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From the Pastor



This week's Gospel hones in on the ever-present struggle of fighting against duality. One cannot be clean on the outside (physically) and unclean on the inside (spiritually) and be clean as a whole. Similarly, one cannot claim to be a good Christian in the eyes of the world (do good deeds, do what the Church asks, raise a good family, etc.), all the while perpetuating some mortal sin and doing nothing to try and free oneself from that bondage. Yet another example, and maybe even more common, is that a "good" person does not necessarily mean one is a good Catholic. Many seem to fall into this trap that if one does good in the community, raises a good family, sends one's kids to the Catholic school or CCD, volunteers for different church functions, but does not come to mass on Sundays, does not go to confession, etc. One is a good person, and that's what counts. I disagree. If you claim to be Catholic, then be Catholic. I get that life is busy, but what are your priorities? My most common advice in the confessional is to get one's priorities straight, and things, at least spiritually, will naturally work themselves out for the better, even if one's worldly life remains in chaos. Purity physically and spiritually is essential and vital to the Christian way of life. Christ does not force anyone to follow him, but if you choose to do so, follow him without reservation in all aspects of your life.

**ADOPT-A-FAMILY 2024:** Our Christmas assistance program, Adopt-a-Family, is just around the corner. Our Catholic Charities staff will match families in need of Christmas assistance with a sponsor. If you are interested in sponsoring a family, please reach out to Jeree Hughbanks, Communications Manager, at [jhughbanks@ccnks.org](mailto:jhughbanks@ccnks.org) to be added to the list. Sponsorship letters will be mailed in early October.

In preparation for the 2<sup>nd</sup> graders' reception of the Sacraments of Penance and First Holy Communion, Mrs. Kuhlman and I would like to ask parishioners to pray for the students by name and for you as prayer partners. This might mean several people have the same student, but that is okay. If interested, please contact Mrs. Bryn Kuhlman at 913-660-3805 or at [bkuhlman@sjoakley.org](mailto:bkuhlman@sjoakley.org). She will assign a student for you to pray for throughout the year, and the student will also pray for you.

Registration for CCD classes is available online via our website. An article under parish headlines has the link and a PDF of the CCD schedule. If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Luke or Jessica Halbleib.

**ST. JOSEPH NEWS**

**St. Joseph Bible Study:** We will watch and discuss *The Chosen* on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 in the rectory's conference room. All are invited and welcome.

**ATTENTION LADIES:** Please pick up your funeral dishes left in the church's back. THANK YOU!!


**ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL NEWS**

The school welcomes donations of beef, pork, and garden produce. If you would like to donate, please call the school office.

**ST. PAUL NEWS**

K of C will meet on TUESDAY, September 3rd, at 7:00 PM at the Hall in Angelus.

There are Religious Ed raffle tickets available. Partial proceeds come back to the Religious Ed program for Grinnell and Angelus. If interested, contact Jeff Ostmeyer @ 785-675-8671



**Our Tithes from Last Week**

Oakley: \$2684.00 Angelus: \$488.00



REBOOT featuring Chris Stefanick is coming to the Colby Event Center on Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup>. He is an engaging, popular Catholic speaker and desires nothing more than for souls to know Christ. There is an early bird special on tickets until October 30<sup>th</sup>! For more information, please visit the parish website.

**DAILY SCHEDULE**

Sat	31 – 5:00pm Mass + Raymond & Shirley Bussen
Sun	01 – 8am Mass (Angelus) - Parishioners 9am Coffee & Conversation in the annex 10:30am Mass + Larry Kuhlman
Mon	02 – NO Mass
Tues	03 – 8:30am Mass + Marvin Sander 9:30am Bible Study in the rectory 7pm Angelus K of C Meeting
Wed	04 – 7:30am Mass (Angelus) + Leon Zerr 7pm CCD Mass + Ron Kuhlman
Thur	05 – 8:30am Mass + Pat Moeder
Fri	06 – 7am Mass + Helen Ostmeyer 7pm Adoration & Confessions
Sat	07 – 8am Confessions 9am Mass 5:00pm Mass + Special intention for the living and deceased class and staff of the OHS Class of 1964
Sun	08 – 8am Mass (Angelus) - Parishioners 10:30am Mass + Hilda Moellering

Confessions 30 minutes before Weekend Masses, by appointment, or if indicated on the schedule.

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Saturday Sept 7 <sup>th</sup> 5pm	Servers	Volunteers	Sunday Sept 8 <sup>th</sup> 10:30 am	Servers	Thomas C, Brynn & Kambrie H.
	Lector	Cecilia Brungardt		Lector	Mike Kuhlman
	Gifts	Jerry & Darlene Chaput		Gifts	Ken & Bridgit Bockwinkel
	Hospitality	Dennis & Jane Schwarz		Hospitality	Mike & Katie Chrisler

Sunday, Sept 8 <sup>th</sup> 8 am	Servers	LaRynn & Lettie Rumback
	Lectors	Doug Robben & Gary Ostmeyer
	Gifts	Ron & Nancy Bixenman
	Ushers	Jason Fellhoelter, Steve Fellhoelter, Ron Lager & Larry Mense