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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Isaiah 5: 1-7 If a sinner turns away from sins and does what is right and just, he shall preserve his life.

Reading 2: Philippians 2: 1-11 Each of us should be looking also for the interests of others.

Gospel: Matthew 21: 28-32 Sinners who repent of their evil ways will enjoy the reign of God.

Theme: God has compassion on the one who repents.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	30	5:00 p.m.	SH	For the intention of donors	Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	01	8:30 a.m.	KW	Dwayne Kruckenberg †	Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	01	10:30 a.m.	ML	Parishioners	Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday	03	9:00 a.m.	ML	No Mass	
Wednesday	04	8:30 a.m.	SH	No Mass	
Thursday	05	8:30 a.m.	KW	No Mass	
Friday	06	9:00 a.m.	ML	No Mass	
Saturday	07	5:00 p.m.	SH	Elmer Weber †	Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	08	8:30 a.m.	KW	Parishioners	Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	08	10:30 a.m.	ML	For the intention of donors	Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation 30 minutes prior to Mass or by appointment

Reflection: The Road to Life. When it comes to choices, it seems as if we all have two roads, two ways, two voices within us, each making a claim on our will. When a decision looms, or a call comes, how shall we respond? Standing at the junction of call and response we look at the choices available to us. Often, it boils down to pondering two roads – a hard, narrow path and a broad, easy byway. Two ways, two roads, two voices...like a father with two sons who take two separate roads to two different ends. For the two sons in today's Gospel, perhaps the field work was to be easy that day, with the slight brush of a breeze, grapes sweet and ripe for tasting under a merciful, rose-colored sky. Yet it may be that the choice between the narrow road and the broad byway had nothing to do with the nature of the request itself. Perhaps the real choice confronting the sons was the road of pride versus humility, obstinacy versus obedience, a broad byway of self-will versus the narrow path of bending one's will into a knee bent in service or an arm outstretched in love. The narrow way, although a choice of the will, is ultimately a choice of the heart. It is not really a path we follow but a voice that beckons. The son who eventually made the right choice didn't get it right the first time. And sometimes neither do we. But even if on a wrong path, the one who loves is ultimately able to hear and turn and follow. The path of love is sometimes steep and narrow, but the wild grapes that grow alongside it are and sweet and ripe for tasting under a merciful, rose-colored sky. ~Sr. Elisabeth Meadows

VIBRANT MINISTRIES

Response to call. Appeal reaches \$9.1 million. Holy Rosary Catholic Church reached 62%, 32 gifts totaling \$55,645. St. Boniface reached 51%, 33 gifts totaling \$58,800. St. John reached 55%, 29 gifts totaling \$77,670. To offer a gift: online donations, go to www.dcdiocese.org/vibrant-ministries or you can mail your pledge to Vibrant Ministries Appeal, Catholic Diocese of Dodge City, 910 Central Avenue, Dodge City, KS. For donations of grain or stock contact Mark Roth at 620-227-1535 or mroth@dcdiocese.org

PLEASE EMAIL BULLETIN ITEMS TO WALINDA BY NOON TUESDAY TO ccbc@sctelcom.net

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick and Shut-Ins:

Deven Leis, Lawrence Rausch, Sister Catherine Therese, Laurie Hiltner, Sue Smith, Miles Sheldon, Sammy Flyingout, Norman Fischer, Alice Burenheide, Edna Swayden, John Dohm, Cindy Archuleta

For the Faithful Departed:

Gary Noland, Ray Schmidt, Ted Brown, Patricia Graves, Elizabeth Terry, Pete Swingle, Robert Loewenstein, Tom Doherty, Dennis Hammersmith, Dwayne Kruckenberg, Luke Hendricks, Fern Beckerman, Omaha Tatera, Agnes Eck, Larry Traffas, William (Bill) Hitchcock, John Ditgen, Dave Rausch, Albert Blahut and all the souls in Purgatory. May they rest in perfect peace.

Church News

St. Boniface Alter Society

St. Boniface Alter Society Meeting – Monday, October 9th beginning at 6:30 pm. IN CHURCH with the living rosary in honor of October as Rosary month, followed by meeting at hall. Roll call will be a symbol for Halloween. Hostesses Ruth Blick and Ruth Schmidt.

95th Birthday Party

The Blahut family is inviting member of St. Boniface, Holy Rosary and St. John Parishes to help celebrate a former parishioner, Lillian Blahut's 95th birthday. October 22nd, 2017 from 2-4pm at the Catholic Care Center in Belle Aire, Kansas. If unable to attend the party, the family asks if possible to send Birthday cards for a card shower to:

Lillian Blahut - Room 215

Catholic Care Center

6700 E 45th Street - Belle Aire, KS 67226

ACTS Retreat

ACTS, a three day/three-night Catholic lay retreat will be held at the Heartland Center for Spirituality, 3600 Broadway, Great Bend. The men's retreat will be November 16-19, 2017. Talks and activities during the retreat focus on Adoration, Community, Theology and Service, from which the ACTS acronym is derived. Cost is \$175 per person, which includes all meals and accommodations for the three-day weekend. Deadline for registration and payment for the retreat is November 10th. Registration forms are available at <http://greatbendcatholic.com>

Ministry Schedule October 7-8

Week 2	St. Boniface	St. John the Apostle	Holy Rosary
Lector 1	Karin Traffas	Chris Tharp	Brian Withrow
Cantor	Choir	Choir	Cheri Dohrmann
Lector 2	John Hern	Tom Tharp	Brian Withrow
General Intercessions	Brayden Schmidt	Tom Tharp	Julie Thompson
Eucharistic Ministers	Eileen Schmidt Carol Ricke Robin Inslee Marilyn Traffas Michelle Eck	Linda Forester John Forester Delores Moreno	Norman Clouse Frances Land Lisa Withrow Brian Withrow Julie Thompson
Servers	Brayden Schmidt Vondie Landwehr Lane Crenner	Bailey Roberts	Dasik Clouse Grady Clouse
Musician	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm	Donita Ragan	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm
Greeters		Hoch Family	Norman and Becky Clouse
Sacristan	Eileen Schmidt	Linda Pulliam	Brian Withrow
Rosary	John Hern		Leroy and Diane Seiler

Matrimony Anniversary Mass

The Diocesan Matrimony Anniversary Mass will be celebrated October 15th, 3pm, at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Dodge City. Bishop John Brungardt invites couples celebrating their 5th, 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th and 50+ years in 2017, and guests, to this special matrimony anniversary Mass and dinner. Register by October 4th online at: www.dcdiocese.org (click on icon found on the homepage).

Diocesan Director of Matrimony, Family Life & Natural Family Planning

The Catholic Diocese of Dodge City is seeking a Director of the Matrimony, Family Life & Natural Family Planning office (MFLNFP). The MFLNFP office is responsible for programs for the Diocese in these areas and is responsible for organizing and directing efforts to involve volunteers in programs and services within the Diocese including 48 parishes in 28 counties. Initial efforts will be focused on the Cathedral Parish and regional workshops/meetings/listening sessions. The Director oversees internal and external communications and outreach for the Diocese with the use of print, web, and other media forms. Prefer Bachelor's Degree in related area, proficient verbal and written communication skills, bilingual (English/Spanish) preferred. For additional information on requirements and/or to apply: Email cover letter and resume to tlampe@dcdiocese.org or mail to Catholic Diocese of Dodge City, Attn: Human Resources, 910 Central, Dodge City, KS 67801. (620)227-1534.

March for Life

Prince of Peace Catholic Church-Great Bend will sponsor a bus trip to the March for Life in Washington, D.C., Jan. 17-21, 2018. The trip includes bus fare, hotel for two nights, Mass, the March For Life, National Shrine of the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, sightseeing, and the Life is VERY Good Rally; more information can be found at www.arlingtondiocese.org/youth/lifeisverygood.aspx. Cost of the trip is \$375 per person. Registration is available from your parish office. There is a \$50 nonrefundable reservation fee, due at time of registration for Great Bend Parishioners, Sept. 14, and outside Great Bend, Oct. 2, with final payment due Dec. 11. For more information contact Jaclyn Brown, Director of Youth and Adult Ministries, @ 620.792.1396