

**Focusing the gospel**

The powerful story of the rich young man will be repeated in the gospel in the Twenty-eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time. He asks Jesus what he can do to inherit eternal life and already keeps the commandments. Jesus offers him the challenge of the gospel: "Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor ... then come, follow me." Mark's gospel tells us that the young man "went away sad, for he had many possessions." When Jesus tells his followers how hard it will be for a rich person to be saved they are astonished - and worried. They wondered how they could ever be saved. "All things are possible for God," was Jesus' response.

Thursday we remember Saint Teresa of Avila, formally known as Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church. Saturday is the Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr.

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.*


**He is Standing at the Door.  
He Knocks.**

"Come to me all you who labor and are overburdened and I will give you rest (Mt 11:28)" There are 17 open hours in our Perpetual Adoration Chapel. Please consider spending one hour with our Lord in His gentle oasis. For more information, call Jana Schoen at 945-5379.

- Sunday - 2 a.m.
- Monday - 1 a.m. & 2 a.m.
- Tuesday - 2 a.m. & 11 a.m.
- Wednesday - 5 p.m.
- Thursday - 1 a.m., 2 a.m. & 4 p.m.
- Friday - 2 a.m., 6 p.m. & 8 p.m..
- Saturday - 1 a.m., 2 a.m., 7 a.m., 9 p.m. & 10 p.m.

*He is waiting just for you!*

**Please Remember In Prayer:**

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| Sr. Lucille Kerschen |  | Gail Alcaez          |
| Matilda Puetz        |   | Robie Campbell       |
| Katy Carney          |   | Evelyn Monty         |
| Juanita Mans         |   | Sarah Skidd          |
| Jim Ridder           |   | Clair Vanzelfden     |
| Leah Stepanek        | Kadie McDonough   | Eldon Freund         |
| Sue Warren           | Deannie Little  | Duane Wilson         |
| Regina Gaytan        | Andy Little   | Nancy Bradley        |
| Jeanne Sullivan      | Ray Rancuret  | Vernie Bloch         |
| Joyce Armstrong      | Cheryl Burke Julian   | Joan Kandt           |
| Nancee Scheffer      | Jim Monroe  | Jim Flanigan         |
| Peggy Bowan          | Leroy Nedeau  | +Shirley A. Kerschen |
| Marci Limon          | Charles T. Morton   | +Wilma McDonough     |

**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 |
|             | Jeff Cranor   |                 |

**Weekly Readings**

- Mon. 10/12: Rom 1:1-7, Ps 98:1-4, Lk 11:29-32
- Tues. 10/13: Rom 1:16-25, Ps 19:2-5, Lk 11:37-41
- Wed. 10/14: Rom 2:1-11, Ps 62:2-9, Lk 11:42-46
- Thur. 10/15: Rom 3:21-30, Ps 130:1-6, Lk 11:47-54
- Fri. 10/16: Rom 4:1-8, Ps 32:1-11, Lk 12:1-7
- Sat. 10/17: Rom 4:13-18, Ps 105:6-43, Lk 12:8-12
- Sun. 10/18: Is 53:10-11, Ps 33:4-22, Heb 4:14-16, Mk 10:35-45

**Thank you for your gift of treasure!  
July 1, 2015- June 30, 2016**

Weekly Collection 10/04/2015	\$15,054.91
Weekly tithe amount needed	\$12,960.77
Surplus or (Deficit) YTD	(\$3,767.44)

All things are possible for God! The first reading today advises us of the blessings that befall us when we seek and find wisdom. Our life abounds in riches more valuable than wealth when we embrace Wisdom. Jesus' words in the Gospel direct us to live according to the wisdom of the Ten Commandments and our search for the truth should cause us to abandon the riches of the world and follow Him alone. God's blessings are continually poured out upon us. In our life of Stewardship we receive the gifts with open hands and share them with one another just as readily. It is when we close our hands to hang onto his riches that we turn from the path leading to Life. May we rely on the Father for all our needs and continually offer praise and thanksgiving.

**Let's Retire Our Debt**

**Goal: \$300,000.00**  
**Total received: \$267,751.50**  
**Only \$32,248.50 go!**

*Thank you Dear Lord,  
Beloved Friends*



**Happy 100th Birthday to Aurelia Schultz!!!**

Come celebrate with Aurelia! There will be a reception from 1 - 5 p.m. on Saturday, October 17th over in the Parish Hall.

**Holy Mass Schedule & Intentions**

Monday, October 12  
Columbus Day  
6:15 a.m. IHM Mass - Public Welcome  
8:15 a.m. Mass +Bea Gerstenkorn

Tuesday, October 13  
6:15 a.m. IHM Mass - Public Welcome  
6:30 p.m. Mass +Winnie Love Simon

Wednesday, October 14  
*Saint Callistus*  
6:15 a.m. IHM Mass - Public Welcome  
8:15 a.m. Mass +John Flattery

Thursday, October 15  
Saint Teresa of Jesus  
6:15 a.m. IHM Mass - Public Welcome  
8:15 a.m. Mass +Paul Shideler

Friday, October 16  
*Saint Hedwig, Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque*  
6:15 a.m. IHM Mass - Public Welcome  
8:15 a.m. Mass Living and Deceased Members of the Bertha Family

Saturday, October 17  
Saint Ignatius of Antioch  
8:15 a.m. Mass +Harold Benham  
4:00 p.m. Mass +Richard Beemer

Sunday, October 18  
8:15 a.m. Mass S.I. People of St. Joseph  
10:00 a.m. Mass +Rich Stump

**Ministry Schedule October 17th & 18th**

**4:00 PM**  
(S) Mike McDaneld (Rosary) Linda Bolster  
(L1) Mike McDaneld (M. Server) Hannah English  
(L2) Linda Bolster (Candle 1) Jacob Stickney  
(H) Marvin Patterson (Candle 2) Jeremiah Epps  
(C1) Jennifer Martin (GB) Brad & Andrea Seiler  
(C2) Beth Patterson

**8:15 AM**  
(S) Charlie Deitchler (Rosary) IHM Sisters  
(L1) Larry Setzkorn (M. Server) Dylan Morch  
(L2) Bonnie Setzkorn (Candle 1) Quincee Ahlstedt  
(H) Bill Babich (Candle 2) Connor Ahlstedt  
(C1) Judy Shideler (GB) Wray Kucera Family  
(C2) Gabby Shideler

**10:00 AM**  
(S) Donna Riddel (Rosary) Florence Marx  
(L1) Jordan Schnoor (M. Server) David Sanders  
(L2) Jacob Schnoor (Candle 1) Austin Dowell  
(H) Ryan Allen (Candle 2) Zachary Dowell  
(C1) Bert Purcell (GB) Richard Johnson Family  
(C2) Andrew Purcell

## Job Openings

A Better Choice, a Catholic maternity ministry, has an immediate job opening for a temporary, part-time position of **Volunteer Services Coordinator**. Mon. - Fri. 9:00 a.m to 1:00 p.m. Responsible for managing day-to-day activities of volunteer staff, maintaining volunteer training programs and offering peer counseling to clients.

- Excellent oral & written communication skills
- Computer skills: Microsoft Word, Access & Publisher, Internet, E-mail
- Ability to multitask & adjust to changing priorities
- Good leadership and organizational skills
- Teaching/training experience preferred
- Bi-lingual in English/Spanish a plus
- Prefer practicing Catholic active in stewardship

Contact Vallarie Eades at 316.685.5757 or veades@pregnancywichita.com. **Deadline for applications is October 30, 2015.**

At Catholic Charities, we work toward stabilizing families in crisis and strengthening families for life. We are currently looking for a **medical billing specialist; 2<sup>nd</sup> shift and PRN staff** for The Mount to provide shelter support for our clients; a part-time **scheduling assistant** in our Cana Counseling group; and a **2<sup>nd</sup> shift advocate** at Harbor House. Please check out our openings at <http://catholicdioceseofwichita.org/catholic-charities>.

## Fall FunFest Card Party

The Daughters of Isabella, St. Augustine Circle 235, will host a Fall FunFest Card Party on October 23, 1:00-4:00 p.m., at the Knights of Columbus Club House #4118, located at 3208 W 13th St. in Wichita. Advance tickets are \$6, door tickets will be \$8. There will be snacks and a dessert buffet, as well as great door prizes. Call 734-9259 for presale tickets.



Since its creation in the Archdiocese of Chicago in 1981, Theology on Tap has reached out to young adults interested in learning more about their faith, coming together to share community, and feeling welcomed and valued in the Catholic Church. Wichita's Theology on Tap sessions are held the 2nd Tuesday of every month, at the River City Brewery-Loft 150 in Wichita's Old Town, at the SE Corner of 1st and Mosley. The next event will be Tuesday, Oct 13th, from 8 to 10 p.m. ALL young adults are invited to gather your friends, and come join us for a brew with your 100 closest Catholic-Christians in Wichita's Historic Old Town! This event is open to **ALL Young Adults Ages 21-39**, married, single, in college, whatever! BE THERE!

## 31 Day Seven Sorrows Novena

From Oct. 1st to Oct. 31st, you're invited to participate in a Novena to close the Southwind Abortion Center & Planned Parenthood of Wichita.

THE SEVEN SORROWS OF MARY ROSARY- Pray the Seven Sorrow of Mary on each of the 10 decades:

1. Simeon's Prophecy- A Sword Shall Pierce Your Heart
  2. Flight into Egypt
  3. Loss of Child Jesus for Three Days
  4. Mary Meets Jesus on the Way of the Cross
  5. Mary Stands at the Foot of the Cross
  6. Jesus Taken Down From the Cross and Placed In Mary's Arms
  7. Jesus is Placed in the Tomb.
- Finish by praying the Hail Holy Queen.



NOVENA PRAYER TO POPE SAINT JOHN PAUL THE SECOND:

O, Blessed Savior, you blessed the Church and the world with the holy life and papal ministry of St. John Paul II. May we, through his intercession receive every grace and blessing that you, in your Divine Mercy wish to give us, especially the closing of Southwind Abortion Center and Planned Parenthood of Wichita, and may there never again be abortions in Wichita. Amen.

PRAYER & PENANCE-

Daily Pray Seven Sorrows Rosary,  
Daily Pray Novena Prayer to Pope St. John Paul II,  
Daily Pray the St. Michael Prayer,  
Daily Pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3pm  
Daily Mediate on Sacred Scripture,  
Offer Daily Sacrifices.

Fast on Wed. and Fri. each week during the month,  
Go to Confession at the Beginning of the Novena,  
Attend Daily Mass as often as Possible  
Offer Your Holy Communion for This Intention,  
Offer Your Daily Duties as Penance,  
Weekly Holy Hour, Praying before Jesus in the Adoration Chapel or in front of the Tabernacle,  
Make the Stations of the Cross of Friday,  
Avoid Watching Television.

Sponsored by the Diocese of Wichita Respect Life Office in Collaboration with Fr. Edmond Kline. If you have questions, please contact Bonnie Toombs, 269.3935, or [toombsb@catholicdioceseofwichita.org](mailto:toombsb@catholicdioceseofwichita.org).

## Fiat Discernment Retreat



Fiat Ministries is devoted to encouraging young women to answer "yes" to the vocation to which God is calling them. The Fiat Discernment Retreat is an

opportunity for young women to ask questions, pray, listen and open their hearts to the Lord's will. The Fiat Discernment Retreat will be held December 27-29, 2015, at the Spiritual Life Center and is open to women age 17-25 who are wondering if God might be inviting them to serve Him and His Church as a religious sister. If you are interested in attending or would like more information, please contact Emily Savage at [esavage@stfranciswichita.com](mailto:esavage@stfranciswichita.com). Cost of the weekend is \$25. Registration is now open.

## Interested in Learning Martial Arts?

Buda Kem is a form of karate specializing in self-defense against multiple attackers. Classes are taught in the St. Joseph Parish gym on Sunday evenings 5:00-7:00 p.m. Senseis James, John, Mike, and Jennifer seek new students to learn this unique martial art. If you are a student in 5th grade or older, or an adult of any age and would like to learn how to defend yourself against multiple attackers, call Mike at 305-6537 for more information. We will hold an orientation class for new students Sunday, Oct 18th.



Thank you to everyone for all of your help in making Octoberfest a success! The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves in the inflatable house and on the slide. The apple-dunk was enjoyed by children of all ages. There were a variety of animals for Father Smeltzer's blessing including dogs of all shapes and sizes and even a bird. The classic cars were a hit too. The funnel cakes that Larry & Shirley Ricke graciously provided for this event raised \$88.00 in donations that went to our parish Food Pantry. Thank you God for this beautiful parish-wide show of stewardship involvement!

*Be still and know that I am God.*  
*Psalms 46:10*

## Spiritual Life Center

**Docentium: "In Defense of Christendom-The Battle of Lepanto"** Thursday, Oct. 15; 6:15-8:30 p.m. Join us for dinner and this great discussion that weaves Catholicism and Culture together. Learn about this amazing battle and period of history and its continuing importance today. \$15

**A Retreat in Nature with Thomas Merton** Oct. 16-18; A special weekend retreat led by director Fr. Ken Vanhaverbeke that takes participants through the writings and teachings of Thomas Merton. \$100

**How to Pray a Holy Hour** Tuesday, Oct. 27; 7-8:30 p.m. During this evening presentation participants will learn about the history of Eucharistic Adoration, the holy hour, and give practical advice of what to do and how to spend this time with the Lord. \$10

**Demonology** Thursday, Oct. 29; 6:30-9 p.m. Join Fr. Eric Weldon for this presentation on the Church's teachings on demons. \$10

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