

Focusing the gospel

On the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time we are reminded that God has sown good seed, but, of course, an enemy has sown weeds in the same field. We are not supposed to go out there judgmentally pulling up weeds, but to leave judgment to God. The way the Kingdom of God grows is the way tiny seeds grow and the way yeast makes dough rise: it is surprising and slow and almost imperceptible. If we have ears, we ought to hear.

Tuesday is the Feast of St. James, the Apostle.

The daily readings continue our second week from the Book of Exodus continuing the story of God’s faithful deliverance of the people from slavery in Egypt. Pharaoh has a change of heart and chases the fleeing Israelites. Moses tells them to “Fear not! Stand your ground, and you will see the victory the Lord will win for you today.” With Moses' outstretched arm, they pass through the sea on dry land, while their pursuers drown. Still the people grumble against God in the desert and God gives them manna to eat, with Moses saying, “This is the bread which the Lord has given you to eat.” Then God comes to the people in smoke and fire. He summoned Moses and gave him the Ten Commandments and Moses shares them with the people in a covenant ceremony, sprinkling the blood of sacrificed bulls on the altar, saying, “This is the blood of the covenant that the Lord has made with you.”

In Matthew’s Gospel this week some people come up and ask Jesus for a sign. He answers mysteriously by saying that the only sign they will receive is the sign of Jonah the prophet, whose preaching brought about conversion. His family comes looking for Jesus and he again asks the mysterious question about who is really a relative, an intimate, with him. His answer is that all of us who do the will of his Father. Then we hear the parable of the sower. It is important for us not to be discouraged because all of the seed doesn't find its way to good soil. Jesus encourages us to be sowers of the Word. He will guarantee a rich harvest. To understand his parables is Jesus' gift to us. Finally, we hear the parable about the weeds in the field again.

Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer” on Creighton University’s Online Ministries Website: <http://www.creighton.edu/collaborativeministry/prayer>. Used with permission.

“Oh Come Let Us Adore Him.”

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"...In this world I cannot see the Most High Son of God with my own eyes, except for His Most Holy Body and Blood."- *St. Francis of Assisi*

Volunteers needed for the following hours:

Sunday - 2 a.m. & 3 p.m.

Monday - 9 a.m.

Wednesday - 7 a.m. & 2 p.m.

Friday - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

Saturday - 1 a.m., 2 a.m., 6 p.m. & 9 p.m.

For more details, call Jana at 945-5379.

Please Remember In Prayer:

Sr. Lucille Kerschen
Juanita Mans
Jim Ridder
Sue Warren
Regina Gaytan
Jim Monroe
Leroy Nedeau
Charles T. Morton
Ruth Freund
Joan Kandt
Peggy Bowen
Doug Howell
Betty Sherlock



Dorothy Dotterer
Nancy Smith
Nell Ball
Manon Ducroquet
Doug Stuhlsatz

Don Williams
Tim Chadd
Rolly Chadd
Jo Ann Morton
Vernie Bloch
Dave Rohlman
Sandy Gleeson
Jim Flanigan
Sarah Bigley
Jeff Dyer
Tim Holden
JoAnn Heimerman



United in Prayer

St. Joseph Family

Rosary Crusade

9,200 decades prayed

Please join us in praying for our parish families and the poor souls. Decade cards are available in the vestibule of the church.

Weekly Readings

- Mon. 07/24: Ex 14:5-18, Ex 15:1-6, Mt 12:38-42
- Tues. 07/25: 2Cor 4:7-15, Ps 126:1-6, Mt 20:20-28
- Wed. 07/26: Ex 16:1-15, Ps 78:18-28, Mt 13:1-9
- Thur. 07/27: Ex 19:1-20, Daniel 3:52-56, Mt 13:10-17
- Fri. 07/28: Ex 20:1-17, Ps 19:8-11, Mt 13:18-23
- Sat. 07/29: Ex 24:3-8, Ps 50:1-15, Jn 11:19-27
- Sun. 07/30: 1Kgs 3:5-12, Ps 119:57-130, Rom 8:28-30, Mt 13:44-52

Holy Mass Schedule & Intentions

- Monday, July 24
Saint Sharbel Makhluf
8:15 a.m. Mass +Jeanette Winslow
- Tuesday, July 25
Saint James
6:00 p.m. Mass - Mass of Thanksgiving
- Wednesday, July 26
Saints Joachim and Anne
8:15 a.m. Mass +Eddie & Marlene Fajardo
- Thursday, July 27
8:15 a.m. Mass +Bernadette Dome
- Friday, July 28
8:15 a.m. Mass +Ricky Ball
10:00 a.m. +Eldon Freund
- Saturday, July 29
Saint Martha
8:15 a.m. Mass - S.I. Kevin Becker Family
4:00 p.m. Mass +Mary Benefield
- Sunday, July 30-Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:15 a.m. Mass - For the People of St. Joseph
10:00 a.m. Mass +Genevieve Marx, 13th Anniversary

Thank you for your gift of treasure! July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018

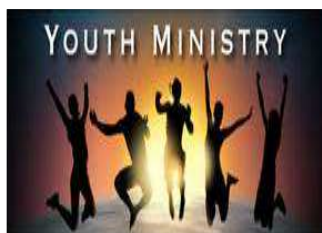
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| Weekly Collection 7/16/2017 | \$11,095.99 |
| Weekly tithe amount needed | \$13,483.09 |
| Surplus or (Deficit) YTD | (\$696.35) |
| CMI Fund | \$355.00 |
| 2017-2018 Fiscal Year | |
| Roof & Climate Control Repairs (cost so far this fiscal year) | (\$4,923.00) |
| CMI Balance (Campus Maintenance & Improvement Fund) | (\$4,568.00) |



Our school roof is leaking badly. Please prayerfully consider a donation to our CMI Fund to help replace this roof. Thank you for your continued loving care of our Parish & School.

Ministry Schedule July 29th & 30th

- 4:00 PM
 - (S) Linda Bolster (Rosary) Ann Jaeger
 - (L1) Linda Bolster (M. Server) Matthew Probst
 - (L2) Jeff Dyer (Candle 1) James Janzen
 - (H) Heather Vredenburg (Candle 2) Zach Stickney
 - (C1) Martha Raybourne (GB) Anne Harris Family
 - (C2) Shawn Vredenburg
- 8:15 AM
 - (S) Charlie Deitchler (Rosary) Ken Sueper
 - (L1) Larry Setzkorn (M. Server) Joe Wagner
 - (L2) Bonnie Setzkorn (Candle 1) Lauren Busch
 - (H) Carissa Cummings (Candle 2) Dan Wagner
 - (C1) Cassidee Cummings
 - (C2) Judy Shideler
- 10:00 AM
 - (S) Betty Ewing (Rosary) Florence Marx
 - (L1) Greg Sanders (M. Server) Angela McKinney
 - (L2) Janet Walsh (Candle 1) Joshua Schnoor
 - (H) Bridget Sublett (Candle 2) Adam Orth
 - (C1) Bert Purcell (GB) Betty Ewing Family
 - (C2) John Riddel



Come check out CYM

Be part of fun, fellowship & faith! ALL high school age youth are invited to join St. Joseph's Catholic Youth Ministry, held each

MONDAY night from 7-8:30 p.m. in the basement of the Mother Mary House (the Old Rectory).

Prayers for Our Military

Please pray for all members of the military, especially our parishioners:

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| <i>Jay Schoen</i> | <i>Tony Jeffress</i> | <i>Jonathan Burke</i> |
| <i>Sam Francis</i> | <i>Matt Mork</i> | <i>Timothy Collier</i> |
| <i>Justin Light</i> | <i>Jeff Cranor</i> | <i>Nicholas Gerhold</i> |

School Enrollment Now Open

Enrollment for St. Joseph School is Monday, July 31st, 11:00 -1:00 and 4:00-7:00. Families who are pre-enrolled can pick up their enrollment packets from the back of church beginning July 8th. New families should call the school for info at 261.5860.

Assistant Tennis Coach Needed

Bishop Carroll Catholic High School seeks applicants for Assistant Tennis Coach. If interested, please contact Tyler Fraizer, Athletic Director, at fraizertyler@bcchs.org. Applications may be found at www.catholicdioceseofwichita.org.



Oblates of St. Benedict

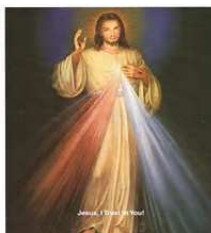
The Oblates of St. Benedict will meet in the Mother Teresa room of the Parish Center on Tuesday, July 25th at 7pm. For more info call Pat at 316.775.5663.

Bishop Carroll Youth Football Camp

Family Stadium Camp for boys grades 2-8 will be held July 24th - 27th, 9am - 12pm at Bishop Carroll. Camp fee is \$85 & includes a t-shirt. Payment can be made via cash, or check made payable to Dusty Trail. The registration form is found on the Bishop Carroll website:

bcchs.org/admissions/forms/summer-camps-2015/1405-2017-bc-youth-football-camp-brochure-1/file

Join the Bishop Carroll Eagles for Wichita's most exciting, non-contact football camp!



Divine Mercy Chaplet

Please join us in praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3 p.m. on Fridays in the Chapel.

Be still and know that I am God.

Psalms 46:10

Spiritual Life Center

Series: Saint Therese's Little Way Three Thursdays starting July 27; 7-8:30 p.m. A three night series exploring St. Therese of Lisieux's "little way" of sanctity. A manner of living accessible to everyone. We will explore 8 different facets of this manner of living. \$20

Parish Leadership Institute Saturday, July 29; 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; To be sent is a great privilege; but in being sent, one desires an understanding as to what to do and what is expected. The Parish Leadership Institute, sponsored by the Diocese of Wichita, is a training day for those serving a role in a parish leadership group - pastoral councils, finance councils, stewardship councils and parish and school staff positions. \$20

KidsPrayToo! Mass with Children Friday, Aug. 4; 11:15 a.m. Join us for the last summer edition of KidsMass. Bring your little ones and school-aged kids and pack a lunch to enjoy in our courtyard after Mass if you wish. All ages are welcome!

The Fruit of Silence is Prayer Retreat Aug. 18-20. Fr. John Lanzrath leads retreatants in this silent weekend retreat focused on the life and teachings of Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta. The retreat is inspired by Mother Teresa herself, who spoke often of the need for silence and discernment in one's life. Fr. Lanzrath will give a series of short conferences, each less than 30 minutes in length. Retreatants will then be free to pray and reflect in silence upon the themes offered. Early bird rates available through Monday, August 7. Register soon!

Advance registration requested. For more info and to register, visit www.slw Wichita.org or call 316.744.0167.