

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free.

- Lk 4:18

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.



Jesus is as a fire in the very center of our souls ever burning. Yet, we are cold because we do not stay by it. -St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

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Wednesday - 11:00 am-3:00 pm; Saturday - 8:30 am-12:30 pm

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SIMON PARISH CENTER

Mailing Address	1229 Vermont St., Lawrence, KS 66044	
Phone	785-843-0109	
Office Hours	PLEASE WEAR A MASK	
Monday-Friday	8:30 am - 4:00 pm	
After 2:30 pm please call a staff member's direct extension.		
	Thank you.	

Weekend Masses

Bulletin Deadline

Saturday	8:00 am, 4:30 pm
Sunday	7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am,
	1:00 pm (Spanish), 5:00 pm

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday: 7:30 am; Wednesday 5:30 pm (SP); Friday 12:10 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

In the Padre Pio Chapel (inside the north church entrance) *See Page 3 of the bulletin for Reconciliation times

Submit info by noon on Thursday to bulletin@sjevangelist.com ten (10) days prior to the bulletin you wish info to appear. Please submit text electronically (via computer/email) as you would like it to appear in the bulletin.

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PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

MASS SCHEDULE Daily Masses

Monday - Friday: 7:30 am

Wednesday: 5:30 pm; Friday: 12:10 pm

Saturday: 8:00 am

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4:30 pm

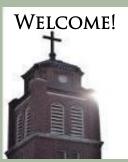
Sunday: 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 1:00 pm Spanish, 5:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Wednesday: 11:00 am – Noon Saturday: 3:00-4:00 pm Or by appointment

NEW TO OUR PARISH?

Please contact the parish office for a registration form at **785-843-0109** or complete the online registration on the parish website: **sjevangelist.com**



K OF C ANNUAL BABY SHOWER

All donations will benefit the Insight Women's Center, which provides services for pregnant women in the Lawrence area. Place donations in the crib by the elevator at the north entrance. Donations will be accepted from the first week in January through the end of February.

Please do not leave cash in the crib.

For cash donations, please make checks payable to the Insight Women's Center and place them in the collection basket.

Buttons & Bows Boutique Wishlist

- Girls pj's-sizes 9mo-24 mo
- · Winter Jackets
- Diapers sizes NB, 4,5,6
- Diaper Bags
- Baby Wipes
- Nursing Pads
- · Boppy Pillows & Covers
- Toddler Toys
- Brand New Strollers

- · Crib Sheets
- Pack n Play Sheets
- Cabinet Door Locks
- Hand Sanitizer pump 30 oz+
- Kleenex
- Toilet paper
- Water bottles
- · Printer paper



ST. JOHN JOB OPENING

PARISH COORDINATOR

St. John Parish and School seeks a part-time parish coordinator. The parish coordinator will be responsible for the efficient use of parish facilities and managing supportive services. Candidates with 1-3 years work experience and bilingual (English/Spanish) are preferred. Please see full job description and requirements at: www.sjevangelist.com. Position will be open until filled. Please send cover letter and resume to Fr. John Cousins at: frohn@sjevangelist.com or mail to: 1229 Vermont St., Lawrence, KS 66044

SECOND COLLECTION

This weekend our special collection supports the Catholic Church in Latin America. Your generosity makes a difference for our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean. Visit: www.usccb.org/latin-america

ARCHBISHOP'S CALL TO SHARE 2022

Today's Gospel is a transformational moment for Jesus. After standing up in the synagogue and reading Isaiah's prophecy about the coming of one who will free the captives, heal the blind, and bring glad tidings to the poor, Jesus tells those gathered: "Today the Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." Jesus gives his listeners any other interpretation: He is the Messiah. He is the one who fulfills all the Old Testament prophecies.

Do we believe this? Do we believe that Jesus really can bring freedom and healing and spiritual richness, to us and to the world? If so, then how important is His Church? How important is the liturgy, the sacraments, acts of Christian service, learning the Church's teachings, and all the other good things we do at our parish?

Our parish activity is an essential way that Christ continues to fulfill these ancient prophecies, pouring His love out into the world. Help this essential work continue by supporting our *Archbishop's Call to Share* appeal today.

PLEDGE FORM ENEWAL

If you have not received your 2022 financial pledge renewal form and ministry form please contact the parish office at **785-843-0109**. Thank you for your generosity to St. John!

LEGION OF MARY MEETINGS

Catholic men and women of Lawrence, please join the Legion of Mary, Our Lady of Fatima Praesidium, at the St John Parish Office main conference room, **Mondays from 4:30- 6:00 pm has started**. Weekly meetings include legionary prayers and the Rosary, handbook study with spiritual direction by Fr. John Cousins, works of mercy in pairs, plus fellowship. For more information, please contact Alma Lahm at: amlutku5@gmail.com or **913-219-4404**. Alma will be in the room from **4:00 - 4:30 pm** for first time visitors and friendship sharing. All are welcome.

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL REPORT

NOTES ON 2021 FINANCIALS

This has been a challenging year, to say the least, with nearly everything we did impacted by the pandemic. With that being said, a big thanks goes to Cris Denning and Jo Ann Williams for their work this past year for making it possible for us to have these numbers to report on.

For the 12 months ending June 30, 2021, our total income was about \$2,576,000 compared to total expenses of \$2,762,000, or a loss of about \$186,000. As a result of the Payroll Protection Plan we were able to cover this loss.

The total income of \$2,576,000, compared to the prior year of \$2,863,000, is down about \$287,000.

The largest area of the income is Collections and Offerings at 53% of the total. This was down from the prior year by about \$94,000. The next largest area on the graph is School Tuition/Fees/Food Service and Fund Raisers, making up 18% of the total income. This area was lower than the prior year by about \$258,000. The lower numbers were directly impacted by the pandemic.

The school operating expenses were about 56% of the budget, with church operating expenses accounting for 42%. It is our goal to get to a more balanced income/expense ratio. Before COVID we were making good progress on this year to year, but the last two years the progress has slowed due to income shortfalls and more personal protective equipment for school children and staff.

SOME GOING FORWARD FINANCE COUNCIL ITEMS

We are entering the budget season now, and over the next few months we will be assembling, discussing and approving budget numbers for the 2022-23 fiscal year.

Through the hard work of the Buildings and Grounds Committee we are able to make better plans for maintaining our facilities. One of the projects we expect to hear more about will relate to our old and antiquated heating and cooling system.

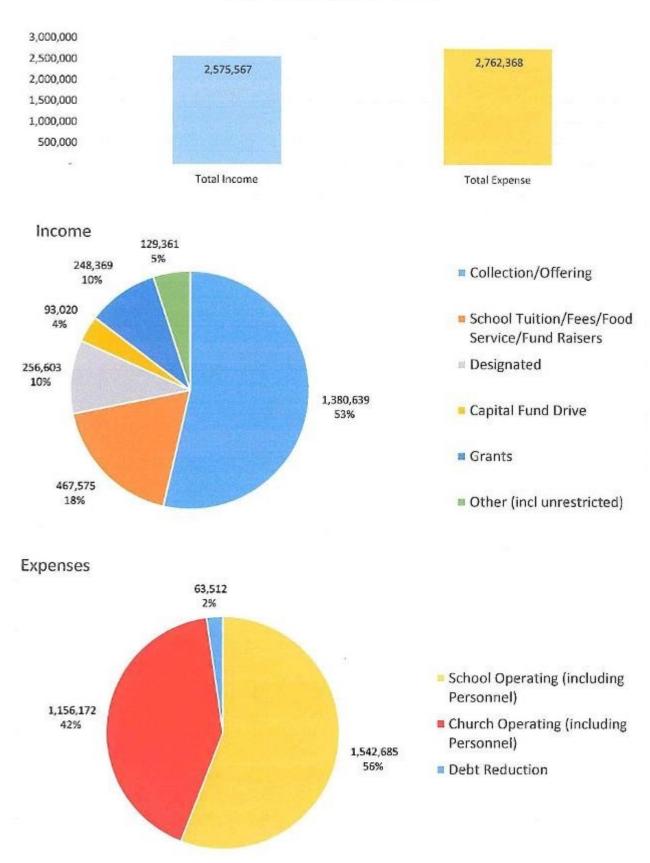
Another area we will be working on is a plan to pay off the loan for the gym project.

A special thanks to Jo Ann for the hard work she has put in during these past few months in transitioning into the business manager role and her efforts to help make improvements in our processes and reporting. And also, a special thanks to the Buildings and Grounds Committee for its hard work in helping identify and prioritize our facility maintenance needs.

Terry Gunselman
Finance Council Chair

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL REPORT

Saint John the Evangelist Church and School Income and Expenses July 2020 through June 2021



PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

VIRTUS, PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN FOR ADULTS

All employees of the Archdiocese (including clergy and consecrated laymen and laywomen) and all volunteers (including Vacation Bible School volunteers), over the age of 18, who have substantial contact with children and/or youth, in the school or church, are required to submit a background check and attend VIRTUS, the awareness session of the Archdiocese's child abuse program, Protecting God's Children for Adults, prior to working with children or youth.

All VIRTUS sessions are online. You will need to register an account with our Archdiocese and complete the background check and paperwork.

Go to: https://www.virtusonline.org.

- 1. 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 20-30 minutes to register and complete the online paperwork. 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.
- 7. 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.

If you have any questions, contact Meg Milburn at: mmilburn@sjevangelist.com or 785-843-0109.

ST. JOHN CATHOLIC SCHOOL

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT IS OPEN

School enrollment is now open to our parish families. St. John Catholic School is financially supported primarily by the generosity of St. John parish. School parents who are supporting members of St. John parish, support the school by their weekly, monthly, quarterly, and/or annual church tithe. The cost to educate a child a St. John School is \$6,000. To learn more and enroll, visit: http://sjevangelist.com/school/why-st-john/

ST. JOHN CATHOLIC SCHOOL TEACHING POSITION AVAILABLE

St. John Catholic School is looking for a 4th and 5th grade math teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. If you are interested in working with a great team of teachers, please send a cover letter and resume to Chris Reffett at: creffett@sjeagles.com.

ENROLLMENT NOW OPEN!FOR THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

All are welcome! ITodos son bievenidos!

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- Small Class Sizes
- Religious Education &
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- Academic Excellence
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- Sacramental Preparation Strong Parent/Teacher Relationships
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Questions? email creffett@sjeagles.com or call 785-843-9511





SOCIAL JUSTICE SOCIAL ACTION

By The Social Concerns for Peace and Justice Committee

Yes, it is cold outside, and it is winter. But spring is only two months away, and those months will fly by.



In this period when Pope Francis is asking us to focus on cleaning up our environment and healing our climate, here are more helps from ecofriendlyhabits.com:

66. Reduce energy consumption

Do your best to reduce your energy consumption during your travels. Some good energy-conservation habits include turning off lights, unplugging your chargers, using water sparingly, etc. Save Water

67. Choose efficient fixtures

We waste so much water around the home without consciously knowing. Install efficiency-enhancing fixtures, aerate your faucets, install a low-flow showerhead, get a low-flow toilet, and use energy-efficient dishwasher and washing machine to save water around the home.

68. Install water-saving showerheads

Showers, though necessary, waste so much water. Install a low-flow showerhead and reduce the amount of water used for showers. Water-saving showerheads use only 3 gallons of water per minute.

69. Keep a bottle of drinking water in the fridge

Do you always run tap water to cool it off for drinking? You're not alone, we all do it without even thinking about it. Unfortunately, it is wasteful. Store drinking water in the fridge in a safe drinking bottle and have it cool every time you need to quench your thirst.

70. Place a cistern-displacement device in your toilet tank

Stuff such as pebbles and sand in two plastic bottles will reduce the amount of water used per flush. Take care not to place the bottles on the operating mechanisms.

71. Use every drop. Learn to repurpose water

There are so many ways you can reuse water around the home. Rinse your veggies and fruits and reuse that water to water your garden. Redirect water from your bathroom to your toilet tank and use it for flushing the toilet. Water from the washing machine can be recycled and used to wash the car.

72. Water by hand

If you have a small garden, water it by hand instead of using a hose. Watering by hand uses 33 percent less water than hose pipes.

73. Get a low-flush toilet

Typically, a household will flush the toilet on average 5,000 times per year. Old-style flush systems use about 3 gallons of water compared to just one gallon of water for a modern flush system. So use modern low-flush systems and save water. Related article: Eco Friendly Stats

74. Shower bucket

So much water is wasted as you shower. Place a bucket under the showerhead while you wait for your shower water to heat up. Use this water to water your plants, flush your toilet or wash your car.

75. Fix your leaks

It may just be a drop but it will add up to gallons of water lost. Fix all leaks around your home or get a plumber to do it and save water.

STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE

BECOME A GREETER

Our Sanctuary ministry is building a hospitality team, a great way, we feel, to help build community in our parish. We are looking for people who appreciate being a greeter as being a part of a hospitality team; a team that through prayer and discernment and the desire to learn and grow can be an important conduit for community-building and growth in our parish.

We really want to have two greeters at each entrance at each Mass, as the Great Commission sent people out into the world two by two to minister. As we get more

Erin Smith-Bird will coordinate our secheduling for the greeting and hospitality ministry. If you feel a call to this ministry, please say Yes! You may contact Erin to give her your name and contact information and your preferred Mass preference for greeting at:

ekbird@sunflower.com

Thank you very much!

READINGS FOR JANUARY 23 WEEK

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-

30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30 **Tuesday:** Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117: 1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18 **Wednesday:** 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk

4:1-20

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14/

Mk 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk

Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf.

15ab]/1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

FAITH FORMATION



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.

Steven Avila **Mariele Berthold Chris Besler** Jenn Bole **Andrew Bouchard Susan Guenther Brown Donna Callaghan Bob Carlson** Jim Colson **Patricia Cousins Ricky Dalton** Hank Desch Linda Erp Phillip F. Sharron F. Noni Fallaria Joanne Feist **Colette Fisher** Regina Flint **Linda Flver** Danielle Foote **Mark Fortun** Janet Fox **Rudy Fritz** Michael Jay Gomez **Bonnie Griggs Tony Guadian David Guth Lonna Hamm Caeson Hatch Christian Heady**

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January 24 – January 30

Mon.	: 7:30 am	Annette & Sydney Braaten
Tues.	: 7:30am	Troy Savage
Wed.:	: 7:30 am	George M. Clark
	5:30pm (Sp.)	All Present At Mass
Thurs	: .: 7:30 am	Ken Davin†
Fri.:	7:30 am	Oliver White†
	12:10 pm	Souls In Purgatory
Sat.:	8:00 am	Rachel Genosky†
	4:30 pm	Richard & Virginia Short
Sun.:	7:00 am	Blair Kerkhoff
	9:00am	Weiss Family
	11:00 am	Christian Heady
		Parishioners Of St. John
		Scott Smith

Maria J. Mota, Animadora 785-304-5509

CUENTO NÚMERO 19

La sal y la luz (Mateo 5,13-16)

No sé si será verdad, pero me contaron que, una vez, Jesús fue de visita a una villa miseria, creo que en Banfield, provincia de Buenos Aires. Cerca de esa villa vivían unos chicos y chicas que luchaban por recuperarse de la droga, en una comunidad llamada "Vida nueva". El Señor golpeó la puerta de la casa (no tenía timbre...), y apareció "el Claudio", un muchachote grande por fuera y niño por dentro. Jesús le dijo: -Soy el Señor... ¿No me reconoces? A Claudio la cara de su interlocutor le resultaba conocida, pero no lo identificaba plenamente. Entonces le contesto: -Espere un poco que ya vuelvo-. Y gritó para dentro de la casa: - ¡Rulo! ¡ Veni p'acá! Vino un tipo que dice que es Cristo. ¡Veni y junálo un poco...! "El Rulo" se acercó, lo miró de arriba abajo y expresó: - Sos bastante parecido a una estampita que tenía mi vieja... Si... sos

bastante parecido al Señor del Milagro, porque yo soy de Salta.....¿Conocés Salta? ¡Flor de procesión se hace para el día del Señor del Milagro!

Lo hicieron pasar, le ofrecieron una silla, algo destartalada, para sentarse.

Al comienzo, sorprendidos, sólo hacían silencio, esperando que Jesús rompiera el hielo. Además, como eran casi analfabetos, no sabían qué decirle: no habían leído el último Catecismo, ni sabían qué era una encíclica, ni para qué servía un obispo. Tampoco tenían idea de que los viernes no había que comer carne, ni de cuáles eran los días de precepto, ni de cuántas eran las virtudes teologales, ni que el padre Domingo Basso, dominico de renombre, había escrito libros sobre bioética. Una vez, vieron en una revista la foto de la Madre Teresa de Calcuta, y la viejita les cayó bien.

Vinieron dos chicas y tres muchachos más, que vivían en la misma casa, y les pico la curiosidad, intentando adivinar si ese hombre era Jesús, el Hijo de Dios, o un "trucho" de los tantos cuenteros que circulaban por los barrios.

El Maestro tomo la palabra y les anuncio: - Chicos y chicas, mis amigos. Tengo un mensaje que comunicarles. Ustedes son la luz del mundo y la sal de la tierra: Los presentes abrieron los ojos y preguntaron: ¿Lo que, lo qué. .? - Y añadieron (por lo bajo): - Nos parece que este Míster está borracho. Pero lo siguieron escuchando.

Jesús retomó la palabra: - Ustedes creen, y con razón, que tengo unas cuantas copas de más, pero no es verdad: estoy más fresco que una lechuga. Pero si les digo lo que oyeron es porque estoy convencido de lo que afirmo. Es luz el que quiere salir de la oscuridad. Es sal el que no quiere ser insípido y soso. La sal da sabor a las comidas y la luz hace que no tropecemos a cada rato y en todo lugar. Si elegí venir a esta casa, es para dar una lección a los que se creen algo, comenzando por los obispos, las reverendas madres, los curas y frailes, los catequistas graduados y con título habilitante, los teólogos, peritos, expertos, miembros de Comisiones y Secretariados, en fin... a todas esas personas citadas, que en verdad son buenas y tienen motivos de sobra para jactarse de sus dones. Pero (Continued on page 10)

MUSICA, CORO, MUSICA

¿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 pos 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 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 Catolica, solo para parejas que viven juntos y tienen niños.

Adultos que necesitan los sacramentos de confirmación y primera comunión.

CATECISMO EN ESPANOL

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

CONFESIONES

Sábado de 3:00 pm a 4:00 pm y Miercoles de 11:00 am a 12:00 pm Habrá confesiones en español para quien lo necesite, y pueda recibir este sacramento.

LAS LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA DEL 23 DE ENERO

Domingo: Neh 8, 2-4. 5-6. 8-10/Sal 18, 8. 9. 10. 15/1 Co 12, 12-30 o 12, 12-14. 27/Lc 1, 1-4; 4, 14-21

Lunes: 2 Sm 5, 1-7. 10/Sal 88, 20. 21-22. 25-26/Mc 3, 22-30 **Martes:** Hch 22, 3-16 o Hch 9, 1-22/Sal 116, 1. 2/Mc 16, 15-18 **Miércoles:** 2 Tim 1, 1-8 o Tit 1, 1-5/Sal 88, 4-5. 27-28. 29-30/Mc 4, 1-20

Jueves: 2 Sm 7, 18-19. 24-29/Sal 131, 1-2. 3-5. 11. 12. 13-14/Mc 4. 21-25

Viernes: 2 Sm 11, 1-4. 5-10. 13-17/Sal 50, 3-4. 5-6. 6-7. 10-11/ Mc 4, 26-34

Sábado: 2 Sm 12, 1-7. 10-17/Sal 50, 12-13. 14-15. 16-17/Mc4, 35-41 **Domingo siguiente:** Jr 1, 4-5. 17-19/Sal 70, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6. 15-17

[cfr. 15]/1 Co 12, 31—13, 13 o 13, 4-13/Lc 4, 21-30

AREA EVENTS

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ustedes no tienen don alguno: son una manga de "tirados" despreciados, marginados, amasijados por el mundo, aparentemente abandonados por Dios, mi Padre bueno. Pero yo les garantizo, y entiendan bien: -Los potentados y ricachones serán humillados, y ustedes, a quienes pocos o nadie da bola, serán elevados. A ustedes les digo que son sal de la tierra y luz del mundo, porque desde las miserias que tienen (que no son cuento ni verso...), me han reconocido, aunque más no sea, por la estampita que la vieja de uno de ustedes tenía. Yo no he venido para los sanos, sino para ustedes, que son pobres, débiles y enfermos. No he venido para los buenitos, sino para los pecadores: y ustedes no son buenitos, sino pecadores. La luna no es brillante y, sin embargo, brilla porque deja que el sol se refleje en su superficie opaca.

Si hubiera querido, si se me hubiera dado la real gana, los apóstoles habrían sido lo mejor de lo mejor del mundo de antes. Pero no elegí ni a sabios ni a genios, sino a tipos como ustedes (ellos no se drogaban, pero la traición es peor que la droga, y uno de ellos me dio el beso de la traición).

- ¡No se aflijan! ¡No se bajoneen! ¡Que no les interese lo que la gente piense de ustedes ni el juicio "de la sociedad"! Yo tengo hecho mi juicio y no lo cambiaré. Son luz del mundo y sal de la tierra...

De pronto, Jesús desapareció de la escena. Se hizo un largo silencio. Ya nadie necesitó de estampita alguna para tener la certeza de que la salvación había entrado en esa casa.

Volvieron a sus trabajos. Sus miradas construían horizontes grandes. Dejaron de dormir y comenzaron a soñar....

No todo lo que reluce es oro. Hay luminarias que se caen en los cielos y hay sales que va no salan. El Señor es quien da la luz y el sabor. No despreciemos las pequeñas luces que, aunque no deslumbran, sin embargo, pueden indicarme por dónde va el camino y donde se encuentra la salida. -Héctor Muñoz

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

Please join us Saturday morning, **February 5, at 7:30 am** for a meditative Rosary before Mass. Then join us after Mass in the basement for coffee and donuts and a presentation and discussion on the icon, Our Lady of Perpetual Help. We will be done by **9:30 am**.

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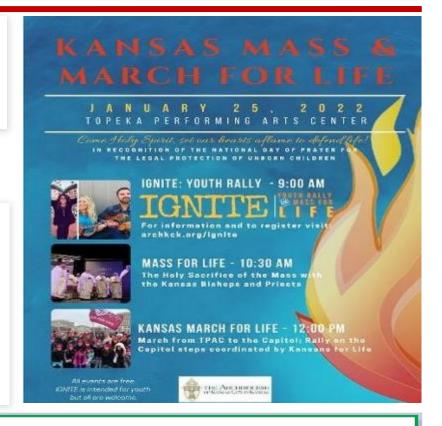
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THE MEN OF ST. JOHN MINISTRY

The program will be **6:00 am, Wednesdays, in the church** basement. Light breakfast and coffee will be provided. Each session wraps up at **7:25 am**. We will meet every Wednesday morning through the spring semester aside from spring break. Anyone with questions can contact Brian Walter at:

walterpack@sunflower.com, or 785-766-1569. The series we are watching is called "The Search" and is available online at:

https://www.thesearchbegins.org/ or on the Formed app, if anyone in the parish would like to watch it.





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