

For June of the Year of the Pandemic 2020

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am,
1:00 pm Spanish, 5:00 pm

Mass sign up required for each weekend:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0b49aea82balf7-stjohn3>

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00-4:00 pm

Wednesday: 11:00-noon, 7:00-8:00 pm

*Stay tuned for July of the Year
of the Pandemic 2020*



ST JOHN
THE EVANGELIST
CATHOLIC CHURCH

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, 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.

“PUT YOURSELF IN GOD’S HANDS; HE ABANDONS NO ONE.”
~ST. ANDRE BESSETTE

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Monday—Thursday..... 8:30 am—3:00 pm

Friday..... 8:30 am—Noon

Weekend Masses

Saturday..... 4:30 pm

Sunday..... 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am,

.....1:00 pm (Spanish), 5:00 pm

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Masses to be livestreamed at: <https://youtu.be/lbl8-GJL4zM>

Sunday..... 11:00 am & 1:00 pm (Spanish)

Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday..... 7:30 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 pm-4:00 pm

.....(and by appointment)

Bulletin Deadline

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ten (10) days prior to the bulletin you wish info to appear.

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NOTES FROM THE LAND OF OZ

LOIS MERSMANN RETIRES

It is certainly news in the land when one of the main characters retires after many years. You begin to remember, to recount, to relish. As I recall, Dorothy had a lot to do with giving a heart, with sharpening a brain, and with awakening courage. What a great testament – being instrumental in such a noble task. And then she clicked her heels and went home. Her task had been done.

Now in this land of Oz, we have another story – that of Lois Mersmann who is clicking her heels having touched many hearts, focused many minds, and instilled an awareness of one's capabilities. Fellow Ozites write: "I have deeply admired the hard work and diligence she has put into being the Religious Education Director. She has been deeply committed to strengthening our younger parishioners' relationship with God." "Lois has been the steady foundation of our religious education program, making sure catechists and students had all they needed to succeed." "Lois has given so much of herself to ensure the children of this parish are given the opportunity to know Jesus as a person who loves each of them."



Lois came to St. John's with a deep commitment to volunteerism which was impressed upon her by her family. She never lost that important part of what life is about – giving of yourself. She first began as a volunteer in the religious education program. Her dedication never wavered in her many roles in the program. She became director around four years ago. Service is an integral part of her life and we are so appreciative that we have been the beneficiaries of her involvement.

If I remember correctly, the people of Oz fell in love with Dorothy and so too with Lois of Oz. "She cares for people deeply. She will always be family." "She will be sorely missed." "The memories of working with you will be hard to forget." "She is truly one of a kind and will be missed dearly." "You were a great part of the team."

Lois is clicking those heels now. The great thing about it though is that, like Dorothy, Lois will still be in the land of Oz, still be that loving, supportive part of St. John's. I think Dorothy's red shoes are in a museum somewhere. I suspect Lois will keep hers and walk around giving encouragement and love, making sure we are continuing to give heart, sharpen minds, and awake courage. Thank you God for the gift of Lois. Take care, Lois. See you around.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

TWO VOLUNTEER POSITIONS OPEN

ASSISTANT DIRECTORS OF MT. CALVARY CEMETERY OPERATIONS

TO ASSIST THE DIRECTOR WHEN HE IS UNAVAILABLE

- SHOW AVAILABILITY OF PLOTS TO THOSE SEEKING TO PURCHASE THEM
- NOTIFY THE PARISH OFFICE OF LOT NUMBER AND LOCATION OF PLOTS WHEN THEY WISH TO PURCHASE
- WHEN PLOTS ARE PURCHASED, MARK THEIR NAME IN THE CEMETERY BOOK, ON THE MAP, AND THE CARDEX FILE
- WHEN PLOTS ARE TO BE USED, MARK LOCATION AND SIZE FOR GRAVE OPENING AND RECORD ON CARDEX THE DATE WHEN THE PERSON WAS BURIED
- WHEN MARKERS/MEMORIALS ARE TO BE SET, MARK THE SIZE AND MEASUREMENT SIZE OF BASE

Positions are open until filled.

If interested, please call the parish office or Fr. John at **785-843-0109**.

PARISH JOB OPENING

DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION:

St. John Parish in Lawrence, KS is seeking a full-time Director of Faith Formation. This person would develop, articulate, and administer a vision and direction for parish faith formation programs. He/she would oversee all faith formation programs and evaluate their effectiveness, and develop/implement ideas and programs that would be available for parishioners from womb to tomb. Ideal candidate will be a bilingual (English/Spanish) practicing Catholic who holds a degree in Catechesis or Theology and/or has equivalent work



experience relating to faith formation. This person would also have strong knowledge of Catholicism, intercultural competence in ministry, strong interpersonal skills, proven organizational and leadership skills and computer/technology competencies. 2-4 years of parish ministry experience preferred.

Please see full job description and requirements at:

www.sjevangelist.com. This is a full-time position and eligible for the Archdiocesan benefits package with start date of July 20. The position will be open until filled.

Please send cover letter and resume to Fr. John at: frjohn@saint-johns.net (use DFF on subject line) or 1229 Vermont Street, Lawrence, KS 66044.

ST. JOHN RUMMAGE HOUSE

We are open **Wednesdays from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm and Saturdays 8:30 am to 12:30 pm (if staff is available)**

- Everyone will need to wear a mask.
- We will have hand sanitizer available.
- Only adults will be allowed in at this time.
- We will limit how many people can shop at one time.
- Donations will be accepted during **OPEN HOURS ONLY**.

FAITH, FUN AND FRIENDS

Camp Tekakwitha is Open; Sign Up at: ARCHKCK.ORG. Kids need fresh air, friendly smiles, fun activities and to talk about the big ideas in their heart, mind and soul. That is Camp Tekakwitha!! We are operating in correspondence with social distance guidelines, CDC and ACA guidelines.



PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

Next week, we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit:

www.usccb.org/peters-pence



PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

PLANNED GIVING

HOW THE CORONAVIRUS RELIEF LAW HELPS RETIREMENT SAVERS AND RETIREES

What can you tell me about the retirement account changes that Congress recently passed in response to the coronavirus crisis?

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, or CARES Act, was signed into law by President Trump in late March. Tucked inside were a series of changes that can help retirement savers. These changes can help those in need of cash, as well as help preserve the retirement savings accounts of current retirees while the stock market is down. Here is a rundown of how three provisions in the CARES Act might help you or someone you know.

HARDSHIP WITHDRAWALS

Normally, if you took money out of an employer-sponsored retirement plan or IRA before 59, you would be hit with taxes plus a 10% tax penalty on that amount. The CARES Act waives the early distribution penalty on up to \$100,000 of distributions in 2020 for "affected individuals." You must still pay income taxes on any amounts withdrawn, but the new law allows you to pay the taxes over three years. Additionally, if you recontribute the amount withdrawn back into your plan within three years, that amount will not be taxed.

To qualify for this penalty-free hardship withdrawal, you, your spouse or a dependent must have been diagnosed with coronavirus (COVID-19) or have experienced adverse financial consequences as a result of COVID-19. This includes being quarantined, furloughed, laid off, having work hours reduced, being unable to work due to a lack of child care due to COVID-19 or



closing or reducing hours of a business you owned or operated if you had COVID-19.

BIGGER LOANS

The CARES Act will also allow you to take larger loans against the money you have saved in your 401(k) or 403(b) during the six-month period after the law was implemented on March 27, 2020. IRAs do not allow loans.

Normally, you can borrow only up to \$50,000 or 50% of your vested account balance, whichever is less. The CARES Act doubles that amount - up to \$100,000 against the amount you have saved in your plan.

Borrowers typically have five years to repay a loan or the amount will be treated as a distribution and taxed. But if you leave or lose your job, you may be required to pay the balance back early, you could owe taxes and you may face an early-withdrawal penalty.

This provision also helps those with an existing 401(k) loan by allowing them to delay repayments that are due in 2020 for one year.

Suspended RMDs

Beginning in 2020, individuals who turn 70 after January 1, 2020 are required to take annual mandatory distributions from their tax-deferred 401(k)s and IRAs when they reach age 72. In prior years, the age of required distributions kicked in when savers turned 70 years of age. This requirement is known as the required minimum distribution or RMD.

The CARES Act suspends RMDs for 2020, including those for inherited IRAs. This means you can skip taking a distribution this year if you wish.

The temporary waiver of RMDs will help retirees who would otherwise have been forced to base their minimum withdrawals for 2020 on their account balances as of Dec. 31, 2019, when the stock market was near record levels. It will also give the market time to recover before resuming distributions in 2021.

Savvy Living is written by Jim Miller, a regular contributor to the NBC Today Show and author of "The Savvy Living" book.

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AREA NEWS AND EVENTS

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM WEEK

Religious Freedom Week takes place from **June 22-29** each year. The USCCB has chosen the theme "For the Good of All." Religious freedom is both an American value and an important part of Catholic teaching on human dignity.



When we promote religious freedom, we promote the common good and thus strengthen the life of our nation and the community of nations. Religious Freedom talking points for use in homilies and bulletin announcements can be found here:

<https://files.constantcontact.com/ec9baf35001/a0e18b39-3b69-458b-a2c5-15e6723ab5a1.pdf>

In addition, the USCCB provides "Pray-Reflect-Act" documents, one for each day of the week on different religious liberty issues of particular concern for the bishops at this time. Please consider sharing these with your parishioners. <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/religious-liberty/religious-freedom-week/index.cfm>

FERTILITY CARE CENTER CLASS

Fertility Care Center is planning to hold their next Creighton Model Education Class in August (EPI) & March (EPII). They will provide the class over two extended weekends to help accommodate everyone's busy schedules.

FertilityCare Center
Of Kansas City



THE DATES ARE:

Education Phase One: August 21-24 & August 28-31, 2020

Education Phase Two: March 6-8 & March 13-15, 2021

The link to their website with all the information needed to apply is:

<http://www.fertilitycarekc.com/fertilitycare-practitioner-training.html>

Questions can be referred to: admin@fertilitycarekc.com or pwhite@fertilitycarekc.com.



JUSTICE MATTERS

Justice Matters – an interfaith network working for justice

Originally, June 8 was scheduled for Justice Matters' annual Celebration and Investment Drive. Then, along came Covid-19 and our world, our calendars and our way of interacting all changed dramatically. So, instead of our regular gathering in person to have a good time, to celebrate our accomplishments and re-energize our organization for our continued work of 'doing justice', we instead had a DRIVE IN EVENT to kick off our investment drive. St. John's had 15 households represented. Here are comments from a few of those in attendance.

There were at least 100 cars in the lot, and about 200 individuals there. Great music from Chelsy Larsen's band, powerful testimonies from First UMC's John Krehbiel and Velocity's Jabari Bradshaw about our issue work, and a timely reflection on the interconnectedness of faith and politics from ELCA Bishop Susan Candeia. -Anna Long, associate organizer of Justice Matters

It was good to attend the DRIVE-IN celebration. During this time of so much upheaval, uncertainty, and sadness in our world it was encouraging to come together in the safety of our cars to listen to the recounting of what Justice Matters has accomplished this past year. Several members of JM were recognized for their work with enthusiastic horn honking. Reverend Susan Candeia shared her thoughts about why we need to continue the work that is not finished. It was a unique joy filled evening complete with a band. -Alice Hewitt

The Lutheran bishop was outstanding, so "with it" and in touch with the gospel nature of Justice work and she really affirmed the changing of systems as critical to today's faith calling. -Jean Drumm



Monday night's drive-in Justice Matters investment event highlighted what it meant that we as humans have separate but fundamentally connected experiences. As I sat in our van entertaining our small children and listening to the speakers, I wondered what experiences people were having in their own vehicles. When the lights started flashing and the horns flashing it was clear regardless of what was going on within we all were in agreement about what had to be done. It reminded me that even when we do not understand the inner experience of our neighbors - whether the color of their skin makes them more likely to end up in jail or harmed by police, whether they find themselves homeless in the middle of a pandemic, or whether they are students who are disconnected from their educational communities - we are together in this adventure called life.

As one of the speakers eloquently quoted Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. as he explained why even as a new resident of Lawrence he had signed on to support the voters right case against Douglas County and the Jail Expansion, "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly."

-Cyndie Courtney

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.

Andrew Bouchard
Susan Guenther Brown
Curtis Burns
Hank Desch
Garrett Dreiling
Linda Erp
Joanne Feist
Colette Fisher
Linda Flyer
Janet Fox
Rudy Fritz
Ed Garza
Bonnie Griggs
Tony Guadian
Buddy Hadl
Michael Hamer
Lonna Hamm
Peggy Harders
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Lori Haynes
Luke Henry
Kathy Higley
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Tina Jinkens
Michele Johnson
Allen Kehde
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Diana Matthews
Leo Mauler
Russ McDonald
Jim McMurray
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Zackary Messerly
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Danny Nguyen
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Jon Rossillon
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Greg Schurer
Mary Kay Seidl
Pete Sethatut
Christine Shipley
Gerald Simon
Brett Smith
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Cameron Stupansky
Jack Taylor
Deloris Tharp
Oscar Tharp, Jr.
Amelia Tinio
Enriqueta Valverde
Mary Vannicola
Cindy Vasquez
Trent Wallace
Jeanette Walker
Ted Walker
Bob Walrafen

Susan Williams
Nancy Wright
Jeannine Wyatt

Jon Yarnell
IN MEMORIAM-MARY HANE
AND RUBY LICKTEIG

MASS INTENTIONS JUNE 22 - JUNE 28

Mon.: 7:30 am Alan Heatht
Tues.: 7:30 am End To The Pandemic
Wed.: 7:30 am Don Shoulberg†
Thurs.: 7:30 am Peace In The World
Fri.: 7:30 am Amelia Tinio†
Sat.: 4:30 pm Joe Zettelt
Sun.: 7:00 am Enriqueta Valverde
9:00am Ramon Romero†
11:00 am Milly Gillispie†
1:00 pm (Sp.) Parishioners of St. Johns
5:00 pm Henry Rylkot



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 June 14, 2020.

Budgeted weekly collection amount	\$29,807.69
Average weekly collection amount	\$28,651.38
Budgeted collection fiscal YTD	\$1,490,384.50
Actual collection fiscal YTD	\$1,432,568.85
Net Shortage.....	\$57,815.65

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

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Until weekend Masses resume and the parish office reopens, parishioners may send their tithes in the mail.

Or you may sign up for **PushPay** for auto bank withdraws at:

sjevangelist.com

SOCIAL JUSTICE SOCIAL ACTION

By Tony Schmidt

Social Concerns for Peace and Justice Committee

I'm not sure how to talk about the climate issue in these times of crisis. I'll start by mentioning that as a member of Citizens Climate Lobby and the St. John Social Concerns for Peace and Justice Committee, I have come to understand that federal elected officials don't respond to our 5th or 6th most important issue. If climate is important enough to you to be a priority issue, your Congressman and Senators need to hear you state it that way.

Climate change is a life issue. We could probably connect it to racism too. After all, wealthy Americans will be the last ones impacted by climate change at a survival level.

Let us remember what Pope Francis is so urgently trying to teach us about our earthly home. Some of us think because we are conservative, middle of the road, or liberal we are exempted from his teachings because politics preempts spirituality. It is hard to ponder the creation of our world by our Lord and not understand that care for creation is a spirituality issue. For we are the stewards of our earth, God's Creation.

Francis exhorted us 5 years ago in his encyclical, *Laudato Si* (Care for our Common Home) to engage on the issue of climate. Everything is connected and we are pushing our planet to the brink. The impacts will first be felt by the poor. The first effects on Kansas poor will be heat and deluge. By midcentury we can expect 50-100 days above 100 degrees (currently 10-25) and 25-50 days above 105 degrees (currently 10-10). NOAA.

In honor of *Laudato Si's* fifth anniversary, Pope Francis has extended the celebration for another year. Many educational events are planned and requested. Parish involvement is desired. Our parish Social Concerns committee discussed

holding a set of programs on earth care as a life issue, possibly connecting it also with racism, but also possibly having separate training tracks. Let us know if you will participate. Nationally, Citizens Climate Lobby has decided that it would be best to push hard on our signature piece of legislation; carbon fee and dividend, aka The Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act (HB763) after Mitch McConnell is out of office. By the way, the Bishops support carbon fee and dividend legislation.

In the meantime, we are focusing on people. We support those impacted by reduced fossil energy, by endorsing a piece of legislation to transition Appalachian miners out of coal mines and into other work and to take care of their families with the Reclaim Act (HB2156). Also, The Growing Climate Solutions Act of 2020 in the Senate to help farmers and forest landowner participate in carbon credits markets. These offer us opportunities for better dialogue versus adversarial confrontation.

Laudato Si Ten takeaways

- 1) The spiritual perspective is now part of the discussion on the environment.
- 2) The poor are disproportionately affected by climate change.
- 3) Less is more.
- 4) Catholic social teaching now includes teaching on the environment.
- 5) Discussions about ecology can be grounded in the Bible and church tradition.
- 6) Everything is connected—including the economy.
- 7) Scientific research on the environment is to be praised and used.
- 8) Widespread indifference and selfishness worsen environmental problems.
- 9) Global dialogue and solidarity are needed.
- 10) A change of heart is required.

DAILY READINGS

Sunday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35 [14c]/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33

Monday: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13 [7b]/Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11 [cf. 9d]/Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: Vigil: Jer 1:4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15, 17 [6b]/1 Pt 1:8-12/Lk 1:5-17.

Day: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1-3, 13-14, 14-15 [14a]/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80

Thursday: 2 Kgs 24:8-17/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9 [9]/Mt 7:21-29

Friday: 2 Kgs 25:1-12/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Mt 8:1-4

Saturday: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21 [19b]/Mt 8:5-17

Next Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 [2a]/Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42

OBSERVANCES

Sunday: 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Father's Day

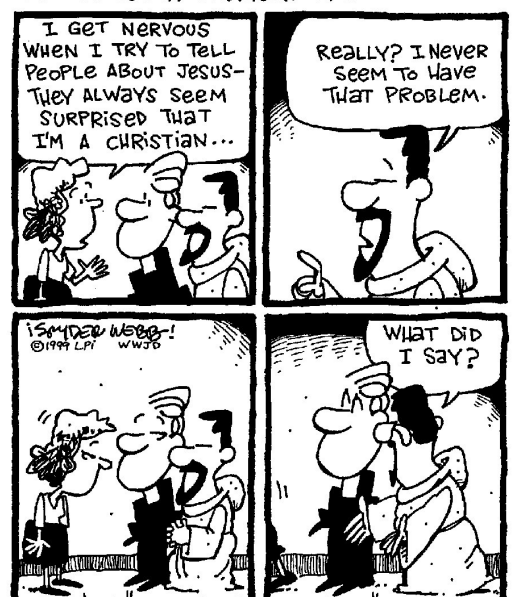
Monday: St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; Sts. John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More

Wednesday: The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

Saturday: St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



DIRECTOR DE FORMACIÓN DE LA FE

Director de formación de la Fe: La Parroquia de San Juan en Lawrence, KS. estabuscando un Director de Formación de Fe de tiempo completo. Esta persona estaría encargada de desarrollar, articular y administrar una visión y dirección para los programas de formación de fe Parroquial. El o Ella supervisara toda la información y programas de fe y evaluará su efectividad, desarrollará e implementará ideas y programas que estarían disponibles para los feligreses desde el nacimiento hasta la muerte. El candidato ideal será un Católico practicante bilingüe Inglés/Español. Que tenga un título en Catequesis o Teología y/o tenga una experiencia laboral equivalentere-lacionada con la formación en la fe. Esta persona también tendría un gran conocimiento del Catolicismo, competencia Intercultural en el ministerio, fuertes habilidades interpersonales, organización y liderazgo comprobados, habilidades competentes en informática y tecnológica 2-4 años de experiencia en el ministerio parroquial.

Consulte la descripción completa del trabajo y los requisitos en www.sjevangelist.com. Esta es una posición de tiempo completo y elegible para el paquete de beneficios Arquidiocesano con fecha de inicio del 20, de Julio del 2020, La posición estará abierta hasta Que se cubra.

Por favor envía una carta de presentación y curriculum vitae al padre John frjohn@saint-johns.net Use DFF en la línea de asunto o envíe a 1229 Vermont Street, Lawrence, KS 66044.

MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO

No tengan miedo, dice Jesús tres veces en este Evangelio a sus apóstoles. A pesar de tanta dificultad y malos entendidos, el miedo debe dejarse a un lado y perseverar siempre, tratar de mantener la calma y la paz. Porque dice Jesús. "¿Acaso un par de pajaritos no se venden por unos centavos? Pero ni uno de ellos cae en tierra sin que lo permita vuestro Padre. En cuanto a ustedes, hasta sus cabellos están contados. ¿No valen ustedes más que muchos pajaritos? Por lo tanto, no tengan miedo". (Mateo 10:29-31). Jesús va delante de nosotros, solo nos invita a confiar en el amor incondicional de Dios. Él fue fiel al Padre hasta la muerte y lo sabemos muy bien. Entonces, ¿por qué tanta desconfianza? ¿Por qué a las primeras dificultades tiramos la toalla? Actualmente, los cristianos del mundo entero enfrentan situaciones adversas a las enseñanzas de Jesús. Si alguien practica el perdón y la justicia sin ningún interés, definitivamente será perseguido y criticado. Y muchas veces es en la propia familia y lugar de trabajo o escuela. Pero, la invitación es, no olvidar la enseñanza de este domingo que queda como anillo al dedo por aquello de la confianza y fidelidad a Dios. "Al que se ponga de mi parte ante los hombres, yo me pondré de su parte ante mi Padre de los cielos. Y al que me niegue ante los hombres, yo también lo negaré ante mi Padre que está en los cielos". (Mateo 10:32-33). Esta es la garantía para la vida presente y futura de todo cristiano. Siempre hacer el bien sin mirar a quien, como dice este dicho popular. De esta manera Jesús no nos desconocerá en el cielo.

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¿Te gusta cantar? ¿Tocas algún instrumento musical, o te gustaría aprender? Ven a practicar con nosotros, comunícate al **785-304-5509**.

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.

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Cada primer sábado del mes de **6:00 a 9:00 de la noche**, sin niños, llamar antes para anotar su asistencia.

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Trae tus latas de aluminio y ayuda a tu Parróquia, 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.

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

Adultos que necesitan los sacramentos de confirmación y primera comunión.

CATECISMO EN ESPAÑOL

Las Inscripciones son en agosto. Por favor para mas información llamar a Maria Mota.

CONFESIONES

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 21 DE JUNIO

Domingo: Jr 20, 10-13/Sal 69, 8-10. 14. 17. 33-35 [14]/Rom 5, 12-15/Mt 10, 26-33

Lunes: 2 Re 17, 5-8. 13-15. 18/Sal 60, 3. 4-5. 12-13 [7]/Mt 7, 1-5

Martes: 2 Re 19, 9-11. 14-21. 31-35. 36/Sal 48, 2-3. 3-4. 10-11 [cfr. 9]/Mt 7, 6. 12-14

Miércoles: Vigilia: Jr 1, 4-10/Sal 71, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6. 15. 17 [6]/1 Pe 1, 8-12/Lc 1, 5-17. **Día:** Is 49, 1-6/Sal 139, 1-3. 13-14. 14-15 [14]/Hch 13, 22-26/Lc 1, 57-66. 80

Jueves: 2 Re 24, 8-17/Sal 79, 1-2. 3-5. 8. 9 [9]/Mt 7, 21-29

Viernes: 2 Re 25, 1-12/Sal 137, 1-2. 3. 4-5. 6 [6]/Mt 8, 1-4

Sábado: Lam 2, 2. 10-14. 18-19/Sal 74, 1-2. 3-5. 6-7. 20-21 [19]/Mt 8, 5-17

Domingo siguiente: 2 Re 4, 8-11. 14-16/Sal 89, 2-3. 16-17. 18-19 [2]/Rom 6, 3-4. 8-11/Mt 10, 37-42

FOCUS ON THE WORD

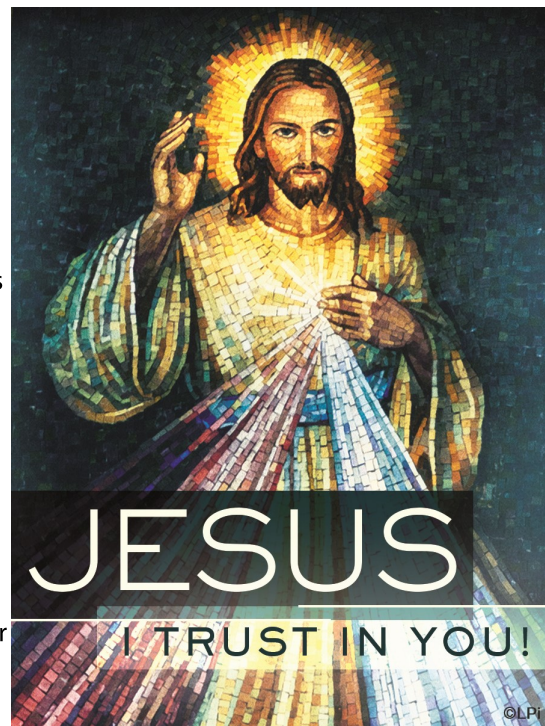
UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

There are many things of which we can be afraid: being rebuked, rejection, anger, being challenged, having to defend ourselves, standing alone, insecurity, failure, and even death. For some, identifying and overcoming their fears is a daunting task. Regardless of how much they may want to break the cycle of fear, they find that they remain close friends with old and dysfunctional behavioral habits and norms. Maybe what they really fear is change. There are many who gravitate to the familiar and comfortable, and find safety and security in doing so, even if they remain mired in mediocrity. Human beings have to learn that there is life beyond the “what has always been” and that happiness and depth are possible when old structures and systems have to be left behind.

Can you leave the near and dear, the comfortable and familiar, the safe and secure, and discover new opportunities? The sheer thought of doing so can bring on feelings of apprehension, intense anger,

resentment, defensiveness, reluctance, resistance, and even apathy. If we have to be responsible for making the change, cowardice can creep in. If someone else is to blame for making the change, any number of possible negative reactions are possible. In the end, only one thing is required and that is God. If I can rely on and deepen my relationship with God, especially in the Eucharist along with a community of believers, then little else is of great concern. We have to figure out what is really important. It is not always what we think.

The Gospel calls us to stretch ourselves and try new things, not to remain stuck and stagnant in familiar ways. We are asked to live life more deliberately, radically, and intentionally. We are asked to leave the familiar behind and learn to live with changing, and often limiting, human structures. We cannot get too caught up in the physical, ideological, or structural systems we are used to. The Holy Spirit always leads and guides us. If we trust this, we will find ourselves doing things we never thought we



could do. Always seek the path to joy and love. They keep us from falling victim to our fears and from seeking the nostalgic crutches we think we need to achieve a sense of well-being and happiness. ©LPi

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

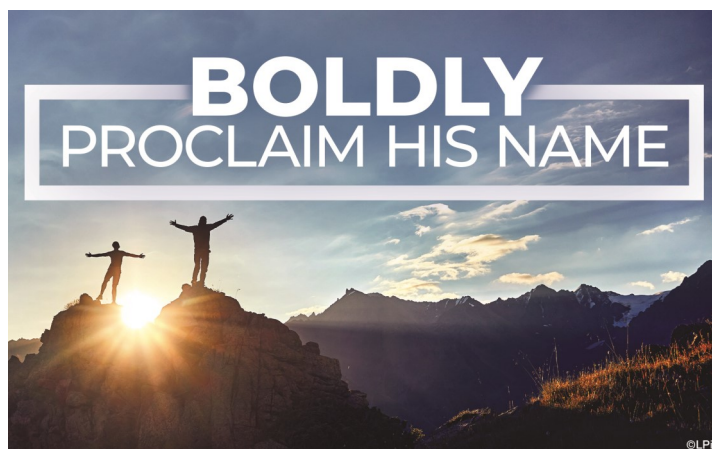
Will You Say Yes?

You find yourself in the difficult situation of being accused of blasphemy and confronting possible execution. Your crime is believing in Jesus Christ. The question is then asked of you, “Are you a Christian, a follower of the one named Jesus Christ?” Your answer may very well dictate what happens to you next. What is your answer?

It is probably easier to answer this question when the scenario is make-believe. All of us want to believe that we would say yes to the question of belief in Jesus, but strange things happen when humans panic in the face of extreme stress. As we reflect on what we would say, there are those all over

the world who are being asked that very same question. It is a question that was asked of many in the first centuries of the Church. Those who respond “yes” are considered martyrs and saints.

We might not usually think of all this in terms of good stewardship living. However, our faith is also a gift we have received from God to cultivate, grow, and share with others. The more interesting question than the one posed above is, “Would an accuser even think of asking you such a question?” Would you have cultivated, grown, and shared your faith enough that anyone would even consider you worthy of



asking the question? They might assume you don't know Jesus Christ at all. I don't like conflict and do not seek out conflict, but I would rather someone ask the first question posed than assume there is no reason to confront me in the first place.

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