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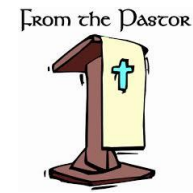
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From the Pastor

Often, on weekend masses, I use Eucharistic Prayer 1, also known as the Roman Canon. One of the most unique parts of the Roman Canon is its inclusion of various early Saints, many of whom are martyrs. This week, the Church celebrates the feast day of two Saints, Cosmas and Damian. They were twin brothers who lived in Asia Minor and were physicians by trade. They converted to the Faith and offered their services to the faithful at no cost, gaining them the name *anagroi*, “the silverless” in Greek. They were arrested under the great persecution of the Roman Emperor Diocletian. They were subjected to multiple tortures, including from fire, water, air, and the cross, from which they suffered no injury and were eventually beheaded on September 27, 287. Three of their other brothers were martyred with them. Great veneration grew up around these twin brother Saints, including Emperor Justinian I, who had a church rebuilt in their honor in Constantinople in the 6<sup>th</sup> century. Cosmas and Damian are regarded as the patrons of physicians and surgeons and are sometimes represented with medical emblems.

If you or anyone you know is interested in possibly joining the Church at Easter next year, don't hesitate to contact Deacon Dennis Engel using the contact info in the left column of the bulletin. We have a few already signed up!

**Thank you** for your prayers while I was away with my brother Priests and Bishop Vincke in Wichita. We were given presentations on the theology of the priesthood of Reginald Garrigou-Lagrange. It was a wonderful representation of the priest's role within the Church's life.

**ADOPT-A-FAMILY 2024:** Our Christmas assistance program, Adopt-a-Family, is just around the corner. Our Catholic Charities staff will match families needing Christmas assistance with a sponsor. If you are interested in sponsoring a family, please contact Jeree Hughbanks, Communications Manager, at 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. She will assign a student for you to pray for throughout the year, and the student will also pray for you.

All the ladies of the West Vicariate are cordially invited to a meeting on Saturday, October 19, 2024. The meeting will take place in Bird City, Kansas, in the St. Joseph Catholic Church Parish Hall. Registration is from 9-9:30 A.M. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. We look forward to seeing you!!

**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.


**Coffee & Conversation** on Sunday, October 6th, at 9am in the annex.

**ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL NEWS**

Thank you to those who have generously donated garden produce and beef! It all has been delicious! At this time, we do still need ground beef. If you would like to donate, please call the school at 785-671-4451. Thank you for being so supportive.

**ST. PAUL NEWS**

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: \$2931.00 Angelus: \$483.00

**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 30th! For more information, please visit the parish website.

**BLESSING OF SEED WHEAT:** Fr. Luke will Bless Seed Wheat at all three Masses this weekend, September 21st and 22nd, and next weekend, September 28th and 29<sup>th</sup>.

**DAILY SCHEDULE**

Sat	21 – 5pm Mass - Parishioners
Sun	22 – 8am Mass (Angelus) + Cleon Heinrich 10:30am Mass + Dennis & Connie Dawson
Mon	23 – NO Mass
Tues	24 – 8:30am Mass + Robert Waldman 9:30am Bible Study in the rectory
Wed	25 – 7:30am Mass (Angelus) + Joe Rottinghaus
Thur	26 – 8:30am Mass + Weber/Moorhous Families
Fri	27 – 7am Mass + Jerry Zerr
Sat	28 – 5pm Mass + Living & deceased members of the OHS Class of 1969
Sun	29 – 8am Mass (Angelus) + Dreux Schwaiger 10:30am Mass - Parishioners

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

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Saturday Sept 28 <sup>th</sup> 5pm	Servers	Volunteers	Sunday Sept 29 <sup>th</sup> 10:30 am	Servers	Madeline K., Peyton K & Shayden S.
	Lector	Bob Kuhlman		Lector	Marylou VanEaton
	Gifts	Darin & Kim Munk		Gifts	Jarred & Krista Stramel
	Hospitality	Jerry & Elaine Wycoff		Hospitality	Chris & Jessica Halbleib

Sunday, Sept 29 <sup>th</sup> 8 am	Servers	Nick Robben
	Lectors	Doug Robben & Gary Ostmeyer
	Gifts	Steve & Laura Fellhoelter
	Ushers	Jason Fellhoelter, Steve Fellhoelter, Ron Lager & Larry Mense