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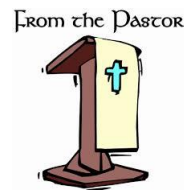
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From the Pastor 5th installment of St. Cyprian's Treatise on the Lord's Prayer: As the Lord's Prayer continues, we ask: Give us this day our daily bread. We can understand this petition in a spiritual and in a literal sense. For in the divine plan both senses may help toward our salvation. For Christ is the bread of life; this bread does not belong to everyone, but is ours alone. When we say, our Father, we understand that he is the father of those who know him and believe in him. In the same way we speak of our daily bread, because Christ is the bread of those who touch his body. Now, we who live in Christ and receive his eucharist, the food of salvation, ask for this bread to be given us every day. Otherwise we may be forced to abstain from this communion because of some serious sin. In this way we shall be separated from the body of Christ, as he taught us in the words: I am the bread of life which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats my bread will live for ever and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world. Christ is saying, then, that anyone who eats his bread will live for ever. Clearly they possess life who approach his body and share in the Eucharistic communion. For this reason we should be apprehensive and pray that no one has to abstain from this communion, lest he be separated from the body of Christ and be far from salvation. Christ has warned of this: If you do not eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his blood you will have no life in you. We pray for our daily bread, Christ, to be given to us. With his help, we who live and abide in him will never be separated from his body and his grace.

Next weekend will be our Mission Coop weekend. Fr. Michael from the Heralds of Good News will be giving the cooperative (and no, this is not your former pastor, he is a Carmelite). I will be gone from Saturday until Wednesday night, as it is our annual priest gathering at Council Grove City Lake.

The diocese has added a third Seminarian Dinner this year to be held in Colby on August 9th at City Limits beginning at 5:15pm. Hays and west has been the area from which the majority of priests have been ordained since 2012: 6 out of 11 (including Fr. Brian Lager and myself). The next batch of seminarians to be ordained will all be from Hays and west again, with 2 out of 3 coming from the west deanery. Some of these men could be your pastor in the future, and this is a great way to show support for them. Please consider attending this event, if they don't get the numbers to attend, they will not have it out here in the future. More information can be found on the parish website or at <https://salinadiocese.org/office/priestly-vocations/>.

Please join us in Hays as men from all over the Salina Diocese come together to learn, pray, worship and challenge each other. You do not want to miss out on this event! Please share these in your bulletin and on your parish's social media. To register: <https://salinadiocese.org/office/family-life/mens-conference/>

THE 2023 RURAL LIFE DAY will be held at St. Joseph's Church in Oakley on Sunday, August 13th, beginning at 3:00 P.M. for the featured event of Rural Life Day, the Msgr. John George Weber Century Farm awards. These awards are presented to families who have lived on farms, have farmed land, 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. Please plan to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Parish Pool Party: Mark your calendars for our Parish Pool Party on Saturday, August 5th at 7pm! It is free for all to attend. Ice cream sundaes and Root Beer floats will be provided, per usual. Of course, this is weather permitting. Hope to see you all there!


As mentioned several times in the past, we are moving on to working on the school building. To do this effectively, a building committee needs to be assembled. It will be a balanced committee of people who are knowledgeable of the work to be done, men, and women, people who get along with each other and respect dissenting opinions, and who are willing to speak their opinions and insights in a respectful manner. I am not guaranteeing you will sit on the committee if you volunteer. If this is a committee you think you would like to sit on, please let me know in the next week or so.

ST. JOSEPH NEWS

St. Joseph School is looking for a 3rd Grade Classroom Teacher. Please contact Mrs. Selzer at the school if you are interested.

ST. PAUL NEWS

Capital Campaign Update: \$615K pledged and \$287K in the bank. Thank you for your continued support!!!!



Our Tithes from Last Week

Oakley: \$2092.00 Angelus: \$485.00

DAILY SCHEDULE

Sat	22 – 5pm Mass - Parishioners
Sun	23 – 8am Mass (Angelus) + St. Ann's Altar Society 10:30am + Weber/Moorhous Families
Mon	24 – No Mass
Tues	25 – 7am Mass + Helen Ostmeyer Bible Study at 9:30am
Wed	26 – 7:30am Mass (Angelus) + Ed & Irene Huelsman
Thur	27 – 7am Mass + Brenner/Kuhlman Families
Fri	28 – 7am Mass + Pat Moeder
Sat	29 – 5pm Mass + Frank & Anna Marie Huelsman
Sun	30 – 8am Mass (Angelus) - Parishioners 10:30am + Allison Chaput

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

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Saturday July 29 th 5 pm	Servers	Volunteers	Sunday July 30 th 10:30 am	Servers	Sarah P, Jethro & Thomas C.
	Lector	Betty Hockersmith		Lector	Brandon Maurath
	Gifts	Dennis & Jane Schwarz		Gifts	Kyle & Barb Hemmert
	Hospitality	Dennis & Jane Schwarz		Hospitality	Cheri Weber

Sunday, July 30 th 8 am	Servers	Nick Robben
	Lectors	Millie Baalman & Nancy Schwarz
	EMHC	Steve Fellhoelter
	Gifts	Gary & Cheryl Ostmeyer
	Hospitality	Jeff O, Joe R, Ron R & Jay R.