SEPTEMBER 20, 2020, 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
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**THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS SCHEDULE**  
**St. Joseph's: Weekends: 8:30 AM Sunday; 4:00 PM Sunday**  
**Daily: 8:30 AM Monday through Saturday**  
**(Saturday at 8:30 AM is the traditional Latin Mass)**  
**Adoration at St. Joseph's at 6:00 PM on Tuesday's**  
**Immaculate Heart of Mary: Weekends: 10:30 AM Sunday**

Sun	Sept 20	8:30 AM	SJ	Gail Michael	Fri	Sept 25	8:30 AM	SJ	Nancy Gorski
Sun	Sept 20	10:30 AM	IHM	Kelly Lammers	Sat	Sept 26	8:30 AM	SJ	+ Steve O'Halloran
Sun	Sept 20	4:00 PM	SJ	The People of St. Joseph's & IHM	Sun	Sept 27	8:30 AM	SJ	Steve Adkison
Mon	Sept 21	8:30 AM	SJ	Anna Opie	Sun	Sept 27	10:30 AM	IHM	The People of St. Joseph's & IHM
Tue	Sept 22	8:30 AM	SJ	Rev Kevin Drew	Sun	Sept 27	4:00 PM	SJ	+ Dave Kendrick
Wed	Sept 23	8:30 AM	SJ	Molly Judge	<b>Confessions 30 minutes prior to every Mass</b>				
Thurs	Sept 24	8:30 AM	SJ	Austin Bradley					

**OFFERING**      **SEPT 6**  
 St. Joseph's      \$ 1,420  
 IHM                      \$ 1,064

**Holy Hour at St. Joseph's**  
**Tuesday's a 6:00 P.M.**

**PRAYER REQUESTS**  
*Katherine Jobson,  
 Jolene Buffington, Tony Mundell  
 Meghanne Zimmerman*

**FROM FATHER DREW**

**Feast of St Matthew, September 21**

Tax collectors in Israel were extortionists. They were assigned a quota by the Romans and whatever they made beyond that they could pocket. They enriched themselves by ripping off their fellow Jews and their reputations were so bad that even the Gentiles didn't want anything to do with them.

The Jews hated them so much that they would refuse to marry into a family that had a tax collector. Tax collectors were also banished from religious worship, and shunned in all affairs of civil society and commerce.

Matthew's calling that we read about today took place in Capernaum, Christ's adopted hometown on the northwest shore of the Sea of Galilee. It must have been Matthew's home too, so Matthew no doubt had already heard of Christ. Perhaps he had already witnessed some of his miracles firsthand. So, when Christ approached Matthew's tax counting station and said, "Follow me," Matthew had already been prepped for the decision that would change his life

Matthew got the call right after Christ ended another duel with the Pharisees. Christ healed a man's hand, and all the Pharisees could do was complain and murmur among themselves. So, what was Christ's next miracle? He would really show those self-righteous Pharisees. He called the low-life tax-collecting Matthew, a hated member of society, a huge sinner, to be His follower. Everyone was stunned, including Matthew: *He wants me? He's got to know what kind of person I am. Who is this man who when he stares at me looks right into the depths of my soul?*

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And so, Matthew became a follower of Christ, leaving behind his former sinful life. After Christ's death and resurrection, most likely at the urging of Jewish converts, Matthew wrote a short history of Christ's life that was geared toward the Jewish people. He wrote it in Aramaic, the Jews' spoken language at the time in Palestine. This was his good news, his gospel, where he had Christ teach us *not by his prophets but by His own mouth*.

Can you picture Matthew as he sat in a secluded room somewhere writing his gospel? Quietly he reflected on all that had happened to him and the world since Christ came and went. In what's now the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter of Matthew's gospel he listed the twelve Apostles, starting with Peter, then James and John followed by the rest. When he got to his own name, he added a little something behind it: *Matthew – the tax collector*. That's right. Matthew, the low-life, the extortionist.

Perhaps that page became tear-stained as Matthew reflected on his past – before Christ saved him. What a beautiful gift Christ and Matthew give us. They give us hope. Christ didn't come to call the righteous; He came to call sinners. He stares at us, poor sinners that we are. He stares right into the depths of our souls, and says: *Follow me*.

## Announcements

Are you or a loved one suffering from abortion? Find hope and allow God to heal your heart by attending a Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat. The next retreat that will take place in Kansas City will be on October 23-25, 2020. For more information or to register, please call Teresa O'Donnell at (816) 679-4973 or email [rvkcmo@gmail.com](mailto:rvkcmo@gmail.com) (please note: you might have to check your Spam folder for the guaranteed email reply) or visit [www.rachelsvineyardkc.org](http://www.rachelsvineyardkc.org).

### Life Options Green Hills Pregnancy + Medical Center

This pregnancy center will open on May 4 in Trenton. It will offer free services including: Pregnancy confirmation testing, counseling, STD/testing, 1st trimester ultrasounds, Earn-While-You -Learn programs, adoption education, post-abortive counseling and more. **Web:** [lifeoptionsgreenhills.com](http://lifeoptionsgreenhills.com). (660) 358-1378. **email -** [lifeoptionsgreenhills@gmail.com](mailto:lifeoptionsgreenhills@gmail.com) **Contact:** Rachael Brothers.

**To listen to the daily 8:30 AM Masses in Trenton**, go to [catholicradionetwork.com](http://catholicradionetwork.com). You should see this image. **They are aired at 11:00 AM.**  
Tap on the small blue oval that says "listen". The following should appear: KEXS AM 1090 & FM 92.9.  
Tap on the arrow to listen.



The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating 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 Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or [crayon@ombudsmankcsi.org](mailto:crayon@ombudsmankcsi.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 the Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or [chastain@diocesekcsi.org](mailto:chastain@diocesekcsi.org) for more information.

### Parish Registration Form

<b>Name</b>		<b>Phone</b>	
<b>Husband</b>	_____	<b>Cell</b>	_____
<b>Wife</b>	_____	<b>Cell</b>	_____
<b>Address</b>	_____	<b>Home</b>	_____
	_____	<b>Email</b>	_____

If you desire to join the parish, complete this form and place in the collection basket or give to Fr Drew.