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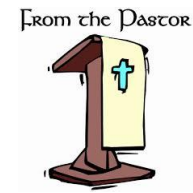
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From the Pastor

From a Treatise on Charity by St. Maximus the Confessor - Charity is a right attitude of mind which prefers nothing to the knowledge of God. If a man possesses any strong attachment to the things of this earth, he cannot possess true charity. For anyone who really loves God prefers to know and experience God rather than his creatures. The whole set and longing of his mind is ever directed towards him. For God is far superior to all his creation, since everything which exists has been made by God and for him. And so, in deserting God, who is beyond compare, for the inferior works of creation, a man shows that he values God, the author of creation, less than creation itself. Since he imitates God's generosity, the only distinction he draws is the person's need. He does not distinguish between a good man and a bad one, a just man and one who is unjust. Yet his own goodness of will makes him prefer the man who strives after virtue to the one who is depraved. A charitable mind is not displayed simply in giving money; it is manifested still more by personal service as well as by the communication of God's word to others. In fact, if a man's service towards his brothers is genuine and if he really renounces worldly concerns, he is freed from selfish desires. For he now shares in God's own knowledge and love. Since he does possess God's love, he does not experience weariness as he follows the Lord his God. Rather, following the prophet Jeremiah, he withstands every type of reproach and hardship without even harboring an evil thought towards any man.

First Friday Adoration: There are still a few slots open for adoration on First Fridays. Again, this is a great opportunity to grow in your relationship with our Lord. If interested, please contact Cheri Weber at 785-672-0487. Thank you.

Sacred Heart School in Colby invites you to join them for the annual School Carnival from 11:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m., Sunday, February 23, 2025. The Carnival is held in the school with games for all ages, bingo, a cake walk, kitchen/bath walk, concessions and prizes! Game tickets are 25¢ each or 20 tickets for \$5. Lunch is served in the Church Basement, and the menu includes bierocks, hot dogs, polish sausage, baked beans, chips, pie, cookies & drinks. Full meals are only \$6!

Lent: The penitential season of Lent begins on Wednesday, March 5th. This season is directed towards not only rooting out sin in our life but also promoting virtue and holiness. With that in mind, the book *33 Days to Eucharistic Glory* will be available for free. It is a great way to grow in one's love of the Eucharist as we prepare as a Church for the Resurrection at Easter. I hope many of you will take advantage of this opportunity

Lord of the Rings: This past week in Wichita, our presenter talked about the theology underlying JRR Tolkien's works, namely *The Lord of the Rings*. If you're looking for something to read that is fantasy but has Catholic theological undertones, this would be a great series to pick up. It is interesting to see how Tolkien used so many Christian and Christological themes within his writings.

ST. PAUL NEWS:

St. Anne Altar Society, Angelus, will hold its next meeting on Monday, March 3, at 7:00 in the church basement. The agenda will include a discussion on the format for serving funeral meals as proposed in the yearbook, cleaning out the flower cabinets, and Easter general church cleaning. Any and all comments are needed about the future of funeral meals.

ST. JOSEPH NEWS:

St. Joseph Bible Study: Luke, *The Story of Salvation Fulfilled* will begin in January on Tuesday mornings following the 8:30 St. Joseph School Mass in the Conference Room at the rectory.

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL NEWS:

St. Joseph School Carnival is on Sunday, March 30. We are in the process of preparing raffle tickets and could use your donation. If you wish to donate a prize for the raffle, please contact the school office by phone at 785-671-4451 or email us at schooloffice@sjoakley.org before Monday, February 17. Thank you for your continued support!

Our Tithes from Last Week

Oakley: \$3,214.00 Angelus: \$567.00

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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DAILY SCHEDULE

Sat 22 – 5pm Mass + Pat Moeder
 Sun 23 – 8am Mass (Angelus) + Jerry Gormley
 10:30am Mass – Parishioners
 2pm First Confessions
 Mon 24 – NO Mass
 Tues 25 – 8:30am Mass + Janice Huelsman
 9:30am Bible Study in the rectory
 Wed 26 – Mass at 7:30am + Jim Stephens
 7pm CCD at both parishes
 Thur 27 – 8:30am Mass + Jim Robben Sr.
 Fri 28 – 7am Mass + Debra Campbell
 Sat 01 – 5pm Mass - Parishioners
 Sun 02 – 8am Mass (Angelus) + Wilfred & Donna Engel
 10:30am Mass + Raymond Bussen

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

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	Lector	Elaine Wycoff		Lector	Kay Hughes
	Gifts	Dennis & Jane Schwarz		Gifts	Jarrad & Casey Zerr
	Hospitality	Dennis & Jane Schwarz		Hospitality	Allen & Jenny Bretz Family

Sunday, Mar 2 nd 8 am	Servers	Johnathan Ostmeyer
	Lectors	Nancy Schwarz & Gary Ostmeyer
	Gifts	Mark & Bernice Rueschhoff
	Ushers	Steve Fellhoelter., Ron Lager., Larry Mense., Gary Ostmeyer