

Focusing the gospel

For the Twenty-Fourth week in Ordinary Time we are invited to reflect on how we forgive. Peter asks Jesus “how often” we must forgive, asking the extent of Jesus' call for mercy. The parable of the forgiven servant who can't forgive is meant to give us clear guidance for our lives as followers of Jesus: if we are forgiven, we must forgive others.

This week we celebrate the Memorial of Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest, and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs and the Feast of Saint Matthew, Apostle and evangelist, as well as the Memorial of Saint Pius of Pietrelcina (aka Padre Pio).

We continue reading from Paul's First Letter to Timothy. It begins this week with the great prayer for our leaders. He then says how bishops and deacons should behave. He urges Timothy to be especially caring for the youth. Paul warns Timothy of the troubles of riches. Finally, Paul encourages Timothy to be faithful.

In Luke's Gospel, Jesus praises the faith of the Roman centurion who understands Jesus' power to heal. Jesus then raises from the dead the son of the widow of Nain. In response to constant criticism from religious authorities, Jesus compares the critics to children taunting their playmates. We read of the woman who entered a dinner Jesus was attending and wept over his feet, washing them with her tears, showing what real love is. Luke, who highlights the role of women in his gospel, tells us of women who accompanied Jesus and his disciples. Finally, Jesus gives us the Parable of the Sower and its interpretation about how temptations and shallow roots can prevent the Word from growing in us or how “the anxieties and riches and pleasures of life” can choke the Word.

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

Dear St. Joseph Parish Family, Thank you for all your best wishes and cards for our 60th Anniversary. We had a beautiful celebration starting with a Mass of Thanksgiving here at St. Joseph, the Peach Dove Commemoration given by Tom Loux and a wonderful family celebration in the Mother Teresa Room. Many, many memories! ~ Stan and Terri Smeltzer

“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 a.m.

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

Friday - 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
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
+Leo Hamersky
+Stan Robison



United in Prayer

**St. Joseph Family
Rosary Crusade
11,920 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.	09/18: 1Tm 2:1-8, Ps 28:2-9, Lk 7:1-10
Tues.	09/19: 1Tm 3:1-13, Ps 101:1-6, Lk 7:11-17
Wed.	09/20: 1Tm 3:14-16, Ps 111:1-6, Lk 7:31-35
Thur.	09/21: Eph 4:1-13, Ps 19:2-5, Mt 9:9-13
Fri.	09/22: 1Tm 6:2-12, Ps 49:6-20, Lk 8:1-3
Sat.	09/23: 1Tm 6:13-16, Ps 100:1-5, Lk 8:4-15
Sun.	09/24: Is 55:6-9, Ps 145:2-18, Phil 1:20-27, Mt 20:1-16

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

Weekly Collection 9/10/2017	\$14,294.96
Weekly tithe amount needed	\$13,483.09
Surplus or (Deficit) YTD	(\$9,629.94)
CMI Fund	\$8,060.00
2017-2018 Fiscal Year	
Roof & Climate Control Repairs (cost so far this fiscal year)	(\$15,242.27)
CMI Balance (Campus Maintenance & Improvement Fund)	(\$7,182.27)

The theme of today's readings comes through loud and clear: Give mercy in the same way you hope to receive mercy. In our sinfulness, we all hope to receive mercy, yet we are often reluctant to share it with those who have wronged us. In order to break this habit, we need only look to Jesus Christ, who tells us to forgive our sinful brother seventy-seven times (in other words, as many times as it takes)! The first reading tells us that "wrath and anger are hateful things," and indeed they are, yet "the sinner hugs them tight." As Christian stewards we must remember that mercy and compassion bring about joyful hearts, and that we should follow the example of Jesus in showing forgiveness to one another.



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), held every MONDAY night from 7 - 8:30 pm in the basement of the OLD RECTORY.

Holy Mass Schedule & Intentions

Monday, September 18

6:45 a.m. House of Formation Mass - Public welcome
8:15 a.m. Mass + Alice & Corbin Benham

Tuesday, September 19

Saint Januarius

6:45 a.m. House of Formation Mass - Public welcome
6:00 p.m. Mass + Catherine Simon

Wednesday, September 20

Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gon and Companions
8:15 a.m. Mass + Duane Dater

Thursday, September 21

Saint Matthew

6:45 a.m. House of Formation Mass - Public welcome
8:15 a.m. Mass S.I. Pat & Leanne O'Brien

Friday, September 22

6:45 a.m. House of Formation Mass - Public welcome
8:15 a.m. Mass + Maxine Mae
10:00 a.m. Masonic Home Mass - Special Intention

Saturday, September 23

Saint Pius of Pietrelcina

8:15 a.m. Mass + Leo & Kathleen Borst
4:00 p.m. Mass - S.I. Kevin Becker Family

Sunday, September 24

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:15 a.m. Mass - For the Poor Souls
10:00 a.m. Mass - The People of St. Joseph

Ministry Schedule September 23rd & 24th

4:00 PM

(S) Linda Bolster
(L1) Mike Irvin
(L2) Corrinna Irvin
(H) Shawn Vredenburg
(C1) Heather Vredenburg
(C2) Martha Raybourne

(Rosary) Corrinna Irvin
(M. Server) James Janzen
(Candle 1) Hunter Martin
(Candle 2) Zach Stickney
(GB) Rita Corby

8:15 AM

(S) Charlie Deitchler
(L1) Carl Dittmore
(L2) Barbara Wattman
(H) Judy Shideler
(C1) Carissa Cummings
(C2) Cassidee Cummings

(Rosary) Ken Sueper
(M. Server) Joe Wagner
(Candle 1) Grace Boman
(Candle 2) Sam Boman
(GB) Wray Kucera Family

10:00 AM

(S) Betty Ewing
(L1) John Cooke
(L2) Jacob Schnoor
(H) Shirley Ricke
(C1) John Cooke
(C2) Donna Riddel

(Rosary) Florence Marx
(M. Server) Angela McKinney
(Candle 1) Matthew Probst
(Candle 2) Madison Trosclair
(GB) Steve & Shellie Hamersky

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

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

Saint Vincent de Paul Society

Our Society of Saint Vincent de Paul conference assisted a neighborhood family with \$1,000 in rent and utilities. The wife unexpectedly delivered a very premature baby with significant medical issues requiring the baby to be flown to Houston, right before Hurricane Harvey hit there! Fortunately the baby is doing well, and with assistance from Saint Vincent de Paul both mom & dad are able to go to Houston to bond with their baby.

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is a Catholic lay ministry that focuses on helping those in need. Please consider supporting our local Conference by joining us at our next meeting at 6:30 pm on Monday, September 18th in the Mother Teresa room, or by supporting us with financial donations which can be given through the Parish office.

Also, our first annual fundraising breakfast will be held in the Parish hall after mass on Sunday, October 1st. Please mark your calendars and join us!

RCIA News



If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a Catholic, please call the parish office for information on beginning the process of RCIA. Current Catholics are also welcome to come learn more about their faith. Individual lessons are available.

Spiritual Direction & Personal Directed Retreats

For more information regarding spiritual direction or personal directed retreats, you can call Sister Kathy Goetz (Dominican Sisters of Peace) at 267.4551, email kgoetz@oppeace.org, or write 201 S. Millwood, Wichita, KS 67213. Brochures are also available in the Vestibule of the church.

Be still and know that I am God.

Psalm 46:10

Spiritual Life Center

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

The Interior Castle Evening Series Meets Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings, Sept. 26-28; 7-9 p.m. Fr. Ken VenHaverbeke leads this three night series introducing participants to both Saint Teresa of Avila and the Interior Castle. \$25

12 Steps—A Spiritual Journey Thursdays, starting Sept. 28; 7-9 p.m. A program of healing and renewal for adults who grew up in repressive or dysfunctional families. - 30 sessions taking place over 7 months. Helpful workbook available for \$20 and donations accepted for program. Registration open through Oct. 12th. Morning sessions also available starting Wednesday, October 4

An Encounter with JRR Tolkien Sept. 28 at 7 p.m. to Sept. 29 at 3:30 p.m. Encounter Tolkien as never before! Thursday evening features an introductory presentation on the author and a glimpse into the ways he used imagination to lead readers to an encounter of reality: truth, goodness, justice, & beauty. Friday includes reflections from his writings including Lord of the Rings and the Hobbit. \$100 overnight, \$45 commuter. No charge for Thursday night only

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

