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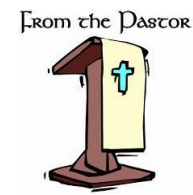
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From the Pastor

From a sermon by St. John Chrysostom: The waters have risen and severe storms are upon us, but we do not fear drowning, for we stand firmly upon a rock. Let the sea rage, it cannot break the rock. Let the waves rise, they cannot sink the boat of Jesus. What are we to fear? Death? *Life to me means Christ, and death is gain.* Exile? *The earth and its fullness belong to the Lord.* The confiscation of goods? *We brought nothing into this world, and we shall surely take nothing from it.* I have only contempt for the world's threats, I find its blessings laughable. I have no fear of poverty, no desire for wealth. I am not afraid of death nor do I long to live, except for your good. I concentrate therefore on the present situation, and I urge you, my friends, to have confidence...The waters have risen and severe storms are upon us, but we do not fear drowning, for we stand firmly upon a rock. Let the sea rage, it cannot break the rock. Let the waves rise, they cannot sink the boat of Jesus. What are we to fear? Death? Life to me means Christ, and death is gain. Exile? The earth and its fullness belong to the Lord. The confiscation of goods? We brought nothing into this world, and we shall surely take nothing from it. I have only contempt for the world's threats, I find its blessings laughable. I have no fear of poverty, no desire for wealth. I am not afraid of death nor do I long to live, except for your good. I concentrate therefore on the present situation, and I urge you, my friends, to have confidence. Yet where I am, there you are too, and where you are, I am. For we are a single body, and the body cannot be separated from the head nor the head from the body. Distance separates us, but love unites us, and death itself cannot divide us. For though my body die, my soul will live and be mindful of my people.

Spiritual Renewal Days: The priests of the Diocese of Salina will be in Wichita from September 16th – 19th for the annual fall Spiritual Renewal Days. No priests will be around for sacramental emergencies; the closest priest is in Scott City. Please keep us priests in your prayers during this time, and I certainly will be praying for all of you.

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 2nd 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.

ATTENTION LADIES: Please pick up your funeral dishes left in the church's back. THANK YOU!!


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 your support.

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

REBOOT featuring Chris Stefanick is coming to the Colby Event Center on Wednesday, November 20th. 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.



Our Tithes from Last Week

Oakley: \$4336.00 Angelus: \$864.00

DAILY SCHEDULE

Sat	14 – 5pm Mass + Danny George
Sun	15 – 8am Mass (Angelus) + Linda Zerr 10:30am Mass - Parishioners
Mon	16 – NO Mass
Tues	17 – 8:30am Communion Service 9:30am Bible Study in the rectory
Wed	18 – NO Mass (Angelus)
Thur	19 – 8:30am Communion Service
Fri	20 – 7am Mass + Dennis Sowers
Sat	21 – 5pm Mass - Parishioners
Sun	22 – 8am Mass (Angelus) + Cleon Heinrich 10:30am Mass + Dennis & Connie Dawson

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

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Saturday Sept 21 st 5pm	Servers	Volunteers	Sunday Sept 22 nd 10:30 am	Servers	Parker K, Carter K & Faith K.
	Lector	Tom Halbleib		Lector	Penny Ottley
	Gifts	Dennis & Jane Schwarz		Gifts	Mike & Katie Chrisler
	Hospitality	Curt & Lila Thompson		Hospitality	Ken & Bridgit Bockwinkel

Sunday, Sept 22 nd 8 am	Servers	Natalie Bixenman
	Lectors	Doug Robben & Gary Ostmeyer
	Gifts	Bob & Rhona Fellhoelter
	Ushers	Jason Fellhoelter, Steve Fellhoelter, Ron Lager & Larry Mense