

ST JOHN
THE EVANGELIST
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Baptism of The Lord

And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." Matthew 3:17

Jesus' baptism inaugurated his mission. We too have been baptized into the mission and ministry of Jesus and we are invited to share his compassion and care with the people of our time.

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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, and the sacraments. 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.

WHAT HAVE I DONE WITH MY BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION?
IS CHRIST REALLY AT THE CENTER OF MY LIFE?
DO I HAVE TIME FOR PRAYER IN MY LIFE?
DO I LIVE MY LIFE AS A VOCATION AND MISSION?
~POPE JOHN PAUL II

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Monday—Friday 8:30 am—4:00 pm

Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:30 pm
Sunday 7:00 am, 8:30 am, 11:00 am, 2:00 pm (Spanish), 5:00 pm

Weekday Masses

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

Adoration Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri: 7:00 am—9:00 pm
..... in the Padre Pio Chapel

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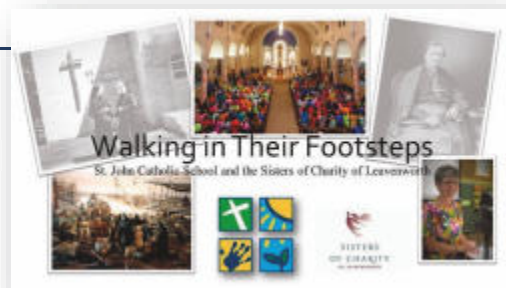
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SAINT JOHN SCHOOL

GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD

Emma Milburn, a St. John alum, recently completed her Girl Scout Gold Award. Her project was looking at the history of St. John School and the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth. Emma's project, a 34-page document, will be posted on the school website and will be used in the fourth and fifth grades. Thank you Emma for all your hard work and congratulations on reaching the highest individual award a Girl Scout can achieve. She will present the project to the school at the **11:00 am Mass on January 26** to celebrate the start of Catholic Schools Week.



HOST FAMILY NEEDED

We are currently looking for a host family for an 8th grade girl from South Korea. She will be arriving in January and will attend St. John until the end of the school year. Peter Jang from Guardian EDU provides a generous stipend to families. Please email me at: reffett@saint-johns.net if you have any questions or are interested in taking part in this unique opportunity.

SCHEDULE YOUR VISIT

Visit online at: sjevangelist.com/school, call **785- 843-9511** or email Mr. Chris Reffett, Principal, at: reffett@saint-johns.net for more information and to schedule a tour for you and your student! St. John Catholic School has classes from pre-school through eighth grade.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

We will be observing Catholic Schools Week from January 26 through 31. Please watch for special events held this week, including our traditional Grandparents Day held on January 27. Thank you for your support of Catholic education.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

VIRTUS, PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN FOR ADULTS, SESSION TO BE HELD AT ST. JOHN

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 St. John school teachers and substitutes, parents, grandparents, anyone who plans to assist/teach in any of the parish Religious Education programs, coach any of the CYO sports and parents who want to volunteer in the school or with school activities youth, ages 16 – 18 years of age, may attend with a parent or with a permission form signed by their parent. The material presented is good information for all parishioners.

The next Virtus session hosted at St. John Church will be held in the St. John church, lower level, Tuesday, January 14, from 6:00 to approximately 9:00 pm. All who plan to attend are required to pre-register for the session.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

You will need to register an account with our Archdiocese and complete the background check and paperwork. Go to: <https://www.virtusonline.org>.

1. VIRTUS Registration **MUST BE DONE ON A COMPUTER**, not a tablet, iPad or phone. The system will not allow these devices due to security reasons click on "First-Time Registrant"
2. Click on "Begin the registration process."
3. On the "Select" organization drop-down menu, select "Kansas City in Kansas (Archdiocese)."
4. Create a User ID and Password, complete the profile information, and select a class to attend.
5. You must complete the background check and paperwork at this point.
6. **Plan to have at least 30 minutes to register and complete the online paperwork. You will need your social security number, driver's license number and 3 personal reference's information available. The system will not allow you to save what you start working on and return at a later time to complete. DO NOT USE THE BACK BUTTON ON THE ADDRESS BAR, OR IT WILL DELETE YOUR PROGRESS AND YOU WILL HAVE TO START OVER.**



Contact Lois at: lmersmann@saint-johns.net or **785-843-0109**, if you need assistance.

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ST. JOHN'S CAFÉ

St. John Café returns **Sunday, January 19 and 26 after the 8:30 am Mass**. Join us for good coffee, pastries, and conversation about any topic of the faith. Bring your questions or just come for fellowship and to learn more. All parishioners are welcome to attend our gatherings! St. John's Café is held in the St. John Bosco Room located in the lower level of school.



PLANNING FOR A MARDI GRAS PARTY

Would you like to help plan a Mardi Gras party to raise funds for the church Carpet Project? You might help sell tickets, set up, make food, decorate, serve, clean up, or share ideas! Email nora7@sbcglobal.net, or phone **785-331-0421** to learn more.



ROOM RESERVATIONS

To reserve the use of space at St. John's parish, please call Ellen Sickinger at **785-843-0109** or email at: esickinger@saint-johns.net.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING FOR THE POSTPARTUM COUPLE

- **NFP: SAFE & EFFECTIVE DURING THE POSTPARTUM PERIOD.**
- **CCL OFFERS A SEPARATE CLASS ON THE RETURN OF FERTILITY AFTER CHILDBIRTH.**



WHERE: ST. JOHN the EVANGELIST SCHOOL
1208 KENTUCKY STREET
LAWRENCE, KS

WHEN: WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23rd

TIME: 6:30 P.M.

COST: \$50 for CCL members; \$75 for others

Pre-registration required at www.ccli.org.

Call: Shannon or John Rasmussen at (785) 749-1015

Offered by the Couple to Couple League

ccli.org

CURRENT PUSHPAY USERS PLEASE UPDATE YOUR ACCOUNT FOR THE NEW YEAR!

If you are a current PushPay user that automatically withdraws your tithes we are asking you to please update your giving fund name option. You can also update your giving date and amount at the same time!

You can edit your amount and change the giving fund name very easily in one of two ways...

1. Text stjohnc to 77977. Click on the link from the text. Click on Manage my Account at the bottom of the screen. You can then sign in by using your mobile number. Then you will want to stop the 2019 Annual Fund gift and instead use the St. John Annual Giving fund option. You can then easily set the date and amount.

2. If you have an online account or would like to change via their website. The address is <https://pushpay.com/>. You can then begin the process of getting a user account or if you already have one logging in and editing your gift following the directions in step 1.

Please contact Cris Denning to walk you through this process if you have questions. She can be reached at: cdenning@saint-johns.net or **785-843-0109**. Thank you for your generosity to St. John in the coming year!

ADOPTION AND FOSTER CARE MINISTRY

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

That is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction... (Matthew 19:14)

Please join me in praying for the children in families who choose to open their homes and hearts to children in need. These kids share space, belongings and parental attention with kids from hard places. They may have to miss out on opportunities other kids get (things like sleep overs, one on one time or special events when these things conflict with the foster child's needs).

We rarely acknowledge that the children serve in their own way. They risk sadness by saying hello and often, all too soon, goodbye, to children in foster care. May these children's lives be enriched by the experiences and may they be rewarded for the love they pour out.

Contact Patti Fisher at: givethemafuture@gmail.com for more information on how you might meet the need.

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2020 KANSAS MARCH FOR LIFE & IGNITE PRO-LIFE YOUTH RALLY

Join us in Topeka for a Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children and to acknowledge the 47th year of the Roe vs Wade Supreme Court decision. **January 22**, Topeka Performing Arts Center **9:00 am**. IGNITE Pro-Life Youth Rally 11:00 am. Mass with the Kansas bishops and priests 12:30 pm March to the Capitol for the Kansans for Life Rally presented by the Pro-Life Office, Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas. For more information, visit archkck.org/prolife. The event is free and open to all! Please register groups at: www.archkck.org/ignite.

OUR HOPE LEGACY SOCIETY MINUTE

Did you know... You can have a portion of your estate to establish a donor advised fund. One of our parishioners modified their will to direct the establishment of a donor advised fund as part of their estate planning. The plan is to have their children and grandchildren meet every year to determine which charities should receive the annual earnings from the fund. The objective of this strategy is to promote legacy of giving for their grandchildren.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

St. Jude Circle meets on the **second Monday** of each month in **Holy Family Hall at Corpus Christi, at 7:00 pm**. If you need additional information and/or would like to join us in the coming month, please contact Regent Sandy Hare at **518-573-3478**.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus regularly meet on the second Thursday of each month in the **basement of St. John the Evangelist Church**. Social and dinner, provided by the Knights, beginning at **6:30 pm**.



ARCHBISHOP'S CALL TO SHARE

This year's Archbishop's Call to Share appeal has us reflecting on Returning His First Fruits. Please prayerfully consider giving to the needs of our Archdiocese as we conduct the 2020 Archbishop's Call to Share over the next six weeks. Thank you if you have already made your gift to ACTS! If you haven't yet, please return your pledge envelope today or donate online: www.calltoshare.org

THAT MAN IS YOU - THE VISION OF MAN FULLY ALIVE

The Men of St. John ministry is presenting a spring session of That Man Is You on Wednesday mornings in the church basement. Starting January 15, 6:00 am to 7:25 am. The program is as follows: 6:00 am – Breakfast/Social; 6:30 am Video; 7:00 am – Small Group Discussion; 7:25 am – Dismissal No pre-registration necessary. Just show up and bring a friend! Contact Kent Beisner at: kdbeisner@gmail.com



FAMILY PROMISE OF LAWRENCE

St. John Church continues to minister to Family Promise of Lawrence, an organization helping homeless families with children achieve and maintain permanent housing. Volunteers are needed to fulfill a variety of roles including meal preparation, overnight hosting, and evening hosts. This is also a great way for small groups to participate in a service ministry. Please contact Jana Wallen at **785-331-9047** or janawallen@sbcglobal.net if you or your group is interested.



PARISH DIRECTORIES AVAILABLE

Copies of the 2019-20 St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church directory are available in the church at all entrances.

STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING

WEEKLY PARISH GIVING

Our fiscal year is July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020

Information below reflects donations received July 1, 2019 through January 5, 2019.

Budgeted weekly collection amount	\$29,807.69
Average weekly collection amount	\$30,324.28
Budgeted collection fiscal YTD	\$804,807.63
Actual collection fiscal YTD	\$818,755.74
Net Overage	\$13,948.11

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

Contact Cris Denning at: cdenning@saint-johns.net or by phone at **785-843-0109** if you have any questions.

SOCIAL JUSTICE SOCIAL ACTION

By Susan Tabor
Social Concerns Committee

I am sharing this announcement, which was forwarded to me by the Office of the Special Needs Ministry of the Archdiocese: HOPE FOR YOU AND YOUR LOVED ONES AFTER DEATH BY SUICIDE.

Fully Alive is a new integrated mind-body-soul wellness program that will begin with a two week session on after suicide support using the book, *After Suicide: There is hope for you and them* by Fr. Chris Alar, MIC. The evening will begin with Mass, followed by small group discussion facilitated by Catholic counselors. The evening will end with prayer. The program will be held at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Shawnee on **January 14 and 21** from **7:00 pm to 8:30 pm**. Adults and teens, accompanied by a parent, are welcome. Please RSVP with number attending to Tom Racunas, Special Needs Ministry, by calling **913-647-3054** or emailing tracunas@archkck.org. It is not necessary to give your name when you respond.

I mentioned in a prior column that a winter shelter for our homeless population is being offered at First United Methodist Church. Below is information from the winter shelter coordinator, Christi Hill, about the different ways you can help:

There are three ways you can support this important emergency winter shelter:

Supervision:

Volunteer to supervise the shelter at the church in 6-hour shifts, either from **7:30 pm until 1:30 am**, OR **1:30 am until 7:30 am** (or split the 6-hour shift with a friend). There are two volunteers at the church for both shifts. We will be creating a calendar for volunteers to sign up for specific shifts and dates. For now, you can correspond by emailing lawrencewintershelter@outlook.com any nights you would be willing to volunteer. Supervising is pretty simple and because everyone is asleep, you could get some work or studying done OR read that book you've been meaning to get to.

Monetary Donation:

If you are not able to donate your time, this project exists strictly from donation money. *If you would like to donate money using a credit card, there are two websites you can go to: Click on either link below and follow the prompts.

*Douglas County Community Foundation:

<https://www.dccfoundation.org/product/winter-shelter-fund/>

*First United Methodist Church—Please note the first question, scroll down the options and click on Lawrence Winter Shelter Fund-23413 to ensure your donation goes to this project: https://firstunitedmethodistlawrence.churchsuite.co.uk/donate/?fbclid=IwAR2BLIDKCCxWBvK4JGx8UWMFCu34KKVoa51-2y-QX_V7ICm5-pLu18W4kDM

*You may write a check or donate cash to help us buy mats for folks to sleep on. Please make your check out to First United Methodist Church (FUMC) and write Lawrence Winter Shelter in the memo. They will be passing all of the money donated on to us. You can drop it off at FUMC any day **9:00 am-4:00 pm** or mail it to FUMC at 946 Vermont Street, Lawrence, Kansas 66044.

Supplies Donation:

If you are not able to donate your time or money, here are items we could use:

Disposable coffee cups and lids
Coffee, sugar, powder creamer, coffee filters
Healthy snacks—individual packages of peanut butter and crackers, graham crackers, animal crackers
Easy breakfast items to go—granola bars, fruit cups
Hothands hand warmers (a pair is \$1 at Walmart)
Heavy socks and gloves (men's)

You can drop off donations at these locations:

-DARE center (944 Kentucky St) M-F from **2:30 pm -6:30 pm**, please note the items are for the LWS (Lawrence Winter Shelter)
-United Methodist Church M-F from **9:00 am-4:00 pm** OR in the evening from **7:30 pm-9:00 pm** the evenings we are open
-OR email me at: Lawrencewintershelter@outlook.com and I can come pick them up from you.

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JUSTICE MATTERS



Justice Matters – an interfaith network working for justice

Alice Hewitt is one of the St. John's Justice Matters network members who attended the December 14 Research kick off. Following is her summary and call to action.

Justice Matters is promoting Restorative Practices in Lawrence Schools. One of the issues that was discussed at the December 14 research kick off for Justice Matters was restorative practices. If you are interested in learning more there will be a **RESTORATIVE JUSTICE IN SCHOOLS COMMITTEE MEETING - Sunday, January 12, 1:30-3:00 pm, Plymouth Congregational Church.**

In Time magazine recently there was an article about a student that brought a shotgun with one shell into a school in Oregon. The student encountered a coach who grabbed the gun, opened his arms and told the student that he cared about him. The student looked very surprised and said, you do? The coach embraced the student, and the crisis was resolved. The one shell had been intended for himself.

Historically schools have relied on punitive discipline policies that sends disruptive students to detention, or for more serious violations the student is suspended from school. The student is removed from the learning environment and is more likely to fall behind in their schoolwork.

The restorative practices approach gives students the chance to talk about the problem with teachers, counselors, or their peers. They develop skills to manage their emotions and actions.

Students who are expected to figure out how to make amends for their mistakes learn to take responsibility for their actions. A more positive climate allows for greater attention to academics, boosting student performance. Students who are guided in talking through the harm in their actions have caused develop a greater sense of empathy and start to think before they act.

During the holiday season we sang "Peace on earth. Good will towards men." Let those words settle into you all year long. Then join in the work of helping our schools become better.

Welcome our new Associate Organizer, Katie Hobson!

Justice Matters is growing! We're excited to announce that Katie Hobson will be joining the Justice Matters staff as associate organizer in January. Katie has been a Justice Matters Network Member at her congregation, Peace Mennonite, since Justice Matters was founded. She has also served as a team leader, and as a representative for peace on the board of directors. Katie has a deep passion for seeing justice in Douglas County, and says that she is both honored and excited to work with other people of faith in pursuing God's call to do justice. We're so happy to have you, Katie!

Upcoming events

RESTORATIVE JUSTICE IN SCHOOLS COMMITTEE MEETING - Sunday, January 12, 1:30-3:00 pm, Plymouth Congregational Church

HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE MEETING - Monday, January 13, 6:30-8:00 pm, Immanuel Lutheran Church

JAIL ALTERNATIVES COMMITTEE MEETING - Thursday, January 16, 6:00-7:30 pm, Immanuel Lutheran Church

Check out the Justice Matters website for information events at: www.justicemattersinkansas.org

Urgent Life Resources



Pregnant? Need Help?:

Gabriel Project 913.602.0306 | gabrielprojectkc.com

Abortion Pill Reversal Hotline:

877-558-0333 | AbortionPillReversal.com

Post-Abortive Help: Project Rachel & Project Joseph

913.621.2199 | projectrachelkc.com

End of Life Decisions:

archkck.org/prolife-end-of-life-care

National Catholic Bioethics Hotline 215.877.2660

Suicide Hotline:

800.273.8255 | suicidepreventionlifeline.org

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 Center to request someone for the "Prayer List." **Thank you** on behalf of the families of those individuals for whom we pray.

Justice Allensworth	Zackary Messerly , nephew of Debra Bradley
Nicole Allensworth	Linden Morgan
Susan Guenther Brown , friend of Craig Fincham	Lisa Morrow-Welsh , daughter of Linda Brey
Curtis Burns , friend of Joe & Bev Mater	Augustus Nelson
Roger Caldwell , brother of Leila Soper	Danny Nguyen
Linda Erp , mother of Emily Vigne	Diane Nichols , sister of Phyllis Stone
Joanne Feist , friend of Ginny Short	Theophilus Obiefule
Jocile Fisher	Barb Owens
Linda Flyer , friend of Le Marie Gilbert	Josephine Ramirez
Janet Fox , family of Norb & Jeanette Otter	Eva Ricketts , mother of Ingrid Hartman
Rudy Fritz	Joel Rivera
Ed Garza	Virginia Romero
Marianne Gowen	Jon Rossillon
Bonnie Griggs	James Sandy
Tony Guadian	Alexander Ramirez Salazar
Buddy Hadl , brother of Shirley Steffen	Greg Schurer , brother of Mick Schurer
Lonna Hamm , daughter of Larry & Martha Hamm	Julia Scott , friend of Monica Cordova
Mary Hane	Mary Kay Seidl , sister of Loretta Seidl
Peggy Harders , niece of Norb & Jeanette Otter	Pete Sethatut , father of Paula Higbie
Newt Hasson	Christine Shipley
Dustin Harper-Head , great-nephew of Mary Head	Gerald Simon
Luke Henry , nephew of Galen & Beth Uhrich	Brett Smith
Kathy Higley	Meyer Sneed , son of Taylor & Melissa Sneed
Dianne Hofmann	Linda Snyder , aunt of Dan Taylor
Bob Holek	Cameron Stupansky , friend of Kathy Colson
Bonita Holtkamp	Jack Taylor , brother of Daniel Taylor
Tina Jinkens	Mary Vannicola
Michele Johnson	Cindy Vasquez , sister of Gina Hodges
Allen Kehde	Jeanette Walker
Diana Matthews	Susan Williams
Leo Mauler , son of Al & Marcy Mauler	Nancy Wright
Russ McDonald	Jon Yarnell
Jim McMurray	IN MEMORIAM
Ed Medrano	-ANTONIA SANCHEZ

MASS INTENTIONS: JAN 13 - JAN 19

Monday: 7:30amKazem Salmanzadeht
Tuesday: 7:30am..... Drake Rinert
Wednesday: 7:30am Nancy Wright
Thursday: 7:30am.....Dustin Harper-Head
Friday: 7:30amJim O'Toole†
Saturday: 8:00am Catarino Vidal Florest
 4:30pm J.D. Shelton
Sunday: 7:00amJaunita Bailey†
 8:30am Parishioners of St. John
 11:00am..... Joseph Leet
 2:00pm(Sp.)..... Catarino Vidal Florest
 5:00pm..... Blake Phipps

MINISTERS JAN 18 - JAN 19

LECTORS

Saturday
 4:30pm B Augusto, M Head
Sunday
 7:00am.....B Kish, T Dowd Kelne
 8:30amM Fox, L Diepenbrock
 11:00am I Hartsig, C Ehrlich
 5:00pm.....M Williams, C Phipps

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday
 4:30pm S Wondrack, G Sellet
Sunday
 7:00am.....E Saunders, A Saunders
 8:30amN Peltier
 11:00am S Keating, K Hamilton
 5:00pm..... R Diers, H Diers

CANTORS

Saturday
 4:30pmA Mauler
Sunday
 7:00am.....M Steichen
 8:30am..... T Noll

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday
 4:30pmB Johnson, J & L Koster,
 L Reimond, MA Roesner, L Seidl
Sunday
 7:00am..... M Heath, B Menke, N Murphy
 8:30am..... D Hoss, J Huss, M Ice, C Johnson,
 T Kempf, B Kessler, K Ostrander
 11:00am S Goodwin, P Gripka, D & T Gunselman,
M Head, J Mercier, C Nieto-Boor
 5:00pmS Murray, G Shoulberg, J Weeks,
 D Wulf-Walter, L Brey, L DeVader

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 12

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/ Mt 3:13-17

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19 [17a]/Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1]/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [8a and 9a]/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25 [27b]/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19 [2]/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [2a]/Mk 2:13-1

CUENTO NÚMERO 92 LA PEQUEÑA VANIDOSA

Un domingo por la mañana, Toñita, que se había puesto el vestido Nuevo, estaba asomándose a la puerta de su casa.

En aquel momento un forastero estaba hablando con un vecino. Al aparecer la pequeña, el forastero exclamó:

-¡Oh, qué graciosa! ¡Qué lozanía y qué colores!

Creyendo que lo decía por ella, Toñita le hizo una graciosa reverencia y le dio las gracias con una sonrisa no menos graciosa que la alabanza del forastero.

Pero el vecino le dijo:

-No se refiere a ti, vanidosa y pálida niña; las palabras de este señor se referían a la hermosa rosa que te has puesto en el pelo. Es la primera que vemos este año.

MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGÉLIO El Bautismo del Señor

La Navidad termina con la Fiesta en honor del Bautismo del Señor; es otra manifestación de Dios por medio de su Hijo. Ahora el profeta Isaías nos muestra al Siervo de Dios en quien se complace: "Miren a mi siervo, a quien sostengo, a mi elegido, en quien tengo mis complacencias. En él he puesto mi espíritu para que haga brillar la justicia sobre las naciones." No queda más que agradecer el inmenso amor de Dios por nosotros. ¿Como no apreciar el ser hijos/hijas de Dios por el bautismo? Desde que nos bautizaron, sea pequeño o grande, Dios espera que al menos estemos seguros de que tenemos un Padre amoroso y compasivo, que se alegra con nosotros. La lectura del Libro de los Hechos de los Apóstoles ayuda a comprender que "Dios no hace distinción de personas, sino que acepta al que... practica la justicia."

Esta Fiesta es similar a Pentecostés, pero, en otra forma de manifestación del Espíritu Santo. Juan, lo explica claramente cuando dice: "Es cierto que yo bautizo con agua, pero ya viene otro más poderoso que yo, a quien no merezco desatarle las correas de sus sandalias. El los bautizará con el Espíritu Santo y con fuego." Bien, ahora cabe la pregunta para reflexión personal: ¿Qué acciones hago para complacer a Dios? ¿Hay fuego en mi corazón de tal manera que arde en buenas obras? Fijémonos en la humildad de Juan Bautista; él reconoció que su ministerio tenía que disminuir para que el ministerio de Jesús brillara y se expandiera. ¿Crees tú que los líderes actuales en las parroquias hacen lo mismo que Juan?

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En la oficina de la Iglesia

Miercoles 7:00 pm, Viernes 7:00 pm.

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LA FE SE PUEDE ALIMENTAR

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CATECISMO EN ESPAÑOL

Las Inscripciones son en agosto y en mayo. Por favor para mas informacion llamar a Maria Mota.

CONFESIONES

A partir del mes de septiembre, de **1:00 pm a 1:45 pm** Habrá confesiones en español para quien lo necesite, y pueda recibir este sacramento.

LAS LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA DEL 12 DE ENERO

Domingo: Is 42, 1-4. 6-7/Sal 29, 1-2. 3-4. 3. 9-10 [11]/Hch 10, 34-38/Mt 3, 13-17

Lunes: 1 Sm 1, 1-8/Sal 116, 12-13. 14-17. 18-19 [17]/Mc 1, 14-20

Martes: 1 Sm 1, 9-20/1 Sm 2, 1. 4-5. 6-7. 8 [cfr. 1]/Mc 1, 21-28

Miércoles: 1 Sm 3, 1-10. 19-20/Sal 40, 2 y 5. 7-8. 8-9. 10 [8 y 9]/Mc 1, 29-39

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Viernes: 1 Sm 8, 4-7. 10-22/Sal 89, 16-17. 18-19 [2]/Mc 2, 1-12

Sábado: 1 Sm 9, 1-4. 10. 17-19; 10, 1/Sal 21, 2-3. 4-5. 6-7 [2]/Mc 2, 13-17

Domingo siguiente: Is 49, 3. 5-6/Sal 40, 2. 4. 7-8. 8-9. 10 [8. 9]/1 Cor 1, 1-3/Jn 1, 29-34

AREA EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY MASS

Sunday, February 9 come celebrate World Marriage Day and renew the commitment you made to one another on your wedding day! **Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann at 11:45 am**, at the Church of the Ascension, 9510 W. 127th Street, Overland Park, KS. Mass will include a "Renewal of Commitment and Blessing" for the married couples. Mass will be followed by a reception. Families are welcome! Sponsored by the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas and the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. For more information call **913-647-0329**.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND RECENT GRADUATES

Enflame Your Heart, Encounter Christ. Start off your Lent with a retreat centered on the Paschal Mystery. **February 15-17** at Prairie Star Ranch 1124 California Road Williamsburg, KS. 66095 For high school students and recent graduates. Sign up at: www.sunflowertec.org. For more information contact Rick Cheek in the Youth Office at: youth2@archkck.org.



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