

Catholic Churches of Barber County, Kansas

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Third Sunday of Advent Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Zephaniah 3:14-18a The Lord will rejoice over you with gladness.

Reading 2: Philippians 4:4-7 The Lord is near.

Gospel: Luke 3:10-18 What should we do?

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	15	5:00 p.m.	SH	Clarence Hrencher	✠	Third Sunday of Advent
Sunday	16	8:30 a.m.	ML	Parishioners		Third Sunday of Advent
Sunday	16	10:30 a.m.	KW	Boyd and Sally Forrester	✠	Third Sunday of Advent
Tuesday	18	9:00 a.m.	ML	Peg McCobb		Tuesday of the Third Week of Advent
Wednesday	19	8:30 a.m.	SH	Sister Philamenia Hrencher	✠	Wednesday of the Third Week of Advent
Thursday	20	8:30 a.m.	KW	Boyd & Sally Forrester	✠	Thursday of the Third Week of Advent
Friday	21	9:00 a.m.	ML	Mary Shan		Memorial of Saint Peter Canisius
Saturday	22	5:00 p.m.	SH	Carolyn Hrencher	✠	Fourth Sunday of Advent
Sunday	23	8:30 a.m.	ML	Herb Durant	✠	Fourth Sunday of Advent
Sunday	23	10:30 a.m.	KW	Parishioners		Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sacrament of Reconciliation 30 minutes prior to Mass or by appointment

Reflection: Images of the Promise. “[R]ejoice in the Lord...and the peace of God that passes all understanding [will] preserve your hearts and thoughts in Christ Jesus, our Lord” (Phil 4:4-7). Are these not images of the promise, and longing, and great questions of Advent? Are they not images of what should be fulfilled when the veils fall, when the Lord reigns over the land? Do we not seek a life in which joy would have a place once again?... How we long to see things become stable and reliable! Look at this other theme in the Epistle: “Let all people experience your goodness, for the Lord is near!” How the world would be transformed if we could feel that each person we met were well-meaning! People, how lovely life would be again! “Do not worry about anything.” Oh, if the overwhelming overload of worry were banned – the worry about daily bread, about necessary freedom of movement, about those dear people who continually face danger and destruction – if all this could be seen in its proper perspective! “And the peace of God...” Oh, if the world would only hear these words and morally wake up! When will people finally cease destroying each other?... Yet here is our message: “*Rejoice!*...for the Lord is near.” The prerequisite is that our minds be “undarkened” so the Lord will bless His land once again...Woe to those who just think to themselves, “I am righteous, because I still believe and I still pray...,” while a people, a generation, an entire continent is running off into the night. We have to bear this responsibility. We will have no Christmas if we neglect it, if we do not call out, “Look, the Lord is waiting and must be near!” so that [our hearts] will wake up and see the true values, in true proportion, and find the way back to the Lord. ~Fr. Alfred Delp, *Advent of the Heart*

Word of Life

“In 1531, when the indigenous peoples of Mexico were subjugated, and the practice of human sacrifice was still a recent memory, the Mother of God appeared to St. Juan Diego as a pregnant native woman, now known as Our Lady of Guadalupe. She sent him with miraculous flowers in his cloak to tell the bishop to build a church where people could receive her Son and her loving, tender care. When St. Juan Diego opened the cloak before the bishop, an image of Our Lady was revealed that remains to this day. The chapel was quickly built, millions embraced Christianity, and the Church increased its protection of the indigenous peoples.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities. 2018-19 Respect Life Reflection, www.usccb.org/respect-life-reflection

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

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick and Shut-Ins:

June Terwert, Walter Sedlak, Peyton Theis, Wanda Harding, Helena Rempel, Carl Schield, Ronnie Ringer, Kay Rankin, Steve Eck, Helen Eck, Betty Schmidt, Sandy Ricke, Ruth Blick, Gladys Christensen, Deven Leis, Lawrence Rausch, Sister Catherine Therese, Laurie Hiltner, Sue Smith, Miles Sheldon, Sammy Flyingout, Norman Fischer, Edna Swayden, John Dohm, Cindy Archuleta

For the Faithful Departed:

Herb Durant, Bishop Gerber, Sister Philamenia Hrencher, Lorena Angell, Ron Swonger, Donna Rowe, Susie Reed, Alice Burenheide, Jerry Arensdorf, Marilyn Eck, Eddie Schmidt and all the souls in Purgatory. May they rest in perfect peace.

For the Military:

Christopher Coggins, Nicholas Noland, Dylan Allison, Sheldon Hart, Bianca Lewis

CHURCH NEWS

Upcoming Holy Day Mass Times & Locations

Christmas Eve Vigil, Monday, December 24th – 4:30pm Sharon and 6:30pm Kiowa

Christmas, Tuesday, December 25th – 9:00am Medicine Lodge

Mary, Mother of God Vigil, Monday, December 31st – 4:30pm Sharon and 6:30pm Kiowa

Mary, Mother of God, Tuesday January 1st 2018 – 9:00 am Medicine Lodge

Walinda In Office

Next week, Walinda will be in the office on Wednesday, December 19th instead of the regular Tuesday, December 18th.

St. John Live Nativity & Soup Supper

Live Nativity December 16 in front of St John.
Soup supper following in Parish Hall.
Everyone is invited.

Holy Rosary PSR CHRISTmas Play

The Holy Rosary PSR CHRISTmas Play and parish supper will be held on Wednesday evening, December 19th. The play will begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by a parish supper. The Church will provide the meat and potatoes and everyone else is asked to bring a side dish, salad, or dessert for the gala. From all of us "the Wednesday evening gang", - MERRY CHRISTMAS and A HAPPY AND BLESSED 2019.

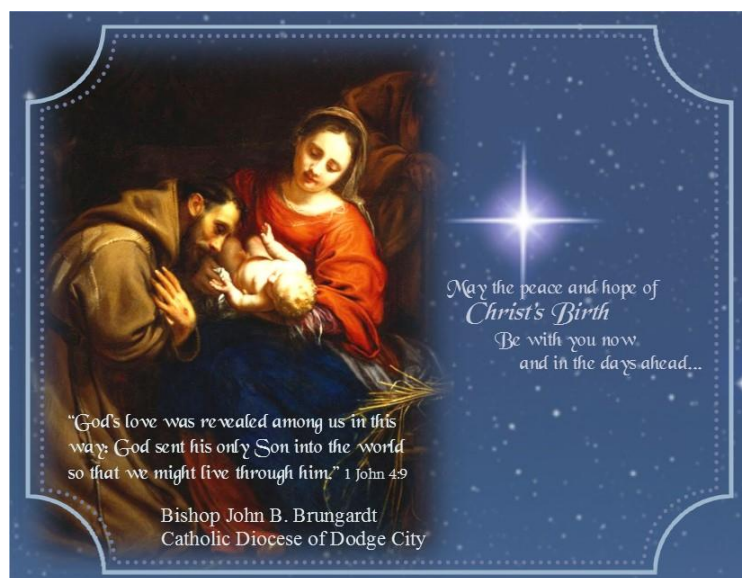
PSR Christmas Break

St. Boniface PSR classes will be on Christmas break Dec. 19th-Jan. 2nd, 2019. Classes will resume Jan. 9th, 2019.

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Catholic Charities Annual Appeal

"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." (Matt 25:40) Please give generously to the 2018 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal. Donate online at: <http://bit.ly/2018CharityAppeal>



Ministry Schedule December 22nd – 23rd

Week 4	St. Boniface	St. John the Apostle	Holy Rosary
Lector 1	Carol Ricke	Londa Fischer	Loretta Boor
Cantor	Choir	Choir	Rodney Ringer
Lector 2	Daryl Eck	Steve Roberts	Daryl Honas
General Intercessions	Jacob Eck	Steve Roberts	Diane Seiler
Eucharistic Ministers	Daryl Eck Margie Eck Anne Schreiner Todd Fischer Doug Schmidt	Deb Helfrich Carl Helfrich Tammy Graves	Daryl Honas Charlotte Ringer Cheri Dohrmann Marge Wright Leroy Seiler
Servers	Sidney Swingle Brenna Ricke Kendall Nelson	Allie Hoch	Derrek Randels Emma Randels Kassidy Rambat
Musician	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm	Nikki Brattin	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm
Greeters		Roberts Family	Mark and Loretta Boor
Sacristan	Doug Schmidt	Deb Helfrich	Daryl Honas
Rosary	Volunteer		Charlotte Ringer