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From the Pastor  
 “I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which grace flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet.” (St. Faustina’s Diary 699) It is no accident that confession and the reception of Holy Communion are intimately linked. The more that a soul is in the life of grace (meaning that the soul has as few sins upon it as possible), the more the soul can take advantage of the graces that Christ imparts through himself in the Eucharist. Never tire of frequenting both sacraments and allow the abundance of Christ’s Divine Mercy to touch the depths of your soul.

Next weekend is First Communion Weekend. As usual the front several rows of the church will be reserved, so just know seating could likely be a little more difficult that Sunday.

Just looking ahead on the calendar, the next several weekends all have different things going on. Here is the schedule: April 16<sup>th</sup> – Divine Mercy Sunday (devotions at 3pm & organ recital/concert in Angelus at 4pm); April 23<sup>rd</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> Communion; April 30<sup>th</sup> – St. Joseph School Carnival; May 14<sup>th</sup> – Mother’s Day and Graduation Mass.

Oakley of Knights of Columbus are selling ribs again. They took your feedback from the first round and have made some adjustments. Pre Order by: April 21, 2023. Pickup: 3-4 pm April 22, 2023 Where: Concrete slab West of St. Joseph School Cost: \$25 Per Slab (Cash or Check) Contact: Tony 785-846-8010 or Mike 785-672-7406. Proceeds go to local causes.

The annual St. Joseph School Carnival is Sunday, March 30th. Ticket books are available at school and at the entrances of church. We are in need of donations for Bingo prizes (\$5 - \$10), cakes for the cake walk and 2-liter bottles of pop for the Pop Bottle Ring Toss game. Thank you for your continued support.

**Divine Mercy Celebration:** St. Paul Church, Angelus, KS, April 16: Divine Mercy Chaplet; 3:00pm, organ recital with local artists afterward: Jeanne Struckhoff, Leona Dickman, vocalist Rossie Stephens; violinist Josiah Akers; Potato bar after the performances. A free will offering can be given.

**ST. JOSEPH NEWS**

**Bible Study: Psalms: The School of Prayer** will meet in the conference room at the rectory on Tuesday morning, April 18, following the 8:30 school Mass.

**Preschool Pre-Enrollment:** We are now taking Preschool applications for the 2023-24 school year. If you are interested please contact the school at 785-671-4451 or complete the St. Joseph Preschool form located in the back of the church.

**ST. PAUL NEWS**

**Capital Campaign Update:** \$603K pledged and \$271K in the bank. Thank you for your continued support!!!!

**Our Tithes from Last Week**

Oakley: \$13,483.68 Angelus: \$1,390.00

Report allegations of the abuse of a minor to the Department of Children and Families. 800.922.5330 KBI Crime Hotline 800.572.7463. If you suspect abuse of a minor by church or school personnel, in addition to contacting civil authorities, the diocese provides a confidential. Hotline: 866.752.8855 ext.1067 Website: reportandprotect.com. Email: [reportabuse@salinadiocese.org](mailto:reportabuse@salinadiocese.org)

Reports will be responded to promptly by the Victim Assistance Coordinator

To report an incident of sexual abuse and related misconduct by a Bishop or Religious Superior currently or in the past, the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Services provides a confidential Hotline: 800.276.1562 Website: [reportbishopabuse.org](http://reportbishopabuse.org)

The Diocese of Salina complies with Kansas laws regarding reporting suspected abuse to civil authorities and cooperates with civil authorities investigating reports of suspected abuse by all persons, including but not limited to Church Personnel.

Questions regarding reporting should be directed to the Safe Environment Office Diocese of Salina -785.827.8746

**DAILY SCHEDULE**

Sat	15 – 5pm Mass + Carolyn Denchfield
Sun	16 – 8am Mass (Angelus) - Parishioners 10:30am - Special Intention for Jake Zimmerman 3pm Divine Mercy Sunday. 4pm Organ/music recital
Mon	17 – No Mass School Council Meeting at 6:15, Parish Council at 8pm.
Tues	18 – 7:30am Mass + Loretta Schoenfeld Bible Study in Oakley
Wed	19 – 7:30am (Angelus) + Anthony Feldt CCD classes at 7pm
Thur	20 – 8:30am Mass + Larry Kuhlman
Fri	21 – 7am Mass + Raymond Schriener
Sat	22 – 5pm Mass - Parishioners
Sun	23 – 8am Mass (Angelus) + Ed & Irene Huelsman 10:30am + Jennie Wolf First Communion at both parishes

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

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Saturday, Apr 22 <sup>th</sup> 9 pm	Servers	Volunteers	Sunday Apr 23 <sup>rd</sup> 10:30am	Servers	Madeline K., Joseph S. & Alexa W.
	Lectors	Elaine Wycoff		Lectors	Paul Schrick
	Gifts	P.D. & Micheline Huffman		Gifts	Lexi Macias, Owen Thompson & Nolin Zerr
	Hospitality	P.D. & Micheline Huffman		Hospitality	Brad & Vicky Joseph

Sunday, Apr 23 <sup>rd</sup> 8:00 am	Servers	Natalie Bixenman
	Lectors	Barney Dickman & Nancy Schwarz
	EMHC	Elsie Rietcheck
	Gifts	First Communicants
	Hospitality	Daryl, Mason and Andrew Bixenman & Barney Dickman