



ST JOHN

THE EVANGELIST
CATHOLIC CHURCH

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AUGUST 7, 2016
19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"BE SURE OF THIS: IF THE MASTER OF THE HOUSE HAD KNOWN THE HOUR WHEN THE THIEF WAS COMING, HE WOULD NOT HAVE LET HIS HOUSE BE BROKEN INTO.

YOU ALSO MUST BE PREPARED, FOR AT AN HOUR YOU DO NOT EXPECT, THE SON OF MAN WILL COME."

- LK 12:39-40

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

**This weekend
after all Masses**

Anointing of the Sick will be available in the church after the Saturday 4:30 p.m. Mass on August 6th and all Masses on Sunday, August 7th.

PIZZA WITH THE PADRES

New Parishioner Dinner

August 20, 5:30pm in the St. Bosco Room (lower level of the school)

Are you new to St. John parish? If you are a new parishioner who has not attended one of our New Parishioner dinners please plan on joining us on Saturday, August 20, at 5:30pm. Your entire family is welcome for dinner, fellowship and the opportunity to get to know St. John parish a little better. We would love to see you there!

If you have any questions or to RSVP please contact Samantha Romero at sromero@saint-johns.net or (785) 843-0109.

Weekend Mass Schedule: Saturday 4:30pm; Sunday 7:00am, 8:30am, 11:00am, 2:00pm (Spanish Mass), 5:00pm. **Website:** www.sjevangelist.com

Weekday Mass Schedule: Monday-Friday 7:30am; Saturday 8:00am. **Reconciliation:** Wednesday 11:00am-12:00pm, 7:00-8:00pm; Saturday 3:00-4:00pm

BREAD to Offer



LOVE'S GREATEST OBSTACLE

By Fr. Barnabas Eichor, OFM, Cap.

The greatest obstacle to the Love of God is pride. Pride is an excessive desire for our own excellence; whereas, charity seeks out, and desires, God as the supreme Object of our lives. Pride is wrapped up in self; whereas, charity fixes the mind, heart and will on God. Pride is directly opposed to the first commandment, and therefore, pride is therefore the greatest sin of all.

Pride is the tendency to make our ego, rather than Christ, the center of our lives. That's why our Lord demanded self-denial as the first characteristic of His followers. In a certain sense, the only penance we need is the denial of that part of ourselves which is contrary to the law and love of God.

Pride is actually a king of false religion, for it places the idol of self where the image of God should be. It is an exaggerated worship of self, for it makes one's own self the beginning and end, instead of God. It causes us to make headlines of the good we do, and it buries our defeats and failures. It causes us to cut down the good others are doing lest they detract from our imagined excellence.

Pride closes its ears to objective criticism and suggestion, but opens them for the applause it ever seeks. It closes its eyes to virtues that are very obviously—to everyone else—lacking, yet pride calls attention to the very least accomplishment. Worst of all, it can make us lead lives for our own sake and not for God. It is truly a false worship of self.

Pride can turn us into thieves because it steals the glory that belongs to God alone. In the providential ordering of our lives everything is ultimately directed to the Glory of God. But the proud man thinks he is so important that God could not possibly exclude him from the vision of Heaven. He thinks he can save his soul without true denial, and storm Heaven without true hope. He has forgotten that God must be in his heart before he can be in Heaven.

Finally, pride makes a cancer of a cell in the Mystical Body of Christ. A cancerous cell is a self-willed runaway, living for itself, refusing to work with the healthy cells of the body, and damaging the body itself.

Is it any wonder that God resists the proud man? God cannot help the proud man, for he is beyond helping—that is, until he sees and experiences his need for God. His conversion will begin when he prays, "Lord be merciful to me a sinner." And so will ours.

—Fr. Barnabas

WOMEN IN THE NEW TESTAMENT: A New Class with Fr. Barnabas

This coming fall Fr. Barnabas will be offering a series of classes on the women in the New Testament. It will be an opportunity to learn more about several important characters in the New Testament who often get overlooked: the women who were with the Lord during his earthly ministry. The most prominent of these women is, of course, Mary, and the class will go through the church's understanding of Mary in Scripture and Tradition using John Paul II's encyclical, "Redemptoris Mater."

As the class progresses into looking at the lives of other women who served as powerful examples of Christ in the New Testament, material will be drawn from the book, *Women of the New Testament*, by scripture scholar Camille Fronk Olson.

"Redemptoris Mater" can be downloaded for free from our website.: sjevangelist.com

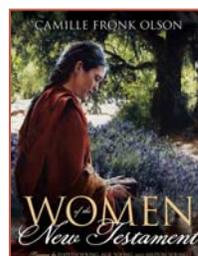
The classes will be Tuesday evenings in the church basement from 7:00—8:30 pm, beginning Tuesday, August 30th.



Required Text:

Mary: God's Yes to Man
(*Redemptoris Mater*)

Available for under \$10 at amazon.com or download a free electronic copy at sjevangelist.com



Optional/Encouraged Text:

Women of the New Testament
by Camille Fronk Olson

Available for Kindle or in hardcover at amazon.com

CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH AT ST. JOHN CHURCH

This is your invitation!

Mark which retreat you want to attend: Men's Retreat (August 27-28, 2016) Women's Retreat (September 10-11, 2016)

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Nickname (for name tag): _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Are you a registered member of St. John? (circle one) No Yes

Do you have food allergies or special dietary needs? (circle one) No Yes, they are: _____

Do you require any other special accommodations? (circle one) No Yes, they are: _____

Emergency Contact #1 Full Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Home Phone Number: _____ Alternate Phone Number: _____

Emergency Contact #2 Full Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Home Phone Number: _____ Alternate Phone Number: _____

Questions or Comments: _____

Return form to the collection plate or mail/return to parish office: **St. John Church, 1229 Vermont St., Lawrence, KS 66044.**

First come, first serve. Only 25 spaces available, so register soon!

Please contact Jake Weeks with any questions: jakeandlaura@sunflower.com

For Office Use Only:

Date Received _____ # for desired retreat _____ Confirmed Date _____ Initials _____ Confirm Letter _____

Frequently Asked Questions:

1. What is CRHP? "Christ Renews His Parish" is a spiritual renewal process which calls together the members of the parish – priests, religious, laity – to experience personal conversion and Christian community in the environment of their own parish. It is completely oriented to the parish in order to give both the individual and the parish an opportunity for renewal and growth in the spiritual life. It is led by a team of parishioners properly formed in prayer and love and instructed in the content of the total process. It was developed in 1969 and has been experienced by hundreds of parishes across the country.

2. What happens during the weekend? Most say, "You can't explain what happens; you have to experience it." This is your invitation to the experience. You will enjoy the 30-hour Christ Renews His Parish Weekend. This includes group activities and discussions, prayer and sacraments together, and reflections by fellow parishioners on such subjects as: Father's loving care for us, Renewal, Scripture, Eucharist, Reconciliation, Discipleship, and what Christian Life is all about.

3. Where and when is the retreat weekend? There are retreats for Men and retreats for Women on different weekends.

4. How long will it last? Begins 7:30am on Saturday and ends Sunday by 5pm.

5. Who may come? Anyone 19 years or older, Catholic, and who is a registered member of St. John Church is invited.

6. I'm doubtful. Who will invite me? This is your invitation. It is up to you to make up your own mind. You are not being pressured. Praying for guidance is important. If you feel that Christ, through the Holy Spirit is calling you, COME!

7. What about Confession? There is a Reconciliation Service that concludes with confession for those who desire it.

8. What about Mass? The Eucharistic Celebration is in the church, which is reserved for the participants of the weekend.

9. Where do people sleep? Sleeping accommodations are at St. John Catholic School. It is recommended that you bring a air mattress. Service is excellent, since you make your own bed and provide whatever linens, pillows, blankets, sleeping bags etc.

10. What about meals? Hot meals are served. The food is excellent and the portions ample.

11. What is the uniform of the day? Casual and comfortable clothes. Blue jeans and track suits are the usual. No extra "Sunday best" attire is expected.

12. Can I afford the price of the weekend? Suggested donation \$35.

13. I'd like to attend the weekend, but I have a health problem. Mention that you have a special need on this form. A person from the Retreat Team will contact you.

14. I can't get up and talk in front of people. Will I have to? You will not be asked to get up and talk.

15. I'm still not sure. How do I know if I need renewal? As Christians we are called to continually renew our faith and our relationship with Christ. As a parish we are called to continually renew our community, to experience "being church for others". Do not worry about your preconceived reluctance to participate. Come and see. What do you have to lose?

16. How do I register? Invitation Registration forms are available at the back of Church and in the Parish Office. Applications are accepted on a "first come, first served" basis.

ST. JOHN MEXICAN FIESTA WRAP UP MEETING

There will be a Fiesta meeting on Wednesday, August 10th starting at 7:00pm in the Bosco Room at the school. Contact Frank Lemus with any questions at (785) 691-8769 or flemusjr@sbcglobal.net.

NEEDED: ADULTS TO SHARE THEIR FAITH

This fall we will need several teachers for our Traditional Religious Education program. It's not too early to be thinking about serving St. John parish in this way. Classes meet from **9:45 to 10:45 a.m. on Sundays during the school year.**

If you, or someone you know, would be interested in teaching and sharing the Catholic faith with the children of our parish, please contact Lois Mersmann, lmersmann@saint-johns.net or (785) 843-0109 or Pat Newton, newton@saint-johns.net or (785) 843-9511.

All teachers need to be Virtus trained or agree to attend a Virtus session before September 11.

SUPPORT CATHOLIC CHARITIES



Our own local Catholic Charities is located across from the Rummage House at 1247 Kentucky. In addition to other client services, a modest food pantry is on site. Donations to the food pantry are welcome, and can be dropped on the shelf marked "Catholic Charities" on the back porch of the Simon Parish Center.

Foods with lots of protein are especially valued. Fresh food items, like meat and fruit, can be dropped off during business hours at Catholic Charities. Non-food items are very much needed, too: e.g., dish soap, diapers, razors, and feminine hygiene products. For more information, call Catholic Charities at **(785) 856-2694**.

PLAN NOW FOR THE YARD SALE!

A yard sale is planned for Saturday, September 24, at 705 Mississippi St. Please sort through your belongings and set aside things you could donate to the yard sale.

Proceeds will benefit our local Catholic Charities, and the money will help clients with the cost of city bus transportation. Call Nora Murphy at **(785) 331-0421**, or e-mail nora7@sbcglobal.net for more info or to volunteer to help.

ST. JOHN RUMMAGE HOUSE

The Saint John Rummage House is run by volunteers from the Saint John Community and is in need of new volunteers to help keep the ministry thriving. Volunteers work both during store hours and behind the scenes when the store is closed.

Sorting crews work Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings. The store is open Wednesdays from 11-3, the 1st and 4th Thursday of the month from 1-4, and Saturdays from 8:30-12:30. We could use volunteers to fill any of these positions, but are especially in need of volunteers for Thursday afternoons, one or two Thursdays per month.

If you are interested in helping the parish community with this ministry, email Lee Ann Hartwick (Hartwick@saint-johns.net) for more info.

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE NEEDS YOU!

We are looking for people to help with a new Hospitality Committee. The mission of the St. John Hospitality Committee is to make every new and current parishioner feel that they are part of a warm, supportive and hospitable community where "all are welcome."

The Hospitality ministry will help coordinate fellowship events, welcome new people to the parish, welcome new Catholics to the faith, greet people as they come into Mass, and also to help with St. John Café on Sunday mornings. The commitment is as large or small as you would like it to become. If interested please contact Samantha Romero at: sromero@saint-johns.net or **(785) 843-0109**.

OKTOBERFEST HELP NEEDED!

Volunteers are needed to help the Oktoberfest Committee make Bierocks on **Saturday, August 6th and Sunday, August 7th**. We will need the help to start arriving about 10:00 a.m. each day for 2 hours shifts. We will work until about 5:00 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to come and learn how to make Bierocks, and even if they can only be there for an hour we welcome your help.

There will be samples also!! We will be in the kitchen in the church basement. Contact Ellen Shobe at **(785) 979-9670** with any questions.

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 is welcome.

WOMEN'S PRAYER & REFLECTION GROUP

Women's Prayer and Reflection Group meets at 7:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month to be prayerfully inspired by Biblical women and the third Tuesday of the month to be inspired by Women Saints.

Join us any time, no preparation necessary. We will meet in St John's school library. If interested contact: Beth Fox **(785) 840-5561** or Sophia Compton **(785) 727-5784**.

ST. MONICA'S PRAYER GROUP

This prayer group meets every Monday at 12:00 noon in the Padre Pio Chapel to pray for our children and grandchildren. In addition to the prayers to St. Monica, we pray the rosary and other prayers for special intentions. Everyone is welcome!

REDISCOVER JESUS

CHAPTER 29: DANCING FOR JOY

Each week we will be posting the reflection items from a chapter of the book Rediscover Jesus here, on our website, and on our Facebook page. Bear these items in mind as you go through your week! (If you do not have a copy of the book, you can pick one up for free at the parish office.)

Point to Ponder: There is nothing like the joy with which God wants to fill your heart.

Verse to Live: "A joyful heart is good medicine." {Proverbs 17:22}

Question to Consider: Who or what is robbing you of joy?

Prayer: Lord, teach me to dance for joy.

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.

Frank Acinger, brother of Bernadette West
Grace Austin
Gayla Barnes
Benjamin and Annie, relatives of Theresa Wells
Craig Bogley, husband of Judy Carpenter
Remi Brown
Dale Brueggeman, husband of Debbie Filkins
Chris Crandon
Burney Deonier, brother-in-law of Lois Mersmann
Karen Dunn, mother of Meg Milburn
Marianne Fabac Means
Buddy Hadl
Jim Freund
Terry Hadl
Sophia Hamilton, daughter of Alex and Sheri Hamilton
Judy Hill
Bob Holek
Lily Hollister, niece of Tom Kellogg
Nancy Hubble, wife of Tom Kellogg
Susan Jones, sister of Patti Fisher
Barb Marden
Leo Nau
Theophilus Obiefule
Julie Patterson, niece of Norb & Jeanette Otter
CB Riling
Mark Salaman
Michael Schurer, son of Mick Schurer
Julia Scott, friend of Monica Cordova
Gerald Simon
Tony Soper
Ruth Thesing
Angelica Villa
Greg Walker, brother of Ted Walker
Ted Walker

MINISTERS: AUGUST 13-14

Lectors

Contact: Sean Smith
 seanj@ku.edu

Cantors

Saturday
 4:30pm A Mauler
Sunday
 7:00am K Colson & B Ennis
 8:30am A Koster

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday
 4:30pm D Weigel, L Arnold, B Brill
 D Depenbusch, D&K Guth
Sunday
 7:00am M Heath, B Menke, B Osborne
 8:30am M Steichen, B Volz, J Dvorske, D Hoss
 D Foster, E Grob-Creasey, S Galarza Liu
 11:00am L Tiffany, T Towle, N Allensworth
 B Baska, B Bermudez, C Bial, D Bradley
 5:00pm S File, N Jones, M LeGresley
 C Malone, A McCabe, S Murray

Altar Servers

Saturday
 4:30pm B Rowland, P Price
Sunday
 7:00am Volunteers
 8:30am N Smith, D Turner
 11:00am F Kramer, E Bial
 5:00pm L Schmidt, O Schmidt

MASSES: AUGUST 8-14

Monday
 7:30am For an increase in vocations
Tuesday
 7:30am .. Children in Need of Adoptive Families
Wednesday
 7:30am St. John Parish
Thursday
 7:30am John Nolan†
Friday
 7:30am For Peace
Saturday
 8am St. John Parish
 4:30pm Urban Simon†
Sunday
 7:00am Wilma Winkelbauer†
 8:30am Ervin and Mary Ann Huslig†
 11:00am St. John Parish
 2:00pm (Spanish) Rosendo Diaz†
 5:00pm Robt Hieman†

WEEKLY GIVING

Our fiscal year is July 1, 2016
 through June 30, 2017

Information below
 reflects donations received
 July 1, 2015 through July 31, 2016.

Budgeted weekly amount	\$27,403.84
Average weekly amount.....	\$23,775.17
Budgeted YTD.....	\$137,019.20
Actual YTD.....	\$118,875.86
Net Shortage	\$18,143.34

JOIN THE ST. JOHN PRAYER CHAIN

The power of prayer is truly an amazing thing and something all parishioners at St. John can do to help those among us in need of God's divine mercy. Please join our prayer chain to lend your voices and thoughts for those in need.

For more information contact Lois Mersmann at lmersmann@saint-johns.net.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

The next Knights of Columbus Meeting will be Thursday, August 11. 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 2nd Thursday of each month.

Anybody interested in becoming a Knight should contact Grand Knight Darin Denning at (785) 760-0788.

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!



FROM AROUND THE *Archdiocese*

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

**Married couples, do you want to rekindle that love
you had on your wedding day?**

"Before our Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend, all Jim and I ever talked about was kids, his job, the house and money. I wondered what happened to the couple that talked on the phone for hours after being together all day during our courtship. On our Weekend we rediscovered that couple!"

The next Weekend in Kansas City is Sept. 30-Oct. 2, 2016

For more information or to apply, please visit our website:

www.wwme4youandme.org

or call Tony & Barb Zimmerman, **816-741-4066**

or email tonybarbz@prodigy.net

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Mission statement:

The mission of Worldwide Marriage Encounter is to proclaim the value of Marriage and Holy Orders in the Church and in the world.

LIVING IN LOVE RETREAT

"We felt like we did when we were first married!" See why over 700 couples in the Archdiocese have experienced the "Living in Love" retreat. Sign up now for the next "Living in Love" retreat held at Good Shepherd Parish, Shawnee, KS, September 17-18, 2016.

Register online at www.archkck.org/LivingInLove or contact Mary Anne Kierl at the Archdiocese at **913-647-0345** for information.

HEALING FROM DIVORCE

*Are you a Catholic who is going through
or has gone through the pain of divorce?*

Two parishes are hosting separate program series entitled "The Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide" created by Rose Sweet. The 10-week program features 30-minute DVD shows each week that cover topics of shock, denial, anger, grief, guilt, forgiveness, money, the courts, the kids, the ex-spouse, annulment, dating, sexuality, spirituality, remarriage or staying single, and much more. DVD lessons feature Rose Sweet, Dr. Ray Guarendi, Father Mitch Pacwa, Father Donald Calloway and more! Whether you were divorced ten days ago or ten years ago, the program offers valuable insight for everyone.

This popular series begins at Prince of Peace Church on Tuesday, September 9, and runs every Tuesday for eleven weeks. Class is from 6:00 to 7:30pm in the Marian Room in the Prince of Peace School Building. The address is 16000 West 143rd St., Olathe, KS 66062. Class size is limited! Enrollment is \$50.00. For more info and to enroll, call Julie Knoche at **(913) 710-7083** or Anne Anderson at **(913) 208-9675**.

St. Patrick's in KCK is also offering this program beginning on September 15. Please call the office, **(913) 299-3370** or send an email tsmith@archkcks.org to register and for information on ordering your workbook (\$15).

HOLY ROSARY RALLY

Please join us at the August Holy Rosary Rally in Honor of Our Lady of Fatima—which will be held on Sunday August 14th from 3 pm to 4:15 pm at Holy Family Parish, 274 Orchard Kansas City, KS 66101.

We will pray the Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious mysteries of the Holy Rosary followed by Benediction and the opportunity for attendees to enroll in the Brown Scapular.

For driving instructions or future dates for the Kansas City monthly Holy Rosary rallies, visit: www.rosaryrallieskc.org

MOTHER TERESA CANONIZATION

On September 4, 2016, Blessed Mother Teresa will be canonized Saint Teresa of Calcutta, as the Church celebrates her profound legacy and declares with joy her sainthood before the world. So now is a great time to plan how your parish can celebrate and commemorate this saint of our lifetime.

CRS has developed a number of resources to help communities learn about and model Mother Teresa's service to "the poorest of the poor."

Please visit crs.org/mother-teresa for:

- A prayer (in English and Spanish)
- A handout about Mother Teresa's story and legacy (in English and Spanish)
- An intergenerational parish activity that is a great way to kick off the ministry year in the fall
- Videos of CRS staff and others sharing reflections about Mother Teresa (coming soon)

CRS also will be sharing stories and videos on the CRS.org website and through social media as her canonization approaches.

COPING WITH LIFE ALONE

Peer-to-Peer Grief Support

"Coping with Life Alone®" is a Beginning Experience® grief support program that meets each week for 7 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 Locations:

Kansas City, MO – beginning August 18, and will run for 7 consecutive Thursdays, at St Patrick's Parish, 1357 NE 42nd Terrace, KCMO. Contact Donna at (816-305-3760), for information and registration. Sessions will be from 6:30-8:30pm.

Lawrence, KS – beginning August 23, and will run for 7 consecutive Tuesday evenings, at Corpus Christi Parish, 6001 Bob Billings Pkwy. Contact Jerry (785-766-6497), for information and registration.

YOUNG ADULT GRIEF COUNSELING

The Grief Journey, a young adult grief support ministry group, meets on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of every month at Holy Spirit Parish in Overland Park. This new ministry will cover "The 4 Stages of Grief." The group is designed for young adults (ages 18-40) that have lost a loved one.

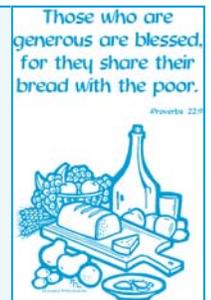
If you are interested in participating, know someone that could benefit from this ministry or would like to help in facilitating, you can contact Marcus Kain at marcusk16@hotmail.com or **(913) 634-7870** for additional information. New participants are always welcome.

ST. JOHN LINK ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 30TH

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 _____



FOOD VOLUNTEERS NEEDED CHECK MARK WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP

Chicken and Noodle Casserole - 11 casseroles needed. Make casserole to feed 15 people. No need to bring in a disposable pan. Simply go to LINK with your casserole, volunteers remove the casserole immediately, take your pan, and you are done.

- I can make one casserole I can make two casseroles

Vegetarian Casserole - 1 vegetarian casserole needed. Make casserole to feed 8 people. No need to bring in a disposable pan. Simply go to LINK with your casserole, volunteers remove the casserole immediately, take your pan, and you are done.

- I can make one casserole

Bread - 4 loaves of wheat bread, 4 loaves of white bread are needed.

- I can bring 2 loaves of wheat I can bring 4 loaves of wheat I can bring 2 loaves of white I can bring 4 loaves of white

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

Peaches - 3 industrial size cans of peaches needed. Large cans can be purchased in the large food section of the grocery store.

- I can bring one can I can bring two cans I can bring three cans

Watermelon - Whole watermelons, they do not have to be sliced.

- I can bring one watermelon I can bring two watermelons

Homegrown Tomatoes - Fresh from your garden or a friend's garden!

- I can bring (about) a dozen tomatoes

Corn - Large cans of corn needed.

- I can bring one can I can bring two cans I can bring three cans

Salad - 6 lettuce salads needed. Be creative. When you bring salad, use 3 heads of lettuce or bring 3 large bags of premixed lettuce.

- I can make one salad I can make two salads

Salad Dressing - Ranch and Italian salad dressing. We need 4 bottles total.

- I can bring 2 bottles of Ranch I can bring 2 bottles of Italian

Milk - We need 10 gallons of 2% milk.

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

Return this form in collection plate or Parish Office, or contact: mcmurray@sunflower.com

Bring items to the LINK kitchen located at First Christian Church, 1000 Kentucky, on August 30 between 11:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

KITCHEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED CHECK MARK WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP

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

- 11:30am-2pm — 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-3pm — dish washing
 12:30pm-3pm — gopher/multi-tasker

Questions? Vicki McMurray, mcmurray@sunflower.com

Can't help with this LINK
this time around? That's
okay because St. John
serves again soon!



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION IN THE PADRE PIO CHAPEL

SUMMER HOURS: MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY, 6AM—6PM

The Padre Pio Chapel is located inside the north entrance of St. John Church.
It is open for anybody to come and pray before the Blessed Sacrament during these hours.
If you can schedule a weekly hour, please email Brandon Volz at: mrbrandonvolz@gmail.com

2016-2017 School Year

IMPORTANT FALL DATES



Kindergarten Pool Party:

Saturday, August 6, 10:00am-12:00pm

Kindergartners and parents are invited to our pool party at the South Park wading pool. This is a great chance for the kids and parents to meet each other and visit with Ms. Fewins and Mrs. Newton. Following the pool party, we will gather in the park for a picnic. (Swimming is limited to kindergarten students). Other siblings are invited to the picnic.

Preschool Information Night:

Thursday, August 18, 7:00pm

Preschool parents are invited to attend (Parents/Guardians only). Other adults who will be picking up/dropping off students are also encouraged to attend. We will meet in the St. Bosco Room on the lower level of the school. Parents will meet Mrs. Shimanek, Preschool Director, and learn about procedures, expectations, and goals. There will be a few forms to complete. Preschool begins August 22. Tuesday/Thursday classes begin August 23. Morning sessions are 8:15-11:05am, afternoon sessions are 12:35-3:25pm.

Middle School Locker Party:

Thursday, August 18, 5:00-6:00pm

Middle School students will receive their locker combination and have a chance to practice their combination locks and decorate the interior of their lockers if they choose to. Decorations are limited to the inside of the locker. NO TAPE OR ADHESIVES ARE ALLOWED. Magnets are permissible. Students will also receive their individual middle school schedules, including their electives. Parents are invited. Middle school sweatshirts and t-shirts will be available for purchase that evening.

Parent Information Night:

Thursday, September 1, from 7:00-9:00pm

Parents of kindergarten through fifth grade students are invited to Parent Information Night on Thursday, September 1, from 7:00-9:00pm. Parents will have the opportunity to visit classrooms and learn about classroom expectations and curriculum.

Middle School Parent Information Night:

Thursday, September 8, from 7:00-9:00pm

Parents of middle school students are invited to an Information Night for middle school on Thursday, September 8, from 7:00-9:00pm.

Fun Run:

Friday, September 16

PTO presents a fun evening of food and exercise. Walk or run the route used by our Marathon Club in South Park and then join us for one of Dorothy Malsbury's dinners of chicken sandwiches, corn dogs, chips, and popsicles. (Beer and wine available for adults.) Students may count the Fun Run for Marathon Club miles.



SAINT JOHN YOUTH

FALL OPENING EVENTS:

Freshmen Orientation Night

August 7, 6:30-8:30pm; St. Bosco Room, St. John School

All incoming Freshman are welcome! Students will learn about what to expect in high school, what does high school youth group look like, how to live your faith life while in high school and meet the high school youth group staff! And of course, there will be pizza!

Back to School BASH!

August 14, 6:30-8:30pm; St. Bosco Room, St. John School

All high school students welcome for this night of games, fellowship, and fun! Students will reconnect with fellow students and youth group leaders and see what the year has in store.

Discipleship Discernment Night

August 21, 6:30-8:30pm; St. Bosco Room, St. John School

PARENTS NEEDED at this event! Parents: please report to St. John church at 6:30pm for a short informational meeting with Fr. Jeff and a youth group leader. During this time your student will be prepping in the St. Bosco room for an evening of discernment and adoration.

Discipleship Groups Meet

August 28, 6:30-8:30pm; St. Bosco Room, St. John School

Have your student come and get to know all the youth group leaders for the upcoming year! This will be an eventful night with fun and surprises!

2016-2017 YOUTH REGISTRATION

Registration Weekend

2016-2017 Registration Weekend High School Youth Groups will happen August 20-21, but programming **starts for freshmen students as early as August 7!** See our website for the permission form at sjevangelist.com/youth for all the dates and times! Or see the attached form. Fill out your form after one of the Masses on August 20-21, OR print it off and mail it/drop it off at the Parish Center at 1229 Vermont Street.

PRAIRIE STAR UNDER THE STARS:

Fall Retreat at Prairie Star Ranch!

September 24-25; 8:45am leave; 10am return time

Join us out at Prairie Star for the ropes courses, power pole, archery, and MORE! This will be a great time of fellowship and prayer; we hope that you will be able to join us! Camping under the stars will be amazing--if you have a tent, let us know! Meet at St. John on September 24 at 8:45am to leave, and then return to St. John at 10am on Sunday. (Students will also have the opportunity to meet their families out at Prairie Star as well for their Family Day that is happening on September 25.) Registration information can be found on our website at sjevangelist.com/youth.

learn more: sjevangelist.com/youth

ST. CONRAD FRIARY CHAPEL

Thank you to all who have donated money for the renovation of the second floor chapel at the St. Conrad Friary. If you feel moved in your heart to help us with the remaining renovation and furnishing costs, your donation would be greatly appreciated. Thank You!

Renovation expenses\$12,000

HIS HANDS MINISTRY

Are you an older parishioner or a parishioner who lives with a disability who could use some assistance? Do you know of someone in the parish who is elderly and/or who lives with a disability and could use some assistance? If so, His Hands can help.

We have volunteers who can provide transportation, respite care, light housekeeping, mending, cooking after surgery or other medical situation that would limit someone temporarily and handyman help. His Hands can also provide information and referral services if they are needed, or if other services in the community would be able to help as well.

For help and further information, please contact the His Hands service coordinator, Susan Tabor. She may be reached through the church office at 843-0109 or via her cell phone at 865-9949. We look forward to serving you!

RESERVING SPACE

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

(785) 843-0109

esickinger@saint-johns.net

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

(785) 843-9511

alexander@saint-johns.net

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Come receive the sacrament of reconciliation in the Padre Pio chapel during any of the following times:

Wednesdays: 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Saturdays: 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Or by appointment Call (785) 843-0109 to schedule one, or email:

frjeff@saint-johns.net

frbarnabas@saint-johns.net

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THANK YOU FROM SR. MARCELLA

Dear friends,

Thank you so much for purchasing tickets for the picnic. You are truly wonderful. I appreciated all your notes and letters. Made me homesick for all of you. I hope you are all doing well. After much discussion this will be our last picnic.



Many of us are getting older and so are our helpers so it was decided this would be the last one. It would be great if some of you could come. I will have some of my jam there. We will need to do something to find a fundraiser, so time will tell. May God bless each of you and keep you in his loving care.

Love and prayers, Sister Marcella

ATTENTION WOMEN SINGERS

Threshold Choir is a national women's organization with a local chapter of women from several faiths here in Lawrence. We provide ease and comfort through singing to those on the threshold of living and dying.

We seek to provide a calm, focused presence with gentle voices to various local senior homes and hospices. To join our simple practice sessions, contact Jean Drumm at (785) 841-6067

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

MARRIAGE MINUTE

How do we treat our treasures? Treasured items do not end up covered in something sticky at the bottom of your purse, or under a dirty pile in the garage. We proudly display them, usually up high, in order to both admire them and keep them safe. Today Jesus tells us that our heart will be with our treasure. Is your marriage your treasure? Ask yourself:

- Do I have a reverence for my marriage?
- Do I put my marriage "up high" by prioritizing my spouse over work, activities, decisions, etc.?
- Do I protect my marriage through prayer, positive speech, reconciling hurts and healthy boundaries with others?

If you answered no to these questions, you are not alone! Consider making an investment in your marriage by attending an enrichment activity:

www.archkck.org/family

Marital treasure collects compound interest far greater than financial treasure!

CELEBRATING 109 YEARS!!

Edna Zillner will be 109 years old on August 3rd.
Please help her celebrate with tea & cookies on
Sunday, August 7th, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Pioneer Ridge Health Center

Dining Room

4851 Harvard Road, Lawrence, KS 66049

No gifts please.



CYO SPORTS NEWS

The 2016-17 school year is fast approaching, and that means CYO activities will be beginning soon. At St. John, volleyball will be offered in the fall for girls, cross country will be offered in the fall for boys and girls, basketball will be offered during the winter for both boys and girls, and Track & Soccer will be offered in the spring for boys and girls. This is a parish-wide activity, so any parish children in 3rd through 8th grade may participate.

Each participant needs to be registered with the CYO of Johnson & Wyandotte Counties Organization. In order to do this, each parent will need to go to their website:

www.cyojwa.org

(there is a link to this site on the school website)

Once on this site, proceed to the registration page and register your child for the sport that they wish to participate in this fall. All payments will be made on this website. There is a \$40 registration fee, as well as a similar fee for each sport.

Each participant must have a completed Pre-participation Physical Evaluation Form from a doctor on file with the CYO office in order to participate. Parents are responsible for scheduling their child for a physical with their family doctor or other medical establishment that provides sports physicals for kids. This is new this year, and is a requirement for participation.

If you are interested in being either a head coach or assistant coach for one of St. John's volleyball teams, please contact Chris English by e-mail (cenglish@tckansas.com) or phone (785-766-7793) as soon as possible. Experience is not necessary; you just need to bring a positive attitude and desire to help our parish children become better people.

Please contact Chris English with any further questions or concerns.

ST. JOHN'S OKTOBERFEST

Annual Logo Design Contest

The Oktoberfest will soon be here on Saturday, September 24, 2016, and this year we will be celebrating the 20th Anniversary of the very first Oktoberfest!! To commemorate, we have selected a special 20 oz. ceramic stein to sell at the Oktoberfest and now we need a special logo design to go with it! Calling all artists, designers, and creative people to join in our logo design contest!

The winning design must say "St. John's", "Oktoberfest", and "2016". We would love to see a full-color design for our poster, but only 4 colors will be printed on the mugs. The lucky winner will receive reserved seating and parking at the Oktoberfest, 2 mugs filled with 1 drink of your choice, and dinner for two!

Submit your designs denshobe@yahoo.com or turn them in at the Simon Parish Center. The contest ends **Wednesday, August 17th**. If you have any questions please contact Ellen Shobe at (785) 979-9670.

SOCIAL JUSTICE, SOCIAL ACTION

By Susan Tabor, Social Concerns Committee

Like many of you, I receive a selection of daily devotionals in my inbox each day. One of these really spoke to me several days ago, and it's stayed with me since.

The topic was anger; more specifically, God's anger.

"The wrath of God is not like ours," says the reflection's author, Steve Garnaas-Holmes, a Methodist minister from New England. "When eros, love that is attraction, is frustrated, it turns to violence, a desire to destroy. When philios, love that is kinship, is frustrated, it turns to indifference and dismissal, a desire to separate. But when agape, love that is self-giving, is frustrated, it is still self-giving."

He goes on to say: "The wrath of God is born of love, made of love, and for the sake of love. God's anger is anger at the disturbance of wholeness, so God responds not with the will toward brokenness—to destroy, condemn or expel—but with the will toward wholeness. Wrath born of agape is not anger at people, but anger at evil and injustice and the suffering it causes. It's burning passion to heal things. God's wrath is not punishment; it's an invitation to feel. God holds our feet to the fire of our own making, allows us to feel the agony we cause, feel God's own anguish for us. We experience it as an inner disturbance that makes us uneasy, a desire for justice that hurts until we act. Injustice endures because we don't mind it. God's wrath is the rage that says "I do mind. I can't stand this, and I won't: I will do something about it. We feel the heat until we change.

The challenge is to channel that heat into love. Our natural tendency is to protect ourselves, so the temptation is to turn even righteous anger at injustice into mere anger, judgment or violence. But violence is not an act of love. Violence is an outburst of powerlessness. It only adds to the brokenness. And the anger still remains. It still burns. Holy rage is not against others, it is against evil-- and I myself harbor evil. God's wrath is not mine to use to punish people I don't like; it's upon me to move me to do my part to heal the world, by making me hurt until I do something about it. In love, not self-protection, not self-justification, but self-giving, the wrath of God issues in love, in acts of healing and justice. To bear the cross is to rage against evil with love and gentleness. To rage against injustice without falling into judgment or violence is a hard calling. But because God's wrath is loving, to bear that rage is to bear love, if we will open our hearts to it."

In this day of vicious political campaigns, terrorist attacks and other needless killing in our country and world, in this day of increasing manifestations of violence and retribution in our culture, on this weekend when we reflect on the 71st anniversary of the dropping of the atomic bomb on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Japan, and the resulting ushering in of the atomic age, I invite you to join me in prayerfully reflecting on two questions: How might I reframe my personal view of anger to be more focused on justice and less so on personal retribution? How might I reframe my anger at injustice to focus more on positive outcomes/positive reconstruction of new social structures and/or healing and less on blaming other groups and individuals? May our prayerful reflections lead us to be a more peaceful, just, merciful and loving people.

"My heart recoils within me; my compassion grows warm and tender. I will not execute my fierce anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim; for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath."

--Hosea 11.8-9

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH!

MISSION STATEMENT

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, the sacraments, and each other.

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 and commitment.

Simon Parish Center

Mailing Address 1229 Vermont
 Lawrence, KS 66044
 Phone (785) 843-0109
 Summer Hours..... Mon-Thur: 8:30am—4pm
 Fri: Closed

Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:30pm
 Sunday 7:00am, 8:30am, 11:00am, 5:00pm

Weekend Spanish Mass

Sunday 2:00pm

Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday 7:30am
 Saturday 8:00am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday 11:00am-12:00pm
 7:00-8:00pm
 Saturday 3:00-4:00pm
 and by appointment

AdorationMonday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday,
 6:00 a.m.—10:00 p.m. in the Padre Pio Chapel.
 (no adoration 11am-1pm on Mon and Fri during Lent)

Bulletin Deadline. Submit info by noon on Thursday to bulletin@saint-johns.net ten days prior to the bulletin you wish info to appear. Please submit text electronically (via computer/email) as you would like it to appear in the bulletin.

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(913) 568-1570
 Lmeyer@4LPI.com
www.SeekAndFind.com

Space for Church Ministries. Ministries are required to reserve rooms for meetings and events by completing a "Reservation Request Form." Contact Ellen at the Simon Parish Center, 843.0109, esickinger@saint-johns.net.

Equipment. Coffeemakers, coolers, tables, chairs, etc. are not available for personal use.

Cemetery Plot at Mount Calvary. The cemetery is located at East 13th & Elmwood Street with a south entrance from Oak Hill Ave. For cemetery plot information call John Chavez, (785) 842-5602.

Membership. We welcome you to our parish family, and hope you feel at home and among friends. To join, go to www.saint-johns.net, click "Opportunities" and print a "New Parishioner Information Form." Contact the parish office, 843.0109.

Mass Stipend. Schedule Masses in honor of occasions or people. Suggested donation is \$10. We also have Mass cards. Contact the parish office at 843.0109.

Becoming Catholic. Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the Church's process to become Catholic and receive the sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. For some, this process completes their Christian initiation, as they were baptized in another Christian community, and seek full communion with the Catholic Church. Questions? Michael Podrebarac, 913.647.0330 liturgy@archkck.org.

Giving. Make a donation by placing gifts in the collection plate. Checks payable to "St. John Church." Members can pledge to the Annual Giving Appeal. Form at www.saint-johns.net, click "Opportunities" and go to "Give to St. John." Questions? Contact the Church Office by phone at (785) 843-0109.

Bricks. Buy a brick in the Walk of Faith Brick Garden. One line engraving \$100. Two lines \$125. Print an order form www.saint-johns.net, click "Opportunities" and then click "Marketplace." Questions? Contact the Church Office by phone at (785) 843-0109.

Planned Giving. Consider leaving a bequest to St. John in your Will. Contact the Church Office by phone at (785) 843-0109.

Virtus. To increase awareness about child abuse, Virtus is required for adults who interact with kids 18 years and under. www.virtus.org. Contact Lois Mersmann, 843.0109, lmersmann@saint-johns.net.

Religious Ed. Children 3 yrs of age – 8th grade are invited to RE class. Traditional RE class for 4 yr olds-5th grade meet in the school building on Sunday 9:45am-10:45am. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd class is for children 3–12 yrs old and meet various days and times in the houses located at 200 and 202 W. 13th St. 2nd graders prepare for First Reconciliation and First Communion. 6th, 7th and 8th grade Middle School students meet in the St. Bosco room, in the school, for Youth Night (aka The ROCK). The ROCK meets on Wednesdays (times vary). All classes meet Sept–May. See www.saint-johns.net, select "For Your Faith" and "Religious Education" for detailed info, forms or contact Lois Mersmann, lmersmann@saint-johns.net, 843-0109.

Baptism. Contact the Simon Parish Center to arrange for Baptism Preparation.

Anointing of the Sick. If you are having major surgery or are seriously ill and want to receive the grace and healing of the Anointing of the Sick, contact the Simon Parish Center. The hospital does not notify St. John when one is hospitalized.

Funerals. Contact the Simon Parish Center for funeral arrangements. Dinner provided. For cemetery plot information call John Chavez at (785) 842-5602.

Communion to Homebound. Those who cannot attend Mass due to illness or age and want to receive Communion need to contact the Parish Center. Eucharistic Ministers can bring Communion to the hospitalized, homebound, and nursing home residents.

Confirmation. For 8th graders. Classes meet on various Wednesdays and Sundays throughout the year. See www.saint-johns.net/youth or contact Jennifer Meitl Conrad or Lois Mersmann for info, 843.0109.

First Reconciliation/First Communion. Children preparing for First Reconciliation and First Communion are prepared in religion classes at St. John School, Sunday morning Traditional Religious Educations and Catechesis of the Good Shepherd.

Marriage. Contact Ellen Sickinger at the Simon Parish Center to schedule a meeting with Fr. Jeff or Fr. Barnabas a minimum of 6 months prior to wedding date. No weddings in Lent or Advent.

Joining the Knights of Columbus. Our St. John Knights of Columbus Council 1372 invite all Catholic men to join. The Knights host parish breakfasts, chili feeds, etc. Membership \$28yr. Contact Grand Knight Darin Denning at (785) 760-0788

Joining Daughters of Isabella. The Daughters of Isabella is a charitable organization of Catholic women founded on the principal of its motto: Unity, Friendship and Charity. Membership is open to all Catholic women, ages 16 and over. Contact Janet Huss at 785-393-4878 if you have any questions.

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FOCUS ON THE WORD

Weekly Reflection

Consider the variety of ways we use the word "service" to describe the work of different people. Those who work in government are said to have given themselves to public service. Members of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marines are all part of the armed services. Hotel and restaurant employees are said to work in the service industries, along with barbers, hair dressers, flight attendants, and entertainers, although it is a bit of a stretch to imagine folks like Jimmy Kimmel, Jay Leno, or Stephen Colbert in the same category as the hotel housekeeping staff. Every one of these service-oriented groups also has its caricature of the lazy, inefficient provider. There's the often joked about drivers' license examiner. There's Beetle Bailey of cartoon fame. And comedy skits about airline stewardesses or hotel maids abound. Yet all of these professions continue to distinguish themselves, despite the occasional "bad apple" that may turn up.

In the Gospel this weekend Jesus makes it clear that a servant (that is, a believer) must be constantly vigilant. Peter asked directly, "Is the parable meant for us or for everyone?" Jesus didn't answer him directly, but went on to add another parable describing the prudent, industrious servant and the lazy one.

We do not know when the Lord will return, and so we cannot rest on our laurels as though one good deed or one proclamation of the Gospel is enough. Yes, we have our employment, our family, our personal needs that we must attend to. But we are also servants of the Lord. When we get up in the morning, while we are preparing for the day and running through in our heads the list of everything we must accomplish that day, one of the things we can ask ourselves is, "What kind of a servant of God am I going to be today?" That can give us a sense of what can guide our actions as we work through the day.

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19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." The only thing we really know about when Jesus will come again is that we won't be expecting it. As Jesus instructs us today, the best plan of action is thus to be prepared at all times. We need to be ready and waiting to meet Jesus so that when he does return, it won't catch us off guard.

A little thought experiment might be helpful here. Let's imagine that the doorbell rings this evening after dinner. We open the door and find Jesus standing there. He asks to come in. Are we ready for this honored guest? What will he find when he steps in unannounced? Is everyone at peace around the house? Is everyone speaking with love and acting with generosity? Is there anything in our home that, in his presence, we might be ashamed of--books, shows, movies, or music that aren't appropriate? Pictures, Facebook posts, or a record of Internet history that we hope he won't discover?

Now, imagine that he came unannounced into our HEARTS this evening. What would he find there? Are our hearts ready to welcome Jesus? In truth, we need not wait for the second coming to have Jesus in our hearts. He wants to live there already today!

So regardless of the timing of the second coming of Christ, we would do well to follow the traditional spiritual practice of a daily examination of conscience to see where we are doing well and where we need to make changes. Taking such a deliberate spiritual inventory is an excellent way to help us be ready for Jesus like those servants "who await their master's return from a wedding, ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks."

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Kids: Sharing the Gospel



Sharing the Gospel

One day Jesus will come back from heaven. He could come back any day now - nobody knows when. So, you and I need to be ready. Put God first in your life. Love God with your whole heart. Live every day in a way that will make Jesus smile. Be ready to go to heaven!

Prayer

Dear God, help me to stay close to Jesus.

Something to Draw

Draw a picture of Jesus coming back in the clouds.

Mission for the Week

Every day I will read, play, and listen to things that make God happy.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40
Monday:	Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Ps 148:1-2, 11-14/ Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday:	Ez 2:8-3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/ Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday:	2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-9/Jn 12:24-26
Thursday:	Ez 12:1-12/Ps 78:56-59, 61-62/ Mt 18:21-19:1
Friday:	Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-6/ Mt 19:3-12
Saturday:	Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Ps 51:12-15, 18-19/ Mt 19:13-15
Next Sunday:	Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2-4, 18/Heb 12:1-4/ Lk 12:49-53

19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



CLASE PREBAUTISMAL en BLESSED SACRAMENT:

La clase pre-bautismal es **cada segundo sábado del mes** en un salón del Ministerio Hispano. Es obligatorio registrarse primero en la oficina parroquial llamando a Jessie al tel. 913 321 1958.

Taller para catequistas:

Agosto 10 con un retiro final el 20 de Agosto 2016. Los catequista que quieran formación pueden llamar a Lety Fernández 913 220 5315 o Judith Breton 913 433 4786 para más informaciones.

Próximo retiro de 15era:

20 y 21 de Agosto en la parroquia de Santa María y San Antonio. Llamar al Ministerio Hispano para registrarse.

MUSICA, CORO, MUSICA

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

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.

Las lecturas de la semana del 7 de agosto de 2016

Domingo:	Sab 18, 6-9/Sal 33, 1. 12. 18-22/Heb 11, 1-2. 8-19 o 11, 1-2. 8-12/Lc 12, 32-48 o 12, 35-40
Lunes:	Ez 1, 2-5. 24-28/Sal 148, 1-2. 11-14/Mt 17, 22-27
Martes:	Ez 2, 8--3, 4/Sal 119, 14. 24. 72. 103. 111. 131/ Mt 18, 1-5. 10. 12-14
Miércoles:	2 Cor 9, 6-10/Sal 112, 1-2. 5-9/Jn 12, 24-26
Jueves:	Ez 12, 1-12/Sal 78, 56-59. 61-62/Mt 18, 21--19, 1
Viernes:	Ez 16, 1-15. 60. 63 o 16, 59-63/Is 12, 2-6/Mt 19, 3-12
Sábado:	Ez 18, 1-10. 13. 30-32/Sal 51, 12-15. 18-19/Mt 19, 13-15
Domingo siguiente:	Jr 38, 4-6. 8-10/Sal 40, 2-4. 18/Heb 12, 1-4/ Lc 12, 49-53

7 de agosto de 2016

19° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

¿Dónde tenemos nuestro tesoro? El texto del Evangelio de hoy nos muestra diversos centros de atención. Veremos en lo que Jesús enfatiza en diferentes ocasiones y es la imagen del tesoro para hablar del Reino. El tesoro es deseado, es algo así como sacarnos la lotería cada semana que la rifan, o que nos llegue una herencia no esperada. En la vida nos encontramos rodeados de tesoros que nos quieren vender muchas cosas con la promesa de ser felices. Sin embargo, Jesús nos dice que poseer el Reino de Dios implica otra cosa a la que debemos poner atención. Esta va en la medida de donde ponemos los bienes que tenemos, del cómo compartimos nuestro tiempo, talento y tesoro con los demás. Se trata de no acumular, sino de buscar y dar, dar siempre, para obtener el tesoro que no se acaba.

La seguridad de pertenecer al grupo de Jesús no está en querer todo, sino en confiar en Dios. Eso es lo difícil porque se tiene la tendencia de aferrarse a las cosas materiales, el dinero, la ropa, el carro, la casa y tantas otras cosas que se podrían mencionar. ¿Cómo hacer para que a partir de hoy aumente la confianza en Dios? ¿Dónde está a lo que me aferro? ¿Qué me aleja de Dios? Para responder a estas preguntas Jesús nos explica tres parábolas: el patrón que regresa de su boda y encuentra a los siervos atentos y vigilantes, y prepara la mesa para ellos; el ladrón que entra a la casa, roba y se lleva todo; y la del administrado fiel que cuando llega el patrón lo encuentra trabajando. Cumplir, confiar, comprometerse y trabajar. ¡Ahí está el tesoro!

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Desde pequeños sabemos que cumplir con esmero los deberes que se nos encargan, como las tareas escolares y de casa, nos lleva a estar listos siempre. De esa forma cuando nuestros padres pregunten por las tareas encomendadas y vean que están terminadas y bien hechas el premio se goza doblemente por haber cumplido. La educación en el cumplimiento del deber es de toda la vida. Pequeños y grandes estamos siempre en diferentes niveles de aprendizaje.

En el Evangelio de este domingo Jesús nos aconseja que el esperar siempre bien preparados para cuando él venga a visitarnos es regla de oro. No debemos entretenernos en cosas inmediatas sino en las que perduran para la eternidad. Las dos parábolas que Jesús nos narra son para estimular la vigilancia a su regreso. También nos enseñan compartir lo que tenemos. Es decir, somos responsables de los talentos que nos ha dado el Señor. Estar preparados significa tener la bolsa lista, los zapatos puestos y -lo más importante- el corazón dispuesto a servir y a trabajar. El dejar las divisiones, las envidias en la familia y grupos parroquiales es ya una manera de estar listos para cuando se nos llame a rendir cuentas. Usar con cuidado lo que se nos ha encomendado es trabajo de toda la vida. Pero esto no debe de desanimarnos pues Cristo Jesús está siempre con nosotros. Él toca constantemente a nuestra puerta indicándonos el cómo servir mejor. ¿Dónde puedo encontrar al Señor? ¿Con quién me espera? El Señor está presente en las caras de alegría y de dolor de nuestros hermanos y hermanas.