

Focusing the gospel

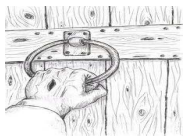
A vision of comfort and healing is offered for the Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time. In Jeremiah, we see the Lord gathering “his people” - the blind, the lame and the helpless innocents, bringing them together to console and guide them. In Mark’s Gospel, Bartimaeus, the blind beggar has the courage to beg for healing from Jesus. He is hushed by the crowd but continues to call loudly for Jesus, who hears him and heals him. “Go your way; your faith has saved you.”

Wednesday is the Feast of Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles.

The first reading all week continues with the third week of Paul’s longest letter, the Letter to the Romans, with his teaching of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

The Gospel of Luke offers a glimpse of Jesus healing and teaching the people, even as he continues to clash with religious leaders. He cures the “bent woman” on a Sabbath and tells of the tiny mustard seed which develops to become a full grown bush. He repeats that it will not be easy to enter the Kingdom: “For behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last.” He defies those who bring word of threats on his life and defies the silent Pharisees who watch as he cures a man on the Sabbath. Jesus encourages us to be humble: “For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”

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!

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>Jeff Cranor</i>	

Please Remember In Prayer:

Sr. Lucille Kerschen
Matilda Puetz
Katy Carney
Juanita Mans
Jim Ridder
Leah Stepanek
Sue Warren
Regina Gaytan
Jeanne Sullivan
Joyce Armstrong
Nancee Scheffer
Kadie McDonough
Deannie Little
Andy Little



Ray Rancuret
Cheryl Burke Julian
Jim Monroe
Leroy Nedeau
Charles T. Morton
Gail Alcaez
Robie Campbell
Evelyn Monty

Sarah Skidd
Clair Vanzelfden
Eldon Freund
Duane Wilson
Nancy Bradley
Vernie Bloch
Joan Kandt
Jim Flanigan
Peggy Bowan
Marci Limon
Robert Range
Doug Howell
+Wilma McDonough
+John (Gene) Price

Appeal For Volunteers:

The CENTER OF HOPE, a "Homeless Prevention Center," is looking for volunteers who might be able to work for a half day, from 9:00 to 12:00 or 1:00 to 4:00 any day of the week doing client intakes, some computer input, and front desk responsibilities. If you are interested in assisting in the mission of Center of Hope, please contact Sister Deborah Schovanec, ASC, at: 316.267.3999 or email her at schovanecd@adorers.org.

Weekly Readings

- Mon. 10/26: Rom 8:12-17, Ps 68:2-21, Lk 13:10-17
- Tues. 10/27: Rom 8:18-25, Ps 126:1-6, Lk 13:18-21
- Wed. 10/28: Eph 2:19-22, Ps 19:2-5, Lk 6:12-16
- Thur. 10/29: Rom 8:31-39, Ps 109:21-31, Lk 13:31-35
- Fri. 10/30: Rom 9:1-5, Ps 147:12-20, Lk 14:1-6
- Sat. 10/31: Rom 11:1-29, Ps 94:12-18, Lk 14:7-11
- Sun. 11/01: Rv 7:2-14, Ps 24:1-6, 1 Jn 3:1-3, Mt 5:1-12

Holy Mass Schedule & Intentions

- Monday, October 26
 - 6:15 a.m. IHM Mass - Public Welcome
 - 8:15 a.m. Mass +Concetta Di Sante
- Tuesday, October 27
 - 6:15 a.m. IHM Mass - Public Welcome
 - 6:30 p.m. Mass Deloris Eckerman
- Wednesday, October 28
 - Saints Simon and Jude
 - 6:15 a.m. IHM Mass - Public Welcome
 - 8:15 a.m. Mass +Louis Sittler
- Thursday, October 29
 - 6:15 a.m. IHM Mass - Public Welcome
 - 8:15 a.m. Mass +Arnold Thomas
- Friday, October 30
 - 6:15 a.m. IHM Mass - Public Welcome
 - 8:15 a.m. Mass +Agnes Jochems
- Saturday, October 31
 - 8:15 a.m. Mass Living and Deceased Donors to the Sister Mary Doreen Good Endowment
 - 4:00 p.m. Mass S.I. People of St. Joseph
- Sunday, November 1
 - All Saints Day
 - 8:15 a.m. Mass +Albert Dotterer
 - 10:00 a.m. Mass +Frank Darland

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

Weekly Collection 10/18/2015	\$10,072.13
Weekly tithe amount needed	\$12,960.77
Surplus or (Deficit) YTD	(\$6,991.78)

What do you want me to do for you? As we go about the busyness of daily life we often ask God in our prayers to make our life easier by answering our requests. Today's Gospel is the story of Bartimaeus asking for sight. Last week it was James and John asking a special favor. In responding to the blind Bartimaeus, Jesus gives him his sight because of his faith. James and John were chosen to be among the Apostles and Jesus used their request to teach the group that to follow in his footsteps meant a life of service and sacrifice, not a life of power and glory. May we trust in God to provide for our needs and seek the wisdom to recognize his gifts that we may share them.

Let's Retire Our Debt

Goal:	\$300,000.00
Total received:	\$269,654.50
Still needed:	\$30,345.50

Hooray! An anonymous donor has pledged to make a match of up to \$5000.00 towards any funds raised for the Let's Retire the Debt Campaign between now and December 31st of 2015. We've already received \$1603.00 towards this match! Please prayerfully consider a donation towards the debt payoff.

Church Cleaning



Please join us for Holy Mass on Saturday mornings and stay afterwards to assist in keeping our church sparkly clean. Many hands make the work light! Supplies are furnished. Thank you for your help!

Ministry Schedule Oct 31st & Nov 1st

- 4:00 PM**
 - (S) Mike McDaneld (Rosary) Ann Blick
 - (L1) Corrina Irvin (M. Server) Jacob Stickney
 - (L2) Mike Irvin (Candle 1) Hannah English
 - (H) Linda Bolster (Candle 2) Jacob Villa
 - (C1) John Bolster (GB) Anne Harris Family
 - (C2) Johnnie Bell
- 8:15 AM**
 - (S) Charlie Deitchler (Rosary) IHM Sisters
 - (L1) Marie O'Neal (M. Server) Minnie Schreffler
 - (L2) Cassidee Cummings (Candle 1) Thomas Kucera
 - (H) Sr. Mary Clare (Candle 2) Nick Wagner
 - (C1) Mtr. Mary Magdalen (GB) Rob & Shawn Gordon
 - (C2) Sr. Mary Bernadette
- 10:00 AM**
 - (S) Alice Johnson (Rosary) Florence Marx
 - (L1) Richard Johnson (M. Server) Hanival Olivo
 - (L2) Kaitlin Johnson (Candle 1) John Woolheater
 - (H) Jack Johnson (Candle 2) David Olivo
 - (C1) Judy Johnston (GB) Mike Irvin Family
 - (C2) Kali Stickney

Job Openings

At Catholic Charities, we work toward stabilizing families in crisis and strengthening families for life. We are currently looking for a **medical billing specialist; 2nd 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 **2nd shift advocate** at Harbor House. Please check out our openings at <http://catholicdioceseofwichita.org/catholic-charities>.



Oblates of St. Benedict

The Oblates of St. Benedict will meet in the Mother Teresa room of the Parish Center on Tuesday, Oct 27th at 7pm. For more info call Pat at 316.775.5663.

Pockets of Prayer



Pockets of Prayer are now being formed around the diocese to connect and surround our community during these challenging times. You can join from the comfort of your own home. Prayer groups can be utilized online by logging on to www.pocketsofprayer.com, or by calling 316.247.8573, or 1.866.846.8842 every Tuesday before 7pm. You are encouraged to set up your own prayer group, date and time, by calling Debbie Workman at 316.847.2757 or Bonnie Toombs at 316.269.3935. For more information, download the instructions located on the website.

Be still and know that I am God.

Psalm 46:10

Spiritual Life Center

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

Surviving the Holidays: Griefshare (Dinner and Discussion) Monday, Nov. 2; 6-9 p.m. All who are currently grieving or who have gone through this program in the past are invited to this special dinner and discussion on dealing with grief during the holidays. The evening will include dinner, discussion, and a short program and workbook on skills to help get through the holidays while grieving the loss of a loved one. Suggested donation \$10

Walking Your Children Back to Church Tuesday, Nov. 3; 7-8:30 p.m. Fr. Ken VanHaverbeke will address the all-too-common concern of how to help a loved one return to the Catholic Faith once he/she has left. He will address this topic with practical advice from the saints and Scripture. \$10

Date Night for Catholic Couples Friday, Nov. 6; 6:15-9 p.m. Dating, engaged, and married couples are invited to enjoy an evening out filled with dinner, socializing, and a spiritual talk from a Diocesan priest or speaker. \$30 per couple

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.

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. Cost of the weekend is \$25. Registration is now open.



8th Annual Book Fair

You are invited to attend the 8th annual Barnes & Noble book fair on Saturday November 14th, hosted at the Bradley Fair location. This book fair benefits Catholic schools facing financial challenges who would not otherwise be able to provide new books for their libraries. Mention you are with the book fair and St. Joseph School will receive a percentage of each sale. The book fair will feature a **Star Wars Storytime** with special guest appearances by Star Wars characters at 10:00 am. Take your picture in the Star Wars photo area! A prize wheel will be open to all children under the age of 13, and they can also register to win a laptop or Thunder tickets. If you cannot attend the event, you can still support the school with an online credit card donation at: <https://2015catholicschoolbookfair.eventbrite.com>. Thanks for helping to make a difference in childhood literacy!