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**Third Sunday
In Ordinary Time
Jan 21, 2018**

MASS – Sat. Jan. 27, 2018, Vigil Mass at 4:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart and 6:30 p.m. at St. James; **Sunday, Jan. 28 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.

NO WEEKDAY MASSES FROM JAN. 2 THRU FEB. 9 - Weekday Masses will resume Feb. 13; No Friday confessions 6:30 p.m. at SH

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION will be held here on Friday, Feb. 2. No Mass will be held.

“FOLLOW ME AND I WILL MAKE YOU FISHERS OF MEN.” - Mark 1:17 Jesus' call to "Follow me" is a call to all Christians! The call is in the here and now, in our present circumstances, not when we think we are "ready" or that we have everything in order. Good stewardship of our God-given gifts means that things aren't always going to go according to our schedule and that God has a much better plan in store for each of us.

LECTOR - Jan. 28 – David Wehner; Feb. 4 – Dennis Rettele; Feb. 11 – Don Haverkamp

SERVERS - Jan. 28 – Leah Renyer & Jonathan Renyer; Feb. 4 – Erin & Anthony Deters; Feb. 11 – Jonathan Renyer & Caleb Renyer

OFFERTORY GIFTS - Jan. 28 – Dwaine Baumgartners; Feb. 4 – Rodney Lierz family; Feb. 11 – Jim Renyer family

USHERS - Jan. 28 – Bob Buser & Jeremy Sweat; Feb. 4 – Brian McClain & Dwaine Baumgartner; Feb. 11 – Adam Renyer & Adam Maas

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION - Jan. 28 – David Wehner, Dwaine Baumgartner, Greg Renyer; Feb. 4 – Don Haverkamp, David Wehner, Denise Plattner; Feb. 11 – Greg Renyer, Teresa Baumgartner, Rodney Lierz

MASS INTENTIONS - Vigil Mass Sat. Jan. 27 at SH at 4:00 p.m. at SH – Gilbert Koelzer+; at 6:30 p.m. at SJ – Dale Meyer+; **Sun. Jan. 28 at 8:30 a.m. here – for the farmers**; at 10:30 a.m. at SH – for parishioners of the 3 parishes; Vigil Mass. Sat. Feb. 3 at 6:30 p.m. at SJ – Eldon & Doris Mulroy+; **Sun. Feb. 4 at 8:30 a.m. here at St. Augustine – for parishioners of the 3 parishes**

CHURCH CLEANERS AND CHOIR LOFT - Jan. 21- JoEllen Key, Jean Renyer, Amy Deters; Jan. 28 – Kris Haverkamp, Lynn Dierking, Julie Rieger; Feb. 4 – Joan Lierz, Teresa Baumgartner, Mary Renyer

CHURCH HALL/KITCHEN CLEANERS through the month of **JAN.** – Diana Jurgensmeier, Denise Plattner, Ellen Buser

LAST SUNDAY COLLECTION: \$93.00 Plate; \$495.00 Envelope; Thanks for your generosity!

MONEY COUNTERS FOR JAN. - Jean Renyer, Janelle Popkess, Andy Renyer; **FEB.** – Janelle Popkess, Andy Renyer, Dennis Rettele

WE WILL BE PRAYING THE LIVING ROSARY after Mass today for the Unborn. Please join in where you are needed.

LOOKING AHEAD - We will be praying the rosary before Mass during Lent. Leaders are: Feb. 18 – Gary Plattners & Ervin Deters; Feb. 25 – Don Haverkamps and Dennis Retteles; March 4 – Janelle Popkess & Julie Rieger; Mar. 11 – Lois Bindel & Volora Hanzlicek; Mar. 18 Pat Jurgensmeier, Kate Bauerle & Jeremy Sweat; Mar. 25 – Dwaine Baumgartners & Jessica Ploeger; Please get someone to take your place if you cannot help with this! Thanks!

MARRIAGE MINUTE - Are you facing an impossible situation in your marriage? Maybe it seems so big that, like Jonah, you'd rather turn the other way rather than address it! Luckily for the people of Nineveh, God went through some extraordinary lengths to set Jonah back on the right path, and when he preached repentance to the wickedest people in the ancient world, an amazing thing happened... they repented! When we have the courage to face into the difficult issues in our marriages, similar miracles can occur. Fortunately, God wants to give us help, too! Don't deal with hard things alone. Consider:

- A Retrouvaille weekend - www.retrouvaille.org
- Counseling - archkck.org/catholic-counselors
- Confiding in a spiritual mentor or mature friend who sides in the interest of your marriage (rather than you or your spouse!)

FAMILY BREAKDOWN: UNDERSTAND IT. HEAL IT. PREVENT IT. END IT.

January 27, 2018 Ascension Catholic Parish

9:10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

- Are you tired of the drama, insecurity and lovelessness?
- Do you wonder how to help your family, kids or grandkids?
- Do you wonder how we got in this mess and how to recover?
- How do we prevent family breakdown?

Come to the Ruth Institutes “Preventing and Healing Family Breakdown” and regain hope. (Ages 16 and up) Go to <http://www.ruthinstitute.org/events/healing-familybreakdown> for details and registration. Questions call Deacon Tony Zimmerman 913-647- 0329. Gina plans to attend and carpool, please contact her regarding carpooling by 1/24.

LENTEN RETREAT OPPORTUNITY – Christ's Peace House of Prayer will offer a Lenten retreat 'Renewing your soul through prayer and fasting.' Retreat begins at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 10 and ends at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 11. There will be 4-5 talks, daily Eucharistic Adoration, private prayer, spiritual direction, walks in the woods, spiritual reading and time for confession before 5:00 p.m. Mass Saturday at the local parish. Cost for overnight guests is \$85 per individual or \$125 per couple with meals included. If interested please contact info@christspeace.com or call 913- 773-8255.

JANUARY IS A VERY SPECIAL MONTH in the Pro Life Office and we have some great things happening! This year we will be taking 4 buses to Washington D.C. as well as offering our first ever Young Adult pilgrimage! On January 22, we will be hosting our annual Kansas Mass and Rally in Topeka at the Capitol steps. This year, we have also added a brand new event for our youth! Check out more here: www.archkck.org/ignite. We will be offering scholarships to schools and parishes who would like to attend the Topeka event. Please contact me if you are in need of any assistance. We welcome each of you to come celebrate Mass with 3 of our 4 Kansas Bishops!

SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY - Respite Care Program Sat. January 27, 2018; 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Holy Cross Catholic School, 8101 West 95th Street Overland Park, Kansas. Respite Care provides the gift of time away from care giving for families who have a child with a disability. The program is designed for children between the ages of 6 and 18. For exceptions to the age range, please contact Tom Racunas, Archdiocese Lead Consultant of the Special Needs Ministry, at 913.647.3054 or by email at tracunas@archkck.org. If you have any questions regarding the program please contact Tom, or Audrey Amor, Archdiocese Respite Care Coordinator at 816.739.1197 or via email at aamor@sjakeepingfaith.org. Volunteers are needed to be a respite buddy to a child with a disability. To register a child for the program or to volunteer please go to www.archkck.org/special-needs and complete the on-line form

REJECT CONTRACEPTION, WHICH HAS LED TO INCREASING RATES OF DIVORCE, POVERTY, ABORTION, AND CHILD ABUSE. Classes in the Sympto-Thermal Method of NFP are offered for a reasonable course fee beginning in Topeka on Saturday January 27 at 7:00 p.m.; Call Dana or Eric Runnebaum at 785-380-0062 for more info; including the location of this class and the availability of online classes. Pre-registration required at www.ccli.org. Learn more at nfptopeka.blogspot.com.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF NE KANSAS – Thank you St. Augustine for your contribution to the Christmas collection benefitting Catholic Charities of NE Kansas. We are most grateful for all you do to support and join our mission of serving those in poverty of mind, body and spirit.

BLOOD DRIVE will be held Tues. Jan. 23 at the Sabetha City Hall gym from 11:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. There is a blood shortage right now which happens a lot during the holidays. All blood types are needed but 0 negative is the universal one that can be given to all blood types.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH ST. BENEDICT Soup-r-Bowl Sunday Lunch - Serving homemade chili, chicken noodle, and vegetable beef soup, relishes and pie. This will be Sun. Feb. 4, 2018 - serving from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Free will Offering. Everyone is welcome!

FAITH FORMATION NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES

OPENING THE WORD {FORMED.ORG} - The following reflection/resolution comes from the **Opening the Word series on Formed.org**. You can log on using our parish code: **b70478**. Check out the short video reflections and download a weekly journal to help you stay focused and prayerfully mindful of the Gospel throughout the week. RESOLUTION: G.K. Chesterton once said, "A dead thing can go with the stream, but only a living thing can go against it." When we truly live in Christ and follow him, we have to swim against the stream of this world and its empty promises. Ask the Lord to give you the grace to let go of anything holding you back from him. **What practical thing can you do this week to cast aside your nets and follow Jesus more closely?**

CCD DATES TO NOTE:

January 24 - CCD

January 31- CCD

February 7 - CCD & "Fat Tuesday" dinner

February 14 - NO CCD - ASH WEDNESDAY

March 21 – NO CCD – SPRING BREAK

MARDI GRAS (FAT TUESDAY ON A WEDNESDAY DINNER) Our SH/SA CCD families are invited to a "Fat Tuesday" dinner **BEFORE CCD** on Wednesday, February 7 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. hosted by the Knights of Columbus.

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

Monday, January 22 - IGNITE Pro Life Rally in Topeka

Mass with Archbishop; Praise/Worship, Guest Speaker who was an abortion survivor, lunch and rally on Capital steps; For information, schedule of events and ticket (FREE) but requires sign up go to: www.archkck.org/ignite

Sunday, February 4 - JASON EVERT {www.chastity.com} at Holton High School 901 New York, Holton, KS; 12-4 for Jr. High/High School and Parents/Catechists; Jason is **POPULAR AND A BIG DEAL PARENTS** in the Catholic Youth Ministry world - this is a great opportunity to hear him speak. This is also our Rural Youth Ministry Outreach training opportunities which earns us grant money per adult participant. Please consider attending especially if you have jr. high/high school students.

Sunday, February 18 - Northeast Kansas Winter Youth Rally (High School) - "I was LOST now I'm found" featuring Mikey Needleman and Mike Debus as keynotes; 1:00-6:00 p.m. with Mass at 4:00 and a meal at 5:00; Held at Axtell High School Gym

Sunday, February 25 - Jr. High (6th-7th-8th) Youth Rally "Amazing Love" featuring Emily Wilson {www.emilywilsonmusic.com} This is the annual Jr. High Rally from 9:00-4:30 including Mass, Music by Mikey Needleman Band and performance art by Mike Debus. Registration will go home with all Jr. High Students on February 7 and will be due to me no later than February 14 to box #136 --- they can drop it off at Ash Wednesday Mass ;) Emily was one of the 2017 NCYC emcees and will be amazing for our jr. high students!

CAMP KATERI TEKAKWITHA registration opens soon! Within the last year, I have heard that our kids are attending other Christian camps with their friends. These experiences with Christian friends can be good-but sometimes confusing. Please help me encourage our Jr. high and high school teens to attend our Archdiocesan camps Kateri and Tekakwitha. There are powerful experiences at camp that have led to deep conversions and vocations within the hearts of our teens that lead them to living out their Catholic faith in a renewed way. Scholarships from the Rural Youth Ministry Outreach Office and our parish may be available. For more information please visit: www.archkck.org/camp

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 the sick list and our own personal intentions.