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Preserving  
our  
Past... Building  
our  
Future!

A campaign for St. John

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## CAMPAIGN UPDATE & IN-PEW APPEAL

Read Fr. Jeff's *Bread to Offer* on page 2 of the bulletin for an update on the St. John "Preserving our Past... Building our Future!" Capital Campaign and this weekend's in-pew appeal.

Thank you to everyone who has pledged to the campaign thus far for your generosity and support of our parish!

## ALL SAINTS MASS & BLESSING

**Saturday, October 31, 4:30 p.m.**

KIDS! Come in your costumes to the 4:30 p.m. Mass on October 31<sup>st</sup>. Not only will we be celebrating the Solemnity of All Saints, but you will receive a special blessing at the end of Mass for safety as you go trick-or-treating and a treat to start your collection!

# BREAD to Offer

## PRESERVING OUR PAST... BUILDING OUR FUTURE!

By Fr. Jeff Ernst, OFM, Cap.



Dear fellow parishioners, this weekend is the official closing of the solicitation phase of “*Preserving our Past... Building our Future!*” capital campaign. To cap off a short but intense campaign, we are conducting an “in-pew appeal” this weekend in order to give anyone who has not yet made a pledge a chance to do just that. Thank you to all for your patience with this persistent yet important drive to invest in the future of St. John Parish and School.

You know, we have a choice before us: we can choose to maintain the status quo and not do anything while continuing to limp along with our seriously inadequate and antiquated gymnasium and parish office, or we can choose to facilitate the growth and life of our parish and provide a quality recreational space, performing arts space, and administration space. Obviously, the spiritual component of parish life is by far the most important, and it is that spiritual component of faith that is going to determine whether St. John Parish will continue as a viable and life-filled parish for our future families and parish members. In the meantime, we need the infrastructure to insure our parish’s ability to facilitate that viable future. Some of you may not agree with this, but it is the firm conviction of the parish council, the finance council, the parish staff, the school staff, and me, that the physical structures we are proposing to build will enable us to facilitate further growth and life of St. John Parish. We all see this project as building a future rather than “building buildings.” I could not get myself behind this project if all we are doing is building more buildings – I am not the least bit interested in that. I would not like that, I don’t want the headaches that go with that, and it would be an irresponsible waste of our parish financial resources and your financial contributions. It seems to me though that we have a responsibility to build upon and further develop the gifts and resources that God has given to this parish precisely for its continued growth. Many of your parents and grandparents have invested a lot of prayer, time, and financial contributions into St. John Parish and School. They and countless others since the time of the founding of this parish have believed in our future and have left us an outstanding legacy of faith, love, and service. Bishops, priests, the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth, school principals, school teachers, and custodians, also have devoted so much of their lives to the future of this beautiful parish. Let’s give all of these people due honor by building upon the foundation that they have laid. Let’s give a vigorous push to this campaign in order to make a worthy expression of gratitude to all of them and to God for the spiritual, educational, and material blessings that so many have received from St. John Parish and School. Please open your heart to our parish needs: if you have not yet, please consider a generous pledge toward the future of our parish family.

In closing, I would like to ask each of you to think of someone you know who would be willing and able to contribute to the future of our parish. Ask them to consider a generous gift or pledge to our campaign – even though we officially close our solicitation phase today, it is not too late to invite others to help us “preserve our past and build our future.”

— Fr. Jeff

## THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE PLEDGED TO THE *PRESERVING OUR PAST... BUILDING OUR FUTURE!* CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Thank you to these donors for their gifts last week! ([Through October 19](#))



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## ST. JOHN CAFÉ

Join us **this Sunday from 9:30 until 10:45 a.m.** in the St. Bosco Room of St. John School.

St. John Café is an opportunity to have time in fellowship with your fellow parishioners in a relaxed environment with good coffee, pastries, and engaging conversation on the Catholic faith moderated by one of the parish priests.

You can ask all those burning questions!



## SOCIAL JUSTICE, SOCIAL ACTION

By Kris Kohnke, Social Concerns Committee

October is Respect Life month and also National Down Syndrome Awareness month. My son Nolan, who was born with Down syndrome, turned 15 this month. What a journey it has been! This week I want to reflect on what it means to be open to life.

As Catholics, we are all called to be "Pro-Life". What does it mean to be "Pro-Life" besides being anti-abortion? In preparing for this reflection I looked up the official statement for this year's celebration from Cardinal Sean O'Malley, OFM Cap. entitled, "**Every Life is Worth Living.**"

Wow! I wish there were room to publish it in its entirety, it can be found at [USCCB.org](http://USCCB.org). Here are a couple of quotes:

*"Whether it lasts for a brief moment or for a hundred years, each of our lives is a good and perfect gift. At every stage and in every circumstance, we are held in existence by God's love."*

*"An elderly man whose health is quickly deteriorating, an unborn baby girl whose diagnosis indicates she may not live long; a little boy with Down syndrome; a mother facing terminal cancer, each may have great difficulties and need our assistance, but each of our lives is worth living."*

What have I learned about openness to life from having Nolan? Nolan has a special ability to show love to everyone he meets. Because of Nolan, My husband and I have met so many families of loved ones with disabilities and have learned about the joys and struggles that they encounter on a daily basis. I learned that people with disabilities and their families are amazing! I should have known that before having my son but I'm so glad I got a chance to learn it through him.

Statistics show that as many as 90 percent of babies in the U.S. whose prenatal tests indicate that they might have Down Syndrome are aborted each year.

I think a lot of this has to do with fear of the unknown. The unknown is scary! But God calls us to "be not afraid."

Since having Nolan I learned that there are more than 400 genetic conditions that can cause disability for which there is NO prenatal test. And disability can happen anywhere along the life span. Through having Nolan I have learned that being open to life means trusting in God. It includes sharing God's love and compassion with everyone we meet, our families and friends as well as those who live at the margins of society, as much as we are able, in every circumstance of life.

## ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Anyone interested in being an altar server should attend one of the upcoming training sessions in the church. This includes all present servers and any would-be/new servers. (Must be 4th grade or older.)

**Saturday November 14, 10:00—11:00 a.m.**

**Saturday, November 21, 2:00—3:00 p.m.**

## RCIA CLASSES ARE IN SESSION!

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the catechetical and sacramental process for those who wish to join the Catholic Church. RCIA class meets from 7:00—8:45 p.m. in the social hall beneath the church. Everyone is invited to attend—even if you already belong to the Catholic Church!

See a full schedule of topics at: [www.saint-johns.net/RCIA](http://www.saint-johns.net/RCIA)

Contact Michael Podrebarac, RCIA Coordinator, for more information at [liturgy@archkck.org](mailto:liturgy@archkck.org) or (913) 647-0330.

## CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS

**Are you an adult Catholic who was never confirmed?**

Beginning this year, we will offer a special program for adult Catholics who were baptized as children but still need to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. We will meet regularly throughout the year and then on a weekly basis after Easter. Confirmation for Adults will be celebrated by Archbishop Naumann on Pentecost Sunday, May 15, 2016.

Contact Michael Podrebarac for more information at:

[liturgy@archkck.org](mailto:liturgy@archkck.org) or (913) 647-0330

## THE BOOK OF REVELATION

**A Class with Fr. Barnabas**

Fr. Barnabas will continue teaching his course on the Book of Revelation on the **second and fourth Tuesdays each month** during the fall (with encore sessions on the following Thursdays). Tuesday classes meet from 7:00-8:15 p.m. in the church basement.

Thursdays encores meet from 1:30-2:45 p.m. in the church basement.

This class is open to anybody interested in learning more about the Book of Revelation and its role in our Catholic Faith!

## JUSTICE MATTERS

**An interfaith network working for justice in Lawrence.**

There is only one more house conversation for St. John. It will be November 1. If you haven't yet been invited to a conversation and want to participate, please let me know and I'll see if there is room for you to be included:

Pat Lechtenberg, (785) 842-1992 or [plek10berg@aol.com](mailto:plek10berg@aol.com)

Thursday, October 29, at 6:45pm there is an assembly of team members of all the network congregations of Justice Matters. Team members and network members of all congregations will meet on November 16 at 6:45 pm for the Community Problems Assembly to elect new officers of the organization and to set the direction for this coming year.

## HOSPITALIZED & HOMEBOUND

**Eucharistic Minister Information:**

We are in need of Eucharistic Ministers to the hospital and homebound. If you are able to help with this ministry, please contact Ellen Sickinger:

[esickinger@saint-johns.net](mailto:esickinger@saint-johns.net) or at (785) 843-0109

**For the Hospitalized:**

If you are hospitalized, please contact the parish office by phone at (785) 843-0109 if you would like to receive communion. Due to privacy laws, the hospital can no longer inform Eucharistic Ministers when there are Catholic patients.

## ALOHA!

### Win a trip to Hawaii!

Purchase your raffle ticket today! Only 150 tickets will be sold for this amazing trip to beautiful Oahu, Hawaii. Thanks to a generous donation you could win the trip of a lifetime while supporting our school. The trip includes a \$2000 airfare voucher and a one week stay in a charming 4 bedroom house. The winner will be drawn when all the tickets have been sold, so get yours today!

See page 9 of the bulletin for ticket and raffle information!

### WOMEN'S SAINT PRAYER GROUP

Women's Saint reflection and prayer group meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at St John School in the St. Bosco Room at 7pm. All are welcomed to come when your schedule permits. Be inspired by the Saints! Upcoming session: Saint Macrina. If you have any questions, contact Debi Bradley (517) 474-5076 or Beth Fox, (785) 840-5561.

### QUEEN OF PEACE PRAYER GROUP

Meets every **Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.** in St. John's Church. The Queen of Peace Prayer Group is committed to responding to the Blessed Mother's call at Medjugorje to pray from the heart to bring about her plan for peace in the world. The hour includes the rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Everyone welcome.

### PREGNANCY COUNSELING/ADOPTION

Pregnancy Counseling and Adoption is the founding program of Catholic Charities that continues today. Confidential pregnancy support services are available free of charge to all those facing an unintended pregnancy regardless of marital status, age, race or faith.

For those who have longed to adopt a child, Catholic Charities is a leader in nationally accredited adoption services providing the expertise, experience and honest answers throughout the adoptive experience. For more information, contact Donda at (913) 433-2063 or [dmclaughlin@catholiccharitiesks.org](mailto:dmclaughlin@catholiccharitiesks.org)

### ST. JOHN SCHOOL BENEFIT AUCTION

Auction planning is in full swing so mark your calendars now for Saturday, November 14, from 5:30—10:00 p.m. Please plan to join us that evening for a wonderful celebration of our school and parish community. Please contact the auction office or visit our website for more information. Thank you for your support!

(785) 842-3445

You can find descriptions of many of the items currently up for grabs at this year's Benefit Auction by visiting the website:

[saint-johns.maestroweb.com](http://saint-johns.maestroweb.com)

### FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Family Fun Night Returns, **Friday, November 13, 2015.** Make plans to join us for an FREE evening of under the sea adventure! There will be sea-worthy crafts, games, and activities for children, While parents will want to "sea" the silent auction tables filled with gift items for children and adults!

Dinner (\$5) begins at 5:30 p.m. in the social hall. Craft and auction tables open at 5:30 in the lower level of the school. Everything's better under the sea! See you there!

### THAT MAN IS YOU

*That Man is You!* is an interactive, multimedia men's program focused upon the development of authentic male leadership. Over the course of three years, That Man is You! successively considers men in their relationship to God, to their spouse and to their children.

This program meets in the church basement on Wednesday mornings from 6:00-7:30 a.m. All men are welcome to attend!

For more information on TMIY, visit the website: [thatmanisyou.org](http://thatmanisyou.org)

### NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING

Want to learn the secret to living your marriage sacrament freely, totally, faithfully and fruitfully? Come learn Natural Family Planning—it's highly effective and can do wonders for your relationship.

To learn more visit [www.live-the-love.org](http://www.live-the-love.org) or call John and Shannon Rasmussen at (785)749-1015.

## WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES: *Choosing Life*

As representatives of Saint John's Church, the Rasmussen family traveled to the World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia, PA. This is the tenth and final reflection from "Love is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive." John and Shannon brought back many pamphlets, magazines and brochures from the conference. There is a box of these items outside the Padre Pio prayer chapel. Please take what you want from this box. Also, please pray for families and for marriages in the United States and around the world that are struggling in so many ways.

Our family is our foundation as we live in our world without being of the world.

**10:197** "In the words of Saint John Paul II, the fundamental mission of the family...is 'to guard, reveal, and communicate love.'"

**10:189** "If we understand that love is our mission in our marriages, our families, our children, and our parishes, then we have learned a basic truth that will shape many other areas of life."

**10:196** "We have a firm foundation for independence from destructive forces in society and culture, and it is this same foundation which orients us to love and participation in society and culture. The 'love which moves the sun and the other stars,' the love which created and sustains all that is, IS the same love which animates our marriages, our families, our homes and our Church."

**10:199** "It is in the family that love is learned as a gift of self, a gift first received by the child from the father and mother and then given back and shared with others."

**10:204** "The domestic church is not an abstract concept. It is a reality, a vocation, and a mission founded on the Sacrament of Marriage, and being lived by many. Christ is still calling: Christian families, the Church needs you; the world needs you."

—taken from the document, "Love Is Our Mission: The family is fully alive"



**UPCOMING HIGH SCHOOL EVENTS**

**Week of October 25: Discipleship Groups Meet**

Please pray for the core team leaders as they continue to witness the love of Jesus to the students of our parish. May they be courageous in witnessing to students.

**October 27: Trips Meeting, 7pm, the St. Bosco Room**

Big meeting on Tuesday evening to discuss the following:  
 —D.C. March for Life Pilgrimage permission forms ready and available (due November 6)! January 20-24, 2015!  
 —Discussion on date and location for Steubenville 2016 (we are mixing things up this year but want you to have a say, too!)  
 —Prayer and Action Date announced for Summer 2017  
 —International Pilgrimage Spring Break 2017: Rome/Poland—Fundraising? Planning? Cost of trip? Commitments by January 1, 2016? Reasonable? Thoughts?

**November 1: Night of Heroes, 6-9pm, Morning Star Church**

(998 N 1771 Rd, Lawrence KS 66049)  
 Night of Heroes is an event to encourage young men to be heroes in their culture by living for Jesus Christ. Called To Greatness will challenge middle and high school males to encounter the “villains” of their culture and live a lifestyle that displays heroic character - the same heroic character that Jesus displayed when He walked the earth. The event will consist of biblical messages, food, prizes and lots of fun! Our students will attend this ecumenical event with our male core team leaders (Jeff Cramer, Ian Hartsig, Drew Fox) Parents, RSVP to Jen at conrad@saint-johns.net if your student is interested in attending. **RSVP by October 30.**

**November 4: Bible Study & Reservoir Adoration**

More information to follow in next week’s bulletin!

**SOCKTOBER**

The kindergartners and the first graders are collecting new socks during October. They will use the socks to help learn counting and at the end of the month the socks will be donated to the homeless shelter.

Please help us by donating socks!

**FUN RUN & PASTA DINNER**

**Friday, October 30, 6:00 p.m.**

Families are invited to participate in the St. John School Fun Run on Friday, October 30. This is an event for the whole family. There is no entry fee. A one mile course will be provided in South Park for school families to run, jog, or walk...as many times as you want. Students may count their laps for Marathon club miles. Wear your Halloween costumes!

From 6:30-7:30 p.m., families are invited to the St. John cafeteria for one of Mrs. Malsbury’s famous pasta dinners. Dinners are \$3 each.

**UPCOMING MIDDLE SCHOOL EVENTS**

**October 28: “Holy-ween” 5-6pm in the St. Bosco Room**

Bring your own pumpkin, and get excited to learn about the Christian origins of this now-very-secular holiday. Many saints will be available for you to meet, and we’ll walk through “All Hallows Eve” and “All Saints Day” to get ready for the weekend ahead!

**November 4: “Rules, rules, RULES!” 5-6pm, St. Bosco Room**

If we don’t follow the rules in the Bible, then the big bully God is going to smite you! Okay, not really. But still...why all the rules in our religion? Can’t we just be spiritual and not religious? What is it about our faith that makes it really worth living?

**BUTTER BRAID FUNDRAISER ORDER FORM**

St. John Youth Group is selling Kansas Made Butter Braids to raise funds for the youth ministry programs at St. John. Order forms can be dropped in collection plates, with payment attached. You may also drop this by the parish office, or contact Candi Damron at (785) 840-9470 or [cdamron@sunflower.com](mailto:cdamron@sunflower.com) to place an order. October 28 is the last day to order.

Make checks payable to St. John the Evangelist Parish. Butter Braids will be available for pick-up around Christmas.

Name:  Address:

Phone:  Email:

Butter Braids (\$13 each)

Other (\$15 each)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Cherry                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Cinnamon | <input type="checkbox"/> Caramel Sticky Buns |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cream Cheese            | <input type="checkbox"/> Apple    | <input type="checkbox"/> Cinnamon Rolls      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Strawberry-Cream Cheese | <input type="checkbox"/> Italian  |  |

*How many would you like?*

# ST. JOHN LINK ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2015

Lawrence Interdenominational Nutrition Kitchen (LINK) is located at First Christian Church, 1000 Kentucky, and provides nutritious meals to 150 people in need. Our parish helps LINK by rotating with other Lawrence churches to furnish food and volunteers.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Those who are  
generous are blessed,  
for they share their  
bread with the poor.



## FOOD VOLUNTEERS NEEDED CHECK MARK WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP

**Chili** - 11 batches of Chili. Each batch needs to feed 15 people. No need to bring it in a disposable pan. Simply go to LINK with your meal and volunteers will remove it immediately, you can take your pan/pot, and you are done.

I can make one batch       I can make two batches

**Vegetarian Chili or Casserole** - 1 batch to feed 15 people. No need to bring it in a disposable pan. Simply go to LINK with your meal and volunteers will remove it immediately, you can take your pan/pot, and you are done.

I can make one batch

**Mac and Cheese** - 1 batch needed. Make to feed 15 people. No need to bring it in a disposable pan. Simply go to LINK with your meal and volunteers will remove it immediately, you can take your pan/pot, and you are done.

I can make one batch

**Bananas** - 120 bananas needed. When you sign up to bring bananas, we ask that you bring 15 bananas.

I can bring 15 bananas       I can bring 30 bananas

**Salad** - Be creative. Bring enough to serve 15 people.

I can bring one salad       I can bring two salads

**Sliced Peaches** - We need 4 large cans of sliced peaches.

I can bring 2 large cans       I can bring 4 large cans

**Milk** - We need 10 gallons of 2% milk.

I can bring 1 gallon       I can bring 2 gallons       I can bring 3 gallons

**Margarine** - We need 45oz of margarine.

I can bring 45oz of margarine

**Crackers** - Boxes of crackers are needed.

I can bring two boxes       I can bring three boxes

**Shredded Cheddar Cheese** - We need 5lb of cheese.

I can bring 1lb of cheese       I can bring 2lb of cheese

**Fritos** - We need 3 large bags.

I can bring 1 bag       I can bring 2 bags

Return this form in collection plate or Parish Office by October 26, or contact: [mcmurray@sunflower.com](mailto:mcmurray@sunflower.com)

Bring ALL items to the LINK kitchen located at

First Christian Church, 1000 Kentucky St. on October 29 between 11:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

## KITCHEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED CHECK MARK WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP

**Servers** - 9 volunteers needed. There are two shifts available.

11:30am-2:00pm — prep work and serving

12:45pm-2:30pm — serving and clean up

**Help in the Kitchen** - 5 volunteers needed. There are two types of jobs available.

12:30pm-3:00pm — dish washing

12:30pm-3:00pm — gopher/multi-tasker

Questions? Vicki McMurray, [mcmurray@sunflower.com](mailto:mcmurray@sunflower.com)

Cannot help with this LINK?  
That's okay because there is  
another opportunity coming  
soon! Check back for future  
LINK dates in the bulletin.

## 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 Simon Parish Center to request someone for the "Prayer List" and be sure to update the Parish Center monthly regarding their condition or the name will be removed.

**Abel Ayala**  
**Mariele Berthold**  
**Deacon Leo Bistak**  
**Bob Holey**  
**Tim Maniez**  
**Marianne Fabac Means**  
**Mary Helt**  
**Logan Hemles**, nephew of Mick Schurer  
**John Hite**  
**Edna Holmes**, mother of Lois Mersmann  
**Pete James**  
**Susan Jones**  
**Dan Menke**, son of Steve & Barb Menke  
**Ernie Potts**  
**Ethan Schuh**, son of Jason & Cassie Schuh  
**Larry Smith**

## NOTES OF THANKS

*Thank you to all of you who gave me cards and donations. The Capuchins and my bank account appreciate it more than you know.*

*I will remember you all in my prayers.*

*Fr. Mike*

*Dear friends,*

*Thank you all for the wonderful celebration for my jubilee. It will be a day that I will always remember. I felt as though I had never left. Thank you for all the cards, gifts and good wishes. Now it is your turn to come to Kentucky, if you like country you will really like Maple Mount. God bless each of you, you are very special to me.*

*Peace, Sister Marcella*

## MINISTERS: OCT 31-NOV 1

### Lectors

**Saturday**  
 4:30pm ..... L1: M Mauler; L2: M Powell

**Sunday**  
 7am..... L1: C Zebas; L2: M Delaney  
 8:30am..... L1: K Kohnke; L2: J Huss  
 11:00am..... L1: C Ehrlicj; L2: C Bial  
 5pm ..... L1: K Ames-Stratton; L2: D Koger

### Cantors

**Saturday**  
 4:30pm ..... K Beisner

**Sunday**  
 7am..... M Steichen  
 8:30am..... A Koster

### Eucharistic Ministers

**Saturday**  
 4:30pm ..... J McGraw, L Reimond, MA Roesner  
 ..... L Seidl, D Weigel, L Arnold

**Sunday**  
 7am ..... S&J Grzymala-Busse, B Harmon  
 8:30am ..... C Johnson, T Kempf, B Kessler  
 ..... K Kohnke, K Ostrander, Y Ruder, L Scott  
 11:00am ..... D Thimmesch, L Tiffany, T Towle  
 ... N Allensworth, B Baska, B Bermudez, C Bial  
 5pm ..... L&J Weeks, D Wulf-Walter  
 ..... N Albrecht, L Brey, S File

### Altar Servers

**Saturday**  
 4:30pm ..... E Fair, L Fair

**Sunday**  
 7am..... Volunteers  
 8:30am..... B Smith, C Peltier  
 11:00am..... B Babbitt, E Bellerive, B Kramer  
 5pm ..... B Diers, K Oneslager

## MASSES: OCT 26—NOV 1

**Monday**  
 7:30am ..... Nancy Krischet

**Tuesday**  
 7:30am ..... Lorraine Hamer

**Wednesday**  
 7:30am ..... Sofia Galarza†

**Thursday**  
 7:30am ..... Fr. Michael Scully

**Friday**  
 7:30am ..... Larry Schmitz†

**Saturday**  
 8am ..... John S. Snyder†  
 4:30pm ..... Akbar Yazdi

**Sunday**  
 7:00am ..... St. John Parish  
 8:30am ..... Joann Male†  
 11:00 ..... The Monroe Family  
 2:00pm ..... Ester & Jesus Del Real†  
 5:00pm ..... Josephine Simon†

## WEEKLY GIVING

Our fiscal year is July 1, 2015  
 through June 30, 2016

Information below  
 reflects donations received  
 July 1, 2015 through October 18, 2015.

Budgeted weekly amount ..... \$30,692.31  
 Average weekly amount ..... **\$27,560.08**

Budgeted YTD ..... \$460,384.65  
 Actual YTD ..... **\$413,401.23**

Net Shortage ..... **\$46,983.42**

## RESERVING SPACE

Parishioners, if you would like to reserve a location in St. John Church for an event or meeting, you must contact Ellen Sickinger:

**(785) 843-0109** [esickinger@saint-johns.net](mailto:esickinger@saint-johns.net)

To inquire about space in St. John School, contact Linda Alexander:

**(785) 843-9511** [alexander@saint-johns.net](mailto:alexander@saint-johns.net)

## MEALS FOR THE FRIARS

The Capuchins are looking for volunteers who can cook meals for the six friars in Lawrence. If interested, please contact Veronica Hamer at **(785) 843-0109**. Meals needed for Wednesdays in November.

Bring meals to the Simon Parish Center at St. John by 4:00pm. Fr. Jeff will take the dinner home to the friary.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

The next Knights of Columbus Meeting will be Thursday, November 12. Social and dinner, provided by the Knights, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. Location is the basement of St. John Church. Our council meetings are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month.

**Anybody interested in becoming a Knight should contact Grand Knight Kevin Oneslager at (785) 840-9406.**

On the first Friday of each month, the Knights host a rosary in St. John Church at 6:30 p.m. All are invited to attend!





2015 ST. JOHN SCHOOL  
*Benefit Auction*

**Purchase Benefit Auction Tickets Today**

Saturday, November 14, 2015

St. John Catholic School Gymnasium

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Tickets @ \$100

**Purchase Raffle Tickets for Hawaii Vacation**

Only 150 tickets will be sold!

You do not need to be present at drawing to win.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Tickets @ \$100

\*Trip includes a \$2000 airline voucher and one week stay in June or July of 2016, dates to be selected by owner. This trip may not be sold, but is transferable. A returnable security deposit will be required of winner. The four bedroom house sleeps six , more guests may be permitted at discretion of owner.

**\*Return this form along with payment to St. John Church or School Office**

## ROSARIO

Cada Lunes: 8:00 p.m.

Por nuestras necesidades y por las de quien amamos.  
Ven, te espero, cada lunes en la iglesia.

## PLATICAS PRE-BAUTISMALES

Platicas para bautizar son cada 1er Sábado del mes.  
Hora: 6:00pm a 9:00pm, En la escuela parroquial. **No traer niños.**

## RECICLAGE

Trae tus latas de aluminio y ayuda a tu parroquia, por un mundo más limpio, déjalas por favor por atrás de la oficina. Para María Mota.

## MUSICA—MUSICA—MUSICA

¿Te gusta cantar? ¿Tocas algún instrumento musical, o te gustaría aprender? Ven a practicar con nosotros, comunícate al **(785) 218-1511**.

## COMUNION PARA ENFERMOS

Enfermos en el hospital o en casa que necesiten recibir la comunión y no puedan asistir a la iglesia comunicarse con Lilly Romero al **(785) 393-3224** o con Carlos Otero al **(785) 331-5947**.

## "SMALL WORLD" PROGRAMA

Atencion: Todas las mujeres que hablan español e intencionales quienes necesitan aprender ingles. Small World es un programa solo para mujeres. Desafortunadamente Small Word ya no tiene el programa para los niños.

Las clases son los martes y jueves de 9 a 11 a.m. en la iglesia "First Presbyterian Church" 2415 Clinton Parkway.

Si tiene preguntas puede llamar al telf. 785-841-3645 o visitar nuestra pagina web.

<http://smallworldlawrence.blogspot.com>

## RETIRO DE CONVALIDACION

El próximo retiro de convalidación será el 7 y 8 de Noviembre en una parroquia de Johnson County (confirmaremos la próxima semana).

Por favor llenar la forma de registración con sus sacerdotes y pagar la cuota de \$60 para el Ministerio Hispano. Llamen al 913 281 6644 para más informaciones.

## CONGRESO DE FAMILIAS

PRIMER CONGRESO DE FAMILIAS, (EVANGELIZANDO Y RESTAURANDO LAS FAMILIAS), CON LA PARTICIPACIÓN DEL PADRE DARÍO BETANCURT. El sábado 31 de OCTUBRE DE 8:00am a 3:00pm y el domingo 1 de Noviembre de 11:00 am a 6:00pm. Con la Santa Misa. INVITA LA PARROQUIA NUESTRA SEÑORA DE LA UNIDAD (San Juan Evangelista y Sagrado Corazón). El lugar 2646 s 34th St. Kansas City, ks 66106.

El valor por participante adulto \$20 y niños \$15. Inscripciones antes del 12 de octubre. Cupo limitado. Por mayor información llamen a: (913) 9156494 y (913) 3758180. Responsable Renovación Católica Carismática.

25 de octubre de 2015

30º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

En este domingo escuchamos el hermoso relato del ciego de Jericó. El ciego está sentado y depende de otros para moverse debido a su condición física: solo puede pedir limosna. Sin embargo, nos debe llamar la atención que en medio del bullicio él escucha a Jesús, quien va pasando por el camino. Inmediatamente toma acción y a gritos pide que le hagan caso; que lo acerquen a Jesús. La respuesta es dura. Los que lo rodean le dan la orden de callarse, pero él grita más fuerte: "¡Hijo de David, ten compasión de mí!" Cuantas veces habrá gritado a voz en cuello, quizá desesperado pero igualmente confiado en ser escuchado. No lo sabemos, pues el Evangelio no lo menciona. Lo que si podemos ver es que Bartimeo estaba haciendo su profesión de fe. Pero el lamento del ciego y el escándalo de las personas a su alrededor hacen que Jesús se detenga y diga: "Llámenlo".

¿Has hecho alguna vez en tu vida algún escándalo para ser escuchado? ¿A quién le pides que te ayude? ¿Se ha detenido esta persona para escucharte? ¿Te has detenido tú para escuchar a las personas que te lo piden? Ten piedad, Señor, de nosotros: te lo imploramos como el ciego. En la orilla del camino hay muchos ciegos, cojos, niños con hambre, tráfico humano y mucho más. Detente, Señor, y mira: llámanos por nuestro nombre para que nos comprometamos contigo a sanar las heridas y a dar esperanza de vida a los que nos rodean. Estamos ciegos. Compadécete de nosotros en este siglo XXI. Por último, enséñanos a no pasar de largo ante situaciones que necesitan nuestro apoyo y nuestro amor, para que así podamos recibir tus palabras: "Vete; tu fe te ha salvado" (Mc 10, 52).

## MATRIMONIOS EN VICTORIA

Retiro para parejas de Matrimonios en Victoria que tendremos el 17 y 18 de octubre. En el Centro de Actividades Marlon Cuevas Balandrán en la Parroquia de Guadalupe en Topeka.

El costo será de \$40.00 por pareja por ambos días, incluye comidas y material a utilizar. No hay cuidado de niños.

Dicho retiro está dirigido por la fundadora de Matrimonios en Victoria Betty Juárez y un equipo de servidores de Guatemala. Para más informaciones llamar a 785 806 6218.

