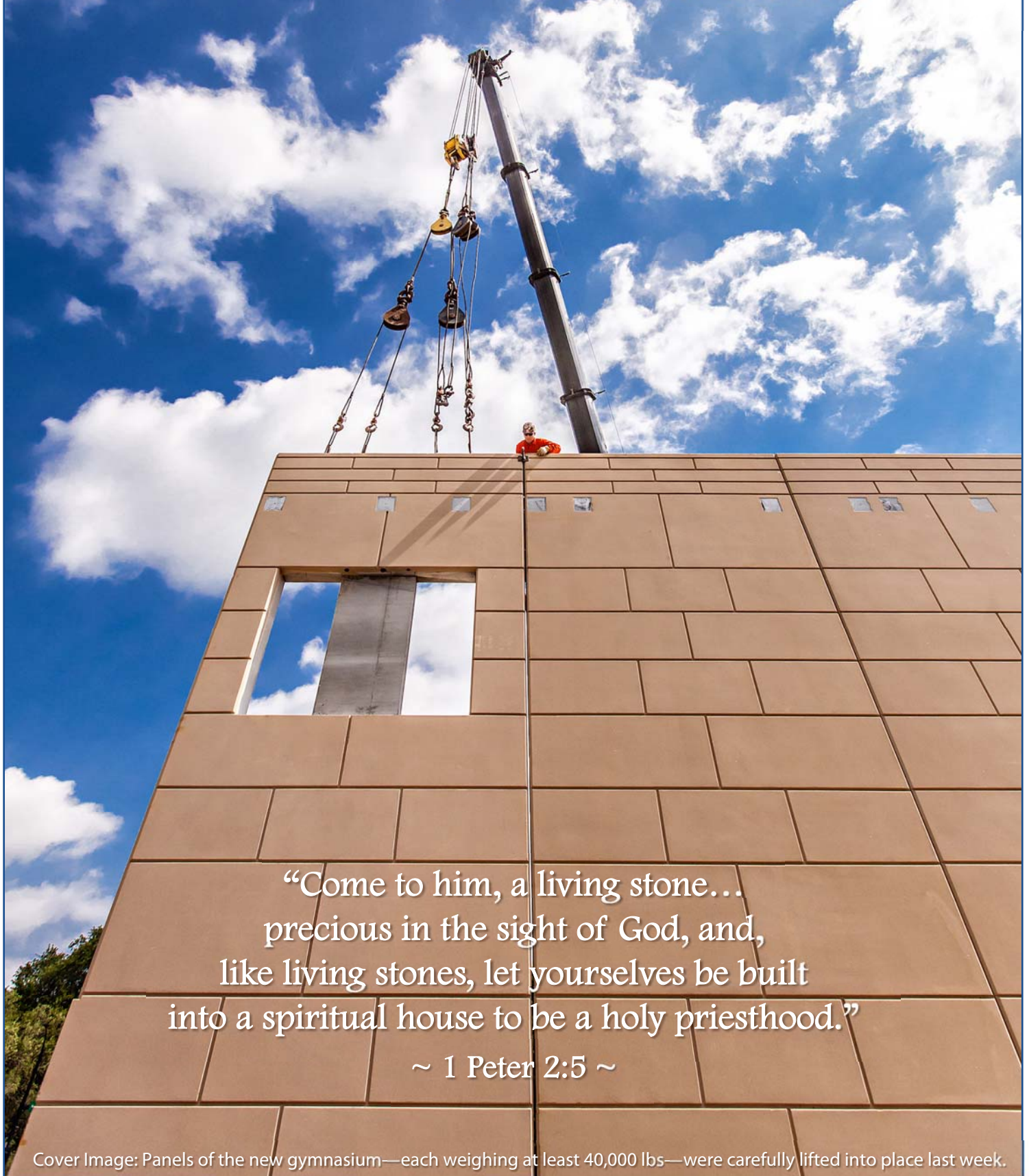




ST JOHN
THE EVANGELIST
CATHOLIC CHURCH

1229 VERMONT ST, LAWRENCE, KS 66044 | (785) 843-0109

JUNE 25, 2017
12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



“Come to him, a living stone...
precious in the sight of God, and,
like living stones, let yourselves be built
into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood.”

~ 1 Peter 2:5 ~

Cover Image: Panels of the new gymnasium—each weighing at least 40,000 lbs—were carefully lifted into place last week.

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

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN

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.

Note: Due to construction during the summer months, our parish office will be located in Room 209 of St. John School.

PARISH STAFF

Pastor.....Fr. Jeff Ernst
Associate Pastor.....Fr. Barnabas Eichor
In Residence Fr. Mike Scully
Business Manager.....Cris Denning
Catecísimo en español..... María Mota
Director of Liturgy & Music.....Lisa Roush
Stewardship Director.....Samantha Romero
MaintenanceJeff Jenicke
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..... Patty Guadian (afternoons)
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Principal, St. John School..... Pat Newton
Religious Education Director Lois Mersmann
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Pastoral Assistant/Events CalendarEllen Sickinger
Youth DirectorKaylee Butler
Multimedia, Bulletin & Worship.....Pete Haack

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Wednesday — 11am-3pm
Thursday (first and last of month only) — 1pm-4pm
Saturday — 8:30am-12:30pm

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204 W. 13th St. (785) 843-2039

SIMON PARISH CENTER

Mailing Address 1229 Vermont St., Lawrence, KS 66044
Phone.....(785) 843-0109

Summer Office Hours (located in Room 209 of the school):
..... Monday—Friday: 8:30am—12:00pm

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

In the Padre Pio Chapel (inside the north church entrance)
Wednesday 11:00am-12:00pm, 7:00-8:00pm
Saturday..... 3:00-4:00pm
(and by appointment)

Adoration Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri: 6:00am—1:00pm,
..... Wednesday: 6:00-11:00am in the Padre Pio Chapel

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The next Knights of Columbus Meeting will be held on Thursday, July 13, Social and dinner, provided by the Knights, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Meeting begins at 7:00 pm. Location is the basement of St. John Church. Our council meetings are held the second 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 starting at 6:30 p.m.

All are invited to attend!



BREAD TO OFFER

By Fr. Barnabas Eichor, OFM, Cap.



LIFE AS A PARTNERSHIP WITH CHRIST

Our Lord has invited each of us to "come and see" what our God is like. Unfortunately, this invitation seems to frighten a lot of people because we are afraid that we have to go it alone. Nothing could be further from the truth, because God intends that your life should be a partnership with Christ.

There is no greater drama in life than a soul's journey towards God. This journey is not a lonely, one-sided affair. The Lord expects to play a very intimate part in your life drama and the Lord is with us every step of the way, through our prayers, the prayers of the saints in Heaven, and in the sacraments.

A partnership is defined as "an association of persons joined together for a certain purpose." The purpose of this partnership is to achieve the perfect love of God, and so this spiritual project takes place between you and the Eternal Son of God. This partnership and journey towards God is the most inspiring and joyful truths of our Faith.

Your partnership with Jesus began on the day of your Baptism. By this sacrament, our Lord gives us the gift of the Holy Spirit to guide and inspire our every action, change us into an image of Himself and prepare us to receive Him in the Eucharist.

Our "putting on Christ" can be difficult at times because our journey towards Him takes time. On the one hand we enjoy this living partnership with our Lord; on the other, we suffer the constant temptations arising from our fallen human nature, which afflicts us with the downward pull of the world. However, we do not wage this battle alone because the Lord is always with us: there is not a single moment of your life when He is not carrying in you in His mind and heart.

The greatest proof that your life is truly a partnership with Christ is found in the Eucharist. In this sacrament, He gives himself to you. In it He also invites you to make a wholehearted offering of yourself and your life. Here your life is united to His in a sacred action that is the very center of this partnership.

The amazing truth is that the son of God, who first lived His life for you, now wishes to relive His life in you. You are born to this Christ-life in baptism. You are encouraged to gradually grow in Christ. And you are expected to share His suffering life to some degree and thus to merit a share of His glorified life. You should be convinced of the absolute readiness of our Lord to share everything He has with you, and you should invite Him to enter into every part of your everyday life!

- Fr. Barnabas

JOB OPENINGS AT ST. JOHN

Multimedia Communications Coordinator: The multimedia communications coordinator is responsible for producing and maintaining parish publications across a variety of media. These include the weekly bulletin, parish/school/youth websites, social media updates, print products and more. 25 hours/week. Scan the QR code to the right or see sjevangelist.com/jobs for full job description.



Assistant Music Director / Worship Leader: The assistant music director is responsible for planning and leading music at the Sunday 5:00pm liturgy. Music is largely contemporary, but also draws upon more traditional, sacred hymns. The director leads a choir of 5-10 singers and a band of 3-5 instrumentalists. Piano playing and singing capabilities preferred. Other opportunities for leading worship will also be available throughout the year. See sjevangelist.com/jobs for full job description or scan the QR code above.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

Pastoral Council

Frank Lemus, chair	Chris Wenger	Bob Trepinski
Mary Menendez	Sean Smith	Nancy Albrecht
Brian Walter	Lily Romero	

Finance Council

Brad Finkeldei, chair	Teresa Kempf	Brian Green
Vince Romero	Meredith Lang	Chris Wenger

School Council

LeMarie Gilbert, Pres.	Jimmy McDonald	Karen Peltier
Mike McDonald	Caroline Bennett	Mary Menendez
Fr. Jeff Ernst	Mrs. Pat Newton	

It seems so sudden that it is that time of year once again, when the Parish Pastoral Council breaks for the month of July and for the election of three new members. As you may remember, every year three members go off of the council and three new ones come aboard. The three members going off of the council this year are Frank, Sean, and Nancy. We will have an election for the three new members in approximately very soon. If you know of someone you would like to nominate for the council please call the parish office or email me mail at frjeff@saint-johns.net.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FIESTA SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS!

The St. John Mexican Fiesta Scholarship committee is proud to announce the 2017 scholarship award recipients:

Natalie Adams-Menendez, daughter of Glenn Adams and Mary Menendez;
Brian Dominguez, son of Carlos and Alma Dominguez;
Olivia Lemus, daughter of Frank and Jennifer Lemus;
Alain Marquez, son of Adrian Marquez and Lily Romero;
Tyler Winsor, son of Leith and Veronica Winsor.

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!

K OF C GOLF CLASSIC

The 2nd Annual Knights of Columbus Council #1372 Golf Classic will be Friday, September 22, at Eagle Bend Golf Course. This event is open to men and women and will be \$100 per golfer, \$380 per team. Entry includes the round of golf, cart, gift/snack bag, one beverage ticket, and entry to the awards ceremony located at Outlet Park. Contact Darin Denning at (785) 760-0788 to learn more or to register you and/or your team!

MINISTERS July 1-2

LECTORS

Saturday
 4:30pm..... L1: M Head; L2: A Sellet

Sunday
 7:00am..... L1: M Delaney; L2: B Kish
 8:30am..... L1: L Leroux Smith; L2: W Smith
 11:00am..... L1: J Gripka; L2: C Ehrlich
 5:00pm..... L1: C Phipps; L2: A Hill

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday
 4:30pm..... G Sellet, P Price

Sunday
 7:00am..... VOLUNTEER
 8:30am..... T Kempf, Si Liu
 11:00am..... G Sabatini, N Enyinnaya
 5:00pm..... B Diers, R Diers

CANTORS

Saturday
 4:30pm..... C Watgen

Sunday
 7:00am..... K Colson
 8:30am..... A Koster

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday
 4:30pm..... A Hewitt, B Johnson, J Koster, J McGraw,
 L Reimond, MA Roesner

Sunday
 7:00am..... L Wustefeld, J Grzymala-Busse, B Harmon
 8:30am..... J Dvorske, D Foster, E Grob-Creasey,
 S Galarza Liu, D Hoss, J Huss, M Ice
 11:00am..... B Baska, B Bermudez, C Bial, D Bradley,
 A Brill, C Buchheister, B DeWitt
 5:00pm..... J Hannah, M Hannah, M LaGresley,
 C Malone, A McCabe, S Murray

BROTHER JORDAN'S VOWS

Brother Jordan Rojas, OFM Cap., will make his solemn profession of vows here at St. John Church on Saturday, July 1st at 2:00 pm. Brother Jordan has been living at St. Conrad Friday the past two years while completing his philosophy studies at Conception Seminary. He has also been helping at Haskell Catholic Campus Center. Later this summer Brother Jordan will move to San Lorenzo Friary in San Antonio, Texas, and attend the Oblate School of Theology for the completion of his priesthood studies. Please pray for Brother Jordan as he continues in his priesthood studies for the Capuchin Franciscans! – Fr. Jeff

OKTOBERFEST LOGO DESIGN

The 2017 St. John's Oktoberfest is Saturday, September 30, and we are calling all artists, designers, and creative people to design our 2017 logo!

The design must be full-color (only 2 colors will be printed on our mugs) and say "St. John's", "Oktoberfest", and "2017".

The contest winner will receive reserved seating and parking at the Oktoberfest, 2 mugs filled with their drink of choice, and dinner for two! Submit your designs to denshobe@yahoo.com or drop them at the St. John's Office.

The logo contest deadline is Wednesday, July 12.

Contact Ellen Shobe at (785) 979-9670 with questions.

Thank you!

FIFTH NATIONAL ENCUENTRO

I would like to invite any of you who are of Latino/Hispanic descent to a preparation session for the Fifth National Encuentro of Hispanic/Latino Ministry, sponsored by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. The purpose of the Encuentro is to hear the voice of Latinos in the U.S. and their concerns and experiences with regard to the Church and their life of faith. The Encuentro is set to take place September 20-23, 2018. Preparation sessions for this great event have already begun throughout the U.S. Would you consider attending the first of these sessions here at St. John Parish? (Date and time to be announced at a later time.) Please contact me at frjeff@saint-johns.net or at the office at 785-843-0109. Thank You! – Fr. Jeff

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

TOTUS TUUS

The Totus Tuus Teams will offer an adapted Totus Tuus program for people with special needs!

Monday, July 24th to Thursday, July 27th

10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Queen of the Holy Rosary Parish in Overland Park

This Totus Tuus program is for persons ages 6 to adult with intellectual/developmental disabilities. Fee is \$30 per person or \$50 per family. Registration deadline is July 1st. Volunteers are also needed for the program.

For more information please contact the Office of Special Needs Ministry by email at tracunas@archkck.org or call (913) 647-3054 or (316) 305-7487.

To register go to: www.archkck.org/specialneeds

MARRIAGE WORKSHOP

Every Day In Love

Hey Married Couples! Need a getaway? Summer is usually a time when we take time to recharge the batteries through vacation. Don't forget to take time and refresh your marriage!

The Every Day in Love Series will provide the refresh you are longing for! This series begins Saturday, July 8, at Sacred Heart in Sabetha. Time: 9am- Noon. Cost: \$25 /couple per session and do not need to attend all sessions.

This empowering series (July 8, 15, 22, and 29) is a featured enrichment offering of the Joyful Marriage Project. Register and see more session details at www.archkck.org/everyday.

Questions: email Brad, bdupont@archkck.org.

18TH ANNUAL MIDWEST CATHOLIC FAMILY CONFERENCE

Learn how storytelling is important to maintaining our culture. Come hear Raymond Arroyo talk about his new Will Wilder book series at the Midwest Catholic Family Conference August 4-6 in Wichita, KS.

Save up to \$30 with early Bird Registration by July 16th. Register online at catholicfamilyconference.org or call (316) 618-9787. Email questions to midwconf@cox.net.

Start a new family tradition by coming to the Midwest Catholic Family Conference August 4-6 in Wichita, KS. Listen to great speakers and take advantage of daily mass, adoration, and a beautiful Eucharistic procession. Save up to \$30 with early bird registration by July 16th. Register online at catholicfamilyconference.org or call (316) 618-9787. Email questions to midwconf@cox.net.

MARRIAGE MINUTE

Have you ever felt misunderstood by your spouse? In this week's reading, the Prophet Jeremiah understands your pain. His cry to God is answered with recognition of his suffering and promise of God's presence during the trial.

This is true for us as well, but there are also some practical steps we can take to come back together with our spouse:

- Pray to see the situation from your spouse's point of view.
- Clarify and make sure you are communicating what you intend.
- Focus on the value behind your different views instead of any one behavior.
- Learn the "dialogue" technique for writing about and sharing feelings.

Go deeper with these ideas by attending a marriage enrichment! Book yours at: www.joyfulmarriageproject.com



Now Enrolling for Next Year

St. John School is now enrolling for next school year! Please contact us by phone at (785) 843-9511 for more information. Enrollment is open for kindergarten through 8th grade, as well as four sessions of preschool:

Tues, Thurs (AM)

Mon, Wed, Fri (AM)

Mon—Fri (AM)

Mon—Fri (PM)

Schedule Your Visit:

Visit online at sjevangelist.com/school, call (785) 843-9511 or email Mrs. Pat Newton, Principal, at newton@saint-johns.net for more information and to schedule a tour for you and your student!

JUSTICE MATTERS



AN INTERFAITH NETWORK DOING JUSTICE IN LAWRENCE AND DOUGLAS COUNTY

Racial Equality is an issue being addressed by Justice Matters. It was voted on by the membership as our fifth issue in November, 2016. The Justice Matters research group traveled to Wichita to visit with teachers and school officials who have adopted a successful restorative justice program.

In Lawrence, a black student is twice as likely to be suspended and half as likely to be in a gifted or AP class as his white peers. The achievement gap is real and it can be reduced. Racial bullying by fellow students or teachers on staff doesn't have to be tolerated or hidden. Accountability, transparency, and restoration can be the rule rather than the exception.

Restorative justice programs in schools are spreading across the country. As an approach to school discipline and student-teacher relationships, it focuses on healing harm instead of simply dispensing consequences. It's been shown to reduce suspensions and improve academic outcomes for students of color. It's a real alternative to the status quo.

The Institutional Racism Committee will present information about the restorative justice to the Lawrence School Board on June 26 at 7 pm. at the district offices, 110 McDonald Drive. All are invited to hear the presentation and show support for restorative justice in our District 497 schools.

For more information about the issues visit our website www.justicemattersinkansas.org and for information about Justice Matters and how to be involved please contact Pat Lechtenberg plek10berg@aol.com or (785) 842-1992.

SOCIAL JUSTICE, SOCIAL ACTION

Happy Second Birthday, Laudato Si!!! *By Susan Tabor, Social Concerns Committee*

Have you read Laudato Si, Pope Francis' encyclical on the environment and earth care issues? If not, you still can, and free of charge to you, and in the comfort of your own home. Go to: w2.vatican.va and search for "Laudato Si" and you can read and/or download your own copy of the document. It contains a lot of good information, thought-provoking reflection questions suitable for individual or group study and therein you will find some good prayers as well.

The Catholic Climate Covenant Movement invites us to sign the new St. Francis Pledge concerning our commitment to care for our common home on earth. In affirmation of the Catholic Church's social teaching to care for creation and the poor, and in light of our nation's withdrawal from the Paris Agreement, we invite you to recommit, or for the first time commit to the newly updated St. Francis/Laudato Si' Pledge. To take the pledge and to learn more, go to: www.catholicclimatecovenant.org

From St. Francis to Pope Francis: By taking the updated St. Francis/Laudato Si' Pledge you commit/recommit to put Pope Francis' Laudato Si' and St. Francis of Assisi's creation care values into action by:

- 1) Praying with and for creation.
- 2) Living more simply by lowering your family's, parish's, religious community's carbon footprint.
- 3) Advocating to protect our common home.

Celebrate Laudato Si' today and every day! Don't worry if you already have taken the "old" St. Francis Pledge. Recommit yourself, your family, your parish, school, or religious community by taking the NEW St. Francis/Laudato Si' Pledge. Or newly commit to praying, living, advocating for creation! Join us in commemorating Laudato Si' by living Laudato Si'!

STEWARDSHIP OF PRAYER

PARISH 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
Nicole Allensworth
Grace Austin
Gayla Barnes
Samantha Bell
Barbara Braddy
Remi Brown
Christine Crandon, sister-in-law of Brent Crandon
Matthew Decker
Linda Erp, mother of Emily Vigne
Mary Felton
Coleman File
Cyril Foote, Sr.
Ed Garza
Kenneth Gilbert
Mark Grosdidier
Buddy Hadl
Betty Hanna
Jenny Hernandez
Jessie Hernandez
Dianne Hofmann
Kevin Hoover
Bob Holek
Lottie Keating, daughter of Joe & Laura Keating
Diana Matthews
Barb Marden
Christian McGraw, Grandson of Coriene McGraw
Francine Mesa
Zackary Messerly, nephew of Debra Bradley
Barb Nabower, sister of Patty Lyon
Theophilus Obiefule
Allan Otter, brother of Norb Otter
Julie Patterson, niece of Norb & Jeanette Otter
Kathy Rennells
Eva Ricketts, mother of Ingrid Hartman
CB Riling
Joel Rivera
Mark Salaman
Natalie Salisbury
Julia Scott, friend of Monica Cordova
Mary Kay Seidl
Nikki Shrode
Gerald Simon
Frank Stagg, father of Susan Williams
Delores Tharpe, cousin of Jackie Monroe
Chuck Umscheid
Angelica Villa
Cindy Vasquez, sister of Gina Hodges
Greg Walker, brother of Ted Walker
Christy Walters, friend of Bev Mater
Tasha Williams
John Woods

Please join our St. John prayer chain to lend your voices and thoughts for those in need. For more information contact Lois Mersmann at:

lmersmann@saint-johns.net

MASS INTENTIONS: JUNE 26—JULY 2

Monday: 7:30amCeline Chut
Tuesday: 7:30amEdna Zillnert
Wednesday: 7:30am Robert Flukert
Thursday: 7:30amBertha Tangeman†
Friday: 7:30am Joe Coffeet
Saturday: 8:00am Teresa Coffeet
4:30pm.....Ethel & George Jennings†
Sunday: 7:00amSusan Gelvin † & Family
8:30am John Carlost†
11:00am..... St. John Parish
2:00pm (Sp.) Fidencio Ordaz Gonzalez†
5:00pm.....Thomas Lee

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**.

QUEEN OF PEACE PRAYER GROUP

Besiege Heaven with Prayer: Storm Heaven with the Rosary
Join us each Wednesday at 5:30 pm at the church for one hour. We have the Rosary, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and other prayers. *"When two or more are joined together, Our Lord is there with us."*

WOMEN'S PRAYER & REFLECTION GROUP

Over the summer The Women's Prayer and Reflection Group will meet at 6:30 pm in the church basement on July 11th, July 25th, Aug 1st and Aug 15th to be prayerfully inspired by biblical women and by women saints.

Join us any time, no preparation necessary. For more information, please contact Beth Fox 785-840-5561 or Cheryl Hicklin 785-691-5607.

ST. MONICA'S PRAYER GROUP

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

FAITH FORMATION

ST. JOHN CAFÉ TO GO

Have a question about the Catholic faith? Whether it's something historical, spiritual, or related to current events, our priests will do their best to provide you with an answer!

Introducing "Café To Go," a simple way to ask your question to one of our priests! Simply scan the QR code with your phone or tablet and submit your question—it's that easy!

If we have room, we may even include your question (anonymously) and the response in the bulletin for others to read and enjoy. **Café To Go is also available on the St. John App—or see the box in the north entrance of the church!**



FALL CLASS WITH FR. BARNABAS

The Life of Christians in the Early Roman Empire

Life was dangerous for the earliest Christians. Unless they agreed to worship the gods of Rome, they could not work and would be persecuted. So how did this "small, despised and illegal Jewish cult" of a few thousand members grow to the point that it would become the dominant cultural force in Rome by 325 A.D.? How that all happened will be the subject of Fr. Barnabas's next class beginning in September. See www.sjevangelist.com for more information.

The main text for the Class will be the recent and important book Destroyer of the Gods: Early Christian Distinctiveness in the Roman World by Larry W. Hurtado.

LIGUORIAN CATHOLIC MAGAZINE

Liguorian is a leading Catholic Magazine published by the Redemptorists. It reaches about 50,000 households each month and provides solid and straightforward answers to the important questions and problems facing today's Catholics. Our mission at Liguorian is to help you navigate your day-to-day lives, assisted by your faith in both print and digital formats. Your print subscription also includes FREE access to Liguorian Online Digital Edition; register at Liguori.org to receive access. For faster service, call 1-800-325-9521.



STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE

HIS HANDS MINISTRY

His Hands, St. John's ministry to those who are elderly and those who live with disability in our parish, is trying to find someone a ride to Sunday 11:00 a.m. Mass. The person lives on John Doy Court, in the vicinity of Peterson Road.

If you can help in this way, please contact Susan Tabor, the His Hands service coordinator, at **(785) 865-9949** or souljourner@sbcglobal.net. Thank you!

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. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, email Linda Brey at lbrey525@gmail.com.

STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING

WEEKLY PARISH GIVING

Our fiscal year is July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017
Information below reflects donations received
July 1, 2016 through June 11, 2017.

Budgeted weekly collection amount	\$27,403.84
Average weekly collection amount.....	\$27,547.35
Budgeted Collection Fiscal YTD	\$1,370,192.00
Actual Collection Fiscal YTD	\$1,377,367.80
Net Overage	\$7,175.80

ONLINE GIVING

We are grateful for your support of St. John Parish. Our online giving program allows you to make contributions to St. John without writing checks or worrying about cash donations. You may set up automatic contributions and change the timing or the amount of your gift at any time. You may also make pledges and manage your contributions to the pledge amount, and you may make one-time donations to special causes.

Visit sjevangelist.com/giving for more information or to set up and manage your account today!

FOCUS ON THE WORD

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Even all the hairs of your head are counted. So do not be afraid." Can it really be true? Is our heavenly Father actually so aware of us? Does the Creator of the universe pay that much attention to me? Jesus says yes. God knows us far more intimately than we even know ourselves. And so, we have nothing to fear.

Being Christian isn't guaranteed to be easy. More and more even in our own culture, following the faith is being criticized and discouraged in the public square. Privately, we may struggle with the demands of the commandments or the ability to believe when we face the inevitable trials that come our way. But passages like this one in today's Gospel are a source of tremendous hope and consolation. We are loved beyond measure. We enjoy the care and concern of God in every situation, big and small. Truly we have no need to worry or be anxious because God is in control.

For our part, of course, Jesus asks us to trust him and stay faithful. He asks us not to apologize for our faith, especially publicly. "Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father." When we live our faith with confidence, it's a way of accepting the power and providence of God. But when we try to hide our faith away because we're afraid of causing problems, we only damage our relationship with the One who can actually solve them.

At the end of the day, the only really serious problem we need to worry about is losing our soul-and that, to be sure, is up to us. As the great French novelist Léon Bloy wrote, "There is only one tragedy in the end: not to have been a saint."

FOR KIDS: SHARING THE GOSPEL



REFLECTION

You are God's special child. He knows all about you. He knows what you like to eat. He knows your favorite color. He knows how many teeth you have. He even knows how many hairs are on your head. No one in this world loves you as much as God loves you. Be sure to tell your friends how much God loves them, too.

PRAYER

God, I thank you for loving me so much.

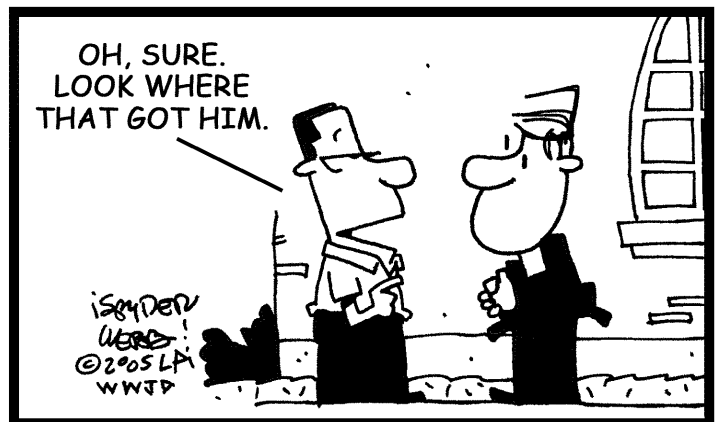
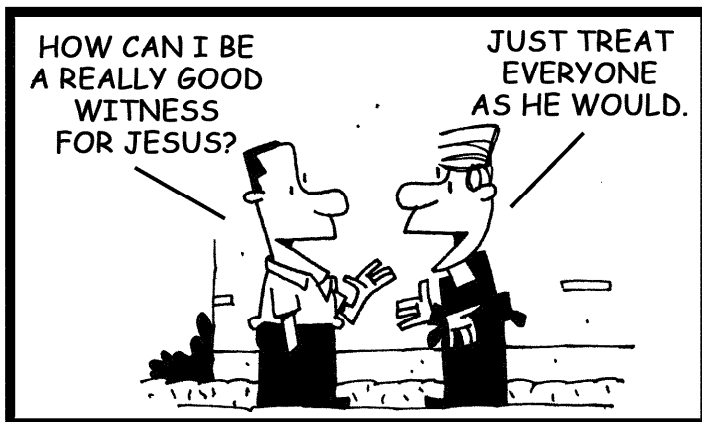
SOMETHING TO DRAW

Draw a picture of yourself telling a friend about God's love.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

After you brush your hair, count the hairs in the brush. God knows how many hairs you lost!

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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.

CLASE PREBAUTISMAL

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.

Preparacion al matrimonio por la Iglesia Catolica, solo para parejas que viven juntos y tienen niños.

Adultos que necesitan los sacramentos de confirmacion y primera communion.

CURSO DE VERANO en junio y julio para prepararse a la primera communion, niños de tercer grado para Arriba.

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Martes a jueves por la mañana

Lunes, miércoles, viernes por la mañana

Lunes a viernes por la mañana

Lunes a viernes por la tarde



25 de junio de 2017

12° DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Los seres humanos vamos adquiriendo confianza de acuerdo a cómo se nos trata desde pequeños. Así es como recordamos a nuestros padres repitiéndonos que no tengamos miedo, ya sea al comenzar a caminar o en nuestro primer día de escuela. Así pasa la vida y nos seguimos diciendo para nuestros adentros: "no debo tener miedo a vivir", "no debo tener miedo a cruzar la frontera", "no debo de sentir temor a trabajar en un país extraño". Tal parece que los hispanos somos de raza de valientes y aquí estamos luchando cada día por ser mejores, ¿verdad?

El tema de las lecturas de hoy trata de la confianza. En Jeremías, encontramos la confianza del profeta centrada en Dios, tal como el guerrero fuerte que siempre está a su lado: "Pero Yahveh está conmigo, cual campeón poderoso". En Romanos vemos la confianza gozosa de la gracia de Dios. Ahí se nos invita a ser libres por medio de Cristo Jesús: "Cuánto más la gracia de Dios y el don otorgado por la gracia de un solo hombre Jesucristo". Y en el Evangelio vemos cómo Dios, todo providente, cuida de nosotros. ¡Qué más podemos pedir!

Jesús nos repite tres veces la frase "no tengan miedo". El cristiano no debe ser un miedoso. Vale pues que nos hagamos la siguiente pregunta: ¿de verdad creemos que el Señor Jesús es nuestro compañero de camino? ¿Creemos que está aquí presente? Tenemos muchas amenazas en la vida: las enfermedades, el estatus migratorio, la falta de trabajo, y muchas cosas más. Pero no olvidemos que la fe, la misericordia, y la confianza en Dios deben ser nuestros estandartes para superar todos nuestros miedos. Si Dios está con nosotros, nadie ni nada nos puede hacer daño. ¡Tengamos confianza en él!

EL QUINTO ENCUENTRO NACIONAL

Te invite a una reunion para preparar el Quinto Encuentro Nacional del Ministerio Hispano/Latino. Este Encuentro es apoyado por los Obispos de los Estados Unidos.

El proposito del Encuentro es, escuchar la voz de los latinos que viven en los Estados Unidos y conocer sus preocupaciones y experiencias. El Encuentro sera del 20 al 23 de septiembre 2018. Podrias ayudarme? Favor de llamarme al 785-843-0109 o mandarme un email: frjeff@saint-johns.net Gracias!. – P. Jeff

