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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Job 7:1-4, 6-7 Job laments his very existence and the apparent meaninglessness of life.
Reading 2: Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23 Preaching is an obligation given by God for the salvation of all.
Gospel: Mark 1:29-39 Jesus heals Peter's mother-in-law and the crowds of people.
Theme: We should always think spiritually in order to try to understand the grace of God at work in our lives.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	03	5:30 p.m.	ML	Parishioners		Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	04	8:30 a.m.	SH	Eddie Schmidt	✠	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	04	10:30 a.m.	KW	Deceased women of Kiowa	✠	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday	06	9:00 a.m.	ML	For rain		
Wednesday	07	8:30 a.m.	SH	Eddie Schmidt	✠	
Thursday	08	8:30 a.m.	KW	No Mass		
Friday	09	9:00 a.m.	ML	For the souls in Purgatory	✠	
Saturday	10	5:30 p.m.	ML	Married Couples		Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	11	8:30 a.m.	SH	Eddie Schmidt	✠	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	11	10:30 a.m.	KW	Parishioners		Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation 30 minutes prior to Mass or by appointment

Reflection: Called into Freedom. Is not life a drudgery? Of course it is. And it is also a gift of unfathomable beauty. God gives us a choice. We can grow weary, like the poet Baudelaire, over the need to live twenty-four hours a day. Or we can emerge from bitter lament, like the biblical poet, to declare that the world is "new every morning" (Lamentations 3:23). Most of us spend our days somewhere between these two extremes. When we read of Job lying awake, wracked with anxiety and wondering if the night will ever end, his ancient story seems completely up-to-date. One friend, a champion worrier, once asked me, "Why is it I can never think of the *good* things at 3:00am?" Like Job, she often felt her life slipping away and despaired of ever feeling happy again. Job accurately describes his condition as slavery, and it's worth acknowledging that we easily become enslaved by our misery. It feeds our narcissism and narrows our vision, making us incapable of appreciating the magnitude of a God who calls each star by name. We can look to today's Gospel for ways out of our self-imposed prison. When Simon says to Jesus, "Everyone is looking for you," we are reminded to set aside our worries and look to Christ for consolation. When Jesus says, "For this purpose I have come," we are reminded that we are too have a purpose. God calls us out of drudgery into freedom. God calls us by name.
~Kathleen Norris

VIBRANT MINISTRIES

Response to call. Appeal reaches \$9.6 million. Holy Rosary Catholic Church reached 65%, 55 gifts totaling \$66,820. St. Boniface reached 47%, 46 gifts totaling \$61,200. St. John reached 48%, 32 gifts totaling \$82,860. 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

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PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick and Shut-Ins:

Marilyn Eck, Ruth Blick, Gladys Christensen, 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:

Eddie Schmidt, Grace Burenheide, Elmer Angell Jr., Frances Larkin, Art Tatera, Gary Noland, Ray Schmidt, Ted Brown, Patricia Graves, Elizabeth Terry, Pete Swingle, Robert Loewenstein, Tom Doherty, Dennis Hammersmith, Luke Hendricks, Omaha Tatera and all the souls in Purgatory. May they rest in perfect peace.

Southwest Kansas Young Adult Conference

The third annual Southwest Kansas Young Adult Conference will be held on Sunday, March 4th beginning with 9:00 am Mass at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Dodge City, Kansas! It is created specifically for those between the ages of 18-39 and will have engaging guest speakers, ample time to meet with other young Catholics, and even free babysitting for the kiddos! The cost is \$30 for single registrations or \$55 for married couples, and the registration deadline is February 14th. (More information and online registration at dcyoungadult.com/skyac)

QUEST 2018

QUEST 2018 for all Catholic Boy and Girl Scouts (age 11 and older) will be held February 16-18, at the Sacred Heart School, Dodge City. Throughout the three-day camp the Scouts will participate in various workshops relating to the Catholic religious emblems program for their age, do a lot of fun activities, grow in their faith, hear some awesome speakers and make lifelong friends with other Catholic scouts from across the diocese. Deadline for registration is February 6th. Contact your scout leader for more information and registration form or Dave Geist, (620)430-2123 or dave.geist@swksaging.org.

Join Us for IF:Gathering 2018

On February 9th and 10th women will gather at the United Methodist Church in Medicine Lodge with their friends for two days of laughter, learning and worship with women from all over the area. IF:Gathering desires to disciple the next generation of women to live out God's calling on their lives. February 9th 6-9pm and February 10th 9am-5pm (come at 8:30 for breakfast). To register visit: <https://register.ifgathering.com/event/ifmedicine-lodge> or call Stephanie Hawkins at (620)213-3179.

Sunday Evenings with Bishop Barron

Adult faith formation class, "Seven Deadly Sins, Seven Lively Virtues" offered at St. Boniface Parish Center in Sharon from 6:00-7:00 pm on Sunday evenings, January 21st through March 18th. Parishioners are invited to attend any or all of the sessions.

CHURCH NEWS

Lenten and Easter Masses

Ash Wednesday, February 14th – 8:30 am at Sharon, 6:00pm at Kiowa and 7:30pm at Medicine Lodge

Stations of the Cross and Mass during Lent – Tuesdays 5:30pm at Medicine Lodge, Thursdays 6:00pm at Kiowa and Fridays 5:30pm at Sharon.

Wednesday Stations and Mass will be at 5:30 p.m. and will be split between Medicine Lodge and Sharon. Wednesday, February 21st will be at Medicine Lodge. There will be none on February 28th because of Confirmation at Holy Rosary. Stations and Mass will resume on Wednesday, March 7, at Sharon with a penance service immediately following. On March 14, Stations, Mass, and a penance service will be at Medicine Lodge. Stations and Mass will be at Sharon March 21st and 28th. The date for a penance service at Kiowa will be announced later.

Holy Thursday, March 29th – 6:00pm at Sharon

Good Friday Liturgy, March 30th – 1:00pm at Sharon, 6:00pm at Kiowa and 7:30pm at Medicine Lodge

Easter Vigil, March 31st – 8:00pm at Sharon

Easter Sunday, April 1st – 8:30am at Medicine Lodge and 10:30am at Kiowa

Mardi Gras Dinner

St. John will host a Mardi Gras Dinner for all parishioners on February 11th after Mass. Meat and beverages will be provided, and parishioners are asked to bring a dessert and/or salad.

Holy Rosary Honoring Marriages

In February, the Church celebrates The Holy Family and St. Valentine's Day. Saturday, February 10th, at the 5:30 Mass Holy Rosary will honor the Sacrament of Marriage and our married and widowed parishioners. Everyone is invited to stay for Chili and Cinnamon Rolls after Mass—all are welcome!

Website Sponsorships Available

~~ In the weeks ahead, our parish representative from Solutio, Inc., will be setting up the advertising for our website for the year.

~~Please consider participating in this effort since the revenue from the ads is what makes the website possible at **no cost** to the parish.

~~It's a great way to get your name in front of the families in the parish. Advertisements may be purchased for a business, family memorial, or you can sponsor an ad supporting Catholic Charities, Knights of Columbus, Vocations, etc.

~~Please give these ideas some thought. We need and appreciate your help! If you are interested or just curious as to prices and want more information, please contact 620.213.4162 or Sponsorship@SolutioSoftware.com.

Ministry Schedule February 10-11

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 Rieke 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	Volunteer	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