

## Focusing the gospel

Sunday is the Twenty-Third week in Ordinary Time. As faithful followers, we are encouraged to “love one another” throughout the readings. Ezekiel tells us that we are responsible for each other and Paul’s letter to the Romans offers: “Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another.” In Matthew’s Gospel, Jesus tells us to challenge each other on our behavior and to pray, “For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.”

This week we have the Memorial of Saint John Chrysostom; the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross; the Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows; and the Memorial of Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs.

The first part of the week, the first readings are from the Letter to the Colossians. Paul is in prison, encouraging this community to put their trust in Christ, not mystical teachings and powers. He challenges them to live their baptism and to walk in the union they have with and in Jesus. Then we begin reading Paul's First Letter to Timothy. The opening words boldly proclaim that Paul is the "foremost" among sinners and a sign of God's mercy.

In the first part of this week, following Luke’s Gospel, Jesus heals a man with a withered hand, on the Sabbath, in front of his religious critics. Then Jesus goes up on a mountain to pray and comes down to name his twelve apostles - all of whom seem to be unknown or questionable at best. The people bring all their sick to hear him and to be healed. Jesus tells them of their blessedness and warns them of the dangers. We can't be blind guides. We must have the humility to acknowledge and be forgiven our own sins before we can help others. Jesus tells us that our goodness will be seen in what we do and that our only security is in building our lives on him.

*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.

Monday - 9 a.m., 7 & 8 p.m.

Tuesday - 8 p.m.

Wednesday - 2 p.m.

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

Saturday - 1 a.m., 2 a.m. & 6 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  
Ruth Freund  
Joan Kandt  
Peggy Bowen  
Doug Howell  
Betty Sherlock  
Dorothy Dotterer



Nancy Smith  
Nell Ball  
Doug Stuhlsatz  
Don Williams  
Tim Chadd

Rolly Chadd  
Vernie Bloch  
Dave Rohlman  
Sandy Gleeson  
Jim Flanigan  
Sarah Bigley  
Jeff Dyer  
Tim Holden  
JoAnn Heimerman  
Patricia Ardissonne  
Nancy Bradley  
Marilyn Jordan  
+Leo Hamersky



### United in Prayer

St. Joseph Family

Rosary Crusade

11,680 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. 09/11: Col 1:24-2:3, Ps 62:6-9, Lk 6:6-11
- Tues. 09/12: Col 2:6-15, Ps 145:1-11, Lk 6:12-19
- Wed. 09/13: Col 3:1-11, Ps 145:2-13, Lk 6:20-26
- Thur. 09/14: Nm 21:4-9, Ps 78:1-38, Phil 2:6-11, Jn 3:13-17
- Fri. 09/15: 1Tm 1:1-14, Ps 16:1-11, Jn 19:25-27
- Sat. 09/16: 1Tm 1:15-17, Ps 113:1-7, Lk 6:43-49
- Sun. 09/17: Sir 27:30-28:7, Ps 103:1-12, Rom 14:7-9, Mt 18:21-35

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

Weekly Collection 9/03/2017	\$11,435.00
Weekly tithe amount needed	\$13,483.09
Surplus or (Deficit) YTD	(\$10,441.82)
<b>CMI Fund</b>	<b>\$6,060.00</b>
<b>2017-2018 Fiscal Year</b>	
<b>Roof &amp; Climate Control Repairs</b> (cost so far this fiscal year)	<b>(\$4,923.00)</b>
<b>CMI Balance</b>	<b>\$1,137.00</b>
<i>(Campus Maintenance &amp; Improvement Fund)</i>	

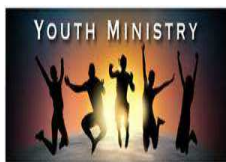
The word stewardship often calls to mind the three Ts: time, talent, and treasure. But today's readings remind us that we are also stewards of people -- we are stewards of one another. The reading from Ezekiel instructs us to "dissuade the wicked from his way." We are to try with great perseverance to help one another on the path to holiness. In today's culture, that behavior can often be interpreted as being judgmental. The answer to this problem comes in the Gospel of Matthew. We are to respond and correct with love, for "Love does no evil to the neighbor." An atheist once said that Christians who don't share the truth of the Gospel with non-believers must really hate those people. It is an interesting perspective. So, let's treat others with the greatest possible love by inviting them to join us as we follow Jesus Christ.

### Holy Mass Schedule & Intentions

- Monday, September 11  
8:15 a.m. Mass +Eldon Freund
- Tuesday, September 12  
*The Most Holy Name of Mary*  
6:00 p.m. Mass +Chris Burke
- Wednesday, September 13  
Saint John Chrysostom  
8:15 a.m. Mass - S.I. Chris Stuhlsatz Family
- Thursday, September 14  
The Exaltation of the Holy Cross  
8:15 a.m. Mass - S.I. St. Katherine Drexel Donors
- Friday, September 15  
Our Lady of Sorrows  
8:15 a.m. Mass - S.I. Susan K. Smith
- Saturday, September 16  
Saints Cornelius and Cyprian  
8:15 a.m. Mass - S.I. Mary Lark Corbett Family  
4:00 p.m. Mass +Teresa Harp
- Sunday, September 17- 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
8:15 a.m. Mass - The People of St. Joseph  
10:00 a.m. Mass +Marita Flanigan

### Ministry Schedule September 16th & 17th

- 4:00 PM
  - (S) Mike Irvin (Rosary) Ann Jaeger
  - (L1) Linda Bolster (M. Server) James Janzen
  - (L2) Jeff Dyer (Candle 1) Zach Stickney
  - (H) Marvin Patterson (Candle 2) Matthew Probst
  - (C1) Jennifer Martin (GB) Brad & Andrea Seiler
  - (C2) Beth Patterson
- 8:15 AM
  - (S) Charlie Deitchler (Rosary) Ken Sueper
  - (L1) Cassidee Cummings (M. Server) Minnie Schreffler
  - (L2) Gabby Shideler (Candle 1) Thomas Kucera
  - (H) Pat Dittmore (Candle 2) Dan Wagner
  - (C1) Carl Dittmore (GB) Regina Orth Family
  - (C2) Charlie Deitchler
- 10:00 AM
  - (S) Donna Riddel (Rosary) Florence Marx
  - (L1) Greg Sanders (M. Server) Abby Dresher
  - (L2) Janet Walsh (Candle 1) Austin Dowell
  - (H) Shellie Hamersky (Candle 2) Zach Dowell
  - (C1) Mike McDaneld (GB) Paul & Amber Riggie
  - (C2) Andrew Purcell



### Catholic Youth Ministry

Come check us out and be part of lots of fun, fellowship, and faith! ALL high school age youth are invited to join St. Joseph's Catholic Youth Ministry (CYM), this MONDAY night from 7 - 8:30 pm in the basement of the OLD RECTORY.

### Prayers for Our Military

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

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

## Saint Vincent de Paul Society

The SVdP Society is a Catholic lay ministry that focuses on helping our parishioners and neighbors who are struggling financially.

We will be holding a fundraising breakfast on Sunday, October 1st after the 10 am Mass. Menu will be a breakfast casserole, fruit, coffee, juice, and sweet rolls. Mark your calendars and join us in supporting this important ministry at this event or through donations to the parish office.

## Thanks to this Parish Dinner sponsor:

### Burtch Accounting & Tax

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*Jesus, I Trust In You!*

### Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Please join us in prayer at 3 p.m. on Fridays in the Adoration Chapel.

*Be still and know that I am God.*

*Psalms 46:10*

## Spiritual Life Center

**Catholic Assembly for Business Quarterly Breakfast** Wednesday, Sept. 13; 7:20-9:30 a.m. Join Catholic business people from throughout the diocese, for breakfast, discussion, and networking. Suggested \$10 donation for non-members.

**Series: Catechism Study—The Creed** 12 Wednesdays; Starts Sept. 13; Meets every other week at noon. Use your lunch hours this fall to delve more deeply into the first part of the Catechism. The study will focus on the Profession of Faith. \$35 includes all materials. Pack a lunch to enjoy during the course!

**Series: Becoming a Love and Logic Parent** 6 Wednesdays; Starts Sept. 13; A commonsense approach that teaches educators and parents the skills that cultivate confidence and good decision-making in children. Cost is \$35 (includes \$10 workbook fee - couples may share)

**KidsPrayToo: Mass with Children** Thursday, Sept. 14; 11:15 a.m. Children and their caregivers are invited to our regular daily Mass tailored on this morning especially to the littlest among us. Pack a lunch to enjoy in our courtyard afterwards. No charge.

**Psalms—The Prayer Book of the Bible** Thursday, Sept. 14; 7-8:30 p.m. Sr. Mary Ann Kirkland presents this enlightening evening on the overall history of the formation of the book of Psalms, the main patterns presented, and the place of the psalms in the Liturgy of the Old and New Testaments. \$10. This course is no charge for SLCTI attendees!!

**Docentium: The Holy Land, St. Jerome, and Our Catholic Faith** Thursday, Sept. 21; 6:15-8:30 p.m. Fr. Jerome Spexarth presents this monthly evening of food, friendship, and learning. Dinner is served at 6:30 p.m., and his lecture will begin shortly after. \$15

*Advance registration requested. For more info and to register, visit [www.slcwichita.org](http://www.slcwichita.org) or call 316.744.0167.*

# BINGO



**We are asking for donations for our school bingo coming up in October. Monetary donations or donations for the silent auction are welcome. The money we raise goes to St. Joseph School to help pay for testing fees and technology fees. Please contact Mariem at 316-213-0069 if you would like to donate. We have donation letters and tax forms available.**

**Thank you for your donations.**