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From the Pastor  
**The Mass Explained: By Cormac Burke**

**Love for the Mass**  
 “A man who fails to love the Mass fails to love Christ.” To love the Mass is a guarantee for salvation. But to love the Mass does not mean just being present and no more. It means to be present with faith and devotion. It means to take part in the Mass, realizing what it is: the Sacrifice of the Cross renewed on the altar; and realizing that when we go to Mass, we go, as it were, to Calvary. And that we should be present there, like our Blessed Lady beside the Cross, in loving contemplation of Christ who offers himself lovingly for each one of us.

**Faith**  
 The holy Eucharist is the “mystery of faith.” Without faith, all you would see is bread and wine being offered, no more. Without faith, the most you could see in this is a gesture, a symbol, nothing more. With faith you know that at the moment of the Consecration which is when the priest says, “This is my body,” “This is the cup of my blood” the bread and wine are changed into the body and blood of Jesus Christ who is then really present as God and as Man sacrificing himself for us on the altar as he sacrificed himself on the cross. If you come to Mass without faith, or with little faith you will easily get distracted and perhaps even bored. What a sad thing to get bored with Christ’s sacrifice! Would we have been bored if we had been present at Calvary? If we hadn’t faith, perhaps we would. Or at least we would have completely failed to understand what the death of that Man nailed to the cross really meant. You will only begin to understand the greatness of the Mass if you have faith. Stir up your faith. And then you will always be amazed at the Mass, you will realize that it is the greatest thing we possess here on earth.

**ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL NEWS:**  
 St. Joseph School Enrollment will be held on Monday, August 4th, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Tuesday, August 5th, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Are you considering Catholic education for your child but worried about the cost? The Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO), the Catholic Diocese of Salina, has established a program to assist. Each year, the SGO provides tuition assistance to students and families who qualify, making it possible for more children to thrive in faith-filled, academically excellent Catholic schools across our diocese. With nearly \$100,000 in scholarships awarded annually, this is a tremendous opportunity to say “yes” to Catholic education, where students grow in virtue, leadership, and love of Christ. Learn more and apply today: <https://salinadiocese.org/.../a-scholarship-opportunity/> Together, let us be disciples of Jesus on mission

**ST. JOSEPH NEWS:**  
 St. Joseph Finance and Parish Council meetings will be held on Monday, July 21<sup>st</sup> at their usual times, 7:00 and 8:00 p.m. If you are an outgoing council member and can't attend the meeting, please make arrangements to sign the annual report.

**ST. PAUL NEWS:**  
 The St. Paul Parish Council will meet on Thursday, July 24th, at 7:00 p.m. If you are an outgoing council member and can't attend the meeting, please make arrangements to sign the annual report.

**Our Tithes from Last Week**

Oakley: \$3,330.00 Angelus: \$888.00

We welcome all our guests to our parishes. If you have moved here, we encourage you to register on our website.



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 @stjosephoakley



**All parishioners are invited to a back-to-school ice cream social and free swim party on Saturday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>. Time TBA**



**DAILY SCHEDULE**

Sat	19 – 5pm Mass - Parishioners
Sun	20 – 8:00am Mass (Angelus) + Jerry & Jeanie Gormley 10:30am Mass + Carolyn Zerr
Mon	21 – NO Mass 7pm Finance Council 8pm Parish Council
Tues	22 – 7am Mass + Jack & Annette Moorhous 9:30am Bible Study in the rectory
Wed	23 – 7:30am Mass (Angelus) + Marilyn Heier
Thur	24 – 7am Mass + Special Intention 7pm Angelus Parish Council
Fri	25 – 7am Mass + Erma Sander
Sat	26 – 5pm Mass - Parishioners
Sun	27 – 8:00am Mass (Angelus) + Jeanne Struckhoff 10:30am Mass + Allison Chaput

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

**ST. JOSEPH PARISH COUNCIL**

Mr. Danny Lockhart	Mrs. Raye Kuhlman
Mr. David Manhart	Mr. Mason Sheetz
Mrs. Penny Pfeifer	Mr. Ethan Schwarz
Mrs. Cassie Shirley	Mrs. Dana Charles – Vice Chair
Mrs. Micheline Huffman	

**ST. JOSEPH FINANCE COUNCIL**

Mrs. Lisa Racette	Mr. Lewis Evans
Mr. Dana Charles (Par. Co. Rep.)	Mrs. Susan Glassman
Mr. Tom Halbleib	

**ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL COUNCIL**

Mrs. Kim Munk	Mr. Courtland Osborne
Mrs. Casey Zerr,	Mrs. Mary Urrego
Mr. Russ Kahle - Chair	Mr. Jeff Kuhlman – Vice Chair
Mrs. Micheline Huffman (Par. Co. Rep.)	

**ST. PAUL PARISH/FINANCE COUNCIL**

Mr. Bernard Dickman	Mr. Mason Bixenman
Mr. Clem Fellhoelter- Chair	Mr. Mark Rueschhoff
Mrs. Kristy Fellhoelter - Vice Chair	Mrs. Kim Robben

Saturday July 26 <sup>th</sup> 5pm	Servers	Volunteers	Sunday June 27 <sup>th</sup> 10:30 am	Servers	Jethro & Thomas C, Carter K.
	Lector	Madeline Kuhlman		Lector	Cheri Weber
	Gifts	Ben & Christie Kuhlman		Gifts	Matt & Michelle Selzer
	Hospitality	Jerry & Elaine Wycoff		Hospitality	Ethan & Maureen Schwarz

Sunday, June 27 <sup>th</sup> 8 am	Servers	Natalie Bixenman
	Lectors	Barney Dickman & Nancy Schwarz
	Gifts	Daryl & Judy Bixenman
	Ushers	Mason Bixenman, Bernard Dickman, Bob & Clem Fellhoelter