

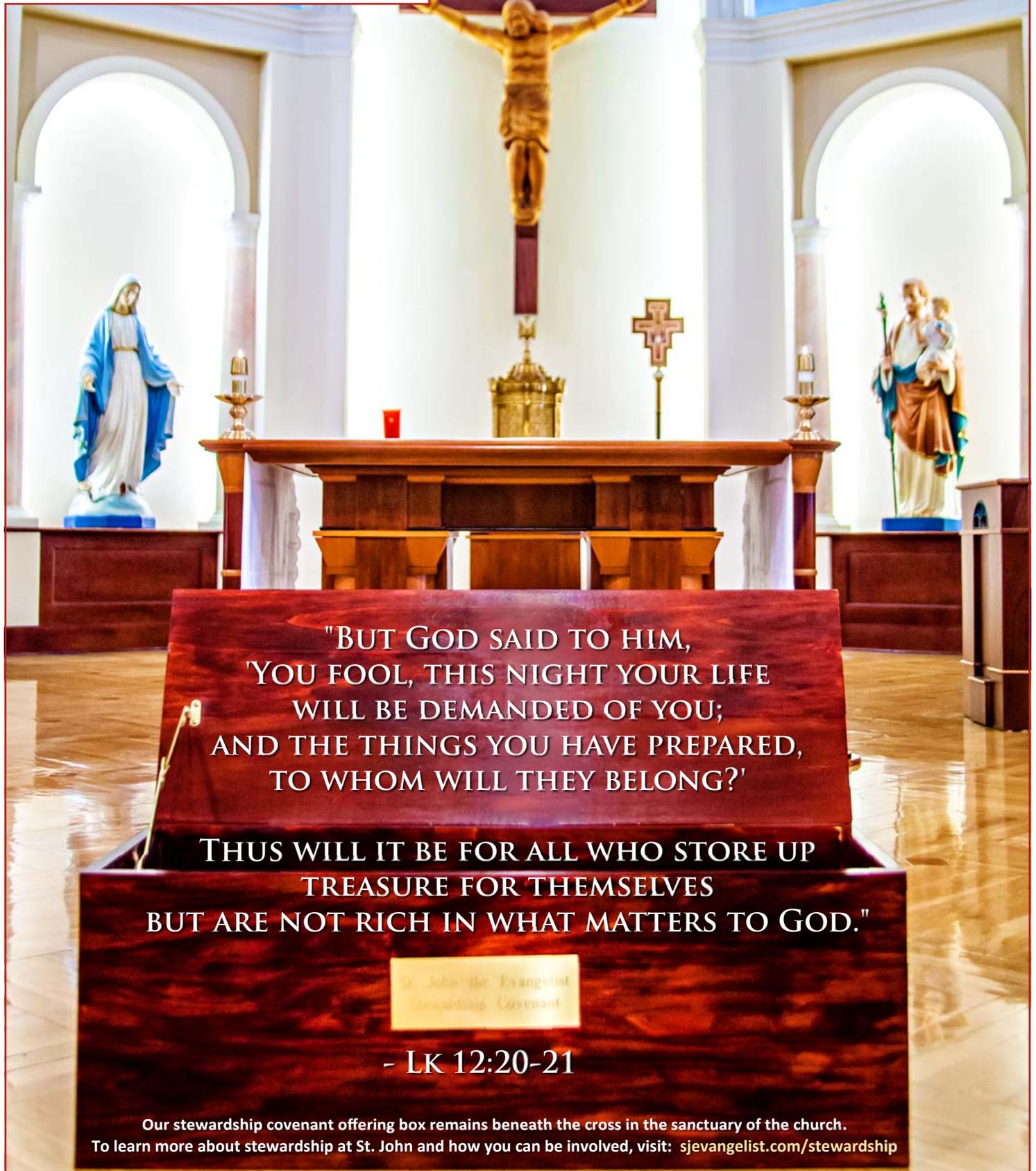


ST JOHN

THE EVANGELIST
CATHOLIC CHURCH

1229 VERMONT STREET LAWRENCE, KANSAS 66044 (785) 843-0109

JULY 31, 2016
18TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME



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



SUMMER TOUR

By Fr. Jeff Ernst, OFM, Cap.

Where has he been?! That is a question that several parish staff members heard while I was away. My apologies – I like to include my travel schedule in Bread to Offer, but before I departed the first part of July, I neglected to communicate with you my summer travels. I think it is only fair that you know how your pastor spent his summer!

The first week of July I attended a workshop for “pastors with schools” at Notre Dame University. This workshop was recommended by our diocesan director of catholic education, Dr. Kathy O’Hara. I have to admit that I was reluctant to attend and I dreaded hearing a lot of philosophical discourse and not much in the way of practical information. I was pleasantly surprised, however, to find that my hesitation was without merit. The information given at the workshop was very pertinent and helpful. Much of it focused on the pastor’s relationship with the principal, his relationship with the school staff, his relationship with the students, and on the relationship between the parish community and the school. Some of what I heard I was already doing, while some information was new and insightful – I ended up taking 12 pages of notes!

Since I was not too far from the Indiana-Ohio boarder, I met up with some friends who live in Wilmington, Delaware, but are from western Ohio. I met Bob and Sally in 2000 when I was helping with a Capuchin formation program in Wilmington. The two of them have been close friends ever since. Every other year I go to visit them and the other years they come to visit me. The visit to Ohio was an opportunity to see the farms and the communities of their origins. We also visited the Shrine of the Holy Relics in Maria Stein, Ohio, the second largest collection of first-class relics in the U.S. That little trip made for a nice day of prayer and reflection, especially since the shrine is the site of one of the Holy Doors in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati.

After three days in Ohio, I drove to St. Louis to visit my parents and siblings. During that time, I was able to visit some of my aging aunts and uncles who live in rural southeast Missouri. It was great to see the farms where, when I was a young boy, our family would visit our farming cousins. Sadly, my relatives are no longer able to sustain the sizeable agricultural operation they once had. The land is still in the family and it is still abundant with corn, beans, and feed, but other farmers now cultivate it.

I then finished out my vacation in Victoria, Kansas, visiting friends and families who I came to know as pastor at St. Fidelis, St. Boniface, and St. Ann Churches.

It was a very nice vacation with plenty of rest, prayer, food, and fun with family and friends. Seriously though, I am very happy to be back – I like it so much here at St. John! I have really enjoyed getting to know you and I have come to love the people here and to appreciate your deep faith, your incredible generosity, and your love and concern for one another. For me, late July is the beginning of another year here at the parish. In less than four weeks, school will resume and the level of energy and enthusiasm will rise once again. We also have the added excitement of the start of our “Preserving Our Past . . . Building Our Future!” parish expansion beginning sometime between November of this year and January of next. I can hardly wait!! There are some other surprises on the horizon that have to do with the continued spiritual growth and nourishment of our parish – stay tuned!

–Fr. Jeff

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 Frong 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 Frong Olson

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.

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.

VIRTUS TRAINING

Virtus, the awareness session of the Archdiocese's child abuse program, Protecting God's Children, is required training for all adults who work with the children/youth of our parish.

Who should attend this training session? All parents, grandparents, anyone who plans to assist/teach in any of the parish Religious Education programs, work with the parish Middle School or High School Youth Groups, volunteer in the school or with school activities. The material presented is good information for all parishioners. The next Virtus session hosted at St. John Church will be held, in the church basement, **Wednesday, August 3, from 6:30 to approximately 9:30 p.m.**

To register for this session - please visit the Virtus website: www.virtus.org. Select "registration" on the left hand side of the page and follow the prompts. If you have any questions or need assistance with registration, please contact Lois at (785) 843-0109 or lmersmann@saint-johns.net.

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.

OUR HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!

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**.

REDISCOVER JESUS

CHAPTER 28: SPONTANEOUS PRAYER

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: God is always at my side to help me make the best decisions.

Verse to Live: "Rejoice always, pray constantly, give thanks in all circumstances." { 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 }

Question to Consider: What are you most grateful for today?

Prayer: Jesus, thank you for being at my side even when I forget you are there.

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
Buddy Hadl
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 6-7

Lectors

Saturday
 4:30pmL1: J Snyder; L2: R Entwistle

Sunday
 7:00am ... L1: C Winkelbauer; L2: T Dowd Kelne
 8:30am L1: E Dvorske; L2: J Wyatt
 11:00am L1: J Griпка; L2: J O'Brien
 5:00pmL1: M Williams; L2: B Walter

Cantors

Saturday
 4:30pm K Beisner

Sunday
 7:00am M Conn
 8:30amJ Krones

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday
 4:30pmB Johnson, J Koster, J McGraw
 L Reimond, MA Roesner, L Seidl

Sunday
 7:00am B Osborne, L Wustefeld, B Harmon
 8:30am C Johnson, T Kempf, B Kessler
K Kohnke, K Ostrander, Y Ruder, L Scott
 11:00am C Nieto-Boor, J&N Otter, D Shobe
P Smith, S Stewart, D Thimmesch
 5:00pm D&E Schmidt, J Weeks
 D Wulf-Walter, N Albrecht, L Brey

Altar Servers

Saturday
 4:30pmG Ohlmacher, S Wondrack

Sunday
 7:00am Volunteers
 8:30am A Augustine, A Augustine
 11:00am M Green, M Green
 5:00pm B Diers, R Diers

MASSES: AUGUST 1-7

Monday
 7:30amFor an increase in vocations

Tuesday
 7:30am Angie Tryon

Wednesday
 7:30am Joyce Krones†

Thursday
 7:30amOsborne-O'Connor Family†

Friday
 7:30amCarlos Santiago†

Saturday
 8am Robert Nolan†
 4:30pm Quang Hoang†

Sunday
 7:00amStephen Hickert†
 8:30am Tom Blout†
 11:00am Charlie Summerville†
 2:00pm (Spanish) St. John Parish
 5:00pm Roman Simon†

WEEKLY GIVING

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

Information below reflects donations received July 1, 2015 through July 24, 2016.

Budgeted weekly amount	\$27,403.84
Average weekly amount.....	\$25,570.08
Budgeted YTD.....	\$109,615.36
Actual YTD.....	\$102,280.35
Net Shortage	\$7,335.01

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.

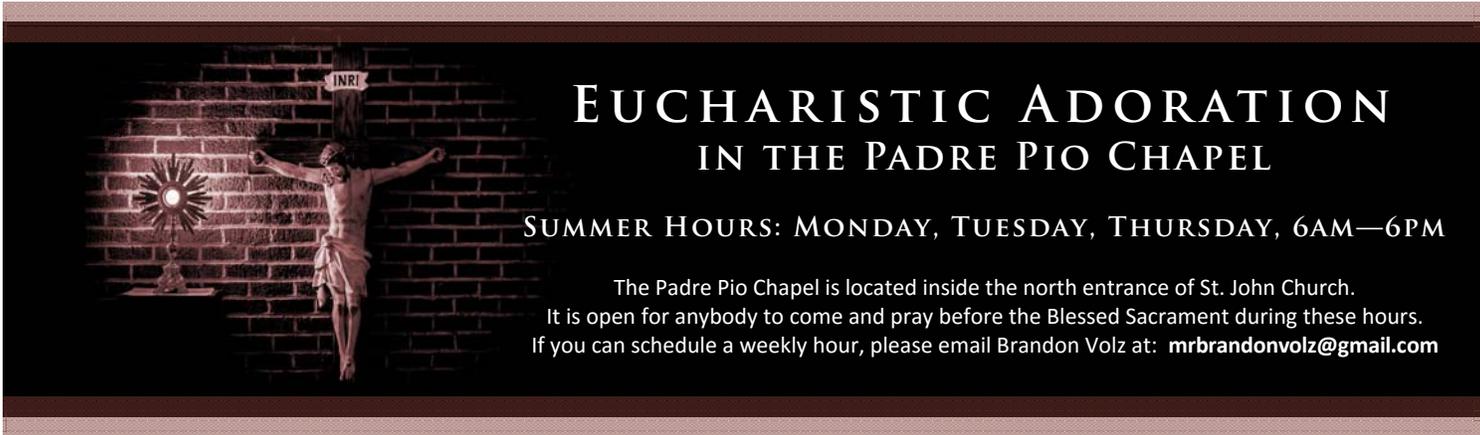
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

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!





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

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

THE FRANCISCAN JOURNEY

This **Tuesday, August 2, at 7:00 p.m.**, Fr. Mike will continue teaching his ongoing course on Franciscan living. The class will meet in the Church Basement.

This course will deepen your understanding of Franciscan thought and how elements of Franciscan thought can be applied to decision making and actions we perform in our day-to-day living. You will gain a deeper understanding concerning how the teachings of Francis of Assisi of the 13th century have relevance for us today and why his teachings have survived for 800 years.

Come learn how the example of St. Francis has impacted the lives of fellow parishioners as you study and grow together in your appreciation of St. Francis and what his example can offer you. The hour long presentation will include input from Fr. Mike, time for discussion, and close with a short prayer service.

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

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MARRIAGE MINUTE

Has your child ever demanded, “Mom, tell my brother to share the legos with me!” If so, you can relate to Jesus’s experience in this week’s Gospel when he is asked to instruct siblings to share the family inheritance with one another.

As parents dealing with children or looking at this Gospel, it is easy to recognize the jealousy at the root of these situations, and we have the wisdom to say, “Possessions are not the source of happiness.” However, we parents face the same temptation of jealousy.

A new car, new house, new clothing, new phone, or a new kitchen seems to call our name every day. None of these things are bad, but we can want them for the wrong reasons. Let us take the time this week to check the motivations of our heart and to be grateful for what we do have. We can set the example for our children of what it means to be poor in spirit.

17TH ANNUAL MIDWEST CATHOLIC FAMILY CONFERENCE

Learn how to deal with critical life issues at the 17th annual Midwest Catholic Family Conference **NEXT WEEKEND, August 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.

Be inspired by converts Jennifer Fulwiler, award-winning author, and Tim Staples, popular speaker, as they share how the moral clarity of the Catholic Church changed their lives.

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.

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.

Prost!!

GROCERY CARDS & TRASH BAGS

August 6-7

Padre Pio Chapel @ North Entrance
after all Masses except 2pm & 5pm

Purchase Hy-Vee gift cards and Hy-Vee donates 6% back to St. John School. Sold in \$50 or \$100 increments.

Purchase Checkers gift cards and Checkers donates 6% back to the school. Sold in \$50 and \$100 increments.

Purchase Merc gift cards and the Merc donates 6% back to the school. Gift card good on all purchases at the Merc. Sold in \$50 increments.

Dillons stores have replaced their gift card program with Community Rewards. Go to www.dillons.com/communityrewards, register your Plus Shopper's Card number, and designate St. John School #29296.

PLEASE PAY BY CHECK OR CASH. Credit cards will be accepted, but reduce our overall profit. Make checks out to "St. John School."

Submit the form below BEFORE Mass to expedite your order. Your order will be ready to pick up after Mass.

Or Pre-Order Online: sjevangelist.com/grocery

PRE-ORDER FORM

Name:

Phone:

GROCERY CARDS

Store	Amount	# of Cards
Hy-Vee	\$100	<input type="text"/>
Hy-Vee	\$50	<input type="text"/>
Checkers	\$100	<input type="text"/>
Checkers	\$50	<input type="text"/>
Merc	\$50	<input type="text"/>

Hy-Vee \$50 Coupon Book	Amount	# of Books
	\$5	<input type="text"/>

TRASH BAGS

Color	Size	Bags/Roll	Amt.	# of Rolls
White	18 gal.	60	\$12	<input type="text"/>
Black	30 gal.	40	\$12	<input type="text"/>
Yellow	39 gal.	20	\$12	<input type="text"/>
Blue	55 gal.	15	\$12	<input type="text"/>

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.

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 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

Everyday Stewardship

In the Church we like to build things. We build churches, parish centers, schools, and many more brick-and-mortar structures to carry on with our mission. We also build things that are not as tangible. We build engagement. We try to increase the offertory. We work to increase the number of people in programs. We try to fill more seats on a Sunday. Hopefully, we do all these things to help fulfill our mission, which is to bring people to Jesus Christ and assist them in becoming mature and intentional disciples. But having spent over twenty years in parish ministry, I realize that is not always the case.

As individuals we can fall prey to the same temptations as a parish community. We begin to lose sight of why we live a stewardship way of life and why we were called in our baptism to share with others the good news. We compete with others, much like a parish sometimes competes with the parish across town. We may find ourselves doing things without thought or reflection, performing these tasks simply because that is what we have always done. Finally, we may limit our role in God's plan because we fear not having the time, talent, or money to accomplish what God has asked of us. We become more practical and less trusting in God's promises.

The reality is that there will come a day when all our churches, parish centers, and schools will be no more. All we have stored up as communities and individuals will cease to exist. All that will remain is God and those who love him. We can never lose sight of why we do what we do: eternal life with Jesus Christ. Will there be a list at the end of your life of all those you helped lead to the Father? I do not know. But if there is one, my prayer for each of us is that it is very, very long.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

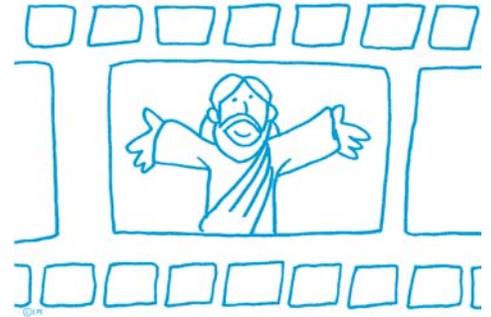
"Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions." This isn't a message that gets much advertising. On the contrary, just about every advertised message we hear comes from someone who wants to make money by selling us possessions. The message we hear loud and clear on television or Internet ads or on highway billboards or the back cover of magazines is that we need this product or that service in order to be happy. Professional marketers are in the business of creating a supposed need and then promising to fill it with their product. In today's culture, it's hard to remember that life isn't about possessions.

But in this Gospel, Jesus reminds us that there is more to life than having "so many good things stored up for many years." All of this stuff—be it clothes, devices, equipment, decorations, entertainment centers, or anything else—does no lasting good if and when "this night your life will be demanded of you." Unlike the fool who spends all of his time, energy, and money building larger barns, we should focus our resources on becoming "rich in what matters to God."

This means cultivating virtue instead of vice. It means sharing our money with those in need instead of hoarding it out of selfish greed. The call is a challenging one, and countercultural too. But Jesus never said that the Christian way was the way of the world. As St. Paul instructs us in today's epistle, "Put to death, then, the parts of you that are earthly." Instead of falling for the marketers' messages, may we have the wisdom to store up our treasure in heaven.

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Kids: Sharing the Gospel



Sharing the Gospel

Previews give us a quick peek at a movie, in hopes that we will want to see more. In today's Gospel, we celebrate Jesus' Transfiguration. That's when God gave Peter, James and John a preview of the risen Jesus, the Jesus they would see again one day. Jesus glowed brightly. Moses and Elijah came to talk with Jesus. Then a great cloud covered everyone, and God said Jesus was his Son. Jesus was the Savior that God's people had been waiting for.

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for showing us through your Word that Jesus is our Savior. Amen.

Mission for the Week

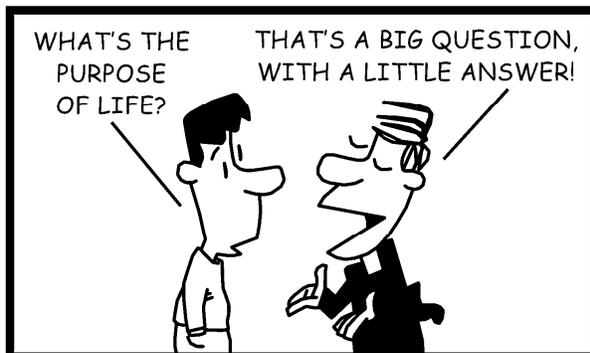
Read today's Gospel with your family. What would have surprised you most about seeing Jesus like that on top of the mountain?

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17/ Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21
- Monday: Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79-80, 95, 102/ Mt 14:13-21
- Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23/Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14
- Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10-13/Mt 15:21-28
- Thursday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:12-15, 18-19/Mt 16:13-23
- Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35-36, 39, 41/ Mt 16:24-28
- Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/ 2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36
- Next 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

18TH 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 3 y 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 24 de julio de 2016

Domingo: Ecl 1, 2; 2, 21-23/Sal 90, 3-6. 12-14. 17/Col 3, 1-5. 9-11/Lc 12, 13-21

Lunes: Jr 28, 1-17/Sal 119, 29. 43. 79-80. 95. 102/Mt 14, 13-21

Martes: Jr 30, 1-2. 12-15. 18-22/Sal 102, 16-21. 29. 22-23/Mt 14, 22-36 o 15, 1-2. 10-14

Miércoles: Jr 31, 1-7/Jr 31, 10-13/Mt 15, 21-28

Jueves: Jr 31, 31-34/Sal 51, 12-15. 18-19/Mt 16, 13-23

Viernes: Nah 2, 1. 3; 3, 1-3. 6-7/Dt 32, 35-36. 39. 41/Mt 16, 24-28

Sábado: Dn 7, 9-10. 13-14/Sal 97, 1-2. 5-6. 9/2 Pe 1, 16-19/Lc 9, 28-36

Domingo siguiente: 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

31 de julio de 2016

18° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Las lecturas de hoy nos deben de ayudar a reflexionar profundamente en el cómo vemos las cosas materiales que tenemos. Eso de que ahorramos para nuestro retiro, de los tantos seguros de vida que nos ofrecen y compramos. Nos hacen vulnerables para pensar que la vida no se alarga con posesiones, sino que el dueño de la vida es Dios. No es que sea malo el tener, sino la confianza que se tiene en los bienes olvidando que el centro debe ser Dios. La lectura del Eclesiastés nos pone la vida como una vana ilusión, como un soplo transitorio que pasa aprisa. "Hay quien se agota trabajando y pone en ello todo su talento, su ciencia y su habilidad, y tiene que dejárselo todo a otro que no lo trabajó". Las cosas materiales son de carácter efímero. Se explica que será otro el que goce de los bienes sin haber trabajado para obtenerlos. Precisamente, por eso, son tan difíciles las herencias y repartición de bienes. ¿Has pensado en ello? ¿Tienes todo arreglado para el día que Dios llame a tu puerta?

Jesús, por su parte, no se pone de lado de ninguno de los hermanos que piden la herencia, más bien les narra la parábola del hombre rico explicando que no está la vida en poseer, demostrándoles su ambición y el deseo de tener. Ahí es donde debe estar el cuidado de nuestra parte, no caer en la ambiciona y el poder. Porque con la muerte se termina todo el capital y los planes. Debemos luchar por ser ricos de lo que vale ante Dios. Valorar el amor, la misericordia, la justicia y compartiendo los bienes que Dios por su bondad nos ha dado.

Muchas veces tenemos tantas bendiciones en nuestra vida que nos la pasamos acumulando cosas y nos olvidamos de que todo lo que tenemos es para compartir. La abundancia que muchas veces se nos da al cruzar la frontera hacia los Estados Unidos es para compartirla con los más necesitados. Yo admiro mucho a los inmigrantes que apenas reciben su cheque y de prisa lo envían a sus países de origen para aliviar las necesidades de sus familias y amigos. De esta clase de riqueza es de la que habla el Evangelio de este domingo.

El saber dar nuestro tiempo, talento y tesoro y el ser buenos corresponsales al amor de Dios nos viene de la sabiduría que Dios mismo deposita en nuestro corazón. Por eso pidamos hoy a Dios que rompa nuestro corazón para aceptar su palabra salvadora y enseguida ser más bondadosos. Este Evangelio nos aconseja cultivar un estilo de vida adecuado a las riquezas de Dios. ¡Ése es el reto! Somos muy listos para obtener las riquezas terrenales. Pero examinemos nuestra conciencia y veamos, ¿qué es lo que más nos cuesta compartir? Puede ser tiempo de calidad para nuestros hijos e hijas, tiempo de oración para el Señor, dar a nuestra cooperación anual diocesana o la colecta dominical o ayudar a alguna organización no lucrativa, por mencionar algunos ejemplos. No olvidemos que las riquezas terrenales son pasajeras: no nos llevaremos nada con nosotros. Sin embargo la riqueza del amor, de la compasión, y de la justicia son minas de oro eternas. Ojalá que este tiempo de reflexión dominical nos ayude a distinguir lo hermoso de ser ricos de lo que vale ante Dios.