

## Focusing the gospel

On the Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time, Luke's gospel continues the story of the Jesus teaching in the synagogue. The crowd, although "amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth" began to challenge Jesus. He responds that "no prophet is accepted in his own native place" and challenges their assumptions, angering the crowd. When they try to drive him out of town, he passes through their midst.

During the week, the story of David we have been following for the past two weeks will end with his death as we conclude the readings from the Book of Samuel. As the narrative moves to the Book of Kings, David's son Solomon, has succeeded him on the throne and for the next week, the tale of notable leaders of Israel's history continues to unfold.

In Mark's Gospel this week, Jesus continues to heal and teach. A man in the Gerasenes is healed of unclean spirits and wants to stay with Jesus, but Jesus tells the man, "Go home to your family and announce to them all that the Lord in his pity has done for you." The young daughter of a synagogue official is sick and on the way to heal her, as Jesus stood in a crowd, he felt the power go out of him as a woman with a hemorrhage touched his cloak. "Your faith has saved you," he reassures her. To the father he says, "Do not be afraid; just have faith" and heals the daughter. He teaches in the synagogue in his hometown "and they took offense at him." He was not able to perform miracles there, because of their lack of faith. Jesus sends his disciples out to preach and heal, telling them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick. Though the demons know who Jesus is, Herod thinks he is John the Baptist, whom Herod had beheaded. Jesus encourages his busy disciples, "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." But as they tried to get away "and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things."

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



### He Is Waiting. Will You Come?

"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. & 5 a.m.*

*Monday - 1 a.m., 2 a.m. & 1 p.m.*

*Tuesday - 2 a.m., 5 a.m. & Noon*

*Wednesday -*

*Thursday - 1 a.m. & 2 a.m.*

*Friday - 2 a.m., 8 a.m., 6 p.m., 8 p.m. & 9 p.m..*

*Saturday - 1 a.m., 2 a.m. & 6 p.m.*

### Please Remember In Prayer:

Sr. Lucille Kerschen  
Matilda Puetz  
Juanita Mans  
Jim Ridder  
Sue Warren  
Regina Gaytan  
Jeanne Sullivan  
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

Ruth Freund  
Duane Wilson  
Vernie Bloch  
Joan Kandt  
Jim Flanigan  
Peggy Bowan  
Marcy Limon  
Robert Range  
Doug Howell  
Betty Sherlock  
Beverly Rancuret  
Dorothy Dotterer  
Jane Bell  
+Katy Carney

### Parish Art & Environment Committee

Ann Blick, coordinator of the Parish Art and Environment Committee, is having the group's first meeting at her house Tues, Feb 2 at 7pm. Anyone interested in serving on this new committee is asked to call her at 772-2884 for more info.

### Weekly Readings

Mon. 2/01: 2Sm 15:13-16:13, Ps 3:2-7, Mk 5:1-20  
 Tues. 2/02: Mal 3:1-4, Ps 24:7-10, Heb 2:14-18, Lk 2:22-40  
 Wed. 2/03: 2Sm 24:2-17, Ps 32:1-7, Mk 6:1-6  
 Thur. 2/04 1Kgs 2:1-12, 1Chr 29:10-12, Mk 6:7-13  
 Fri. 2/05: Sir 47:2-11, Ps 18:31-51, Mk 6:14-29  
 Sat. 2/06: 1Kgs 3:4-13, Ps 119:9-14, Mk 6:30-34  
 Sun. 2/07: Is 6:1-8, Ps 138:1-8, 1Cor 15:1-11, Lk 5:1-11

### Holy Mass Schedule & Intentions

Monday, February 1  
 8:15 a.m. Mass +Wilma DeHay

Tuesday, February 2  
 The Presentation of the Lord  
 6:00 p.m. Mass S.I. Marcella LeFevre

Wednesday, February 3  
*Saint Blaise*  
 8:15 a.m. Mass +Mary Nguyen

Thursday, February 4  
 8:15 a.m. Mass +Tom Darland

Friday, February 5  
 Saint Agatha  
 8:15 a.m. Mass S.I. St. Joseph School  
 Teachers & Staff  
 6:00 p.m. First Friday Mass +Winnie Love Simon

Saturday, February 6  
 Saint Paul Miki & Companions  
 8:15 a.m. Mass S.I. Respect Life  
 4:00 p.m. Mass +Lorene Bernhardt

Sunday, February 7  
 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 8:15 a.m. Mass +Virginia Schreffler  
 10:00 a.m. Mass S.I. People of St. Joseph

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

Weekly Collection 1/24/2016	\$11,482.54
Weekly tithe amount needed	\$12,960.77
Surplus or (Deficit) YTD	(\$6.48)

The greatest of these is love! We are often unprepared or unwilling to listen to the Word of God. The prophet Jeremiah was unpopular, especially to the rulers of his day. His message to the people of Israel exhorted them to turn away from things of the world and to seek Heaven and the protection of the Lord. Jesus' words of salvation were not accepted by the people of his hometown. St. Paul brings us back to the main characteristic of God the Father, love. With love we can weigh the words of prophets, accept their truth and make them our own. May we follow Christ with conviction and spread his love throughout the world.

### Parish Dinner News

**Save the date! March 13th is the 56th Annual Parish Dinner! Many volunteers are needed to make this a successful event. Please email Susan at [saintjosephwichita@gmail.com](mailto:saintjosephwichita@gmail.com) if you already know where you want to volunteer this year.**

#### Cakes for Cake Booth, Pies for Dinner:

One great way to help is to make extra cakes for the Cake Booth and/or pies for the Dinner. Every family is asked to provide two cakes for the cake booth and one pie for the dinner. But since not everyone is a baker, we need some families to make extra. If you would like to help in this way, please call or email the Parish Office *OR* fill out a volunteer card and place it in the collection basket.

**Let's make this the BEST Parish Dinner ever!!!**

### Ministry Schedule Feb 6th & 7th

**4:00 PM**  
 (S) Mike McDaneld (Rosary) Jo Ann Morton  
 (L1) Jeff Dyer (M. Server) Jacob Stickney  
 (L2) Linda Bolster (Candle 1) Jeremiah Epps  
 (H) Beth Patterson (Candle 2) Jacob Villa  
 (C1) Marvin Patterson (GB) Vredenburg Family  
 (C2) Jennifer Martin

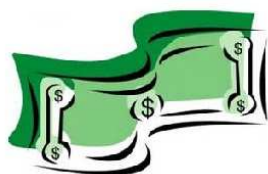
**8:15 AM**  
 (S) Charlie Deitchler (Rosary) Alice Mertens  
 (L1) Marie O'Neal (M. Server) Minnie Schreffler  
 (L2) Barbara Wattman (Candle 1) Thomas Kucera  
 (H) Judy Shideler (Candle 2) Nick Wagner  
 (C1) Gabby Shideler (GB) Leroy & Regina Orth  
 (C2) Bill Babich

**10:00 AM**  
 (S) Donna Riddel (Rosary) Florence Marx  
 (L1) Greg Sanders (M. Server) Hanival Olivo  
 (L2) Janet Walsh (Candle 1) John Woolheater  
 (H) Cheryl Gulick (Candle 2) David Olivo  
 (C1) Doug Sublett (GB) Greg Sanders Family  
 (C2) Kristen Allen

### 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*



## Financial Classes

Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University will be offered at St Patrick Church

(in the School Cafeteria), 2007 N Arkansas, Wichita, KS 67203. Classes will be held Mondays 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m., February 22nd - April 25th. There will be a scheduled break on March 14th to coincide with Spring Break. The course is \$93 per family (This is a LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP to FPU!) and teenagers are encouraged to attend. Child care is also included for infants on up! It is easy to get enrolled through this link:

[www.daveramsey.com/fpu/locations/class1010828](http://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/locations/class1010828).

If you have questions, please contact Danielle Evancho at 316-706-7263.

## Spiritual Casserole Club

A spiritual support group for Catholic adult family members of persons with mental illness will begin in February. "The Spiritual Casserole Club" will meet every other week beginning Wednesday, Feb 3, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the chapel of the Chancery located at 424 North Broadway. A prayer service format will be used. Participants will join for song, Scripture reading, homily, reflection and prayer intentions. A facilitator and a priest will be present each evening. Anonymity and confidentiality will be highly valued! There is no cost and no registration to attend. For more information, please contact the Ministry with Persons with Disabilities at 269.3900 or email [racunast@CatholicDioceseOfWichita.org](mailto:racunast@CatholicDioceseOfWichita.org).

*Be still and know that I am God.*

*Psalms 46:10*

## Spiritual Life Center

**KidsPrayToo! Mass with Children** Friday, Feb. 5; 11:15 a.m. This special celebration of our Daily Mass at the Center especially welcomes little children and their caregivers. Feel free to pack a lunch to enjoy in our dining room afterwards.

**Ash Wednesday Day of Reflection: The Three Movements of the Spiritual Life** Wednesday, Feb. 10; 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Begin your Lenten Journey in this Year of Mercy with a day long retreat on the spiritual life! The day of reflection will be based on Fr. Henri J.M. Nouwen's book "Reaching Out: The Three Movements of the Spiritual Life." There is time for prayer, group discussion, confessions, Mass and lunch. \$20

**Brown Baggin' It with Jesus** Fridays of Lent. 12:10-12:50 p.m. Enjoy your Lenten Friday lunch hours at the SLC learning more about the Catholic Faith. Pack a lunch or call ahead of time to reserve one when available. No charge unless you reserve a lunch.

**Outdoor Stations of the Cross** Fridays of Lent. 3:30 p.m. Meet in the foyer at 3:15 p.m. and process out to our lovely Outdoor Stations for this wonderful Lenten Devotion.

**A Retreat in Bethany** Each weekend of Lent. Space limited. Join Fr. Ken VanHaverbeke for a Lenten weekend retreat based on the lives of Martha, Mary and Lazarus and their relationship with Jesus. Regular Retreat Pricing applies. Those who attend one of these retreats receive a discount on our annual Palm Sunday Retreat!

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