

HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMISSION MEETING AT CITY HALL

There will be a meeting with the Historic Resources Commission this Thursday, July 21, at 6:30pm at City Hall, 6 E. 6th Street, to discuss plans to construct our new addition to St. John School and relocate the convent to use as additional office space. Please make plans to attend this meeting which will be held in the City Commission Meeting Room of City Hall and help show your support for this project!

These diagrams from Sabatini Architects Inc. show the proposed layout for a new gymnasium extension (above) and expanded office space that includes the relocated convent building (below).



St. John the Evangelist Catholic Parish 1229 Vermont Street Lawrence, Kansas 66044 (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

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HOW TO WELCOME CHRIST INTO YOUR HEART

By Fr. Barnabas Eichor, OFM, Cap.

We are on the quest for Christian perfection, and there is one means that is the most effective in achieving this goal: This is the Eucharist, whose special grace is union with Christ through love.

Let us immediately say that the Blessed Sacrament does far more than merely symbolize this union of the soul with Christ—it actually affects it! That is to say the Eucharist brings about this union in a literal way. The Lord wasn't playing with words when he promised: "He who eats My Flesh and drinks My Blood abides

in me and I in him." (John 6:57)

This is an amazing and almost unbelievable reality—the Eucharist truly affects a physical union between our bodies and the Sacred Host; it is a union of our souls with the Divinity of Christ, and thus with the Godhead itself.

The special grace of this Eucharistic food, then, is one that unites and gradually transforms us into Christ...that is, if we allow ourselves to cooperate with the graces given in the Eucharist. Through the Eucharist, Christ is always trying to renew our hearts and our minds, but too often we resist that Grace and thus remain blind and hard hearted. The Sacraments are not magic—they require our openness and effort. An entire volume could be written on the effects of the Eucharist, but its uniting us to Christ and its gradually transforming us into Christ are the effects that summarize all the others.

Theologians tell us that the whole Sacramental system is ordered to the Eucharist for its consummation and end. This is another way of saying that all the sacraments have as their ultimate purpose union with Christ in charity. And is not this the very goal of our Christian lives?

The conclusion that flows from this truth is obvious. The Blessed Sacrament should be at the very center of our lives, because it contains Christ and the whole power of his Passion. Also we should dispose ourselves as perfectly as possible for this wondrous gift.

In the Eucharist, our Lord comes to us in perfect self-surrender. As our Creator He comes to re-create us. As our Savior he comes to save us. As God's love he comes to put his power, mercy and love at our disposal. He desires to be our life--our way--our very self!

You should approach him the same way—with perfect surrender. Your faith should tell you what this sacrament contains. Your confidence in the power of this sacrament should be absolutely unlimited. Your humility should expose your spiritual need. Your love should beg him to take over yourself and your life.

As you approach Communion, remember that you are about to receive far more than you have the power to give. Just as one holy Mass can make perfect reparation for what sins have done to God, so also fervent Communion can repair the damage that your sins have done to yourself.

-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 vatican.va website.

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 vatican.va



Optional/Encouraged Text:

Women of the New Testament by Camille Fronk Olson

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.

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1229 Vermont
Lawrence, KS 66044
(785) 843-0109
n-Thur: 8:30am—4pm
Fri: Closed
4:30pm
am, 11:00am, 5:00pm
2:00pm
7:30am
8:00am
11:00am-12:00pm
7:00-8:00pm

Adoration Monday, 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)

Saturday 3:00-4:00pm

..... and by appointment

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.

Advertise in the Bulletin. Revenue from ads is what makes the bulletin possible at no cost to our parish. Please support your bulletin advertisers. For information on advertising, call Lindsay Meyer:

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

Space for Church Ministries. Ministries are requried 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-iohns.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 "Opportunties" 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, Imersmann@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 vear. See www.saint-iohns.net/vouth 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.

Parish Staff

Pastor Fr. Jeff Ernst		
Associate PastorFr. Barnabas Eichor		
In Residence Fr. Mike Scully		
Business Manager Cris Denning		
Catecísmo en español María Mota		
Choir/Music/LiturgyLisa Roush		
Stewardship DirectorSamantha Romero		
Maintenance Jeff Jenicke		
Administrative Assistants Meg Milburn (mornings)		
Patty Guadian (afternoons)		
RCIA Michael Podrebarac		
Religious Ed, Director Pat Newton		
Religious Ed, AssistantLois Mersmann		
TechnologyKaren Dixon		
Pastoral Assistant/Events Calendar Ellen Sickinger		
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www.saint-johns.net/school		
Catholic Charities Nickie Daneke		
1247 Kentucky St. (785) 856-2694		
Rummage House 13th & Kentucky.		
Shop our second hand store of used items at discount		
prices. Shopping Hours:		
Wed. 11am-3pm Thurs. 1pm-4pm		
Sat. 8:30am-12:30pm		

Centro HispanoLydia Diebolt

(785) 843-2039

ST. JOHN RUMMAGE HOUSE

The St. John Rummage House, located at the corner of 13th & Kentucky, is a great place to shop for pre-owned clothing and merchandise at discount prices. Hours of operation are:

Wednesday: 11am-3pm Thursday: 1pm-4pm Saturday: 8:30am-12:30pm

Volunteers are also needed to work during these hours! If you are interested in helping, please call **(785) 843-0109**. Volunteers are also needed Monday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings to help sort donations!

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Support St. John School by going to **smile.amazon.com**. Choose St. John School with anything you purchase, St. John will receive 5% back! It is that easy! Share this with friends and family.

Direct URL: smile.amazon.com/ch/48-0930227 (link also available at www.saint-johns.net)

A NOTE ABOUT GROCERY CARD SALES

Dillons Grocery have ended their gift card program and replaced it with Community Rewards. To participate, go to www.dillons.com/communityrewards, register your Plus Shopper's Card number, and designate St. John School #29296. It only takes a minute.

Once you are registered, a percentage of your purchase will be donated to St. John School.

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**.

CHURCH ENTRANCE SUMMER HOURS

Sunday: Open 6:00 AM to 7:30 PM Monday: Open 6:00 AM to 6:30 PM

Tuesday—Thursday: Open 6:00 AM to 8:30 PM

Friday: Open 6:00 AM to 9:00 AM Saturday: Open 7:00 AM to 6:30 PM

In August, when school is back in session and meetings/school activities begin to resume, we will revert back to a more open schedule. We continually strive to keep our church safe.

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.

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.

WOMEN'S PRAYER & REFLECTION GROUP

Women's Prayer and Reflection Group meets on the first Tuesday of the month to study Biblical women and the third Tuesday of the month to study Women Saints. Join us any time, no preparation necessary. We will meet in the parish office during the summer at 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in joining us, contact: Beth Fox (785) 840-5561 or Sophia Compton (785) 727-5784.

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

ST. MONICA'S PRAYER GROUP

This group meets at Noon-12:45pm St. John Church on Mondays. The group prays the rosary for the intention of children and for special intentions. A special prayer for cancer victims included. All parishioners are invited to participate.

REDISCOVER JESUS

CHAPTER 26: THE PRAYER PROCESS

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.)

<u>Point to Ponder</u>: God yearns to spend time with you each day in prayer.

<u>Verse to Live</u>: "In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed." { Mark 1:35 }

Question to Consider: Are you making spiritual progress?

<u>Prayer</u>: Jesus, fill me with the grace to set aside a few minutes each day to spend just chatting with you.

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**

Remi Brown

Dale Brueggeman, husband of Debbie Filkins

Chris Crandon

Karen Dunn, mother of Meg Milburn

Buddy Hadl

Terry Hadl

Sophia Hamilton, daughter of Alex and Sheri Hamilton

Judy Hill

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

Ruth Thesing

Angelica Villa

Greg Walker, brother of Ted Walker

MINISTERS: JULY 23-24

Lectors

Saturday

Caturday

Saturday

4:30pmL1: M Mauler; L2: D Rogers
Sunday
7:00amL1: C Winkelbauer; L2: D Carlin
8:30amL1: W Smith; T Dowd Kelne
11:00amL1: S Tabor; L2: C Dominguez
5:00pmL1: M Williams; L2: B Walter

Cantors

4:30pmJ Graves	
Sunday 7:00am K Colson & B Ennis 8:30am A Koster	

Eucharistic Ministers

4:30pm L Reimond, MA Roesner, L Seidl
D Weigel, L Arnold, B Brill
Sunday
7:00amL Wustefeld, J&S Grzymala-Busse
8:30am K Kohnke, K Ostrander, Y Ruder
L Scott, M Steichen, B Volz, J Dvorske
11:00am A Brill, C Buchheister, B DeWitt
C&D Ehrlich, J Evers, T Gabrielson
5:00pmD&E Schmidt, D Wulf-Walter
N Albrecht, L Brey, S File

Altar Servers

Saturday 4:30pm	B Rowland, J Krones
Sunday	
7:00am	Volunteers
8:30am	T Kempf, S Liu
11:00am	M Green, J Green
5:00pm	L Schmidt, O Schmidt

MASSES: JULY 18-24

Monday 7:30am Olya Helt†
Tuesday 7:30amJohn Siess†
Wednesday 7:30amCzeslawa Namyslowska†
Thursday 7:30am Jerimy Siess†
Friday 7:30amFr. Michael Scully
Saturday 8am Craig Durland† 4:30pm Ethel & George Jennings†
Sunday 7:00amJames O'Toole†
8:30am Deceased Members of the
2:00pm (Spanish)Adolfo Ramirez† 5:00pm Bridget Jahng

WEEKLY GIVING

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

Information below reflects donations received
July 1, 2015 through July 3, 2016.

Budgeted weekly amount	\$27,403.84
Average weekly amount	\$18,514 .0 1
Budgeted YTD	\$54,807.68
Actual YTD	\$37,028.02
Net Shortage	\$17.779.66

JOIN 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 lengthsuperscript.

MEALS FOR THE FRIARS

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

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, 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!



EUCHARISTIC 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

ITEMS FOR THE ST. CONRAD FRIARY CHAPEL

The renovation of a second floor large room for a new chapel at the St. Conrad Friary is complete, but not yet furnished. The new space is fresh and beautiful and the friars are looking forward to use the new space for our fraternity prayer and Mass. Would any of you be willing to help us with the costs of the renovation and the furnishings? This would be an opportunity to express gratitude to your former Capuchin pastors Fr. Mike, Fr. Charles, Fr. John, and again, Fr. Mike for their tireless love and dedication toward all of you. It also is an opportunity for you to "pastor" us in providing for our spiritual needs. If you feel moved in your heart to help us out, see the box inside of this bulletin for a breakdown of costs and how you might want to help us dedicate a new and more dignified place of worship in our friary. You can include a note as to which item you would like your donation to go – Thank You!

Renovation	\$15,000
Chairs/kneelers	\$2,975
Image of Our Lady	\$80

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

ST. JOHN COUNCIL MEMBERS

Pastoral Council

Frank Lemus, chair Nancy Jones Richard Ramos
Mary Menendez Sean Smith Nancy Albrecht
Brian Walter Tony Kempf Bob Trepinski

Finance Council

Brad Finkeldei, chair Teresa Kempf Brian Green

Vince Romero Tony Kempf Meredith Lang (liaison from Pastoral Council)

MARRIAGE MINUTE

Parents everywhere can relate to Martha in this Sunday's reading. We have too much to do and not enough help. This dilemma makes us cranky, especially with our spouse.

Jesus is not giving Mary license to slack off. If she had been bingewatching Netflix, he would not have commended her. She was listening to Jesus, which he considers the "better part."

Of course, this does not mean we should abandon our jobs and children and head out to the monastery. But it does point out the necessity of connection. If we don't build our day around some quiet time with God and with our spouse, the tasks of the day will take over.

- Commit a specific time for prayer, perhaps 15 minutes before your kids get up.
- Make spousal connection a habit:
 - Coffee together before work
 - Lunchtime check-in call
 - Chat while doing dishes
 - Snuggle together before bedtime

17th Annual Midwest Catholic Family Conference

Learn how to deal with critical life issues at the 17th annual Midwest Catholic Family Conference Aug. 5-7, 2016 at Century II, Wichita KS. The Conference provides outstanding presenters in special programs for adults, high school and middle school students as well as for young adults and children.

Hear Giana Jessen tell her amazing story of being born in 1977 during a failed abortion attempt, and why she says abortion is not a political issue but a person issue.

Teens, learn about the Theology of Music and how to understand your future vocations as adults in the Catholic Faith.

Enjoy a spirit-filled concert by Marie Miller, whose "You're Not Alone" (2013) topped the Billboard Christian Hot AC/CHR charts. Mark Cook completes the evening entertainment with magic to astound young and old alike.

Register online at:

www.catholicfamilyconference.org

or call **(316) 618-9787** to register by phone. Feel free to email any questions to **midwconf@cox.net**.



Men's Retreat Weekend:

August 27-28

Women's Retreat Weekend:

September 10-11

Christ Renews His Parish is a spiritual renewal process that 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. There is an opportunity for Men on August 27th and 28th and Women on September 10th and 11th.

Your registration form is on the back of this page! Please contact Jake Weeks at jakeandlaura@sunflower.com with any questions or see the CRHP webpage at sjevangelist.com/crhp for more information or to register online.

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. Prost!!

Here is last year's winning design by Suzanne Hurtig:



BREWS AND BBQ

St. John The Evangelist Church 1229 Vermont St., Lawrence, KS 66044 Saturday, July 30 ☆ 5:30 to 9:00 pm

FEATURING

- → Live music
- All you can eat BBQ

(by Kansas Katering* and St. John's parishioners!)

- ☆ Pulled pork*
- ☆ Seafood mac n cheese*
- * Brisket
- * Sausage
- A Pork loin
- A Bacon wrapped jalapenos
- Several more items to choose from as well as sides and deserts!
- Beer and wine included with the price!

TICKETS

- (1) \$50 OR (2) \$80
- Proceeds benefit the St. John the Evangelist capital campaign!

Fill out a flyer located near the church entrances for tickets!



CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH AT ST. JOHN CHURCH

This is your invitation!

Mark which retreat you v	vant to attend: Men's F	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 men	nber of St. John? (circle one)	No Yes		
Do you have food allergie	s or special dietary needs? (circle one) No Yes, th	ey are:	
Do you require any other	special accommodations? (c	ircle one) No Yes, the	ey are:	
Emergency Contact #1 Fu	ll Name:		Relationship	:
Home Phone Number:		Alternate Phone	Number:	
Emergency Contact #2 Fu	ll Name:		Relationship	:
Home Phone Number:		Alternate Phone	Number:	
Questions or Comments:				
Return form to the co	First come, first serv	n to parish office: St. John Cl e. Only 25 spaces available, with any questions: jakean	so register soon!	
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.

FOCUS ON THE WORD

Everyday Stewardship

When we realize we are going to have company, my family and I swing into motion with a frenzy. No dust shall be present for our guests. The bathrooms will be spotless and toilets worthy of the name "throne." We must run to the store so that an endless supply of refreshments and snacks greet our distinguished guests. We never want to be seen as bad hosts and, of course the real reason for all the commotion, we never want to be seen in our natural habitat of messy rooms and barren kitchens.

But what is real hospitality, a necessity for encouraging good stewardship and developing a sense of belonging? In the Gospel of Luke, Mary knew. Martha was so busy preparing and serving, while Mary simply sat with Jesus and listened to him. This is not to say that she did not prepare for her Guest by making a proper place for gathering. But when a guest is already received, true hospitality begins with being present to and engaging him or her. Part of the message in this story is that we all need to pause and listen to the good news that Jesus preaches, but also we can learn a lesson about good hospitality from it as well.

How many times have we been more concerned with appearances and outward things than what we have inside each of us to share? Christian hospitality calls for the Jesus in me to meet with the Jesus in you. We are called to be fully present to one another, with no distractions of technology or the world standing in our way. This is choosing "the better part." For what does it profit a man if he has all the beer and wine in the world, and a spotless home with the greatest of technology, and loses his attention in the conversation with his brother or sister to the game on television? (Or something like that!)

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing." Martha was caught up in a whirlwind of her own making. She stressed herself out with all the tasks and chores she thought she had to do to host Jesus, but Jesus wasn't the one who expected all of that. He just wanted Martha's presence, her company and friendship. His only expectation was that Martha would prepare for him her heart, but she was fixated on preparing her home instead.

How often do we create a similar whirlwind in our lives? How often do we fixate on external details, on making a good impression, on having all appearances looking just so, but forget what really matters? How often do we make ourselves "anxious and worried" about all we think we have to do? In today's Gospel Jesus calls us to stop the frenetic activity of our lives, to pause and listen, imitating Mary "who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak."

This can seem impossible. We look at our calendars and our to-do lists and cannot find a single slot in which to squeeze quiet prayer or silent spiritual listening. But Jesus asks us to reorganize our priorities. He tells us, "There is need of only one thing." Really, Jesus? Have you seen our lists!? What can we possibly eliminate? Don't we need to do all of this?

The Lord says no. What we need to do is to make time to be with him. The same Lord who turned water into wine and fed five thousand men with five loaves of bread and two fish can also multiply our time. So instead of being like Martha who tried to tell Jesus what to do-"Tell her to help me"-let's be like Mary who listened to what Jesus had to say.

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Kids: Sharing the Gospel



Sharing the Gospel

God created work for each of us to do, and it is important to do it. But Martha was upset because she forgot to stop and make time for Jesus. Mary had the right idea. She took a break from her work to listen to Jesus. Time with Jesus is precious, so we need to make time to rest and enjoy his love.

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for reminding me to stop and enjoy time with you.

Mission for the Week

Ask your family to join you in reading the Bible or praying at meal time.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-5/Col 1:24-28/

Lk 10:38-42

Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16-17, 21,

23/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-8/

Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday: Jer 1:1, 4-10/Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17/

Mt 13:1-9

Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-11/

Mt 13:10-17

Friday: Jer 3:14-17/Jer 31:10-13/

Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Saturday: Jer 7:1-11/Ps 84:3-6, 8, 11/Mt 13:24-30 Next Sunday: Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-3, 6-8/

Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

16TH 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:

Julio 20, 27 Agosto 3, 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.

Próximos cursos de VIRTUS:

Los vamos a tener en la parroquia de St. Paul in Olathe.

Las fechas son:

Julio 29 en Ingles 6:00-9:00 pm Julio 30 en Español 8:30 am-12:00 pm

El cupo es limitado y el párroco tiene que apoyar el candidato. Si tiene preguntas llamen a Karla Melgar. St. Paul Catholic Church (913) 764-1584 ext.103 kmelgar@spcatholic.org

Próximo retiro de 15era:

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



Las lecturas de la semana del 17 de julio de 2016

Domingo: Gn 18, 1-10/Sal 15, 2-5/Col 1, 24-28/Lc 10, 38-42

Lunes: Miq 6, 1-4. 6-8/Sal 50, 5-6. 8-9. 16-17. 21. 23/Mt 12, 38-42

Martes: Miq 7, 14-15. 18-20/Sal 85, 2-8/Mt 12, 46-50
Miércoles: Jr 1, 1. 4-10/Sal 71, 1-6. 15. 17/Mt 13, 1-9
Jueves: Jr 2, 1-3. 7-8. 12-13/Sal 36, 6-11/Mt 13, 10-17

Viernes: Jr 3, 14-17/Jr 31, 10-13/Jn 20, 1-2. 11-18 Sábado: Jr 7, 1-11/Sal 84, 3-6. 8. 11/Mt 13, 24-30

Domingo siguiente: Gn 18, 20-32/Sal 138, 1-3. 6-8/Col 2, 12-14/

Lc 11, 1-13

17 de julio de 2016

16° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Este domingo la primera lectura nos narra la misteriosa visita de tres personajes que llegan a la tienda de Abraham el que se desvive por atenderlos, su hospitalidad es de primera clase. Se preocupa de recibir a sus visitantes con un suculento banquete desde que llegan su actitud de servicio y disponibilidad son asombrosos. El centro fundamental de la narración es la promesa del hijo. ¿Qué podemos aprender de Abraham sobre la hospitalidad? ¿Cómo implementarla en nuestras comunidades multiculturales? Si al menos hoy nos detuviéramos un poquito en ver la manera de cómo nos tratamos los unos a los otros en el aspecto de la hospitalidad -dejaríamos de hacer mal al prójimo y respetaríamos al vecino. ¡Viviríamos en paz y armonía!

En el relato del Evangelio, se nos narra otro aspecto relacionado con la hospitalidad a partir del contraste entre las personalidades de las dos hermanas que reciben a Jesús en su casa. María contempla, Marta actúa. Ambas acciones son buenas, pero, deben tener balance. Hay un dicho popular que dice: "Ni tanto que queme al santo ni tanto que no lo alumbre". Es decir, las preocupaciones de la vida no deben ahogar la semilla de la Palabra de Dios, el vivir siempre en acción, en este caso, impide ver las cosas bellas del Reino. Lo importante de estas lecturas es que tomemos en cuenta lo siguiente. Recibir al Señor que pasa en cada acontecimiento de la vida. Reconocer su presencia en cada uno de nuestros hermanos y hermanas. Saber que siempre el Señor nos acoge en su casa si hay arrepentimiento. ¡Teniendo a Jesús en casa, nada más es necesario!

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 pos 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.