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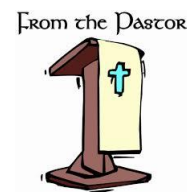
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From the Pastor

Last week I wrote on a couple of areas of criticism for the “Value Them Both” Amendment. This week I will cover the fear that comes from two different points of view of what could hypothetically happen if the amendment passes or fails. On one side, if the amendment passes, critics will say that it will lead to a full ban on abortions even in cases to save the mother (I covered some cases last week) and in cases of rape and incest. Yes, there have been legislators that have made the statements that that is where Kansas is heading with the passage of this amendment. These are appeals to emotion. These are very emotional circumstances, and we should be empathetic towards the victims. However, no matter how emotional the circumstances are, morals do not care about our feelings. Abortion is an intrinsic evil. If a total ban on abortion were to happen because the passing of the amendment, on a simply moral level, that would be great. Now, when we say total ban, it should not include cases that fall under Principle of Double Effect, i.e. ectopic pregnancies, miscarriages, etc. On the other side of the coin, advocates of the Amendment fear that any regulations that exist at this time, i.e. no abortions after 22 weeks except in limited circumstances, counseling, an ultrasound, 24-hour waiting period, prohibiting telemedicine for medication abortion, and required parental consent; could eventually be ruled unconstitutional in the future. The jury is out on if that will happen, scholars from both sides seem to basically say that it will be difficult to overturn all the regulations, but they leave the door open to the possibility, they just don’t say which ones would or wouldn’t be overturned. The bottom line is that we should take care to value the mother and the child. Fringe cases, though very real and do happen, are appeals to emotion when it comes to debating legislation. It might seem crass and even heartless, but good moral philosophy should guide our conscience, not our emotions.

Donna Engel has moved to Harry Hynes Hospice at Via Christi St. Francis, Wichita, KS If you would like to call (316-265-9441) or send a card to 313 S, Market St., Wichita, KS. 67202.

As you have heard in the last couple of months, the west parking lot, the front steps and the tuck-pointing will hopefully be getting repaired soon. To prepare for the cost of these repairs, I would like to raise \$50,000 for these projects. The parking lot alone is \$25,000. These are much needed repairs, and are not only practical but also will make our church building more aesthetically pleasing. Thank you

On Monday, August 1<sup>st</sup> at 3pm, there will be a Holy Hour in lieu of the primaries on Tuesday. Intention will be for the passage of the Value Them Both Amendment.

The Parish Pool Party will be Saturday, August 6th from 7pm-9pm. As usual, root beer floats and ice cream sundaes will be provided. Hope you are all able to come and enjoy fellowship with each other.

**St. Joseph Bible Study: Seven Deadly Sins Seven Lively Virtues** this summer at 10:00 on Tuesday mornings in the church basement. We are watching Bishop Barron's video talks. All are welcome.

**2022 Diocesan Men’s Conference** is set for Saturday, Aug. 13, at Immaculate Heart of Mary parish in Hays. The theme is “Guarding the Faith”! Keynote speaker is Dr. Mario Enzler, former Swiss Guard, and renowned Catholic speaker. Register online by visiting [salinadiocese.org/office/family-life/](http://salinadiocese.org/office/family-life/)

**THE 2022 RURAL LIFE DAY** will be at St. Fidelis Church in Victoria on Sunday, August 14th, beginning at 3:00 P.M. with a prayer service in the Basilica. The featured event of Rural Life Day is the Msgr. John George Weber Century Farm awards. These awards are presented to families who have lived on farms in the Diocese of Salina, or have farmed land in the diocese, or owned farms in the diocese for 100 years or more. With each award, the family relates a brief (5 minutes or so) history of how the family came to own or live on the farm, as well as significant events of the family over the past 100 years, and the importance faith played in these family events. Applications may be obtained on the diocesan website under Rural Life. Please fill out the application including the name of the first family member to own or farm the land; their children, and the succession of family members to own or farm the land. We would also appreciate the family history of the farm and significant events and the importance and growth of faith over the years. Family photos will be taken on Rural Life Day and the family pictures and histories will be printed in The Register. The application is due August 1st to Rural Life Commission, 215 W. 13th Street, Hays, KS 67601. For additional information or if you have questions, contact Fr. Richard Daise, 785-625-7356 or [fr-rich@sacredheartcolby.com](mailto:fr-rich@sacredheartcolby.com). You may also contact Francis Goeckel, 402-239-8519 or Tom Murphy, 913-558-9223.

**St. Joseph News:**  
 St. Joseph School enrollment will be held on Thursday, August 4th from 8 am to 4 pm.

St. Joseph School begins on August 23rd. If you have any beef or fresh garden vegetables/fruit that you would be willing to donate, please call the school at 785-671-4451. Thank you for your continued support!

**Our Tithes from Last Week:**  
 Oakley: \$4235.00 Angelus: \$451.00

**DAILY SCHEDULE**

Sat 30 – 5pm Mass + Carolyn Denchfield  
 Sun 31 - 8am Mass (Angelus) - Parishioners  
 10:30am + Allie Chaput  
 Mon 01 – No Mass  
 Holy Hour at 3pm.  
 Angelus K of C Meeting at 7pm.  
 Tues 02 – 7am Mass + Lucille Jennings  
 Wed 03 – 7:30am (Angelus) Mass + Anthony Feldt  
 Thur 04 – 7am Mass + Margie Schoenfeld  
 Fri 05 – 7am Mass + Larry Kuhlman  
 7pm Adoration/Confession  
 Sat 06 – 8am Confessions  
 9am Mass  
 5pm Mass – Parishioners  
 7 – 9pm - Parish Pool Party  
 Sun 07 - 8am Mass (Angelus) + Beatta Robben  
 10:30am + Raymond Schreiner

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

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Saturday, Aug 6 <sup>th</sup> 5 pm	Servers	Volunteers	Sunday Aug 7 <sup>th</sup> 10:30am	Servers	Shayden S, Ivan J & Isabelle U.
	Lectors	Marylou VanEaton		Lectors	Brandon Maurath
	EMHC's	None needed		EMHC's	None needed
	Gifts	Jerry & Darlene Chaput		Gifts	Kyle & Barb Hemmert
	Hospitality	Alice Lindeman & Pat Ryan		Hospitality	Beverly Muehlenkamp & Bea Albers

Sunday, Aug 7 <sup>th</sup> 8 am	Servers	Nick Robben
	Lectors	Bill Kuhlman & Ron Lager
	EMHC's	Steve Fellhoelter
	Gifts/Hosp.	Gary & Cheryl Ostmeyer
	Ushers	Rodney Mense, Larry Mense, Gary Ostmeyer & Jeff Ostmeyer