

# January 7, 2018 - The Epiphany of the Lord

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**Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat. 4:00pm Ellinwood, Sun., 8:00am Claflin, 7:30am Odin & by appointment.**

### INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

**The Baptism of the Lord (1/8)**  
**Mass 10:15am Wdhvn - Poor Souls**

**Tues. Weekday (1/9)**  
**Mass 8:15am [C] +Gerry Schartz**

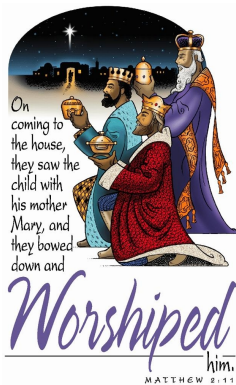
**Wed. Weekday (1/10)**  
**Mass 8:15am [E] +Milton & Bertha Achatz**

**Thurs. Weekday (1/11)**  
**Mass 8:15am [C] +Ann Oberle**

**Fri., Weekday (1/12)**  
**Mass 8:15am [E] +Ashley Reichuber**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sun. Ord. Time (1/13)**  
**Mass 5:00pm [E] +Duane Billinger**

**SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (1/14)**  
**Mass 8:00am [O] Living & Dec. Mem. of Odin K of C**  
**Mass 8:30am [C] +Larry Haxton**  
**Mass 10:30am [E] Parish Cluster**



*"..they fell down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh..." - MATTHEW 2:11*

Notice the order of events in the Magi's visit. First, they knelt before Jesus and prayed to Him. Then they presented Him with their gifts. We, too, must take time to pray before we present our gifts to the Lord. We never know what God may be asking us to share!

**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY, JAN 14**  
 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19, 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20, Jn 1:35-42

**Vocation View:** God's glory continues to shine in our world. Where do you need to carry the light of Christ? Consider being a light for the world as a Church minister. (Is. 60:1-6) If you think God is calling you to priesthood or to consecrated life, visit our website at [www.dcdioocese.org/vocations](http://www.dcdioocese.org/vocations).

### Ministers - St. Joseph

Weekday Servers: Week of Jan. 7- Caylee Rowan, Haley Rugan

<u>Jan. 13 &amp; 14</u>	<u>5:00pm Sat.</u>	<u>10:30am Sun.</u>
Lector 1 Lector 2	Jerome Huslig Charlie Joslin	Dennis Habiger Mary Waite
EM	Millie Menges Lori Billinger Curtis Wolf John Clayton Jean Klepper	Ed Schlochtermeier Mel Waite Rick Thomas Lori Thomas Lori Hammeke
Accomp/Cantor	Leon/Cheri Doll Debra Brockel	Leon/Haley Troyer, Sarah & Erin Hammeke
Servers	Drew Heinz Colby Heinz	Haley Troyer Kiley Troyer
Sacristan	Karen Kramp	JoAnn Roth

Greeters Jan. 13: Glen & Kathy Hertel, Josh Komarek, Jamie Komarek, Connie Potts, Colton Potts  
 Greeters Jan. 14: Monte & Robin Doll Family, Tom & Jelene Snell

### Ministers - Immaculate Conception

**Sunday, January 14, 2018 - 8:30am**  
 Lectors: Lori Koester, Richard Rugan  
 EM: Toby Holems, Sheri Holmes, Cindy Stueder, Rita Stueder, Dawnya Hickel  
 Gift Bearers: John & Laura Schlessiger Family  
 Greeters: Leon & Judy Oberle  
 Servers: Tagen Davis, Tyler Holmes  
 Sacristan: Dee Krier

### Weekday Mass Schedule

1/9/2018 Lector: Nancy Schartz EM: Jim Oberle, Carla Liebl  
 1/11/2018 Lector: Jane Steinert EM: Bill Thomas, Joan Miller

### Ministers - Holy Family

**Sunday, January 14, 2018- 8:00am**  
 Lector: Brian Hoffman  
 EM: Lucille Kaiser, Jim Debes, Francis Debes  
 Greeters: Ron Kaiser, Bill Klug  
 Gifts: Knights of Columbus  
 Servers: Kylie Lamatsch, Rachel Lamatsch

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

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

## ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

### Church Support

**Weekend Collection \$10,135.75**

Envelopes \$9,604.00      Offertory \$336.75

Solemnity of Mary \$1,393.33

**PETITION SCHEDULE**, Weekend of January 14<sup>th</sup>: Kent Robl.

**FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING**, Monday, January 15, 7:00pm at the parish office.

**D OF I** will meet Monday, Jan 8th at 7:00 pm in the St. Patrick Parish Center. Hostesses are Lorita Berens and Marilyn Petty.

**THANK YOU** to all who donated baby items or cash to Birthright during the month of December. It is very much appreciated.

**DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY** the Knights of Columbus will be having their annual bottles for babies campaign. We will be handing out baby bottles at weekend Masses for you to fill with change, bills or a check and then return to us. The proceeds from this are donated to pro life causes, we generally donate this to Birthright of Great Bend and Catholic Charities in Great Bend.

**THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** will be having their annual soup sampler, Sunday January 28th. Any Knight willing to make and donate a roaster of soup can call Mel Waite at 620-617-3291.

**OUR SUPPLY OF PYXES**, the small containers used to bring communion to the sick and homebound, is very low, especially of the smaller pyxes. If you happen to have one with you at home, could you please return it to the sacristy in the gathering area.

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS** Bob Robins who passed away and was buried from here. May he rest in peace! May his family find consolation.

### PARISH CLUSTER NOTES

**THANK YOU** - I try to write personal thank you notes for all of those who are so very kind to me at Christmas. But sometimes items come anonymously, or I miss one. Please know that I am very grateful to all of you for your gifts. I can't imagine a better assignment than the one, which I have. And don't forget, please, to pray for your pastor in the new year. Fr. Terrance Klein

**PLEASE REMEMBER** if you or a family member has an emergency, or is admitted to the hospital, please call Fr. Klein at 620-564-2534.

**A NEW YEAR OF THEOLOGY ON TAP** begins January 6th, at 7:00 pm in the Wolf Hotel Saloon. "Everything you ever wanted to know about what the Church teaches on sexuality, which you can ask in an hour."

**LOTTO ST. JOE 2018** winner of the weekly drawing for January 5<sup>th</sup> is Frances Robinson. All tickets are re-entered, so one can win multiple times. All proceeds go directly to the support of St. Joseph School.

**THERE WILL BE A MEETING** at the ICC Parish Center on Wednesday, January 10th at 8:00 p.m. for current ICC and Holy Family 7-10th grade students who are interested in attending NCYC 2019. The National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) is an exciting biannual four-day experience of prayer, community, and empowerment for Catholic teenagers (9-12th grade) and their adult chaperones. If you are planning to attend NCYC in 2019 please attend the meeting with a parent or guardian. If you aren't sure and would like to learn more about NCYC, this would be a great time to hear from both students and chaperones who have attended in the past!

**D OF I SOUP SAMPLER SUPPER** Sunday, January 21, 2018 at St. Patrick Parish Center, 4100 Broadway Ave, Great Bend 4:30-5:30pm. Cost is \$7 per person which includes drink and dessert, children under 5 eat free. There will be several varieties of soup to sample! Everyone is invited!

**COMMUNITY SOUP SUPPER** will be held Thursday, January 25, 2018, 5-7pm at the St. Joseph Parish Center. A free will offering will be received at the 32<sup>nd</sup> annual event. Proceeds will go into the Emergency Assistance Fund administered by the Ellinwood Area Churches. Plan now to support this effort!

**SENIOR FOOD BANK PROGRAM TO BEGIN IN BARTON COUNTY** - The Kansas Food Bank with local partners from Food Bank of Barton County, Barton County Health Department, RSVP, Hoisington Food Bank, St. Rose Health Center, Untied Way, Eldercare Inc., and Central Kansas Partnership are introducing a USDA food program to help provide monthly food boxes to low income seniors. The Commodity Supplemental Food Program for Seniors will be available to persons in Barton County, age 60 and above, who meet income requirements. Distribution will start in February.

To apply for the program, call Debi at the Kansas Food Bank, 316-265-3663 to schedule an appointment for the Sign-up. The Sign-up event will be on Wednesday, January 10, 2018, between 10am and 4pm at the RSVP office, 1205 Main, Great Bend. Applicants should bring all required documents with them.

Interested seniors must fill out an application and provide the following: proof of ID, proof of income (Social Security Statement) and proof of address. Once approved, they will receive a monthly box for six months, and then will re-certify for the next six months.

**WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE** will be held on Saturday, February 10, 2018, at St. Andrew Parish in Wright (11798 Jewell Road). The liturgy will begin at 10:30 am and will be followed by social provided by the Knights of Columbus and a special dinner provided by the St. Andrew Altar Society. Please RSVP yourself and any guests by contacting Gayla Kirmer, gkirmer@dcdioocese.org, or 620-227-1525 by Wednesday, January 17, 2018.

**HEARTLAND FARM** FiberSpace 2018 workshop to learn, renew or develop your fiber art skills will be held January 19 & 20 and February 9 & 10, 2018. For more information, please call 620-923-4585.

**JANUARY IS NATIONAL SLAVERY AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS MONTH** - There are millions of slaves on the earth today, including millions of children who will never see the inside of a classroom. Plan to learn something this month about Modern Day Slavery. Visit: sistersagainstrafficking.org, website of U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking.

**REGISTER YOUR YOUTH NOW** for the Diocese of Dodge City pro-life pilgrimage to Topeka on Monday, January 22, 2018. Join in a day of prayer, activity, and public witness to the value of every human life. Open to High School and College-age youth and sponsors. Bus will depart from Dodge City at 5:30 am and stop in Great Bend at St. Patrick Catholic Church. The day's activities will include Mass, march and a rally on the steps of the Capitol building and an opportunity to hear abortion survivor, Melissa Ohden prior to leaving Topeka around 4:00. There will be a dinner stop in Salina. Cost is \$35 for youth and youth leaders (includes lunch, transportation, rally and speaker). Donations are welcome to cover additional costs. Participants will need \$\$ for supper in Salina on the way home. Registrations with payment will be accepted until the bus is full, and should be directed to Gayla Kirmer, Diocese of Dodge City, P.O. Box 137, Dodge City KS 67801, 620-227-1525 or [gkirmer@dcdioocese.org](mailto:gkirmer@dcdioocese.org).

**NO ONE NEEDS TO GO THROUGH LIFE'S MOST DIFFICULT CHALLENGES ALONE**, Catholic Charities of Southwest Kansas is offering free professional counseling services in Dodge City, Garden City and Great Bend for adults, children, couples, families and seniors, regardless of race, religion or socioeconomic status. Contact Amy Falcon at 620-227-1590 or [afalcon@CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org](mailto:afalcon@CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org) for more information and/or to schedule an appointment.

**2018 WINE TASTING EVENT** will be at the Great Bend Event Center on Friday, April 20th. Mark your calendars now and plan on coming for a good time and a good cause!

## ***IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH***

<p><b>Church Support</b> <b>Weekend Collection: \$2,485.00</b> Envelopes \$2,409.00 Offertory \$76.00 Candles \$53.25 Hall Rent \$300.00 Repairs \$500.00 Flowers \$10.00</p>
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**EPIPHANY OF THE LORD** - The three wise men who came from the East to pay homage to the infant Jesus brought Him rich gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh as part of their worship. What gifts have I brought to this celebration to offer to the newborn Savior?

**PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION**, next class will be Wednesday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 - 8:00pm.

**ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING** will be held on Sunday, January 7th at 9:30 am at the Parish Center. The meeting will consist of the installation of the new officers. Refreshments will be served.

**A THANK YOU FROM YOUR PARISH ADMINISTRATOR** - I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the parishioners of Immaculate Conception, Claflin and Holy Family, Odin for all of the wonderful cards, gifts, goodies and gratuities that I received for Christmas. I am absolutely overwhelmed and very grateful for the thoughtfulness, support and words of kindness, not just now at Christmas time, but from the very first day of my arrival. This means so much to me. I am very fortunate and very happy to be your Parish Administrator.... Steve

**AS PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED**, our parish has encountered several unexpected expenses at the end of this year. First the sound system in the parish hall went out. This was followed by the equalizer in the church sound system. The good news is that these have all been very well repaired or replaced, but at a cost of \$3,447.00. If you can help with this expense, please label your contribution "Repairs."

Likewise, after many years of service, our parish office copier needs to be replaced. Just now, the cost looks to be about \$1500. If you can help with this, please label your gift, "Copier."

## ***HOLY FAMILY CHURCH***

<p><b>Church Support</b> <b>Weekend Collection: \$1,181.00</b> Envelopes \$1,030.00 Offertory \$151.00  <b>Sunday, Dec. 24 - \$1,926.82 Votives \$78.00</b> <b>Christmas - \$4,733.00</b></p>
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**COMMUNION BREAKFAST** January 14th following the 8 a.m. mass for all Knights of Columbus members and high school sons, and all Holy Family mass servers.

**FREE THROW CONTEST** -Odin Knights of Columbus free-throw contest on January 14th at 11 am in the Odin gym. For boys/ girls ages 9-14. Proof of age required.

**ST. ANN'S ALTAR SOCIETY** will be having their Christmas Party today, January 7, beginning at 12:00 noon in the back room of the Odin Store. Ladies of Group 2 (B) are asked to bring a side dish.

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