



MAY 22, 2016
THE MOST HOLY
TRINITY



AND HOPE DOES NOT DISAPPOINT,
BECAUSE THE LOVE OF GOD HAS BEEN
POURED OUT INTO OUR HEARTS
THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT
THAT HAS BEEN GIVEN TO US.

{ ROMANS 5:5 }

BREAD to Offer



THE JOY OF LOVE

By Fr. Jeff Ernst, OFM, Cap.

Dear Sisters and Brothers, on Friday, April 8th, Pope Francis released his apostolic exhortation “The Joy of Love.” As with all papal exhortations and encyclicals, the title comes from the first words of the document: “The Joy of Love experienced by families is also the joy of the Church” (1). The exhortation is the fruit of much prayer and reflection from the two synods on the family, in October 2014 and 2015.

The Pope states that the document comes at an opportune time in this Year of Mercy. It exhorts us to hold in high esteem “the gifts of marriage and the family.” It calls us to be loyal “in a love strengthened by the virtues of generosity, commitment, fidelity and patience.” It also calls each of us to “be a sign of mercy and closeness” with troubled families (5).

In this exhortation, the Pope acknowledges that the document is a long one, but that it should be read slowly and prayerfully. He further states, “The greatest benefit, for families themselves and for those engaged in the family apostolate, will come if each part is read patiently and carefully, or if attention is paid to the parts dealing with their specific needs. It is likely, for example, that married couples will be more concerned with Chapters Four and Five, and pastoral ministers with Chapter Six, while everyone should feel challenged by Chapter Eight. It is my hope that, in reading this text, all will feel called to live and cherish family life, for “families are not a problem; they are first and foremost an opportunity” (7). He encourages us not to be deterred or dissuaded by the length of the document, but to be open to and to discover the insights and wisdom that make it worth the read.

I have only begun to read the exhortation myself, but I am committed to read it through because I believe that Catholics, all Christians for that matter, need to hear an articulate and clear support for marriage and the family. It is necessary that we be compassionate and sensitive to the reality of difficult family struggles such as divorce, dysfunction, estrangement, and addiction; several challenges among which this document addresses very directly (see numbers 50 – 56, for example). At the same time, we can confidently promote and encourage the blessings of marriage and family. The two synods on marriage and family life are the foundation of this apostolic exhortation which is founded on the gospel message of love – love of God and love within human relationships – as the underpinnings of a healthy family life and of a healthy marriage. I would encourage everyone to take a look at “The Joy of Love” and at least to read prayerfully those chapters that pertain to you.

I pray that as you all continue in your faith journey, whether married or single, divorced or widowed, teenager or adult, you may come to know in a more profound way God’s love for you and the fullness of joy (John 15:11) that comes from knowing God’s love!

- Fr. Jeff

REDISCOVER JESUS: WEEKLY REFLECTION

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.)

CHAPTER 19: MIRACLES ABOUND

Point to Ponder: God wants to see your amazingness.

Verse to Live: “The one who believes in me will also do the works that I do, in fact, will do greater works than these.”
{John 14:12}

Question to Consider: Whose prayer can you be the answer to today?

Prayer: Jesus, teach me to recognize the opportunity for everyday miracles.

ATTENTION BUSINESS OWNERS & GENEROUS PARISHIONERS!

Greg Proske will be working on setting up the advertising sponsorships for our bulletin **the week of May 30th**. Please consider advertising in our bulletin.

Advertisements can be purchased for a business, family, or a sponsor ad can be purchased supporting community service organizations, like emergency pregnancy counseling or the battered women’s shelter, etc. **We need and appreciate your help.**

If you are interested or would like more information, please call Greg directly at **(816) 876-5280**.

Thank you in advance for your generous support, and please patronize our advertisers!



Thank you to all who have attended the St. John Café on Sunday mornings this year! We hope this time has helped you grow closer to other parishioners and learn more about your Faith. The Café is taking a break for the summer, and will return in the fall, beginning Sunday, September 18. See you then!



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VISIT ONLINE: WWW.SAINT-JOHNS.NET/SCHOOL

CALL: (785) 843-9511 FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO
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CONGRATULATIONS, CONFIRMANDI!

Congratulations to Cheryl Alexander, Charlie Bryan, Jazmin Carrillo, Brian D'Alfonso, and Rodolfo Torres upon their reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation last Sunday at the archdiocesan Adult Confirmation Mass with Archbishop Naumann at St. Peter's Cathedral in Kansas City.

The St. John's community extends its prayerful congratulations and best wishes to each of you. May the Spirit of the Lord continue to bless you and keep you!

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.

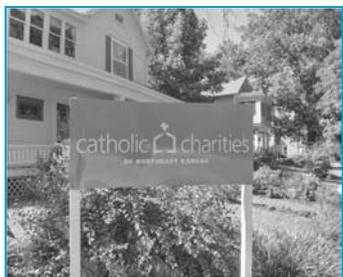
All parishioners are invited to participate. Come as you are. Come when you can.

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. Everyone is welcome.

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**.

ST. JOHN 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 that you would like for it to become. If you are interested, please contact Samantha Romero at sromero@saint-johns.net or **(785) 843-0109**.

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 11-3, Thursdays 1-4, and Saturdays 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, please email Lee Ann Hartwick (Hartwick@saint-johns.net) for more information.

MARRIAGE MINUTE

Happy Ordinary Time! The color of this liturgical season is green because it is a time of growing in our faith. In keeping with this time of growth, the Marriage Minute for the next few months will examine what we as Catholics believe about marriage so that we can live out our vocation more fully.

"God himself is the author of marriage." (CCC 1603)

No one knows a story like its author. In like manner, no one knows marriage like God, who created it. We look to God for understanding in the definition of marriage, and especially for direction in what our own marriage should look like.

- How much do I allow God into my marriage?
- What prevents me from allowing God to be a greater influence?
- How can God be more central in my marriage?
- How can I better understand God's true vision for marriage?

SHOE/BOOT DRIVE

Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Tonganoxie, Kansas

Our R.E. program in Tonganoxie, needs your help we would like to have your old shoes and boots!

Here's what you do:

Start by gathering any old, used and gently worn shoes from your closet and ask others to do the same. This shoe drive will help individuals in developing nations like Ghana, Haiti and Bolivia. Every pair helps! We can accept any pair of shoes or boots as long as they are wearable, bedroom slippers, flip flops are also being accepted.

Our shoe drive will end on June 30. You can leave shoes by any door at Sacred Heart Church in Tonganoxie, church is located on the left hand side of 24/40 coming from the south to the north and if coming from the north on the right side of the road Washington and West Street. We are trying to get three hundred bags, but even one pair of shoes can make a difference in these people lives.

Church address is Sacred Heart Church, 1100 West Street, P.O. Box 539, Tonganoxie, Kansas 66086 .

Thank you!

NEWS FROM HIS HANDS MINISTRY

His Hands, the ministry that serves elder parishioners and for those who live with disability, is looking in particular for people who would be willing to provide some housekeeping on a regular basis to elderly parishioners. If interested, please contact the His Hands service coordinator, Susan Tabor through the parish office at 843-0109 or via her cell phone at 865-9949. Thank you in advance!

Also, if you are interested in providing transportation, respite care, mending, meals, friendly calls or visits or handyman services and haven't signed up before, please contact Susan Tabor regarding your interest. Thank you!

The His Hands office is moving! We will be located at 1204 Kentucky in what used to be the Convent. Susan is in the office on Monday and Wednesday afternoons and Friday mornings.

FIESTA PRIZES NEEDED



Do you have any little toys, books, kits, knick-knacks, or other items you can donate to the prize table at the Fiesta childrens' games? If so, please contact Nora Murphy at (785) 331-0421, or email nora7@sbcglobal.net.

TAIZÉ SERVICE

"Prayer for the Healing of the Nations" Taizé Service

The world's nations clearly are suffering--terrorism, refugees' plight, war, famine, earthquakes, floods, fires, political strife, and worldwide fear have and will continue to drain people's hopes and energy. Clearly, this is a time to gather and pray.

The May 27 Taizé prayer service will be a "Prayer for the Healing of the Nations" and will be at Plymouth Congregational Church, at 6 p.m. There participants will place their votives on a map of the world, holding in prayer the countries whose names they call. There we will hear the names of 85 of the world's 194 independent countries chanted, as participants respond "Peace be yours."

When Brother Roger founded the Taizé movement following the ravages and hatreds of WWII, he saw Taizé as an avenue for bringing peace into the world. This service will be repeated June 24 and Aug. 26. May each be a part of Brother Roger's vision. All are welcome.

ARCHDIOCESAN 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The invitations for the Archdiocesan 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration at Church of the Nativity, June 5, will be mailed soon. If you have additional couples to be included, please let us know as soon as possible.

Please email flifsec@archkck.org or call Mary Anne at (913) 647-0345.

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

The St. John Mexican Fiesta Scholarship committee is proud to announce the following 2016 scholarship award recipients: Nicolasa Kenney, daughter of Joe and Dolores Lemus-Kenney; Emily Torres, daughter of Bernado and Elvira Torres; Allison Ramos, daughter of Richard and April Ramos; and Sidney Zavala, daughter of Santiago Zavala and Dominga Romero.

Each recipient will receive a \$1,000 scholarship award. The scholarships are presented to deserving high school students of Mexican descent from the Lawrence catholic community to pursue a higher education. Congratulations!



Pregnancy Counseling and 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 Heather Roberts at:

(913) 433-2063 or hroberts@catholiccharitiesks.org

Volunteers needed to work in the Pantry, Food Distribution Warehouse and Clothing Closet in Kansas City, KS

Catholic Charities is seeking volunteers to help with our summer meals program for children. The meal distribution will take place behind the swimming pool at Johnson Drive/Pflumm Monday-Friday 11:30 am to 12:30 pm June 6-August 12th. For additional information and/or to sign-up to help, please visit this link:

www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0e48a8a828aa8-volunteers

You may also contact Michelle Carlstedt at:

mcarlstedt@catholiccharitiesks.org or (913) 433-2080

Job Opportunity at Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas is looking for someone to successfully promote and support the agency's Purpose, Vision and Mission by writing grants, grant reports, and maintaining relationships with our institutional and governmental funding sources and United Way. Qualified candidates will have a Bachelor's degree and two years of grant administration experience. If you are interested in finding out more about this position please visit:

www.catholiccharitiesks.org

and click About Us, then Work With Us. EEO.

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
Jerry Albertson
Grace Austin
Samantha Bell
Katie Benton
Mariele Berthold
Remi Brown
Dale Brueggeman, husband of Debbie Filkins
Chris Crandon
Karen Dunn, mother of Meg Milburn
Terry Hadl
Judy Hill
Lily Hollister, niece of Tom Kellogg
Nancy Hubble, wife of Tom Kellogg
Susan Jones, sister of Patti Fisher
Diana Mathews
Phillip McCarthy
Marianne Fabac Means
Julie Patterson, niece of Norb & Jeanette Otter
Fred Posch
Lillie Savage, grandniece of Stephanie Stewart
Michael Schurer, son of Mick Schurer
Julia Scott, friend of Monica Cordova
Sydney Tann
John Woods

WOMEN SAINTS GROUP

Women Saints Prayer and Reflection group will be meeting in the St. Bosco Room of Saint John School on the first and third Tuesdays of the month from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. (Location will be changing for the summer). All women are welcome—come when schedule permits.

Any questions, contact either Debi Bradley (517) 474- 5076 or Beth Fox (785) 840-5561.

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

MINISTERS: MAY 28-29

Lectors

Saturday
 4:30pmL1: A Sellet; L2: M Mauler

Sunday
 7:00am L1: C Zebas; L2: B Kish
 8:30am L1: S Smith; L2: E Dvorske
 11:00am L1: C Ehrlich; L2: J Gripka
 5:00pmL1: R Bunner; L2: A Hill

Cantors

Saturday
 4:30pm A Mauler

Sunday
 7:00am M Steichen
 8:30am K Gibb

Eucharistic Ministers

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

Sunday
 7:00am M Heath, B Menke, B Osborne
 8:30am M Ice, S Jahn, C Johnson, T Kempf,
B Kessler, K Kohnke, K Ostrander
 11:00am C Buchheister, B DeWitt
 C&D Ehrlich, J Evers
T Gabrielson, S Goodwin
 5:00pmL Brey, S File, N Jones
M LeGresley, C Malone, A McCabe

Altar Servers

Saturday
 4:30pm..... B Thomas, P Price

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

MASSES: MAY 23-29

Monday
 7:30am Lillie Savage

Tuesday
 7:30am Darryl Steffent†

Wednesday
 7:30amNational Foster Care Month

Thursday
 7:30am Eric Eisenbarth†

Friday
 7:30am Ervin and Mary Ann Huslig†

Saturday
 8am Mary and Pete James†
 4:30pm Gene Hieman†

Sunday
 7:00am Deceased Members of the
 Murray Family†
 8:30am Darryl Steffent†
 10:30am St. John Parish
 1:00pm (Spanish) Agripina Mendoza†
 5:00pm Clyde Simon†

WEEKLY GIVING

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

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

Budgeted weekly amount \$30,692.31
 Average weekly amount..... **\$28,033.15**
 Budgeted YTD..... \$1,381,153.95
 Actual YTD **\$1,261,491.69**
 Net Shortage \$119,662.26

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 St. John parish office at (785) 843-0109. Meals are currently needed for Wednesdays in May and June!

Bring meals to the Simon Parish Center at St. John by 4:00pm.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

The next Knights of Columbus Meeting will be Thursday, June 9. 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 Kevin Oneslager at (785) 840-9406.

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

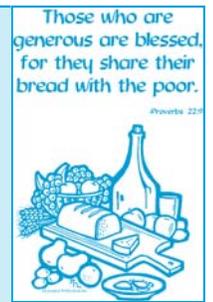


ST. JOHN LINK ON TUESDAY, MAY 31ST

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

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 May 31 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!

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Vacation Bible School!!!

June 6-10, 2016; 9:00-11:30am
Check-in @ 8:45am in lower level of school

It's that time of year again! Time to sign up for Vacation Bible School at St. John the Evangelist. The high school leadership team and middle school guides will be helping with Vacation Bible School; we are excited to spend the week learning about our Catholic faith with your children!!!

Registration forms and payments will be due by May 27th and can be found attached or online at www.saint-johns.net. Registration for registered St. John parishioners is \$30 per child, with a \$90 maximum payment. For non-registered individuals, the cost will be \$50 per child. Late registrations will have an added \$20 late fee and may not receive a music CD.

Checks can be made out to St. John with "VBS" in the memo. Sign up for the fun today!

Questions? Email Lois at lmersmann@saint-johns.net.

PARACHUTE WITH THE ANGELS

- Day 1: Messenger: One Who Is Sent
- Day 2: Your Angel Protects You
- Day 3: Your Angel Comforts You
- Day 4: Your Angel Guides You
- Day 5: Be a Missionary*

*On day 5, please join us for a short program in the gym at 11am, with cookies following outside!!

All students must be accompanied by an adult by 11:30.

Wanna help out by volunteering to be a group leader/guide?
Email Lois at lmersmann@saint-johns.net.





VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
June 6-10, 2016; 9:00-11:30am
Check-in @ 8:45am in lower level of school

Parents' Names _____ Email _____

Address _____

Phone (Home) _____ (Work) _____ (Cell) _____

Child's Name _____ Date of Birth/Age _____ Grade 2016-17 _____

Child's Name _____ Date of Birth/Age _____ Grade 2016-17 _____

Child's Name _____ Date of Birth/Age _____ Grade 2016-17 _____

Child's Name _____ Date of Birth/Age _____ Grade 2016-17 _____

We welcome children ages 4 years old on or before June 1, 2016
up through students who will be in 5th grade 2016-2017.

Individuals designated to drop off/pick up your children/their relationship to your child:

Other info we should know (medical conditions, allergies, etc.): _____

Cost \$30/child/ \$50 non-parish

Bill my account (school families only): _____ Check enclosed: _____

Please mail/return this form with payment to the Simon Parish Center: 1229 Vermont Street
or St. John School: 1208 Kentucky Street **by May 27, 2016**. Thanks!

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FOCUS ON THE WORD

Everyday Stewardship

I remember being in first grade and making my mother a coffee mug for Mother's Day at school. It was made of plastic, but I made a drawing on paper that would then be placed on the outside of the mug. I was so excited about making it because in it there was a little bit of myself. I didn't always believe my mother when she said that the best gifts I could give her were things I made myself, especially since even as a little kid I knew some of the things I created were not so wonderful. But this mug was different. It just seemed so cool and, of course, my mother loved it.

Now she is long gone from this world, but the mug still remains. It is mine now, resting on a high shelf in our kitchen cabinet. No one uses it, but I know it is there. It reminds me of her, but at the same time, it was always a part of me. I gave her a part of me, she cared for it and loved it, and then it was returned back to me. Now it is a part of me, and a part of her also.

We are each fearfully and wonderfully made by God, and like a child giving a part of himself to his mother in his creation, there is a little bit of the divine in all of us. We are made in God's image, and when he looks out at his creation, he knows us as his own.

But you and I will not walk this earthly creation forever. For just like the mug that came back to me, we will return to our Creator. We will join with God in an eternal relationship where we are made perfect so that we may be in union with him forever.

Rejoice, for he has created you as special, has found great delight in you, and you are his own.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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The Most Holy Trinity

"The Spirit of truth... will take from what is mine and declare it to you." Jesus says in today's Gospel that the Spirit declares something to us. We actually have a kind of share in the blessed life of the Trinity through this spiritual declaration. In particular, God gives us the gift of his truth. Traditionally, we say that God—the Blessed Trinity—is the source of all truth, beauty, and goodness. Today's reading reminds us that truth exists, that it comes from God, and that we can know it, hear it, and live according to it. "But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth."

This is so important to remember in today's cultural climate. These days, the very idea of truth is a touchy subject. Because there is so much focus on tolerance and not offending anyone, we tend to shy away from discussions about "absolute" truth. Instead, we hear a lot of talk about "what's true for me" or "what's true for you." Too often we get confused about how to respect others' differing beliefs while still maintaining our own. Instead of embracing the fact that there is real truth—like, for example, the truth that God became man and was born of Mary—it is more popular to refer to "beliefs" and "traditions" and "practices," emphasizing that these things differ among people.

Yes, those things differ. But truth does not change. Either Jesus is God, or he isn't. Either his claims were true or they weren't. It's not a matter of personal opinion.

The Holy Spirit helps to convince us of what is really right. But we needn't fear that this will lead us to be intolerant. It is this same Spirit within us that brings the fruits of love, peace, patience, kindness, and generosity.

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Kids: Sharing the Gospel



Sharing the Gospel

The disciples learned a lot from Jesus, but he knew they still needed to learn more. That's why Jesus asked God the Father to send the Holy Spirit to his friends. Jesus knew that the Holy Spirit would stay with them, to teach them everything Jesus wanted them to know.

Prayer

Dear God, I want the Holy Spirit to teach me more about Jesus, too.

Something to Draw

Draw a picture of a large triangle. Inside of it, write these words: Father, Son, Spirit.

Mission for the Week

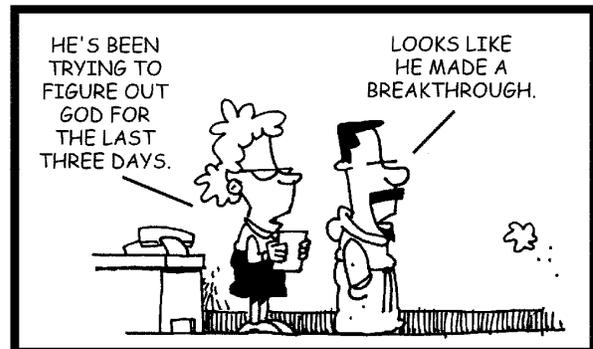
As you read a Bible story tonight before bed, ask the Holy Spirit to teach you what Jesus wants you to learn.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Sunday: Prv 8:22-31/Ps 8:4-9/Rom 5:1-5/
Jn 16:12-15
- Monday: 1 Pt 1:3-9/Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9-10/Mk
10:17-27
- Tuesday: 1 Pt 1:10-16/Ps 98:1-4/Mk 10:28-31
- Wednesday: 1 Pt 1:18-25/Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13/
Mk 10:32-45
- Thursday: 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12/Ps 100:2-5/Mk 10:46-
52
- Friday: 1 Pt 4:7-13/Ps 149:1-6, 9/Mk 11:11-26
- Saturday: Jude 17, 20b-25/Ps 63:2-6/Mk 11:27-33
- Next Sunday: Gn 14:18-20/Ps 110:1-4/1
Cor 11:23-26/Lk 9:11b-17

TRINITY SUNDAY



PEREGRINAJE HISPANO:

El sábado 4 de Junio nos reuniremos a las 5:00pm en el estacionamiento del Donnelly College para caminar en peregrinación hacia la Catedral; ahí tendremos adoración con confesiones, pasar por la Puerta Santa y misa.

RETIRO DE CONVALIDACION:

El próximo retiro de Convalidación será el 11 y 12 de Junio en la Parroquia de Good Shepherd. Para registrarse hablar con la Sra. Anabella W. al 913 653 5312. Por favor registrar las parejas con la forma apropiada en español llenada por el sacerdote y pagar los \$60 a la Parroquia de Good Shepherd una semana antes del retiro.

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.

ANIVERSARIOS 50 AÑOS de Matrimonio:

Como todos los años la Arquidiócesis de Kansas City en KS quiere festejar a los matrimonios católicos que festejan su aniversario de 50 años. La celebración será el 5 de junio a las 2pm en la Iglesia de la Natividad en Leawood. Para recibir la invitación personal del Arzobispo Naumann por favor llamen a la oficina de la parroquia adonde ustedes participan y dejen sus nombres, dirección, número de teléfono y fecha de casamiento.

PROCESIÓN ANUAL INTERDIOCESANA DE CORPUS CHRISTI 2016:

La procesión de Corpus Cristi este 2016 es organizada por la Diócesis de Kansas City-St. Joseph y se llevará a cabo el domingo, 29 de mayo. La Exposición de la Eucaristía será de 1-2 pm en Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Nuestra Señora del Perpetuo Socorro – localizada en 3333 Broadway, Kansas City Missouri.

Después de la bendición, a las 2:00p.m. iniciaremos la procesión hasta llegar a la Iglesia de Nuestra Señora del Buen Consejo (Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 3934 Washington 3934 Washington) donde se volverá a dar la bendición. Todos están invitados a participar en esta devoción anual y a dar testimonio público en honor a Jesús en el Santísimo Sacramento.

“Fortaleciendo los lazos del Matrimonio para unir a nuestra familia”

Junio 25 y 26 del 2016:

Déjanos ayudarte a mantener el propósito de tu matrimonio este evento de dos días te dará a tu y a tu pareja el tiempo para dedicarse el uno para el otro en una manera divertida y en ambiente relajado. No importa si has estado casado 2. 12. O 20 años. Vengan preparados para disfrutar y aprender juntos habilidades de comunicación expectativas en su relación, resolución de conflictos y toma de decisiones y mucho más. Habrá también formación para sus jóvenes de 13 a 16 años. \$40 por pareja, \$10cada joven, cuidado de \$5 para cada niño.

Será llevado a cabo en el Centro Familiar de la parroquia de Blessed Sacrament 2215 Parallel Ave KCKS 66104.

22 de mayo de 2016

La Santísima Trinidad

Con la solemnidad de la Santísima Trinidad entramos a la segunda parte, la más grande, del tiempo ordinario. Pero antes de entrar a la normalidad de la liturgia del tiempo ordinario hay este domingo dedicado a la Santísima Trinidad. El concepto de la Trinidad es un misterio muy difícil de descifrar, pero la fe nos ayuda a comprender su dinamismo salvador. Para hablar de la Trinidad debemos de comenzar tomando la figura de Jesucristo. Y tal como sus discípulos lo vivieron en su tiempo al escuchar las enseñanzas de Jesús basadas en Dios Padre y Dios Espíritu Santo, es que podremos por lo menos ver y maravillarnos la grandeza del misterio de Dios.

Comenzamos la Eucaristía, en el nombre del Padre, del Hijo y del Espíritu Santo, lo mismo hacemos en casa al dar la bendición a nuestros hijos, al bendecir los alimentos y al comenzar nuestras labores diarias. ¿Somos conscientes al santiguarnos que afirmamos nuestra fe en la Trinidad? ¿Lo hacemos solo por costumbre? ¿Tú cuándo te santiguas? Al santiguarnos, debemos saber que este sencillo acto de fe en la Santísima Trinidad nos compromete no solo a creer en ella sino que debemos vivir de acuerdo a lo enseñado por Jesucristo. Las lecturas de hoy nos explican de diferente manera la perspectiva trinitaria: "Por mediación de nuestro Señor Jesucristo" (Rom 5, 1). Porque "Dios ha infundido su amor en nuestros corazones por medio del Espíritu Santo, que él mismo nos ha dado" (Rom 5, 5). ¡Gloria a Dios Padre, a Dios Hijo y a Dios Espíritu Santo! Como era en el principio, ahora y siempre, por los siglos de los siglos, amén.

Las lecturas de la semana del 22 de mayo de 2016

Domingo: Prov 8, 22-31/Sal 8, 4-9/Rom 5, 1-5/Jn 16, 12-15
 Lunes: 1 Pe 1, 3-9/Sal 111, 1-2. 5-6. 9-10/Mc 10, 17-27
 Martes: 1 Pe 1, 10-16/Sal 98, 1-4/Mc 10, 28-31
 Miércoles: 1 Pe 1, 18-25/Sal 79, 8-9. 11. 13/Mc 10, 32-45
 Jueves: 1 Pe 2, 2-5. 9-12/Sal 100, 2-5/Mc 10, 46-52
 Viernes: 1 Pe 4, 7-13/Sal 149, 1-6. 9/Mc 11, 11-26
 Sábado: Jds 17. 20-25/Sal 63, 2-6/Mc 11, 27-33
 Domingo siguiente: Gn 14, 18-20/Sal 110, 1-4/1 Cor 11, 23-26/
 Lc 9, 11-17

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.

