

St. Augustine Parish Bulletin

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**24th Sunday
In Ordinary Time
September 17, 2017**

MASS – Saturday, Sept. 23 – Vigil Mass at 4:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart and 6:30 p.m. at St. James; **Sunday, Sept. 24 at 8:30 a.m. here at St. Augustine**; Sacred Heart at 10:30 a.m.; Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated a half hour before weekend Masses and by appointment.

IN ADDITION to a half hour before Masses on Sat. evening & on Sunday; there will also be confessions available each Friday at Sacred Heart on Friday, September 22 at 6:30 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASS will be held here on Tuesday, September 19 at 6:00 p.m.

“FOR IF WE LIVE, WE LIVE FOR THE Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord’s” - ROMANS 14:8 This is the essence of stewardship – everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God. We aren’t “owners” of anything, we are merely “stewards” of the gifts that God has given us, especially our very own lives. Pray to God, daily, and ask Him how He wants you to use the gifts He has given you.

LECTOR - Sept. 24 – Dennis Rettele; Oct. 1 – Don Haverkamp; Oct. 8 – Greg Renyer

SERVERS - Sept. 24 – Leah Renyer & Jonathan Renyer; Oct. 1 – Erin & Anthony Deters; Oct. 8 – Jonathan Renyer & Caleb Renyer

OFFERTORY GIFTS - Sept. 24 – Larry Lierzs; Oct. 1 – Bob Busers; Oct. 8 – Ben Rettele family

USHERS - Sept. 24 – Don Haverkamp & Gary Plattner; Oct. 1 – Garrett Renyer & Adam Renyer; Oct. 8 – Dwaine Baumgartner & Ervin Deters

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION - Sept. 24 – Greg Renyer, Teresa Baumgartner, Rodney Lierz; Oct. 1 – Rod Winkler, Denise Plattner, Teresa Baumgartner; Oct. 8 – David Wehner, Dwaine Baumgartner, Greg Renyer

MASS INTENTIONS – Tues. Sept. 19 at 5:15 p.m. at SH – L&D members of Bob & Marcia Huber family; **Tues. Sept. 19 here at 6:00 p.m. – Raymond & Norma Jurgensmeier+**; Wed. Sept. 20 at 8:00 a.m. at SJ – Norbert Broxterman+; at 5:15 p.m. at SH – Floyd & Eleanor Baumgartner+; Thurs. Sept. 21 at 5:15 p.m. at SH – poor souls in Purgatory; Fri. Sept. 22 at 5:15 p.m. at SH – Ethel Baumgartner+; Vigil Mass Sat. Sept. 23 at 4:00 p.m. at SH – parishioners of the 3 parishes; at 6:30 p.m. at SJ – Ed Hermes+; **Sun. Sept. 24 at 8:30 a.m. – Barbara Gudenkauf**; at 10:30 a.m. at SH – Bryan Torrey+; **Tues. Sept. 26 - Dave Henry+**; **Sun. Oct. 1 at 8:30 a.m. here – for parishioners of the 3 parishes**

CHURCH CLEANERS AND CHOIR LOFT - Sept. 17 – Barbara Rettele, Sharon Winkler, Sarah Renyer; Sept. 24 – JoEllen Key, Jean Renyer, Amy Deters; Oct. 1 – Kris Haverkamp, Lynn Dierking, Julie Rieger

CHURCH HALL/KITCHEN CLEANERS through the month of **SEPTEMBER** - Kris Haverkamp, Lynn Dierking, Julie Rieger

LAST SUNDAY COLLECTION: \$790.00 Envelope; \$109.00 Plate; \$1290.00 Hurricane Relief; Thanks for your generosity! The special collection for The Leaven will be on October 1st. Cost is \$21.00 for each family! There is an envelope in your packet.

MONEY COUNTERS FOR SEPTEMBER - Dennis Rettele, Jeremy Sweat, Jean Renyer

THE ALTAR SOCIETY is still collecting Best Choice labels. Give them to Lynn Dierking. Altar society meeting will be held on Monday, September 25 at 7:00 p.m. with Barb Rettele as hostess.

WE WILL BE PRAYING THE ROSARY during the month of October. Leaders are: Oct. 1 – Jim Renyers and Garrett Renyer; Oct. 8 – Rodney Lierz and Darin Lierz; Oct. 15 – Greg Renyers and Ben Retteles; Oct. 22 – Herman Renyers and Adam Renyers; Oct. 29 – Larry Lierzs and Bob Busers; If you cannot help with this, please get someone to take your place! Thanks!!

RCIA STARTS SOON! PREPARATION FOR BECOMING CATHOLIC! RCIA is not a commitment to becoming Catholic, but just a chance to look more in to the Catholic faith, to see if you would like to become Catholic at the end of the process at the Easter Vigil. RCIA will meet most Tuesdays starting Oct. 3rd and going till Easter from 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Please contact Father Clayton if interested.

BLOOD DRIVE will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 26 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Sabetha City Hall.

PRO-LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1 - Please plan to give this hour of time that Sunday from 2-3 p.m. by the Cemetery in Sabetha along Old Hwy 75, to prayerfully witness in our community to the importance of the dignity of all human life, especially the littlest and most defenseless among us. Please come give your time for this very critical issue of our day. This killing of babies and harming of mothers and fathers must be put to an end for their good and the good of society and for God's honor. Together let's stand up for Life!

FATIMA CENTENARY - Join Archbishop Naumann in the celebration of a Mass of Thanksgiving to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the conclusion of the apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary to the children at Fatima, Portugal. The Mass will be offered on Friday, October 13 at 6:30 p.m. at Queen of the Holy Rosary in Overland Park. At the end of Mass, Archbishop Naumann will consecrate the Archdiocese to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The message of Our Lady of Fatima remains as important today as it was a century ago. Let us take up her request of prayers for peace and the stability of the world, especially through the Most Holy Rosary and consecration to her Immaculate Heart.

MARRIAGE MINUTE - Could anyone nourish anger against another and expect healing from the LORD? The question posed to us in this weekend's readings is especially applicable to married couples. When we are hurt by our spouse, it may be helpful to take some time to cool down, but extended time of venting, silent treatment or replaying the offense in our minds not only hurts our spouse but prevents us from healing, too! Here are a few hints to avoid this: * While times are good, decide on a process for how you will handle hurts * Consider a letter-writing process so you are less likely to say things you don't mean * Commit to deal with hurts promptly so that they don't fester, and lovingly, so you don't cause more hurt. To learn a very practical skill for reconciling hurts, attend an Every Day in Love course! www.joyfulmarriageproject.com

"HIS OWN", A RETREAT FOR WOMEN - "In a world where women are exploited, misused, and misguided, we desire that our music and ministry will inspire women to come before the Lord as they are, to encounter His unique love for them, and to be reminded of the eternal measure of their feminine dignity and worth." His Own! will be at Mother Teresa Catholic Church, 2014 NW 46th Street, Topeka, KS on Saturday, October 7, 2017. The day begins at 7:30 a.m. with coffee and check-in; the rosary at 8:30 a.m.; 9:00 – noon: music, testimonies and talk. Lunch is provided. After lunch we will have adoration w/music and the final talk at 2:30 p.m.; all parish Mass at 4:00 p.m. There is no cost for this retreat, but a free-will offering will be accepted. In order to get a head count for lunch, please register online at: www.mtcctopeka.org by Friday, September 29.

100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF FOUNDING OF MILITIA IMMACULATA - The Militia of the Immaculata in the Midwest would like to invite everyone to the 100th year celebration of the founding of the M.I. by Saint Maximilian Kolbe, October, 7, 2017, with a Holy Rosary and Mass at 9:00 a.m. with our honored guest celebrant: Archbishop Joseph Naumann, followed by a presentation by Mike Scherschligt of the School of Faith. The day concludes at 4pm. We hope to see you there. Please email IMMACULATA8@ATT.NET or go to CONSECRATION-MIDWEST.ORG if you are planning to be with us. Registration open at 8:30 a.m. (\$10 at the door). Redemptorist Church, 33rd and Broadway, Kansas City, MO

FOR ALL HAPPILY MARRIED COUPLES - All married couples should focus on their relationship, build on the love they have for each other, and look for ways to keep their marriage healthy and exciting. A Marriage Encounter Weekend is one simple way to step outside day-to-day life and give couples an ideal way to show one another that their marriage is as important to them today as it was on the day it began. Join us on the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend November 12-14, 2017 Space IS limited, so apply early! For more information or to apply, please visit our website: www.wwme4youandme.org or call Tony & Barb Zimmerman, [816-741-4066](tel:816-741-4066) or email tonybarbz@prodigy.net

RETROUVAILLE IS OCTOBER 27, 2017 IN KANSAS CITY - Does your marriage need a tune up? Or even a major overhaul? Sometimes a marriage can run along fine and then things change. They may need your time and attention. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT REGISTRATION TEAM: TRACY & PAUL 800- 470-2230 OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE: HELPOURMARRIAGE.COM

***DISCOVERING CHRIST*FOLLOWING CHRIST*SHARING CHRIST;** Save the dates for* **Sharing Christ!** Tonight, Sept. 24, Oct 1, 8, 14; An invitation to enter deeply into your Catholic faith as our parishes complete the ChristLife series . . . Sessions 6:30-8:30 p.m. plus retreat day.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHICKEN FRY is TODAY from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at St. Dominic's hall in Holton, Kansas. Serving fried chicken, baked chicken, baked potatoes, baked beans, cole slaw, and desserts. Free will offering will support the Holton Special Ed. Coop.

ANNUNCIATION CHURCH PICNIC is Sept. 24 from 4-7 p.m. at the Cigna Center in Frankfort, Kansas. Serving roast beef dinner with all the trimmings; Adults \$10.00 – Ages 10 & under - \$5.00; Games, raffle, silent auction, etc.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES **"GROWING AS DISCIPLES OF JESUS AND MAKING DISCIPLES FOR JESUS"**

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY -"Living as Missionary Disciples" - O God, our Heavenly Father, you have given us the gift of these catechists: **Sarah Renyer, Michaela Schultejan & Linda Baumgartner, Kari Meyer, Carla Renyer, Lynnette Dierking, Lesa Duryea & Shelly Schmelzle, Adam Enneking & Jacob Gruber, Beth Kroll & Amanda Rettele, Doug Fortmeyer, Greta Heiman, David Glynn, Kerry Glynn and Mandy Funk, Matt and Michelle Tedman and Laura Fortmeyer** ; to be heralds of the Gospel to our parish family. We lift them up to you in thanksgiving and intercede for them concerning their hopes and needs. May we be attentive to the presence of your Word in them, a Word that lifts up and affirms, calls forth and challenges, is compassionate and consoles. We pray that our parish family will always be blessed with those who have responded to the call to share in Christ's prophetic mission as catechists. May we too be open to the universal call to service that Christ addresses to all of his disciples, contributing our gifts to the communion of faith, the Church. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

CONFIRMATION 'SPIRIT DAY WITH SPONSORS'- Reminder that we will have our final "Spirit Day" with sponsors on **Sunday, October 1 at 12:30-2:30 p.m. at St. James in Wetmore**. In addition to our final Chosen session, "Where do I go from here: The Journey Continues", we will have a **rehearsal for the rite of Confirmation**. At least your sponsor **or** parent should attend. Some light refreshments will be provided.

NEIGHBOR-2-NEIGHBOR; PROJECT NEED - Neighbor-2-Neighbor is a Sabetha organization that aims to connect churches and other organizations with our neighbors in the community that might have some needs. Our goal is to build relationships and be the hands and feet of Jesus in real tangible ways. We have one project underway and is almost complete. We are now in need of some man-power to complete the painting of the exterior of a house. If you can help with painting on Saturday, September 23 at 8:00 a.m. (for as long as you are able) please contact Gina!

MOMNIPOTENT MOM'S GROUP BEGINS SEPTEMBER 25! All mothers of the parish are invited to a new **once per month** group dedicated to mothers! Our first session will be on Monday, September 25 at 7:00 p.m. This video series (8 sessions) will take us through the school year and help us validate our important role as mothers helping us find or re-gain balance, peace and joy! Visit: momnipotentstudy.com to find out more.

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ROSARY ON THURSDAYS - We pray the rosary at Sacred Heart every Thursday at 12:10 p.m. for the intentions of our parishes, those on our sick list and our own personal intentions, while meditating on the life of our Lord Jesus and our Mother, Mary. All are welcome to join us every Thursday 12:10-12:30 p.m.

THANK YOU! The Baker family wishes to thank Fr. Clayton for his lovely service for Mary Jurgensmeier, the Popkess funeral home for their assistance, and the delicious meal served by the St. Augustine Altar Society, (ladies and parishioners who helped prepare and serve the food), also Barb Rettele, organist and Tiffany Jurgensmeier, soloist. It was deeply appreciated.