## **Father Justin Mathews**

A Kansas City native, Fr. Justin serves as Executive Director of Reconciliation Services (RS) at 31<sup>st</sup> and Troost, offering help to those struggling with mental health issues and unemployment, among other problems.

Last year RS devoted over 2,600 hours of therapy and case management services to its clients. RS also helped clients secure more than 1,000 IDs and documents such as Social Security cards, prerequisites for most employment.

Fr. Justin graduated cum laude in business from Belmont University in Nashville where earlier he



had been a singer and songwriter. He then earned his master's degree in divinity from St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary in Yonkers, NY, and was ordained in 2006.