

Focusing the gospel

On the First Sunday of Lent, as we begin our Lenten journey, we recall in the reading from the book of Deuteronomy how God was faithful to Israel, leading them out of Egypt to a land of “milk and honey.” Luke's gospel gives us the temptation of Jesus when he was “led by the Spirit” into the desert. Jesus resists the devil. “You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test.”

After last week's first four days, the next three weeks of Lent represent a period of instruction, originally designed for the Catechumens (those preparing for Baptism at the Easter Vigil). We can read these readings as a catechism of renewal for us all.

The first weekday reading of week one is the great giving of the Commandments: “Be holy, for I, the LORD, your God, am holy.” Jesus gives the great parable about the last judgment - separating the charitable from the uncharitable: “whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.” Then, Jesus teaches his disciples to pray. He says that it is an evil generation that looks for “signs.” He is the sign - a call to repentance. On the day we hear the desperate but faith-filled prayer of Esther, Jesus tells us to pray confidently. And he sums up the whole law and the prophets for us: “Do to others whatever you would have them do to you.” Jesus says our holiness has to go beyond the letter-of-the-law holiness; it must touch our anger, our judgments of others, and be reconciled with those we've wronged. The holiness Jesus proposes for us calls us to love our enemies, even to pray for those who persecute us. We are called to love the way God does.

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. & 5 p.m.

Tuesday - 2 a.m.

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.

Thank you, thank you!!

St. Joseph Men's Group wishes to thank all of the volunteers who helped make our Bingo Night successful. Special thanks to Larry & Shirley Ricke. The next bingo will be in April and the tentative menu includes Chicago Hot Dogs, Southern Texas Pulled Pork, Five Star Home-made Sloppy Joes and Queso Cheese Dip.

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
Beverly Rancuret
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
Marc Limon
Robert Range
Doug Howell
Betty Sherlock
Dorothy Dotterer
Jane Bell
Rick Bell
Betty Monroe
+Katy Carney
+Cheryl Burke Julian



Weekly Readings

Mon. 2/15: Lv 19:1-18, Ps 19:8-15, Mt 25:31-46
 Tues. 2/16: Is 55:10-11, Ps 34:4-19, Mt 6:7-15
 Wed. 2/17: Jon 3:1-10, Ps 51:3-19, Lk 11:29-32
 Thur. 2/18 Est C:12-25, Ps 138:1-8, Mt 7:7-12
 Fri. 2/19: Ez 18:21-28, Ps 130:1-8, Mt 5:20-26
 Sat. 2/20: Dt 26:16-19, Ps 119:1-8, Mt 5:43-48
 Sun. 2/21: Gn 15:5-18, Ps 27:1-14, Phil 3:17-4:1, Lk 9:28-36

Holy Mass Schedule & Intentions

Monday, February 15
 8:15 a.m. Mass +Paul Shideler

Tuesday, February 16
 6:00 p.m. Mass +Fr.Ulick Walch

Wednesday, February 17
The Seven Holy Founders of the Service Order
 8:15 a.m. Mass +Bea Gerstenkorn &
 + Andrew Gerstenkorn

Thursday, February 18
 8:15 a.m. Mass +Tom Darland

Friday, February 19
 8:15 a.m. Mass +Louis Sittler

Saturday, February 20
 8:15 a.m. Mass +Vera Schirf
 4:00 p.m. Mass S.I. Marlin & Martha Raybourn

Sunday, February 21
 Second Sunday of Lent
 8:15 a.m. Mass S.I. People of St. Joseph
 10:00 a.m. Mass +Dorothy Schulte

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

Weekly Collection 2/07/2016	\$17,615.93
Weekly tithe amount needed	\$12,960.77
Surplus or (Deficit) YTD	\$4,283.93

What does scripture say? During Lent we contemplate the mystery of salvation and the sacrifice of our Lord Jesus that opened the gates of Heaven for us. To prepare our hearts and strengthen our desire to become disciples of Christ, scripture tells us to pray, fast and give alms. Prayer helps us to rely on God rather than our own efforts. Giving alms helps us learn to love our neighbor as our self. Fasting enables us to temper the desires of our flesh. In these practices we follow Christ's example, as disciples, and share the Good News in the world. May God our Father call us in Jesus' name to serve in the Kingdom.

Ministry Schedule Feb 20th & 21st

4:00 PM
 (S) Mike McDanel (Rosary) Mike Irvin
 (L1) Katie Gruver (M. Server) Jeremiah Epps
 (L2) JoAnn Morton (Candle 1) Jacob Villa
 (H) Johnnie Bell (Candle 2) Zach Stickney
 (C1) Linda Bolster (GB) Rita Corby
 (C2) John Bolster

8:15 AM
 (S) Charlie Deitchler (Rosary) Alice Mertens
 (L1) Michael Morch (M. Server) Dylan Morch
 (L2) Bill Babich (Candle 1) Grace Boman
 (H) Tom Voboril (Candle 2) Minnie Schreffler
 (C1) Sr. Nancy Jane Kuntz (GB) Carol Fowler
 (C2) Charlie Deitchler

10:00 AM
 (S) Alice Johnson (Rosary) Florence Marx
 (L1) Jacob Schnoor (M. Server) Abby Dresher
 (L2) Jordon Schnoor (Candle 1) Lauren Busch
 (H) John Cooke (Candle 2) Michael O'Neal
 (C1) Donna Riddel (GB) Andrew & Ann Blick Family
 (C2) Shirley Ricke

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 if you already know where you want to volunteer this year.



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.

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	

St. Joe Ost German Supper

St. Joe Ost will hold their annual, all-you-can-eat German Dinner on Sunday, March 6th from 12:00 - 6:00. Drive through will be available from 3:00 - 5:00 pm. Please join us for our famous fresh bierocks, rope sausage, galusky, and more! The dinner will be located in the St. Joseph Catholic School, Ost Gymnasium, 12917 E. Maple Grove Road, 2 miles North of 21st Street on 343rd Street West. Adult admission is \$10, Age 4-10 admission is \$5, Ages 3-0 free. There will also be a Basket Raffle at 6:00. For more information, email Kristen at kjseiwert@gmail.com.

Christ the King Soldiers Track

2016 Track & Field parent informational meeting & athlete sign up will be held on Monday, February 29 at 4:30pm in the Christ the King-school cafeteria. Students grades 6th-8th are eligible to participate. Current physical & concussion form and student athlete pledge must be on file by first day of practice.



Financial Classes

Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University will be held at St Patrick Church, 2007 N Arkansas, Wichita, KS. Classes will be Mondays 7 p.m.- 8:30 p.m., Feb 22nd - April 25th. There will be a 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 included! Get enrolled at this link: www.daveramsey.com/fpu/locations/class1010828. If you have questions, please contact Danielle Evancho at 316-706-7263.

Boy Scout Annual Supper

Boy Scout Troop 420 will host its 35th Annual Soup Supper from 4-7 pm Sat, Feb 27 at St. Jude School Activity Center, 3130 N Amidon. The dinner will feature all you can eat ham and bean or vegetable beef soup, corn bread, drink & dessert. Tickets are \$6 adults, \$3 children 3-9. Carryout is available.

Be still and know that I am God.

Psalms 46:10

Spiritual Life Center

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!

Docentium: The Quo Vadis Legend Thursday, Feb. 18; 6:30-8:30 p.m. Kale Kroupa presents this month's edition of Docentium - a program weaving Catholicism and culture together. Join us for an evening of food, friendship, and learning. Doors open at 6 p.m. and food is served at 6:30 p.m. followed by a conference.

Lenten Series: Holy Week (3 Weeks) Tuesdays beginning Feb. 23; 7-8:30 p.m. Join us for a 3 part series on the events of Holy week, based in part on Pope Benedict XVI's book "Jesus of Nazareth." \$30

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



Roots of Life

Easter Season Memorial Plants

This year Ann Blick and the Art and Environment Committee, offers you the opportunity to purchase Memorial Easter lilies and other assorted spring plants to decorate the Church for the Easter Season. Those who choose to purchase a memorial plant will receive a customized memorial card designed with a loved one's name that will be placed in the plant. The plants will decorate the altar area for the Easter Season and when Easter is over, the owner of the plant may take it home along with the memorial card. There will be a table set up in the back of the Church after each Mass on the third and fourth weekends in February and the first weekend in March with information on the plants, an example of the memorial card and options for placing a plant order. All plants will be \$25. Parishioners may also call Ann Blick before March 6th at 316.722.2884 to purchase a plant.

Taste of Spring Breakfast

St. John's Clonmel is hosting their 21st Annual "Taste of Spring" Breakfast on Sunday, February 28, 2016 from 8:00 till noon. The menu consists of ham, scrambled eggs, fresh fruit, homemade breads and rolls. Coffee and juice are served as well. For ages 11 and over: \$8.00, ages 4-10: \$6.00, ages 3 and under: free, family rate of \$40.00. Raffle drawing at noon (need not be present to win). Sponsored by St. John's Altar Society, Clonmel Kansas, K-42 and 71st ST S. We hope you can join us for breakfast!

Cantor Workshop

NPM Wichita (National Pastoral Musicians of Wichita) is hosting a Cantor Workshop on February 28, 2016, 2-4 pm at the Church of the Magdalen, Wichita. Information and registration at npmwichita.org or contact Sr. Nylas Moser at mosem@adorers.org, or at 316.942.2201 xt 1417.

Christ the King Quilt Bingo

Christ the King Parish's Annual Quilt Party is Sunday, March 6, 4501 W. Maple. Prizes include 22 handmade quilts, crocheted items, quilt rack, and more! Doors open & food served at 11:30 a.m., auction & bingo games begin at 1 p.m. Hope to see you there!

Maintenance Supervisor Position

The Spiritual Life Center is seeking an exceptional individual to serve as our full time Maintenance Supervisor. The role of Maintenance Supervisor is to support the Director and Operations Manager by supervising the Maintenance and Housekeeping departments and staff. Responsible for overseeing event set up and performing preventative maintenance and repair of various facility systems including electrical, plumbing, HVAC, carpentry, painting, locksmithing, fire alarm, and sprinkler systems. Position will include hands on day to day maintenance. Essential characteristics include excellent communication skills and mechanical aptitude.

Position Requirements:

- Work full time and be on-call for emergencies
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Create and supervise to a fiscal year budget
- Coordinate with third party contractors
- Work independently and within a team environment
- Prefer practicing Catholic active in the Stewardship

Please send resumes to Kelly McCague at 7100 E 45th N. Wichita KS 67226, or kmccague@slcwichita.org . Deadline Feb 12th.