Welcome to our parish!

Parish Mission:
We are a Catholic community called by God to share in the mission of Jesus.

If you are a visitor, we hope you enjoy your stay. If you are new to the parish, your prayers, time and talents as an active member will be appreciated. Please contact the church office to register. We are happy to visit with you about a baptism, marriage, or to meet other spiritual needs.

Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 17, 2016

"I have made you a light to the Gentiles, that you may be an instrument of salvation to the ends of the earth."
-- Acts 13:47b

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST
Sunday 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am
Saturday Vigil Mass 5:15 pm
Weekday Mondays: 6 pm;
Wednesdays & Thursdays: 8:00 am
Tuesdays & Fridays: 8:30 am

RECONCILIATION
Fridays following Mass | Saturdays 4:00 pm

PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Mon-Fri 7:30 am - 3:30 pm
Fr. Gale Hammerschmidt  
Pastor  
pastor@saintxparish.org  
238-2998

Deacon Ed Souza  
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**Special Ministries**

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**Weekly Finance Report**

- **Tithing:** (April 10) $12,058.81
- **April MTD:** $26,930.63
- **Needed for April:** $55,175.00

**Liturgical Ministry Information**

**Lectors**, Rosemarie Norris.................................785-209-1486  
lovetoeat44@hotmail.com

**E.M./Ushers**, Cathy Striggow...............................785-223-1018  
richardandcathy2005@yahoo.com

**FOR: April 23 & 24**

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| **Saturday 5:15 p.m.** | P – Sandi Adams  
C – Judy Sanner, Susan Kamphaus  | Teran Naccarato       | Kayley & Keira Jones        | Murlene Jones, Shar Boland, Chris Robison, Margaret Wawrzyniak |
| **Sunday 8:00 a.m.**    | P – Maureen Gustafson  
C – Mike & Kelly Boeh    | Mary Ann Kniebel      | Volunteers                 | Jerry Frakes, Mike Ryan, Richard Gustafson, Phil Zeller         |
| **Sunday 9:30 a.m.**  | P – Julie Booth  
C – Brenda Dacus, Frank Catalo | Ella Moloney          | Jay & Hayden Diestelkamp    | Jackie Hecker, Don Haffner, Karen Eddy, Jeanie Wolford          |
| **Sunday 11:00 a.m.** | P – Randy Testa  
C – Linda & Russell Wilson | Deb Breidenstein      | Volunteers                 | Kim Coy, Patrick Gana-way, Paul Roesell, Steve Ricker            |

**Altar Servers**, Jennifer Craft............................785-375-9527  
jennifer-craft@outlook.com

Sign-up website: www.signupgenius.com - then find a sign-up and put in Jennifer’s above email address.
ADULT FAITH FORMATION

LADY OF FATIMA

Our Lady identified herself as “The Lady of the Rosary” in each of the six apparitions. She asked the children to pray, pray, pray; especially pray the Rosary. Pray for the suffering souls in Purgatory, ask pardon for your sins and the sins of the world.

Take the Our Lady of Fatima statue into your home by calling Linda Charowhas at 238-4385 or 200-0926 or Colleen Henney at 238-2618.

Schedule for Statue
4/17: Ryan & Shannon Rosauer 4/24: Emily Vieyra

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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ADULT FAITH FORMATION

THE GOOD SHEPHERD: GENTLE & STRONG

Good Shepherd Sunday inspires a World Day of Prayer for Vocations, asking God to bless communities everywhere with shepherds like Jesus. But our Good Shepherd image should embrace all the dimensions of Jesus’ image. Appropriately, the Jubilee Year of Mercy comforts us by emphasizing Jesus’ tenderness toward straying sheep—since we’re them. So we’re glad popular religious gentle herdsman smiles down on the he cradles. But in ready quoted from Jesus balances that gentleness. Jesus’ sheep belong to him, are safe in his hand, and destined to live forever. The source of this gentle Good Shepherd’s unflinching strength? “My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one can take them out of the Father’s hand.” As the Good Shepherd’s gentleness and strength combine to offer us comfort and assurance, they also illustrate discipleship’s imitation of Christ as described by Saint Francis de Sales: “Nothing is so strong as gentleness; nothing is so gentle as real strength.”
SCHOOL NEWS & RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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ST. XAVIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Lord’s Table

Sunday, April 17th from 12:30--2:00 p.m., the youth group is participating in a service project in the school gymnasium. Come and help us out!

Preschool Roundup

Saint Xavier Catholic School will be hosting a Preschool Roundup on April 26th from 6-7 pm in the preschool classrooms (Bldg. B). Preschool classes are available for children 3-5 years of age.

Sessions for 3-year-old students: 2 days per week-Tuesday and Thursday am or pm
Sessions for 4-year-old students: 3 days per week-Monday, Wednesday, Friday am or pm
5 days per week- Monday through Friday afternoon
5 days per week- Monday through Friday-Full days

This is a great opportunity to meet the teachers and visit the classroom. Children are encouraged to attend along with their parents. If you are interested in registering your child for preschool that evening, please plan to fill out an application and pay the discounted $125 registration fee. St. Xavier Catholic School is located at 200 N. Washington St. in Junction City.

For more information please call 238-2841.

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KINDERGARTEN ROUNDUP

Saint Xavier Catholic School will be hosting a Kindergarten Roundup on April 28th from 6-7 pm. We welcome your family and children to attend. We will meet at 5:45 in Building A in the cafeteria where daycare will be provided by middle and high school students. Then, at 6:00, we will be able to meet the teacher, learn about the curriculum, and have an opportunity to have your personal questions answered. If you are interested in registering your child for Kindergarten that evening, please plan to fill out an application and pay the discounted $125 registration fee. Students must be 5 years of age on or before August 31, 2016 to attend kindergarten for the 2016-2017 school year.

St. Xavier Catholic School is located at 200 N. Washington St. in Junction City.

For more information please call 238-2841.

REGISTRATION

NOW IS THE TIME TO REGISTER FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR!

St. Xavier Catholic School offers educational opportunities for children in preschool through high school. Enroll early to save on fees. The registration fee is only $125 for families who enroll by May 31st. Additional savings of $10 per student on curriculum fees apply if paid by May 31st. Enrollment applications, along with all of the information that you need, can be found on our website. If you prefer to pick up the applications at the school, they are available in the front office located at 200 N. Washington, Junction City, KS.

If you have questions about enrollment or need help with anything, please contact Mrs. Kane at (785) 238-2841 or visit our website www.saintxrams.org

CCD NEWS

Classes continue this month. The last class is April 27 for Pre-K through 8th Grades. Confirmation classes continue until the Candidates receive the sacrament on May 11. The Mass for the children receiving First Communion is May 1 at 2:00 p.m. Practice is April 30 at 11:00 a.m.

Please pray for the 46 children who are preparing to receive this sacrament.

Let’s try to keep attendance high. If anyone is interested in helping with Vacation Bible School, please contact Sandy Leistner.

YOUTH GROUP

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ST. MARY’S CEMETERY ASSOCIATION
The annual meeting of the St. Mary’s Cemetery Association is scheduled for Sunday, April 17, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. in the Rectory Meeting Room. All parishioners are welcome.

Taco Feed
The activities committee is hosting a taco feed on Friday, April 22nd from 5-7pm at the K of C hall. The cost is $6 and is ALL YOU CAN EAT! We hope you are able to come and support this fundraiser for the St. Xavier Activities Committee.

CAC21+
Sunday’s Word
The CAC21+ group will meet this Tuesday, April 19th at 7:00 p.m. to read and explore the coming Sundays readings and will last about an hour. We will meet at Bluestem Bistro, 1219 Moro St. For more information contact Jordan at jxbrungardt@ksu.edu

Bonfire
Join the Cor ad Cor group for a grill out and campfire on Saturday, April 23rd at 6pm. The event will be held at the Milford Lake Thunderbird Marina. Address: 4725 West Rolling Hills, Junction City KS 66441 to carpool from Manhattan meet at Saint Isidore at 5:15pm. Contact Julie at julie-hettinger@hotmail.com 913-314-7868 or Tim at timothy.schrag@gmail.com 620-491-3208 to RSVP or sign up to bring food.

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The Institute
The Institute will be held at the Spiritual Life Center in Wichita, April 29-May 1. This year’s theme is: *Discover the ‘me’ in Mercy!* Two courses will be offered in English and one will be offered in Spanish. One course will show how God’s mercy is celebrated in the Sacraments. Another will show how we can live mercy in the corporal works of mercy. The second course will also have a Spanish track. Speakers are: Fr. Frank Coady, Fr. Bob Schremmer, and Fr. Juan Fahey-Guerra, cssr.

GLIMPSES OF GOD
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Grounds For Life
Respect Life Conference will be held in Russell, KS at the Queen of Angels Parish on August 27 from 9am-3pm. Learn how to engage in the Federal and State public policy process to continue to build the Culture of Life. Register at Salinadiocese.org/respect-life

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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

St. John Vianney writes of Adoration of Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament:

“If we really loved the good God, we should make it our joy and happiness to come and spend a few moments to adore Him, and ask Him for the grace of forgiveness; and we should regard those moments as the happiest of our lives.”

Formed.org

The movie, Mary of Nazareth is FREE for you to watched at Formed.org. If you have not logged in yet, the parish code is: V3CZ6Q.

We received this review:
WOW! I give this movie a 9 out of 10! When Mary cried, I cried, so I cried quite a bit. It’s a beautiful portrayal of the love between a mother and son. Mary of Nazareth is an epic motion picture on the life of Mary, mother of Christ, from her childhood through the Resurrection of Jesus. (2+hrs.) It’s not rated, but I’d give it a PG13 for brief sexuality with Mary Magdalene and the violence of the killing of the innocents and the crucifixion. Send an email to office@saintxparish.org if you’ve watched a movie on formed.org and would like to share your review. Thank you

In the Beginning...

Chris’ heart started beating 18 days after conception. Chris may have a different blood type than the mother’s. Chris’ neural tubes are forming and will develop into the nervous system. Already, Chris has the foundation for thought, senses, feeling, and more. The amniotic sac, which will house Chris, is formed and the amniotic fluid will cushion Chris throughout pregnancy. Chris now has a yolk sac which supplies blood and nutrients until the placenta has developed and is ready to take over. “Your hands shaped me, molded me.”

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You Did It to Me: A Practical Guide to Mercy in Action-Book
Fr. Michael Gaitley
You Did It to Me: A Practical Guide to Mercy in Action can transform the culture of your family, parish, and community. This inspiring book from Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC, introduces a new, practical, and joyful approach to living the works of mercy. From homemakers to those in the work place, You Did It to Me reveals rich opportunities to put mercy into action in our everyday lives and provides the practical helps to do so.

Prayer Chain

The prayer chain is available for anyone wanting to request prayers. Contact Sandi Adams 375-4393 or Janet Holcomb 375-4586 to make your request known. If you would like to be part of the prayer chain in order to pray for those requests, you can call Sandi.

Rachel’s Vineyard Retreats

The mercy of Jesus is like an ocean ready to flow into any soul who asks for even a small portion. Experience the healing touch of Jesus’ mercy. Rachel’s Vineyard Retreats. Healing the pain of abortion one weekend at a time.

Next Retreat: May 20-22
1-877-I-GRIEVE (1-877-447-4383)
785.639.4643 (call or text)
rvineyard@ruraltel.net

Grief Support Group

Help and encouragement after the death of a loved one. GriefShare is a special weekly seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life. We know it hurts, and we want to help. Contact us today. Mondays 1-3 p.m. from now- May 9 Presbyterian Church at 113 West 5th. For more information: call 375-9906.

Quote from St. Francis

“...when the door starts closing a bit because of our weakness and sins, confession reopens it.”
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