

Focusing the gospel

In the Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, we hear the story from Matthew about the King who gave a banquet for his son and invited many guests. It is a powerful story about rejecting Jesus' own invitation and about God's universal invitation to a new group of "chosen" people.

This week we celebrate the Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Antioch, the Feast of St. Luke, and the Memorial of the North American Martyrs, the Jesuit Saints John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions.

We begin reading Paul's Letter to the Romans for our first reading this week. After a powerful introduction, Paul writes this community in Rome about God's righteousness (mercy or kindness) and justification (making us holy or one with God) which comes to us, not through the law but through faith in Jesus.

Each day we move through Luke's gospel as people gather around Jesus. He declines to give a sign other than the sign of Jonah. At a Pharisee's house Jesus calls for authenticity: "give alms and everything will be clean for you." He challenges the religious practices of the Pharisees which miss the heart of fidelity to God and mercy toward others. Jesus tries to get them to see that, while they honor the prophets, they are no better than their ancestors who ignored and killed the prophets. Instead of hearing him, the religious leaders plot to trap Jesus. Warning his disciples about imitating religious hypocrisy, Jesus tells them not to be afraid, even of death, but to only fear losing their souls. Acknowledging Jesus is enough to save us. When we make our defense of our faith and way of life, the Holy Spirit will teach us what to say.

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 - 7 p.m. & 8 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

Nancy Bradley
Vernie Bloch
Dave Rohlman
Sandy Gleeson
Jim Flanigan
Sarah Bigley
Jeff Dyer
Tim Holden
JoAnn Heimerman
Patricia Ardissonne
Marilyn Jordan
Mary Moman
Tim Benham



United in Prayer

**St. Joseph Family
Rosary Crusade
13,390 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.	10/16: Rom 1:1-7, Ps 98:1-4, Lk 11:29-32
Tues.	10/17: Rom 1:16-25, Ps 19:2-5, Lk 11:37-41
Wed.	10/18: 2Tm 4:10-17, Ps 145:10-18, Lk 10:1-9
Thur.	10/19: Rom 3:21-30, Ps 130:1-6, Lk 11:47-54
Fri.	10/20: Rom 4:1-8, Ps 32:1-11, Lk 12:1-7
Sat.	10/21: Rom 4:13-18, Ps 105:6-43, Lk 12:8-12
Sun.	10/22: Is 45:1-6, Ps 96:1-10, 1Thes 1:1-5, Mt 22:15-21

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

Weekly Collection 10/08/2017	\$14,789.93
Weekly tithe amount needed	\$13,483.09
Surplus or (Deficit) YTD	(\$9,832.88)
CMI Fund	\$9,362.00
2017-2018 Fiscal Year	
Roof & Climate Control Repairs (cost so far this fiscal year)	(\$15,242.27)
CMI Balance	(\$5,880.27)
<i>(Campus Maintenance & Improvement Fund)</i>	

"Many are invited, but few are chosen." In this parable, Jesus refers to the Israelites -- the chosen people -- who openly rejected Jesus as the Messiah. This closing verse is interesting, because we often think that being invited is really the same as being chosen. Why wouldn't you choose those whom you had also invited? Perhaps because they have openly rejected the invitation. Sadly, when it comes to the current day steward, we are all invited to participate, but many of us are rejecting the invitation -- some openly and some secretly and some unintentionally. We let busyness and the things of this world interfere with our invitation; therefore, it isn't that God didn't choose us ... it is more like we haven't chosen HIM. Who / What are YOU following?

Prayers for Our Military

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

<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>
	<i>Trevor Samples</i>	

Holy Mass Schedule & Intentions

Monday, October 16

Saint Hedwig, Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque

6:45 a.m. House of Formation Mass - Public welcome

8:15 a.m. Mass + Joseph Bong Nguyen

Tuesday, October 17

Saint Ignatius

6:45 a.m. House of Formation Mass - Public welcome

6:00 p.m. Mass + Marita Flanigan

Wednesday, October 18

Saint Luke

8:15 a.m. Mass + William H. Mertens

Thursday, October 19

Saints John de Brebeuf, Isaac Jogues, Companions

6:45 a.m. House of Formation Mass - Public welcome

8:15 a.m. Mass - + Anna Kieu

Friday, October 20

Saint Paul of the Cross

6:45 a.m. House of Formation Mass - Public welcome

8:15 a.m. Mass + Wilfred Vogel

Saturday, October 21

8:15 a.m. Mass + Mary Benefield

4:00 p.m. Mass - The People of St. Joseph

Sunday, October 22

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:15 a.m. Mass + Carol McCreary

10:00 a.m. Mass + Chris Burke

Ministry Schedule October 21st & 22nd

4:00 PM

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

(Rosary) Mike Irvin
(M. Server) *Substitute Needed*
(Candle 1) James Janzen
(Candle 2) Zach Stickney
(GB) Christina & Paige Hallacy

8:15 AM

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

(Rosary) Ken Sueper
(M. Server) Thomas Kucera
(Candle 1) Sam Boman
(Candle 2) Grace Boman
(GB) Regina Orth Family

10:00 AM

(S) Betty Ewing
(L1) Jacob Schnoor
(L2) John Cooke
(H) Mike McDaniel
(C1) Andrew Purcell
(C2) Shellie Hamersky

(Rosary) Florence Marx
(M. Server) Angela McKinney
(Candle 1) Mercedes Sanders
(Candle 2) Adam Orth
(GB) Greg Sanders Family

Curriculum Fair at Bishop Carroll

Bishop Carroll Catholic High School (BCCHS) will host a Curriculum Fair Fri, Nov 10th, 8:00 a.m. to noon. This event introduces prospective students to BCCHS. Sessions highlight activities, clubs, curriculum & responsibilities of students at BCCHS. Registration begins in the Activities Complex (Door 4) at 7:30 a.m., with celebration of the Eucharist beginning promptly at 8:00 a.m. All eighth grade students are invited to attend. If your eighth grader would like to participate, & is not currently enrolled in a Catholic grade school, contact the Counseling via email at mckenzieSusan@bcchs.org or phone 316.729.5278. **The recommended reservation deadline for the Curriculum Fair is October 19th, 2017.**

Mass for Life

Bishop Carl A. Kemme will celebrate a Mass for Life at 9 a.m. Sat, Oct. 28, in front of the South Wind Women's Center at 5107 E. Kellogg in Wichita. After the Mass, Bishop Kemme will process the Eucharist around the block. To close the morning's events, Terry Beatley, founder of the Hosea Initiative, will speak about deceptions surrounding abortions. Beatley will also speak at a light lunch that day at Blessed Sacrament Church. Those interested in attending the lunch are asked to RSVP. The cost for lunch is \$10. To RSVP or for more information about the event, email toombsb@CatholicDioceseofWichita.org or call 316.269.3935. In case of inclement weather, all events will be held at the same times at Blessed Sacrament Church.



Be still and know that I am God.

Psalms 46:10

Spiritual Life Center

KidsPrayToo! Mass with Children Thursday, Oct. 19; 11:15 a.m. This monthly celebration of our regular Daily Mass especially welcomes little children and their caregivers! Pack a lunch to enjoy in our courtyard or dining room after Mass. No charge.

Docentium: Following Christ in a Consumer Culture Thursday, Oct. 19; 6:15-8:30 p.m. Dr. John McCormick, Ph.D. presents this evening of food, friendship, and learning. Dinner is served at 6:30 p.m., and a lecture given on some topic related to religion and culture begins shortly after. \$15

Oktoberfest Saturday, Oct. 21; 6-10 p.m. All Young Adults are invited to join us for Eucharistic Procession and Adoration at 6:30 p.m., followed by traditional German food, beer, music, and games! \$15

How to Pray a Holy Hour Wednesday, Oct. 25; 7-9 p.m. Join Fr. Ken VanHaverbeke for this special evening presentation on practical tips and tricks on praying during Adoration. \$10

Apologia: The Reformation Wednesday, Oct. 25; 7:30-8:30 p.m. Fr. Jim Weldon presents this apologetics session all about the Reformation. These sessions address topics pertinent to 21st Century Catholics and how to defend and explain our Faith. \$10

Eucharistic Silent Retreat October 27-29. This weekend centers upon the Eucharist and Adoration, providing the opportunity to get away from the hectic pace of life and experience the Lord in the Eucharist. \$145 Single; \$120 Double

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

Catholic Women's Circle

The Women's Circle has moved the October 19th meeting to October 26th in the Parish Library. We hope to see you then!

Fall Caregiver Education Event

Catholic Care Center invites you to join us Thurs, Nov 9th, 4-6pm, for our annual Caregiver Education Event. This year's topic is "Home Safe Home: Creating a Safe and Stimulating Environment for People with Dementia." This free event will help caregivers of a loved one with Alzheimer's or dementia better understand how dementia changes the way a person responds to their environment, and how to create the safe and loving home they deserve. Call Jennifer at (316)771-6593 to RSVP.



Heavenly Helpers

Please join us for 8:15 a.m. Holy Mass on Saturday mornings and stay afterwards to clean Our Lord's House. There

is always a need for more volunteers. Many hands make the work light! This is an excellent way to fulfill stewardship hours. Supplies are furnished. *Thank you for your generous help!*

Military Care Packages

If you have a family member or close friend in the military (deployed or not), the Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton chapter of the Knights of Columbus (KofC) requests that you forward their contact information. KofC will be sending a care package of goodies for them and their buddies during the holiday season. This outreach project is funded in part by the KofC fireworks stand, and KofC hopes to grow the project again this year. To forward contact information for military members or for questions, please contact Joe Ubert at 316.218.2252 or pinstriper23@att.net.



Divine Mercy Chaplet.

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



Faith, Hope and Love . . . Are these present in your marriage? Have you given up hope that they can be? In 1 Corinthians 13:13 Jesus tells us the greatest of these is Love. Living in a marriage that is missing love can be difficult. If you have given up hope that your marriage can and will get better, ask your spouse to consider attending a Retrouvaille program. Retrouvaille is an international Christian-based ministry that offers a three-stage program to help couples improve their marriages. First, a weekend program is attended, followed by post-weekend meetings. Finally, an on-going monthly small group of couples gather for support and growth. If improving your marriage is important to you, reach out today. For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact our registration team: Kansas City Telephone @ 800-470-2230 or visit our website: HelpOurMarriage.com or RetroKC.com

Job Opening

Medical Assistant—Guadalupe Clinic, Inc. of the Catholic Diocese of Wichita seeks a Medical Assistant to the medical providers, the nursing staff and volunteers in the provision of care to the patients of Guadalupe Clinic. English/Spanish fluency and medical office experience is **preferred**. Deadline for accepting resumes is **noon October 28, 2017**. This is a full time job opening (30-40 hours). For information regarding qualifications and requirements, please check our job posting at catholicdioceseofwichita.org, Ministries & Offices, Human Resources.



Pray For Our Nation

Our Nation is in great need of public prayer, repentance and conversion. In this historic year of the Fatima Centennial (1917-2017), we ask God to help America through the Rosary of His Most Holy Mother. Please keep and/or include the rosary in your daily prayers.