

August 27, 2017- Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
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Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat. 4:00pm Ellinwood, Sun., 8:00am Claflin, and by appointment.

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Mon. St. Augustine (8/28)
Mass 10:15am Wdhvn [E] +Rheinard Schwartz

Tues. The Passion of St. John the Baptist (8/29)
Mass 8:15am [C] +Maurice Dohrman

Wed. Weekday (8/30)
Mass 8:15am [E] Sp. Int.

Thurs. Weekday (8/31)
Mass 8:15am [C] +Ann Oberle

Fri., Weekday (9/1)
Mass 8:15am [E] +D of I
Mass 10:00am [C] +Katherine Demel

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (9/2)
Mass 5:00pm [E] +The John Schartz Family

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (9/3)
Mass 8:00am [O] +Norbert Prosser
Mass 8:30am [C] +Ann Bahr
Mass 10:30am [E] Parish Cluster

“Or who has given the Lord anything that he may be repaid?” - ROMANS 11:35

St. Paul reminds us of a central fact of stewardship. We cannot **give** the Lord anything, because God already owns it all. God made everything. All that we can do is **return** a portion of God’s many gifts back to Him. Sincere gratitude for our gifts opens our hearts to joyful generosity!

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY, SEPT. 3
Jer 20:7-9, Rom 12:1-2, Mt 16:21-27

Vocation View: Who do you say that Jesus is? Can you proclaim with Peter, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God?” Pray for the grace to act on your belief. (Matthew 16:13-20). If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Wesley Schawe at 620-227-1533 or vocations@dcdioocese.org.

Ministers - St. Joseph

Weekday Servers: Week of Aug. 27 - Karson Harrington, Emma Nienke

Sept. 2 & 3	5:00pm Sat.	10:30am Sun.
Lector 1	Derek Joiner	John Sturn
Lector 2	Catherine Strecker	Linda Sobba

EM	Millie Menges	Marcella Birzer
	Sharon Gatton	Mel Waite
	Jason Schlochtermeier	Curtis Wolf
	Melanie Zink	Kirk Bressler
	Rosie Joiner	Ed Schlochtermeier

Accomp/Cantor

Servers Caylee & Caden Rowan Cody Zink, Kyler Doll

Sacristan Larry Drees Rosemary Robl

Greeters Sept. 2: Yvonne Strecker, Paul Huschka, Louie & Joni Pivonka
Greeters Sept. 3: David & Karla Gonzales, John & Marlene Clayton, Tony & Cheryl Klepper

Ministers - Immaculate Conception

Sunday, Sept. 3, 2017 - 8:30am

Lectors: Laura Schlesiger, Darah Harrison
EM: Laurie Feist, Carmen Johnson, Rita Stueder, Jim Oberle, Doris Feist
Gift Bearers: Toby & Sheri Holmes Family
Greeters: Pete, Leon & Judy Oberle
Servers: Paxton Dody, Brianna Hicel
Sacristan: Joan Miller

Weekday Mass Schedule

08/29/17 Lector: Jane Steinert, EM: Kathy Krier, Bill Thomas
08/31/17 Lector: Kathy Krier, EM: Joan Miller, Jim Oberle
09/01/17 Lector: Jane Steinert, EM: Kathy Krier, Jim Oberle

Ministers - Holy Family

Sunday, September 3, 2017 - 8:00am

Lector: Gerald Staudinger
EM: Chrys Lamatsch, Rosalie Kinzel, JR Beran
Greeters: Bill Klug, Dale Klug
Gifts: Edgar & Sue Jacobs
Servers: Hannah Beran, Rachel Lamatsch
Sacristan: Kim Hekele

**DON'T FORGET TO PURCHASE
YOUR SCRIP.**

**REMEMBER TO REGISTER YOUR
DILLONS PLUS CARD AND**

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Church Support

Weekend Collection \$8,999.50

Envelopes \$8,230.50 Offertory \$103.00

Assumption \$666.00

VOCATION CRUCIFIX PROGRAM - This week **John & Marlene Clayton** will have the crucifix. Thanks to **Jerome & Eileen Huslig** for having the crucifix last week and praying for vocations. **Next week September 3: Karen Kramp.**

PETITION SCHEDULE weekend of September 3rd: Charlie Joslin.

ALTAR SOCIETY - There will be an Altar Society meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 5th, at 7 pm in the Parish Center. Refreshments will be served and an agenda will be e-mailed soon.

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN for high school youth group (PSR)! We will have a back-to-school meeting for parents and a game night for students this Wednesday, August 30, at 7:00 p.m, at Gather. Please contact Sean O'Neill if you have any questions or if you cannot make it at seanogorilla@gmail.com or at 620.797.1280.

LOTTO ST. JOE winner of the \$50 weekly drawing for August 25th is Chris Stuhlsatz. All tickets are re-entered, so one can win multiple times. All proceeds go directly to the support of St. Joseph School.

WE ARE IN NEED of Saint Joseph School photos, especially before 1980. If you have old photos, would you let us borrow them to scan them? We'll get them back to you promptly.

WE ALL LOVE TO HEAR Marla Habiger play in church the old religious songs. Marla will be making a CD of old religious songs and then it will be sold with the proceeds going to St. Joseph School. Marla wants to know what you want to hear. Do you have a favorite song that you would like to be on the CD? If so, contact Angie Hammeke at 564-2290 or 620-617-0874. The committee will consider your request.

90TH BIRTHDAY - Bernice (Moos) Petz will celebrate her 90th birthday on Monday, August 28th. Please help Bernice enjoy her birthday by joining in with others who will shower her with cards of well wishes for this special day. Cards and notes of congratulations may be sent to Bernice at 615 ½ N. Main St., #11, Ellinwood, KS 67526.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH clothing ministry is open from 10am - 2pm the last Saturday of month for Ellinwood residents to come and receive free clothing and small household items. If you have something you would like to donate, please contact Karen Bookout at 620-282-0359.

PARISH CLUSTER NOTES

NEW TO THE PARISH CLUSTER? Welcome to St. Joseph Parish, Ellinwood, Immaculate Conception Parish, Claflin and Holy Family Parish, Odin we are pleased to have you join us in worship. If you would like to join one of the parishes, please register online by going to our website, www.StJosephEllinwood.com, www.IccClaflin.com, www.HolyFamilyOdin.com or you may stop by the parish office 109 W 3rd Street in Ellinwood and register. Welcome and God Bless!

MASS INTENTIONS - Often we have more Mass intentions than can be said in a reasonable amount of time, especially as so many parishioners want an intention offered relatively quickly and on a specific date. We do what we can to comply with this.

When we have a large number of intentions for the same person, we send some of these to retired priests, Fr. Chuck, and Fr. Jim Baker. Canon law requires that we not accumulate too many Masses. Of course, some of these we keep so that they can be said in the home parish.

Currently, we could use Mass intentions in all three parishes of the cluster. We are lower than normal.

SEED WHEAT BLESSING - Seed Wheat will be blessed the weekend of September 9 & 10 at all three parishes. A table for the wheat will be in the sanctuary for all the Masses that weekend. If you wish to have your seed wheat blessed, please place your container on the table before Mass.

THEOLOGY ON TAP is Saturday, September 2nd, at 7:00pm. Topic: How to get more out of Mass. Is that the question?

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN - Anyone who will be working with children in our parish cluster is required to attend a PGC session. A session will be held in Hoisington, Wednesday, September 13th from 6:00-9:00pm at St. John the Evangelist Church, 122 E 5th St. Contact Pam Willis at 620-797-1825 to register. PGC Facilitator: Donna Staab. For a schedule of all sessions being held go to <https://www.dcdiocese.org/safe-environment>.

ACTS, a three day/three-night Catholic lay retreat will be held at the Heartland Center for Spirituality, 3600 Broadway, Great Bend. The women's retreat will be held September 7-10th, 2017 and the men's retreat will be November 16-19, 2017. Talks and activities during the retreat focus on Adoration, Community, Theology and Service, from which the ACTS acronym is derived. Cost is \$175 per person, which includes all meals and accommodations for the three-day weekend. Deadline for registration and payment for the women's retreat is September 1st and for the men's retreat, November 10th. Registration forms are available at <http://greatbendcatholic.com>.

BENEFIT DINNER for Tom Hickel who has Stage 4 Prostate Cancer will be held at Immaculate Conception Parish Center, Saturday, September 2nd beginning at 5:00pm. Free will donation Hog Feed, Beer Garden, Gun Raffle and Silent Auction. All proceeds go towards medical expenses of the family. For additional information, or if you wish to make a donation, please contact Sheryl Hickel at 620-791-8851 or Lois Krier at 620-792-9922.

EVERYONE IS INVITED to the Hoisington K of C Hall for lunch on Labor Day. We will be serving hamburgers, hot dogs, Sloppy Joes, chips, pies and drinks from 10:00am to 3:00pm. Enjoy the food and visit in air conditioned comfort while supporting the Knights.

SAVE THE DATE for the Claflin Altar Society's Fall Luncheon and Raffle on Sunday, September 24th at 11:00 am.

FARM TO TABLE DINNER FUNDRAISER Saturday, September 16th, 5:-8pm at Heartland Farm, 1049 CR 390, Pawnee Rock. Tickets are \$40 per person or \$280 for a table of 8 and can be purchase at the Great Bend Chamber of Commerce. Join us for dinner, art, music and more at our annual Farm to Table Fundraiser! For more information call Heartland Farm at 620-923-4585 or email hfarm@gbta.net.

MOVIES WITH A MESSAGE, Tuesday, August 29, Restless Heart, will be showing at the Heartland Center for Spirituality. This film uses a historic backdrop to tell the true story of one of the Church's most beloved and well-known Saints, St. Augustine. With Augustine, the stories of two other great saints, Monica and Ambrose, are also portrayed. The movie begins at 6:15pm in the Auditorium of the Motherhouse of the Dominican Sisters of Peace. A free will offering will be accepted to offset the cost of refreshments.

PRINCE OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH, GREAT BEND will sponsor a bus trip to the March for Life in Washington, D.C., Jan. 17-21, 2018. The trip includes bus fare, hotel for two nights, Mass, the March For Life, National Shrine of the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, sightseeing, and the Life is VERY Good Rally; www.arlingtondiocese.org/youth/lifeisverygood.aspx. Cost of the trip is \$375 per person. There is a \$50 nonrefundable reservation fee, due at time of registration by Oct. 2, with final payment due Dec. 11. For more information contact Jaclyn Brown, Director of Youth and Adult Ministries, @ 620.792.1396 or youth@gbpeace.kscoxmail.com.

MERCY IN MOTION with Brian Patrick, host of Morning Glory, Saturday, September 9th from 6-9pm at Little Theater of Holy Family Elementary, Hays, Kansas. Tickets are \$50 (include hors d'oeuvres, dinner, wine & beer) and can be purchased at Divine Mercy Radio 108 E 12th St., Ste #1, Hays, Kansas or online at dvmercy.com - click on the event tab.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREATS Healing the pain of abortion one weekend at a time. The next retreat will be held September 29, 30, October 1. For more information, call 1-877-447-4383 or email rachelsvineyard@salinadiocese.org. All inquiries are confidential. Healing and grace are awaiting you a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

<p>Church Support Weekend Collection: \$1,868.00 Envelopes \$1,660.00 Offertory \$208.00 Candles \$65.25 PSR Fees \$10.00</p>

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - In today's readings, St. Paul reminds the Romans – and us – that all things come from God: "For from Him and through Him and for Him all things are." Good stewards understand that all is gift and share generously the gifts of time, talent, and treasure with which they've

been blessed.

ADORATION will be held Wednesday, September 6th from 9:00am to 7:00pm.

ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING - There will be an Altar Society meeting on Sunday, August 27th after the 8:30 Mass. Refreshments will be served.

ALTAR SOCIETY MEMBERS - The raffle tickets, work schedule and items to bring to the Fall Luncheon are in the back of the church, Each member has an envelope with their name on it. Please pick up your envelope. Thank you.

JOB OPPORTUNITY! Due to a recent resignation, we are now in need of a money counter. If you could give us just a little of your time once a month following Mass, on the 2nd Sunday of each month, please let Steve know. The starting date would be Sunday, September 10.

A BIG THANK YOU from the church on behalf of the PSR students, to Leon Oberle, who fixed the broken table in one of the basement classrooms. Your handiwork and volunteerism to your church is sincerely appreciated.

CAREPORTAL UPDATE - A booster seat was delivered for a 6 year old boy and school supplies were given to the Great Bend St. Francis office for 12+ Barton County children. A social worker expressed gratitude for the donations and said to thank the ICC congregation for their continued generous support of children in the foster care system. Thank you to those who have donated items and funds to the ICC CarePortal!

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

<p>Church Support Weekend Collection: \$874.00 Envelopes \$748.00 Offertory \$126.00 Candles \$88.00 Assumption \$234.00</p>
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WE ARE IN NEED of one or more Sacristans. As you know, Kim Hekele has happily and dutifully served the Parish in this capacity. Kim will be continuing to serve, but because no one can guarantee that they will be available for every Mass, it's not good planning on our part not to have a backup or several backups, that can not only serve when Kim might be ill, or on vacation, but to simply give Kim an opportunity to be just a regular attendee on occasion. Kim would train any new volunteers and determine the schedule, so please see her to volunteer for this integral part of our Mass. Please do our Parish proud by helping to relieve the pressure and commitment on Kim, as well as Holy Family's current exposure to having no one to back her up. Thank you.

ODIN K OF C MEETING, Monday, August 28th, 7:30pm at the K of C Club Room.