

March 18, 2018 - Fifth Sunday of Lent

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

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Mon. St. Joseph (3/19)
Mass 10:15am Woodhaven [E] +Leonard Moeder

Tues. Weekday
Mass 8:15am [C] +Bob Reif

Wed. Weekday (3/21)
Mass 8:15am [E] +Gerald Reichuber

Thurs. Weekday (3/22)
Mass 8:15am [C] +Maurice Dohrman

Fri., St. Turibius (3/23)
Mass 8:15am [E] Preservation of SJS

6^h Sun. Of Lent (3/24)
Mass 5:00pm [E] +Ron Batchman

SIXTH SUNDAY OF LENT (3/25)
Mass 8:00am [O] +Kathy Jenisch-Williams
Mass 8:30am [C] +Ben Kirmer
Mass 10:30am [E] Parish Cluster

"I will be their God and they shall be my people." -
JEREMIAH 31:33

What does it mean to be God's people? It means we recognize that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. It means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our neighbors and the world, just as God cares for us.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 25
Mk 11:1-10, Is 50:4-7, Phil 2:6-11, Mk 14:1-15:47

Vocation View: Unless a seed first dries out and dies, it cannot be planted in the earth to grow. Unless we first dry out and die to our selfish ways, we can never expect to be people who will 'lay down their lives for their friends.' Take time to pray, to ask God what He wants of you. (John 12:20-33) If you think God is calling you to priesthood or to consecrated life, visit our website at www.dcdioocese.org/vocations

Unless a grain of *wheat* falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it



bears much fruit.
John 12:24, ^{new}

Ministers - St. Joseph

<u>March 24 & 25</u>	<u>5:00pm Sat.</u>	<u>10:30am Sun.</u>
Lector 1	Jerome Huslig	Kent Roth
Lector 2	Sharon Gattton	John Clayton
EM	Joy Schlochtermeyer Paul Schlochtermeyer Yvonne Strecker Glenda Heinz Ellen Shanteau	Angie Hammeke Rick Thomas Lori Thomas Rod Weber Danielle Weber
Accomp/Cantor	Leon/John Sturn	Leon/Jean Doll
Servers:	Colby Heinz Brayden Williams	Bryce Steffan Shaun Weber
Sacristan:	Millie Menges	Kirk Bressler

Greeters Mar 24: Josh Komarek, Jamie Komarek, Joni & Louie Pivonka, Connie Potts, Colton Potts
Greeters Mar 25: Richard & Jean Doll Family, Tony & Cheryl Klepper

Ministers - Immaculate Conception

Sunday, March 25, 2018 - 8:30am
Lectors: Kent Praeger, Nancy Liebl
EM: Toby Holmes, Sheri Holmes, Fred Beck, Karlyn Beck, Joan Miller
Gift Bearers: Ryan & Darah Harrison Family
Greeters: Pete & Michelle Oberle Family
Servers: Maryssa Menges, Jacob Oberle, Tyler Holmes
Sacristan: Joan Miller

Weekday Mass Schedule

3/20/18 Lector: Don Zink EM: Bill Thomas, Carla Liebl
3/22/18 Lector: Jane Steinert EM: Joan Miller, Jim Oberle

Ministers - Holy Family

Sunday, March 25, 2018- 8:00am
Lector: Lindsey Bogner
EM: Teresa Hidkel, Rosalie Kinzel, Jim Schneewis
Greeters: David Lamatsch, Butch Miller
Gifts: David & Norma Schneewis
Servers: Hannah Beran, Grace Lamatsch

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

**REMEMBER TO REGISTER YOUR
DILLONS PLUS CARD AND
SUPPORT ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL**

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Church Support

Weekend Collection \$6,776.00

Envelopes \$6,445.00 Offertory \$168.00

Bell Tower \$51.00 Flowers \$112.00

PETITION SCHEDULE, Weekend of March 25th:

Marguerite Feist..

FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING, Monday, March 19th, 7:00pm at the parish office.

THE K OF C MONTHLY MEETING will be Monday evening March 26th at 7:30 at the Parish center. All members are encouraged to attend.

ALTAR SOCIETY LADIES it's time to pay dues for 2018. Dues are \$10.00 per year and can be mailed to the parish office, 109 W. 3rd St, or dropped in the collection at Mass. Please be sure to mark your envelope "Altar Society Dues" if you drop it in the collection basket. If you are not sure if you have paid your dues, please contact Diane Nemnich at 564-3672. Thank you!

KINDERGARTEN DISCOVERY - St. Joseph School will be sending letters to parents of pre-kindergarten age children inviting them to a Kindergarten Discovery day in April. If you or someone you know, has a child who will be entering Kindergarten in the fall of 2018, please call the school office at 620-564-2721.

IN THIS SEASON OF FASTING AND PENITENCE, the Ellinwood Food Bank would like to encourage you to bring one item to your church basket each week. **Fifth Sunday of Lent: Canned vegetables (potatoes, carrots, peas, creamed corn, spinach, sweet potatoes).**

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS would like to thank all who attended our January soup sampler and our February and March fish fries. The proceeds are being used for scholarships and other area needs.

THANK YOU to everyone for supporting our recent Red Wheel Fundraiser. We raised \$5,812.26 for our school!

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS David Schloctermeier who passed away and was buried from Sts. Peter & Paul Church this week. May he rest in peace! May his family find consolation.

PARISH CLUSTER NOTES

LOTTO ST. JOE 2018 winner of the weekly drawing for March 16th is Joel Kasselmann. All tickets are re-entered, so one can win multiple times. All proceeds go directly to the support of St. Joseph School.

CRS RICE BOWL - ENCOUNTER ALEFA - We encounter Alefa in Malawi, where seeds are helping her family survive an uncertain climate. How can you care for God's creation this Lent?

How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS SCHEDULE

Holy Family: 7:00 pm Friday, March 23rd

Immaculate Conception: 6:30 pm Wednesday, March 21st

St. Joseph: 7:00 pm Wednesday, March 21st

THE NEXT LENTEN LUNCH IS SCHEDULED for Noon, Wednesday, March 21 at St. Joseph Parish Center. Free-will donations will be received to help families in the community who need occasional assistance.

PRAY THAT OUR FAST will be a prayer of supplication to our Heavenly Father so that priestly vocations are not lacking in both the Universal Church and our Diocese of Dodge City.

ALL MEN ARE WELCOME to the Lenten Men's Breakfast Group. The group meets on the Fridays of Lent at 6:15am at the St. Joseph School Cafeteria.

WE HAVE SCHEDULED to have the floors in the Immaculate Conception Parish Center professionally cleaned and refinished, including a good waxing. This is a project that has been long overdue. Besides looking better, this will also makes them easier to clean after each event. The dates that the Parish Center will be "closed" to any events is June 18-30. Now that we are in March, that is only 3 months away!

WE MAINTAIN A LOST AND FOUND at the Immaculate Conception Rectory, with items left from events held in the Immaculate Conception Parish Center. Current items include a jacket, vest, hat, belt, CD's and sunglasses. If you can specifically identify a left item, you may call Steve at the Rectory to describe the item and if it's a match, arrange for a time to collect the item at the Rectory.

CLAFLIN K OF C IS HAVING THEIR MIXED STAG on March 24, 2018. The meal will be served from 6:00 until 8:30 at the ICC parish center. Price for the meal is \$14.00 for adults and \$7.00 for children 12 and under.

EVERYONE IS INVITED to our "All You Can Eat" fish fry on Friday, March 23rd. from 5:30 TO 7:00 p.m. at the Hoisington Knights of Columbus Hall – 114 N. Main. We will be serving Alaskan Pollock Fish, Scalloped Potatoes, Cole Slaw and drinks. Eat with us or carryout available. Cost is \$10.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children ages 4 to 11 and children under 4 eat free and all proceeds support area charities.

PRINCE OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH SPRING FLING, Saturday, April 7th, 6-10pm at the K of C Hall in Great Bend. Steak Dinner, with all the trimmings, Silent Auction, Raffle and Entertainment. Tickets are \$50 each, \$80 per couple, or \$300 for a table of 8. Proceeds benefit the youth at Prince of Peace.

THE 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!

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH, HOISINGTON AND ST. ANN'S PARISH, OLMITZ would like to invite you to a Parish

Mission at 7:00pm on April 23 - 25. It will be held in Hoisington on Monday, April 23 and Wednesday, April 25th and at St. Ann's Church in Olmitz on Tuesday, April 24th. Fr. Jim Sichko will be the presenter and you may view his website at www.frjim.com EVERYONE is welcome to attend.

About Fr. Jim:

Fr Jim Sichko is a full time preacher, evangelist and motivational speaker based in the Diocese of Lexington, KY. In February of 2016, Pope Francis commissioned Fr Jim as one of his Papal Missionaries of Mercy of which there are only 1000 in the world, 100 in the United States.

Since becoming a priest, Fr. Jim has made headlines for random acts of generosity and kindness, giving away thousands of dollars to people at the grocery stores, on the streets and especially to those most in need. He has also had the opportunity to meet and work with many celebrities and was honored by the U.S. Congress for the ministry provided to him.

Fr Jim uses real life experiences and ties those experiences into the Gospel message of Jesus Christ. Known for his presentations entitled "60 minutes for Jesus", each talk is geared for all in a family household with no exceptions.

ENCOUNTER WITH GOD'S CALL: The Encounter weekend is April 14-16. Young men-high school juniors, seniors, and those of college age – are invited to join Fr. Wesley for a road trip to Conception Seminary College. The weekend is a time to hear talks and spend time with seminarians while enjoying time with other young men who are seeking God's will in their life. There is no charge for the weekend and transportation is provided. Register online at <http://dcdioocese.org/vocations/discernment-events> or contact Ana Gaytan at 620.227.1500 or agaytan@dcdioocese.org

ARE YOU OR A LOVED ONE suffering from abortion? Find hope and allow God to heal your heart by attending a Rachel's Vineyard retreat. The first of the three 2018 Kansas City retreats will be on April 20-22. For more information or to register, please call Teresa O'Donnell at (816) 679-4973 or email rvkcmo@gmail.com or visit www.rachelsvineyardkc.org.

MARCH - HUMAN TRAFFICKING is one of the great human rights challenges of this century.. Millions of men, women, and children are enslaved and treated as commodities – bought, sold, shared, abused and discarded. Ending SLAVERY is EVERYONE'S WORK. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking. sistersagainstrafficking.org.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

Church Support
Weekend Collection: \$1,969.00
Envelopes \$1,927.00 Offertory \$42.00
Candles \$57.00 Repairs \$55.00

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT - "If anyone would serve me," says Jesus in today's Gospel, "let him follow me; where I am, there will my servant be." In what ways is Jesus inviting *me* to follow him? What service is He asking of me?

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION, Wednesday, March 21st, NO CLASS – SPRING BREAK.

LINDA AXTELL HAS RETIRED as one of our Collection Counters and we would like to recognize her and thank her for her service to Immaculate Conception Church. Carol Herter has kindly volunteered to take Linda's place as a Collection Counter and we are very appreciative and look forward to having Carol help us in this capacity. It takes a lot of volunteers to help us keep everything running smoothly and we have a great team!

WHEN YOU HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY, take a moment to admire our latest addition to the sanctuary, a statue of St. Rita who has been placed on a pedestal over the candle nook at the back of the church. For unknown reasons and length of time, St. Rita has been keeping the plastic plants and trees company in a downstairs closet, and besides being dusty, she had incurred some damage. Carol Herter used her talents and has spent several weeks lovingly restoring St. Rita to her original glory. Thank you Carol, we are very appreciative of your meticulous work, which the Parish can now enjoy for years to come.

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

Church Support
Weekend Collection: \$1,765.00
Envelopes \$1,655.00 Offertory \$110.00

PARISH

SCHOOL OF RELIGION, Wednesday, March 21, NO CLASS – SPRING BREAK.

ODIN K OF C MEETING, Monday, March 26th, 7:30pm at the Odin K of C Club Room.

ALTAR SOCIETY IS HAVING A MEETING directly after Mass TODAY, in the rectory. Please come and contribute to being a part of the process!

PLEASE CONSIDER giving online to our parish. You can sign-up for it through the parish website, and you determine the amount and frequency of the donation, which you can change at any time. There are a number of advantages of online giving.

- the parish receives a steady and reliable donation, independent of travel or illness
- the parish saves the cost of sending out envelopes
- you have constant and immediate access to your record of giving

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS Mildred Reif who passed away and was buried from here this week. May she rest in peace! May her family find consolation.

