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24th Sunday in Ordinary Time



17 Sep 2023

HOLY MASS

Saturday: Vigil Mass at 5:15 pm

Sunday: 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 am

Weekdays: Tues & Wed - 5:30 pm

Thurs - 8:00 am Fri - 8:30 am

These are our regular Mass times. Please refer to daily Mass schedule inside on Page 2 for any changes to Mass times for this week.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday: 6:00 pm Tues until 1:00 am Wed

Thursday: 8:30 am to 8:00 pm

Friday: 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Parish Holy Hour: Second Thursdays at 6:00 pm, Adoration and Benediction

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Tuesday: 6:00 pm following the Mass

Friday: 9:00 am following the Mass

Saturday: 4:00 - 5:00 pm

You may also contact the Parish Office to set an individual appointment with Father.

Bulletin articles or notices must be submitted by noon on Tuesdays for following weekend. Please submit to office@saintxparish.org
Sign up for bulletins sent directly to your email weekly at www.saintxparish.org on the home page.

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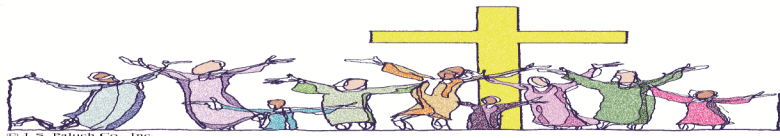
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Welcome to our Parish

"Sanctify yourself, Sanctify society."
-St. Francis Xavier

PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR

PMR - Parish meeting room OLPH - Our Lady of
† - Deceased Perpetual Help Room

DATE	LITURGY TIMES		MASS INTENTION	PARISH EVENTS
<i>Sunday, 17 Sep 2023</i>	8:00 am 9:30 am 11:00 am	Holy Mass Holy Mass Holy Mass	Pro populo L/D members of Davis and Ross families L/D member of Eckenrode and Hahn families	OCIA, 1:00 pm, Bldg C, Rm 239
<i>Monday, 18 Sep 2023</i>		No Mass		Boy Scout mtg, 7:00 pm, Bldg C, Rm 239
<i>Tuesday 19 Sep 2023</i>	5:30 pm	Holy Mass	† Tony Nardella	Taco Tuesday, 5-7 pm, School Cafeteria Adoration, 6:00 pm until 1:00 am
<i>Wednesday 20 Sep 2023</i>	10:00 am 5:30 pm	Mass at Valleyview Holy Mass	† Jerry and Celina Vincent † All souls in Purgatory	Adult Choir Practice, 6:00 pm St. Xavier Men's Group, 6:30 pm, OLPH RelEd Class, 6:30 pm, Bldg C
<i>Thursday 21 Sep 2023</i>	8:00 am	Holy Mass	† Salvatore La Rosa	Men's SOS Group, 6:15 am, KofC Hall Adoration from 9:00 am until 6:00 pm KofC Jambalaya Dinner, 5-8 pm, KofC Hall Finance Council mtg, 5:30 pm, PMR
<i>Friday 22 Sep 2023</i>	8:30 am	Holy Mass	Amber Davis	Women's Prayer Group, 6:30 am, via Zoom Muliebris Sancti Prayer Group, 9:15 am, OLPH Adoration, following Mass until 2:00 pm
<i>Saturday 23 Sep 2023</i>	5:15 pm	Sunday Vigil Mass	† Yandel Garcia	Confession, 4:00-5:00 pm



STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENT

23-24 SEP 2023	SATURDAY, 23 SEP 2023 5:15 PM	SUNDAY, 24 SEP 2023 8:00 AM	SUNDAY, 24 SEP 2023 9:30 AM	SUNDAY, 24 SEP 2023 11:00 AM
<i>Lector</i>	Kathy Triplett	Mary Effland	Bryan Schoenhofer	Margie Langas
<i>Extraordinary Ministers</i>	Susan Kamphaus Sandy Leistner Jodean Tieyah	Maureen Gustafson Thomas Hollis Kellie Boeh	Jeanie Wolford Kristy Haden Brenda Dacus	Deb Breidenstein Nanette Lamb Patrick Gannaway
<i>Gift Bearers</i>	Sr. DJ Rak Diane Ussery	Effland Family	Veniegas Family	Athorp Family
<i>Altar Servers with server assignments</i>	Hannah Nguyen - 1 st Declan Boehm - 2 nd	Ian Effland - 1 st Noah Effland - 2 nd Sheldon Effland - 3 rd	Janis Curit - 1 st Kim Davis - 2 nd Ryan Davis - 3 rd	Kassidy Jahnke - 1 st Hoah Cruz - 2 nd Ava Cruz - 3 rd
<i>Musician and Cantor</i>	Katie Wiley Barbie Campbell	Anita Hernandez Diane Heerman	Anita Hernandez Choir	Sandi Adams Katie Wiley
<i>Ushers</i>	Buz Bruzina Teddy Tieyah George Heard Josh Boehm	Jane and Joe Handlos Richard Gustafson Ellen Westerhaus	Don Haffner Larry Kramer Bob Catalo Charlene Ross	John Hagerty Paul Rosell Mary Ann Vieyra Ray Felix
<i>Money Counters</i>	Shar Boland, Murleen Jones and Ana Davis			

STEWARDSHIP of TREASURE

Tithes and Offerings

Giving	Dollars
Online Giving	255.00
Envelopes/loose check/cash	8,463.62
Children's Tithing	21.40
Growth and Development	378.00
Total for 09-10 Sep	\$9,118.02

Seminarian
Collection
\$1,000.00

Amount needed to meet our Sep 2023 Parish operating budget
(new amount for 23-24 FY) \$87,632.50 *
Sep Tithing and Offering collections to date **\$26,473.13**
Balance needed to meet our Sep needs: **\$61,159.37**

Sep 2023 G&D collected to date\$4,231.35

* - This amount is determined by the Parish Finance Council. It is based on the annual cost of Parish operations for the parish year, 01 Jul thru 30 Jun. The annual cost includes items such as the maintenance for our buildings, utilities, all Mass and church supplies, salaries for staff, support for the school...everything right down to the Kleenex provided in the church. The annual amount is then divided by the 12 months in a year to establish the monthly amount necessary. The tithing collections offered by our parishioners each week, our only income, is reported in the spirit of transparency for all. When we fall short in our collections for the needed monthly operating expenses, the difference must be pulled from investments or savings to cover the operating expenses. This impairs our sustainability to 'grow' our parish programs and services in the future.

Don't forget to teach our children how to submit their envelopes weekly! Take one with you to fill out for the following week-end if that is of help instead fixing one on the way into Mass.

Thank you for the privilege of your generosity and support.



Please take notice of the early bulletin submission requirements below:

For the bulletin for **30Sep/01 Oct** - please submit item no later than 3:00 pm on 19 Sep.

For the bulletin for **07/08 Oct** - please submit item no later than 3:00 pm on 25 Sep.

Thank you for the help!



The end of the 2023 year is fast approaching, and we are looking for your help with the tithing counting each week. Tithing is counted every Monday morning at 9:00 am. If Monday's just won't work for you and would rather do a Sunday, please let me know. We need 3 parishioners each month (cannot be related) to assist with this task. Counting is always held on a different day if the planned day falls on a holiday.

If you are interested in volunteering with the counting of our tithing donations, please give Carol Tomson a call at 785-238-2841, x203. We can look at the 2024 calendar and see what will work for you!

Introducing CALLED
(formerly Theology On Tap)



CALLED is a group of Young Adults (over the age of 18) who gather for faith formation, to serve our community and in fellowship. God calls us all to worship, so join us on September 26th at 7:00 pm in the Our Lady of Perpetual Help room for pizza and prizes

UPCOMING EVENTS:
Sep 26 - SPECIAL EVENT
Oct 10 - Adoration

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Fr. Kerry Ninemire

CATECHECTICAL SUNDAY: Each year the Catholic Church in United States marks one of the Sundays as Catechetical Sunday. The Church presumes that the Catholic Schools are going, Religious Education Coordinators have found their teachers, the OCIA has begun and the adult education groups have started forming by this time.

Who are Catechists? All those who teach the Catholic faith and share the Church's teachings are catechists. The word *catechesis* is from a Greek word meaning "to echo." All those who teach in the Church's name and about Jesus by the way they live are catechists. Parents and guardians are also catechists; they are the first and primary teachers of the faith for their children. In the end all of us "echo" Christ, some in a more designated role.

In May of 2021, Pope Francis established the lay ministry of catechist in the Catholic Church in his apostolic letter *Antiquum ministerium*. This document officially declared that catechists are to be recognized as lay ministers in the Catholic Church and are due the training and support they need to be successful in their ministry.

On Catechetical Sunday, we come together as both a parish and Church community to acknowledge the dedication of those who serve as catechists in our parish family. We also honor parents and guardians on this day, since they are the true first catechists, sharing the Catholic faith with their families.

In the name of the parish, I as pastor/leader say a big THANK YOU to all who have stepped up, stepped "in" as it were to lead and teach. Please know you have our support.

May God continue to bless all of us.

Father Kerry



Congratulations to our Kiddos!!!

Since the beginning of the children envelopes in Sep 2022, children of our Parish have contributed \$1,278.19 in tithings to our Parish!!! Envelopes are available at the back of the church. Feel free to take a couple home to prepare them before Mass.

(Thank you parents for teaching your children to give back to God!)



Please pray for the intentions and needs of the following:

Deb Chaudary	Marissa Graham
Sandy Dietrich	Steve Matthews
Benjamin Grelk	Bruce Piava
Elizabeth Clark	Rachel Moore

Lindy Grant-Rubash	Elizabeth Bunce	Ralph Schmedemann
Cooper Holloway	Julie Taylor	Peggy Wawrzyniak
Jude Fairchild	Manny Pasquil	Shirley Oaks
Ryleigh Joos	Pat Nicholson	Mary Bolette
Judy Rosa	John Cooner	Marty Perta
Diane Ussery	James DeCarlo	

Knight's News



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
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Knight of the Month: **Eric Page**
Family of the Month: **Dave and Anita Hernandez**

Look for the ad in the bulletin about the Knights Jambalaya Feed on 21 September. Please come out and support our organization!

- ♦ The 50/50 post was won by Dan Culbertson
- ♦ The Progressive Pot had Randy Testa's name pulled and he was present to win!
- ♦ The Knights had an exemplification after the 11:00 Mass on 10 Sep and had 6 men of our parish step up and join our Council. We have several others who have committed to join but were not able to be these so we will be contacting you to set another date to get you initiated.



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Welcome to Our Parish

Saint Xavier Parishioner would like to welcome new parishioners to our Parish family. We are pleased to welcome the following families:

Jasmin Emperador and her daughter Gianna
Paul and Christina Martin and their four children,
Sirena, Shealyn, Kale and Adalind
Mrs. Jane Njoroge

Please take a minute to say a prayer of thanksgiving for God sending these families to celebrate with us.

Wherever you came from, wherever you are going...you are welcome here with us!

OUR LADY OF FATIMA

If you are interested in hosting the statue of Our Lady of Fatima for a week, please contact Colleen Henney at 785-238-2618 to be included in the schedule.

Statute Schedule:

17 Sep - Janet Hahn

24 Sep - Susan and Ray Kamphaus



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

9/20 - Class

9/27 - Class/Parent & Sponsor Meeting Confirmation

10/4 - NO CLASS - Made for More Event

10/11 - Class/Parent Meeting for First Reconciliation



Since 1987, believers have gathered nationwide on the first Sunday of every October to prayerfully stand for life. Life Chain is an easy way to show your support for the unborn and their mother. The local Life Chain will be held Sunday

Oct 1st from 2-3 pm in Heritage Park, Junction City. Show up for one hour to stand on the sidewalk with others who are not ashamed to publicly witness to their pro-life beliefs. You local Life Chain organizer will provide you with a non-graphic sign to hold, and you may **pray silently** for an end to abortion and for those affected by it. Please bring a chair if needed. And, don't forget your Rosary!

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WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER -

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TICKETS: \$25
 Tickets available in your parish office or online at: M4MJ.C.EVENTBRITE.COM

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 200 N. Washington St. Junction City, KS 66441
 7:00 - 9:30 PM

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**"Come to Me,
 all you who labor
 and are burdened."**

MATTHEW 11:28

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A Prayer for Catechists

Loving Father, we pray today for our catechists. We thank you for their gift of ministry in your Church.

Grant them your wisdom that they may grow in the understanding and teaching of your Word. Grant them also your love that they may be fruitful heralds of your Word and lead others to love you.

Pour forth your Holy Spirit upon them to grant them wisdom about what is important; knowledge of the truths of faith; understanding of their meaning; right judgement about how to apply them in life; courage to persevere even in the face of adversity; reverence before all that is sacred and holy; and that loving zeal which leads others to a transforming encounter with your Son.

We pray this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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Religious Education /OCIA Catechist 2023-2024

Carolyn Cook	Bill Cook	Susanne Remily
Charlene Ross	AnnMarie Striggow	Bridget Bechard
Betsy Liebau	Andy Liebau	Ricardo Gutierrez
Carolyn Athorp	Sean Luke	Nanette Lamb
John Lamb	Brenda Dacus	Kristy Haden
Micah Haden	Eric Page	Amber Davis
Sandy Leistner	Sharon Engstrom	Yvonne Gutierrez
Frannie Torrez	Susan Kamphaus	Barbie Campbell
Deb Chaudary	Courtney Eichhorn	

Thank you for your time and talent to teach our Parish community!

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Thursday

SEPT. 21ST

5 PM - 8 PM

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Adult Formation



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You are invited to attend all three evenings or just one at no cost.

Connect via Zoom using your own device.

To sign-up and receive the link, go to dcdiocese.org/af



Grow Deeper

Adult Formation

Presented via Zoom

Tuesdays - 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

October 3 - The Second Vatican Council

What is the Relationship between Scripture and Tradition?

Presenter - Fr. Frank Coady

A classic point of disagreement between the Catholic church and many Protestant churches has been that the Catholic church believes teachings that are not explicitly found in Scripture but developed over time through what we call "tradition." Evangelical churches usually believe that teachings can only come from what is explicitly stated in the Bible.



Dei Verbum (Word of God) is a Vatican II document that has made great strides in healing this division. We will take a look at what *Dei Verbum* teaches in order to get a better understanding of how the church's tradition corresponds to the Biblical word.

October 24 - Scripture

How to Understand the Bible Better, especially the New Testament

Presenter—Fr. Reggie Urban



Throughout history, people have been encouraged to read and study the Bible. Yet, how many people have begun at the beginning of Genesis, only to become discouraged and quit? A basic understanding of why and how the Bible is to be used and read will be shared.

November 14 - Synod

How do you spell "synodality"?

Answer: l-i-s-t-e-n-i-n-g.

Presenter—Fr. Robert Schremmer



The Synod is still going on. While it has moved on to a gathering in Rome, synodality remains. "Tuesdays with the Diocese" offers an invitation to listen to one story and consider what our story is. It offers an opportunity to continue listening to the Spirit as we listen to others.

Pope Francis reminds us synodality has a soul that is the Spirit who speaks and listens. We listen to others share their story...not hear them tell their story. There's a difference. To listen and truly hear we need prayer.

To share our story, we need prayer to notice the moments when we've experienced God's presence in our life and in the world. To notice what experiences inspired us to love or grieve or act.



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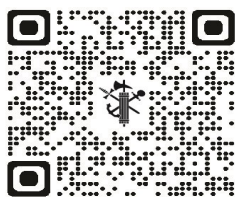
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