

*The***S** *Helps of St. Joseph Parish*214 North Main
Ellinwood KS 67526**Immaculate Conception Parish**310 North Main
Claffin KS 67525*Father Terrance Klein, Pastor*
Sister Andre Kravec**The Christmas Carol Special Report"***By Sharla Thill*

Students from St. Joseph School, kindergarten through sixth grade, presented their annual Christmas Program on Wednesday, December 7th, at the Parish Center.

Titled "The Christmas Carol Special Report," the students created the Christmas Story through carols of the holiday. With lots of hand movements, the students sang "Gloria Medley, O Holy Night, and Hark! The Herald Angels Sing, Away in a Manger and the Reprise of the Gloria Medley.

Britton Dutton and Madisyn Schlochtermeyer, 6th graders, played the parts of Jim and Natalie. Reporters and Readers were voiced by Daniel Hammeke, Grant Klepper and Tyler Stuhlsatz, 6th graders, and A. J. Bowyer and Kiley Troyer, 5th graders.

Heading up the program was Paige Stegman, new music teacher at St. Joseph School this year. She comes to us from Great Bend, where she taught at Jefferson School the past four years. She is the high school choir and middle school music teacher at Ellinwood High School. She is married to Vance Stegman, who also teaches at Ellinwood High School, as the English, Debate and Forensics teacher.

Mrs. Stegman would like to thank all the staff at St. Joseph School for being flexible for rehearsals; Leon Sobba for running the sound and Kent Robl for setting up for practices and the concert, and last, but not least, a thank you to the parents for supporting their children.

Santa Claus arrived at the end of the concert and passed out candy to the students. Everyone present enjoyed holiday snacks and drinks following the program, served by the Church Social Committee.



Following the St. Joseph School Christmas music program on December 7th, Lexi Thomas, Grade one, shares with Santa her Christmas wishes.

New Altar Servers Installed During First Friday Mass

After some time learning, Teacher, Mrs. Coleman, called forth eight students to be installed as new Altar Servers for St. Joseph Church. They brought with them their albs (the white vestment worn at Mass).

Father Klein presented them with the Cincture that ties around their waist and said, "Receive this Alb and Cincture as you dedicate yourself to serve at the Altar of God."

Parents or teachers helped the students dress and add their Cincture. All students that are Altar Servers came forth to give the sign of peace and congratulate the new servers. This was very touching.

During the Consecration, the eight new altar servers were present at the foot of the altar. They are: Alexander Bowyer, Drew Heinz, Jonathon Mason, Emma Nienke, Logan Panning, Caylee Rowan, Haley Rugan, Kiley Troyer and Brayden Williams, all fifth graders at St. Joseph School.

Rite of Acceptance Held For Five Studying in RCIA*By John Clayton*

The Rite of Acceptance is the first step for our Candidates and Catechumens as they begin their journey to become full members of the Catholic Church.

While they have been attending RCIA for awhile, this Rite signifies that they have been accepted by the Church (the congregation) and that we intend to help them on their way. It is also the point where we begin our dismissals. We leave the church and go forth to discuss the day's gospel and homily.

This year we have four candidates, (someone who has been baptized into a Christian faith) and one catechumen (someone who has not been baptized). They are: Ed Habash, whose sponsor is his wife, Jeane; Brandon Ritchie, sponsor is Doug Kuhn; Judy Grubb, sponsor Sheri Holmes; Gary Grubb, sponsor Lisa McMullen; and Laura Strecker, sponsor is Heather Panning.

We meet once a week, usually on Wednesday evening, at St. Joseph School. We will go to Dodge City for the Rite of Welcoming with Bishop John, sometime after the first of the year. We will continue to meet, with a break at Christmas, until we welcome them into full Communion at the Easter Vigil.





Catholic Schools Week

From January 29 to February 3rd, St. Joseph School will be celebrating Catholic Schools Week. Watch the bulletin for the many events to be held in connection with this week, including Grandparents Mass and Lunch on February 3rd.

First Reconciliation

On December 9th, ten students from St. Joseph School made their First Reconciliation. They are Alyvia Batchman, Cohen Gunn, Alexandra Harrington, Luke Heinz, Vivian Klepper, Keaton Lewis, Avery Schartz, Trace Tudor, Bryce Williams and Josalynn Zink.

Please keep them and their teacher, Mrs. Jamie Harrington, in your prayers as they prepare for their upcoming First Holy Communion.

Soup Supper

Ellinwood area Churches will be holding their annual Community Soup Supper on January 26th at the St. Joseph Parish Center.

Thanksgiving Drive

Each year, our school family joins together to donate nonperishable food items, paper products, and personal care items to the Ellinwood Food Bank.

Also our local Ministerial Alliance works together to provide funding for the poor in our community, and this fund is running low. A monetary donation to this fund would also be a way to contribute to the needs of the poor in our community.

We collected these items through November 18th, and presented them at our Thanksgiving Children's Mass.

Mission Fundraiser

At the Kris Kringle Market, held on December 4th, PSR high school students held a Gingerbread House Workshop at "The Gather". Two sessions, 2 and 4 o'clock, were held for ages ranging Kindergarten to 5th grade. Sean O'Neill is the PSR leader this year, and the money raised goes towards the Mission Trip.

Alex Hammeke, one of the PSR student said, "I don't know who got more icing on themselves, the high school helpers or the youngsters."

Knights of Columbus Honors Deceased Members

By Curtis Wolf

Each year, the St. Joseph Knights of Columbus Council honors its members that have passed away during the previous year, as well as, all the deceased members of the Council during a Memorial Service. This year the service took place on November 20th, beginning with Mass, followed by a lunch and a special service at the Parish Center.

Larry Rickert and Milton Achatz were memorialized and added to the list of 292 deceased St. Joseph Council members that dates back to 1909. Current Knights and family and friends of deceased members were invited to attend.

During the service, names of all deceased members of the Council were read and those Knights that passed away this year were eulogized.

Fr. Klein gave a powerful address on the meaning of death and eternal life. One of the founding principles of the K of C was to care for family members of deceased members. The annual Memorial Service is one of the ways our local Council tries to ensure its members and families are not forgotten.

Similarly, the next time you visit the Parish Center, be sure to view the memorial of deceased Council members which hangs on the south wall. May the souls of the deceased members of the St. Joseph K of C rest in peace.

Laugh a Lot!

Happiness of one of God's most precious gifts. I ask you to become 'missionaries of joy', even when you do not feel like it. I like to laugh a lot. It helps me feel closer to God and closer to other people.

When we laugh with each other and not at each other, God's love is present in a special way. Share our jokes and your funny stories: the world will be better, the pope will be happy and God will be the happiest of all. This message sent to jokewiththepope.org, and quoted at People.com, on Sept. 24th, 2015.

There is so much to discover about Catholicism. If we spent our whole lives studying it, we would still lie on our deathbeds and marvel at how little we know compared to how much there is to know. (From "Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic")



Leon Sobba and Joy Schlochtermeyer, Liturgy Committee, decorate the Advent Wreath at the beginning of December.

There's no Place Like Home for the Holidays

By Sharla Thill

When Christmas starts approaching, Patricia Panning has making cookies on her mind. "I usually make the kids (and Santa) their favorite peanut butter/chocolate rice crispy treats at Christmas," says Patricia. "We always set cookies out by the fireplace with a glass of milk for Santa on Christmas Eve."

Patricia is married to Ryan Panning, and they have four children, Brooke, Allison, Kaitlyn and Logan. She still remembers when the kids were younger and they would come out in the morning and be so surprised that Santa had eaten their cookies.

"Santa has always visited the house every Christmas morning. We spend the morning home with the kids," Patricia commented. "Santa always brings them a special present. He leaves them by the fireplace."

Other gifts are from Mom and Dad, but she notices that as the kids have gotten older they tend to get gifts for each other too.

"I love to see the house decorated at Christmas," Patricia reminisces, "They usually stay way past Christmas. I love to sit in the living room with just the lights of the tree on."

"The kids always help with the tree. This year Logan actually put the tree together for me. My favorite ornaments are the ones the kids made for us when they were little."

She continued, "I also have a golden bell that I put on every year that belonged to my Grandma Louise Bohn, and some icicles that belonged to Ryan's great grandmother, Elsie Panning. Each little ornament holds special memories for me."

"I did inherit several of my Grandma Louise's decorations. One very special one



Logan Panning adds another ornament to the family Christmas Tree.

is a ceramic nativity set. My aunt actually made it for her many years ago. As a child, I always remember it sitting out at my Grandma's house during the holidays. So, I love that I get to set it out every year for everyone to enjoy."

Snowmen are one of Patricia's favorites, and she admits to having a lot of those out for display.

Each of the Panning children, and Mom and Dad too, has their own Christmas stocking. It all started when Ryan's great grandmother Naomi Cook made stockings for Brooke and Allison when they were babies.

She liked them so much that she found matching ones and made them for both Ryan and herself. "Unfortunately," she adds, "I never did find the same kind of stockings to make for Katie and Logan. Going to put that on my 'to do' list."

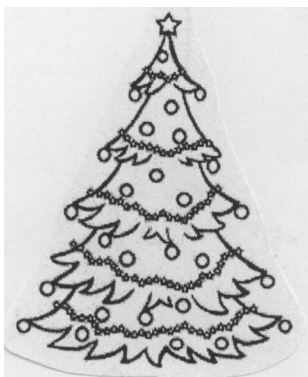
Patricia remarks that she has so many Christmas memories, that it is hard to pinpoint just one, but she shared, "When

I think of the holidays I always think of family. I remember all the times spent at my grandparents' houses as a child. As children we typically spent time at both sets of grandparents."

"Both of my parents came from large families, so it was usually a big get together. Then we usually had a Christmas with my parents and brothers, Frank and Jon. Just talking about this makes me pretty emotional."

"My grandparents have all passed on in the last few years. Holidays can be hard because memories tend to sneak up on me and I do miss them so. One thing that pops into my mind is my Grandma Louise always had the prettiest Christmas jewelry."

"Something we always did as kids was drive around town looking at the Christmas lights. Mom and Grandma Louise would load us up and off we'd go see the pretty lights."



Panning Family Christmas

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The Panning family usually celebrates Christmas Eve at Ryan's parent's house. They have a big supper and then gather to exchange gifts. Patricia then said, "Well, I guess the last few years we had to change it and let the kids open gifts first. We ran out of room as the number of grandchildren grew. A lot of time is just spent enjoying each others company." It's something Patricia still enjoys today.

Christmas afternoon and supper are spent at Patricia's parent's house, with her extended family. They exchange gifts and end up playing poker or cards. "I have to admit, I am terrible, so usually end up watching, or playing with the little ones."

Patricia added, "I must say as all of our children are getting older, it is harder for our families to all get together. As a parent of a child who is away at college, I am still adjusting to her not being home. So, I cherish every minute that we get to spend together as a family!"

"This time of year the kids spend a lot of time with their Dad hunting," she says. "It is something Ryan grew up doing with his Dad and has enjoyed teaching our children to do. He's always trying to sneak a time to get away with them."

"This year Brooke, a junior at K-State, came home and got her first buck. It has become a little competition between them. As a Mom, it makes me happy to see them spending time together."

Besides the joy of raising her children, Patricia works as a nurse in Great Bend at Dr. Brozek's office. Ryan farms with his Dad and works for UPS. Daughter, Brooke, is in college, Allison is a senior and Kaitlyn is a freshman, both at EHS, and Logan, a 5th grader, is attending St. Joseph School.



Sheri Holmes, Library Director, arranges a Santa display at the Ellinwood School/Community Library. The Santas are part of a collection belonging to Joyce Schulte.

Santas, Santas, Everywhere!

By Sheri Holmes

Ellinwood School - Community Library is happy to host Joyce Schulte's Santa Collection this season!

Stop in and you will see Santa's Crinkle Claus's that were collected over a 40 year span. Kimple's sold them at one time, so a few came from there, but they were popular in Colorado also, so some came from there. A few of the Santa's were numbered, and the company also made them in cloth. Now the only place Joyce can find them is on e-bay.

Among the display are two small carved, sign wooden Santas that came from Russia or Kazakstan. Joyce's nephew sent those to her as he was unofficially stationed there. The unpainted Santa is porcelain and Joyce made it.

There are two large cloth Santas made from old quilts that were purchased at Fest in Dem Park in the 1970's (see picture). The others struck Joyce's fancy and she picked them up at Dillards or as Joyce says "who knows where".

Pictures are with the display and the ones that are in gold frames were created by a Colorado artist. The two in green frames are early 1900's and she found them last year in an antique store in Wisconsin.

Joyce collects Santas because "she never has believed there is NO Santa", and she had a grandfather who indulged her and fed into the fantasy. Of course he looked a lot like the Santas she collects!

We appreciate Joyce and Joe for allowing us to share their wonderful collection.

Memorial Candlelight Service

Sts. Peter and Paul Heritage Association hosted a Memorial Candlelight Service on Sunday, December 18th at 2 p.m. at the North Ellinwood Church.

This church was added to the Register of Kansas Historical Places in 2007. It housed an active congregation until 1986, when it was closed by the Dodge City Diocese.

New heating has been replaced in the church and it was toasty and warm for the Memorial Service.

Family members of those who died in 2016 were invited to light a candle in memory of their loved one.

Joe Curtiss welcomed everyone. Emily Ney led the singing of Amazing Grace, Silent Night, and In the Garden, accompanied by Joyce Haberman. As the candles were lit, Minnis Chapel of Ellinwood, helped light candles. Refreshments were provided by the Heritage Association. Board members are Jenny Kasselmann, Ryan Robl, David Zink, Kim Dobratz and Norman Johanning.



“Eighth Grade Girls Gather for Brunch in Their Honor”

A warm and cheery fall day, in rural Ellinwood, was the setting of a Mother-Daughter Brunch, held in honor of the St. Joseph Catholic School 8th grade girls and their moms.

The morning began with pleasant greetings and chipper conversation which then led the group to giving thanks for the meal they were about to share. A buffet of breakfast casserole, pastries and fruit kabobs, along with juice and coffee, was served.

Later, the women and young ladies played a “how well do you know mom/daughters?” game in which moms were to answer questions about their daughter’s favorite things and daughters were to do the same for their moms. Several were able to correctly identify the other’s “favorites”, but then, of course, there were some answers that were very inaccurate, which usually led to some laughs along with the occasional “How could you not know that?” The group continued to enjoy the time of fellowship.



The brunch was hosted by Gwen and Ashtin Klepper. Other mothers and daughters attending were Karrie and Wittney Hammeke; Tammy and Haley Troyer; Lori and Erin Hammeke; Amy and Monica Hammeke, and Jean and Daphne

Doll.

These six young ladies began their St. Joseph Catholic School education together in Kindergarten and will complete their final year at St. Joseph’s Catholic School on May 21, as they graduate from 8th grade.



PSR Students helped decorate the church following Mass on Decembe 11. Here Jenna Oelke and Kaitlyn Panning put arrangements on pillars.



It was very cold morning as parish members carried decorations from Father’s basement into church, to begin the Christmas decorating. Rosemary McCrary helps with the wreaths.

January 2017
Daily Eucharistic Ministers

4 - Marcella Birzer, Kirk Bressler
 6 - Gerry Menges, Joy S.
 11 - JoAnn Roth, Sharla Thill
 13 - Glenda Heinz, Angie Hammeke
 18 - Kirk Bressler, Joy S.
 20 - Sharla Thill, Marcella Birzer
 25 - Angie Hammeke, JoAnn Roth
 27 - Glenda Heinz, Kirk Bressler

Greeter Schedule

SATURDAY, 5:00PM MASS

Jan. 7 - Sharon Gatton,
 Connie Potts,
 Colton Potts,
 Paul Huschka
 Glen & Kathy Hertel

Jan. 14 - Steve & Amy Oelke Family
 Josh Komarek & Jamie Komarek

Jan. 21 - Jason & Heather
 Schlochtermeyer Family
 David & Karla Gonzales

Jan. 28 - Louie & Joni Pivonka
 Yvonne Strecker
 Millie Menges
 Larry & Joan Drees

SUNDAY, 10:30AM MASS

Jan. 8 -Charlie & Denise Joslin Family
 Tony & Cheryl Klepper

Jan. 15 - Frances Rome,
 Tom & Jolene Snell
 Nick Younker
 Ron & Rosemary McCrary

Jan. 22 - Kelly & Kristen Wondra
 Jeff & Sandy Roth

Jan. 29 - Jeff & Gwen Klepper Family
 Richard & Jean Doll Family

St. Joseph January Ministers

Weekday Server: Week of Nov. 27 - Monica Hammeke, Haley Troyer

Jan. 7 & 8	5:00pm Saturday	10:30am Sunday
Lector 1	Heather Panning	LeRoy Thill
Lector 2	Ellen Shanteau	Steve Billinger
EM:	Joe Schulte Glenda Heinz John Clayton Angie Hammeke Rosie Joiner	Mike Moeder Jalayne Ewing Rick Thomas Lori Thomas Ed Schlochtermeyer
Servers	Drew & Colby Heinz	Kyler Doll, David Hammeke
Sacristan	Rosemary Robl	Gerry Menges

Weekday Server: Week of Jan. 8 - Caylee Rowan, Ashtin Klepper

Jan. 14 & 15	5:00pm Saturday	10:30am Sunday
Lector 1	Jerome Huslig	Dennis Habiger
Lector 2	Yvonne Strecker	Mary Tudor
EM:	Millie Menges Jayne Wirtz Amy Oelke Steve Oelke Jean Klepper	Mel Waite Kirk Bressler Sharon Gatton Kent Roth Marcella Birzer
Servers	Jonathon Mason, Madisyn S.	Logan Panning, Daphne Doll
Sacristan	Marilyn Schartz	Karen Kramp

Weekday Server: Week of Jan. 15 - Kiley Troyer, Haley Troyer

Jan. 21 & 22	5:00pm Saturday	10:30am Sunday
Lector 1	Rosie Joiner	Catherine Strecker
Lector 2	Karen Mitchel	Linda Sobba
EM:	Melanie Zink Glenda Heinz Angie Hammeke Curtis Wolf Jayne Wirtz	Lori Billinger Joy Schlochtermeyer Paul Schlochtermeyer LeRoy Thill Sharla Thill
Servers	Haley Rugan, Erin Hammeke	Emma Nienke, Whitney Hammeke
Sacristan	Larry Drees	Leon & Marilyn Reichuber

Weekday Server: Week of Jan. 22 - Brayden Williams, Caden Rowan

Jan. 28 & 29	5:00pm Saturday	10:30am Sunday
Lector 1	David Gonzales	SJS Student
Lector 2	Karla Gonzales	SJS Student
EM:	Yvonne Strecker Ellen Shanteau Jerome Huslig Millie Menges Joe Schulte	Lori Hammeke Angie Hammeke Jason Schlochtermeyer Jean Klepper Mary Tudor
Server	Jenna Oelke, Joanna Strecker	SJS Student
Sacristan	Louie & Joni Pivonka	Kirk Bressler

Weekday Server: Week of Jan. 29 - Britton Dutton, Lane Klepper

ICC Ministry Schedule

January 2017

Jan. 1, 2017 New Year's Day 8:30am

Lectors:Nancy Liebl, Janet Hitschmann
 EM:.....Dawnya Hickel; Carmen Johnson, Rita Stueder, Joan Miller
 Gift Bearers:.....Doris & Gene Feist
 Greeters:.....Jon Oeser Family
 Servers:Emily & Peyton Ryan
 Sacristan :.....Judy Oberle

Jan. 8, 2017 8:30am

Lector:Lori Koester, Janell Hubbard
 EM:Bridget Letourneau, Carla & Todd Liebl, Alan Beck, Kathy Krier
 Gift Bearers:.....Chris Steiner Family
 Greeters:Lois & Pete Krier
 Servers:Paxton Dody, Anthony Oberle
 Sacristan:.....Joy Hertach

Jan. 15, 2017 - 8:30am

Lectors:Kent Praeger, Darrah Harrison.
 EM:.....Sheri & Toby Holmes, Nancy Liebl, Laurie Feist. Doris Feist
 Greeters:.....Kathy & Alan Kirmer
 Gift Bearers.....Lee Bieberle Family
 Servers:Lauren Oeser, Lexi Oeser
 Sacristan.....Joan Miller

Jan. 22, 2017 - 8:30am

Lectors:Lori Koester, Laura Schlessiger
 EM:Bill Thomas, Peggy Feist, Jim Oberle, Karlynn & Fred Beck
 Gift Bearers:.....Ann & Allan Beck
 Greeters:Connie & John Miller
 Servers:Mollie Steiner, Callie Zink
 Sacristan.....Dee Krier

Jan. 29, 2017 - 8:30am

Lectors.....Toby Holmes, Richard Rugan
 EM:Barbara Musgrove, Joan Miller, Bill Thomas, Dawnya Hickel, Sheri Holmes
 Gift Bearers.....Bobette & Marvin Kirmer
 GreetersLori & John Koester
 Servers:Maryn Rose Schmidt, Emily Ryan
 Sacristan.....Judy Oberle

Weekday Schedule

<u>Lector</u>	<u>E. Ministers</u>
1/3/17 Jane Steinert	Jim Oberle, Joan Miller
1/5/17 Kathy Krier	Bill Thomas, Sr. Andre
1/6/17 Nancy Schartz	Kathy Krier, Jim Oberle
1/10/17 Sr. Andre	Joan Miller, Bill Thomas
1/12/17 Jane Steinert	Sr. Andre, Kathy Krier
1/17/17 Kathy Krier	Jim Oberle, Joan Miller
1/19/17 Nancy Schartz	Sr. Andre, Kathy Krier
1/24/17 Sr. Andre	Jim Oberle, Bill Thomas
1/26/17 Jane Steinert	Joan Miller, Kathy Krier
1/31/17 Kathy Krier	Sr. Andre, Jim Oberle

St. Joseph January 2017

1	Mary Jo Cunningham	17	Rachel Schloctermeier
2	Marguerite Feist	18	Gwen Klepper
	Maggie McQuade	19	Harold Miller
	Rosemary Robl		Caden Rowan
4	Marjorie Thomas	21	Jeanine Gowdy
	Catherine Strecker		Dennis Habiger
6	Grace Anderson		Sharon Reichuber
	Laken Blair		Marilyn Schartz
7	Eric Tyson		Mike Thill
9	Brenda Birzer	22	Tony Klepper
	Layton Brown		Daniel Thomas
11	Reba Thomas		Rick Kasselmann
	Linda Kasselmann	23	Sean O'Neill
12	Mark Roth	24	Jessica Williams
13	Corrine Batchman		Adele Komarek
	Kayanna Hammeke	25	Judy Komarek
	Adrian Sanchez		Isabel Mai
14	Arthur Huslig	26	Ashlynn Gray
	Jim Lyman		Ethan Linden
	Mark Menges		Shaun Weber
	Tyler Wirtz		Darrell Shanteau
15	Goldie Elsen	27	Mark Batchman
	Kelsey Menges		

Happy Birthday

28	Mary Ann Brungardt
	Sharla Thill
	Ruthann McQuade
29	Vicki Batchman
30	Terri Siefers
31	Ray Robl



3	Justin & Meredith Joiner
17	Jim & Darci Lyman
22	Tom & Jolene Snell
23	Pat & Jenny Kasselmann
29	Robert & Marjorie Thomas

Immaculate Conception - January 2017

Happy Birthday

1	Linda Axtell	16	Herb Hoff
	Douglas Hubbard	17	Brian Praeger
4	Janet Hitschmann	18	Justin Rupe
6	Blaine Hickel	19	Roberta Haley
7	Corey Stiles	20	Holter Kirmer
8	Bryce Moran	21	Timothy Hertach
	Tony Thomas		Lauren Kirmer
12	Carol Beck	26	Pete Krier
13	Patricia Schmidt	28	Kevin Liebl
15	Pauline Kaiser	30	Morgan Hekele
	Raymond Oberle	31	Isaac Heredia
	Lisa Ryan		

Happy Anniversary

8	Jason and Tamara Dody
9	Jeff and Stacey Beck
12	Howard and Carmen Johnson
15	Paul and Geralyn Schartz, Jr.
21	Kirby and Kathy Krier
26	N.R. and Dana Weber

Please inform the Parish Office if there is an error, or if a name has been omitted.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
January 2017 						
1 Sol. Of Mary Mass 8:30 am [C] Mass 10:30 am [E]	2 Mass 10:15 am Withen	3 Mass 8:15 am [C]	4 Mass 8:15 am [E] GS PSR 7pm [C]	5 Mass 8:15 am [C]	6 First Friday Mass 8:15 am [E] Mass 10:00 am [C]	7 Reconciliation 4pm Mass 5:00 pm [E]
8 Epiphany Mass 8:30 am [C] Mass 10:30 am [E]	9 Mass 10:15 am Withen	10 Mass 8:15 am [C] School Council 7:00pm	11 Mass 8:15 am [E] GS PSR 7pm [C]	12 Mass 8:15 am [C]	13 Mass 8:15 am [E]	14 Reconciliation 4pm Mass 5:00 pm [E] Bachman Roberts Wedding 2:00pm
15 2nd Sun. Ord. Time Mass 8:30 am [C] Mass 10:30 am [E]	16 Mass 9:30 am Hospital Finance Council Mtg. 7pm [E] KofC Mtg. 8 pm	17 Mass 8:15 am [C]	18 Mass 8:15 am [E] GS PSR 7pm [C]	19 Mass 8:15 am [C]	20 Mass 8:15 am [E]	21 Reconciliation 4pm Mass 5:00 pm [E]
22 3rd Sun. Ord. Time Mass 8:30 am [C] Mass 10:30 am [E]	23 Mass 10:15 am Withen KofC Mtg. 7:30pm [E]	24 Mass 8:15 am [C]	25 Mass 8:15 am [E] GS PSR 7pm [C]	26 Mass 8:15 am [C] EAC Community Soup Supper 5-7pm [E]	27 Mass 8:15 am [E]	28 Reconciliation 4pm Mass 5:00 pm [E]
29 4th Sun. Ord. Time Mass 8:30 am [C] Mass 10:30 am [E] KofC Soup Sampler 11 am [E]	30 Mass 10:15 am Withen	31 Mass 8:15 am [C]				

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2017

St. Joseph Basketball Finishes Season With Tournament



Coach Chad Heinz watches Brayden Williams warm up.



By Sharla Thill

During the coldest weather of the winter, St. Joseph Basketball season ended with a Tournament at St. Rose Auditorium, hosted by Prince of Peace parish in Great Bend during, the weekend of December 16-18.

B-team girls lost their first game, bright and early on Saturday the 17th, playing Prince of Peace. LeRoy Thill coaches the young girls, with second graders being able to play this season. With only three B-teams this year, the girls got third place.

A-team girls won their first game on Friday evening against Larned. Mike Thill is their coach and they played again on Saturday and lost to Prince of Peace and Hoisington. They took 4th place in the tournament and the League.

B-team boys, coached by Chad Steffan and Fred Gunn, played on Saturday against Hoisington and lost. Playing again in the afternoon they beat CKCA and won third place.

Justin Joiner and Chad Heinz coach the A-team boys, who had a perfect record this season. I was not able to get any information about the A-team before press time, but they did win the tournament, taking first place in the final game and first place in the League. Pictures next month. Congratulations to all.