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Feast of The Holy Family of Jesus Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14 Those who fear the Lord honor their parents.
Reading 2: Colossians 3:12-21 Family life in the Lord.
Gospel: Luke 2:41-52 His parents found Jesus sitting in the midst of the teachers.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	29	5:00 p.m.	SH	Parishioners		Feast of The Holy Family of Jesus
Sunday	30	8:30 a.m.	ML	Darlene Becker	✠	Feast of The Holy Family of Jesus
Sunday	30	10:30 a.m.	KW	Boyd and Sally Forrester	✠	Feast of The Holy Family of Jesus
Monday	31	4:30 p.m.	SH			Mary, Mother of God Vigil Mass
Monday	31	6:30 p.m.	KW			Mary, Mother of God Vigil Mass
Tuesday	01	9:00 a.m.	ML			Mary, Mother of God Mass
Wednesday	02	8:30 a.m.	SH	No Mass		
Thursday	03	8:30 a.m.	KW	No Mass		
Friday	04	9:00 a.m.	ML	No Mass		
Saturday	05	5:00 p.m.	SH	Betty Ricke	✠	The Epiphany of the Lord
Sunday	06	8:30 a.m.	ML	Parishioners		The Epiphany of the Lord
Sunday	06	10:30 a.m.	KW	For the Choir		The Epiphany of the Lord

Sacrament of Reconciliation 30 minutes prior to Mass or by appointment

Reflection: Unworthy, but Drawn. My grandfather died several years after my grandmother, when I was a teenager. My father, an only child, had tended to him in his last days: flying monthly from Indiana to Delaware, wheeling him to his daily happy hour, picnicking with him by the riverside, taking him to Mass, and making preparations for the end. He died Sunday, December 30, 2001, on the feast of the Holy Family. At Mass that day, we heard today's reading from Sirach: "My son, take care of your father when he is old; grieve him not as long as he lives..." I was stunned to tears. The treasures of the family mentioned by Sirach – and later summarized by Paul as "heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience" – are not "stored up" in the way we might think. Rather, they undergo a great voyage in the passage from an older, wiser generation to one that seems unready and perhaps unworthy of them. Speaking for myself, as the horizon of my own father's aging nears, I can hardly believe it possible that I will measure up to the example he once gave in caring for my grandfather. Naturally, however, the ultimate lesson of the family is that "worthiness" of its love is a foolish concept; my father had been loved without condition, and therefore in my grandfather's final days, my dad simply reciprocated that love. Now, I too am drawn ever more completely into the mystery of this love. It claims my allegiance and devotion, despite my sense of being unequal to the magnitude of my father's great goodness. Somehow, I am convinced that this is exactly what is commended to us in the Church's celebration of the "Holy Family." ~Justin Bartkus

Word of Life

"Blessed Joseph, you took Mary and Jesus into your home. You followed the prescripts of the Law, presented Jesus in the Temple, taught him skills at the plane and the lathe, and, daily, you shared traditions which were built on the covenants he came to fulfill. Hear the prayers of the siblings, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and entire families of children who have been adopted. May they be a source of loving welcome and a fount of faith. Through Christ our Lord. St. Joseph, descendant of David, pray for us."
USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Novena to St Joseph for Those on the Path of Adoption."

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PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick and Shut-Ins:

June Terwert, 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:

Betty Ricke, Walter Sedlak, 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

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

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

PSR Christmas Break

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

Walinda Out of Office

Walinda will not be in the office December 25th or January 1st. She will resume Tuesday office hours on January 8th.

My Eoffering

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Ministry Schedule January 5th – 6th

Week 1	St. Boniface	St. John the Apostle	Holy Rosary
Lector 1	Briana Stephenson	John Miller	Kay Koger
Cantor	Choir	Choir	Volunteer
Lector 2	Steve Eck	Rick Hitchcock	Volunteer
General Intercessions	Jacob Eck	Rick Hitchcock	Linda Sheldon
Eucharistic Ministers	Dean Eck Jacque Totty Paul Totty Lawrence Smith Sheila Ricke	Delores Moreno Glenna Reif Melvin Reif	Michael Lynch Myra Dick Julie Warner Marge Wright Volunteer
Servers	Jack Schreiner Mindy Wells Drake Schmidt	Allie Hoch	Volunteers
Musician	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm	Nikki Brattin	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm
Greeters		Graves Family	Miles and Linda Sheldon
Sacristan	Sheila Ricke	Danny Archuleta	Marge Wright
Rosary	Lawrence Smith		Brenda Wright

Thank you, and MERRY CHRISTMAS, Cupcake!!

The Holy Rosary Parish School of Religion classes presented a holiday play entitled *CHRISTMAS by the Book*, by Kay Chatwell, on Wednesday, December 19th. All the students participated in the play from Pre-K through seniors in high school. The crowd joined in on CHRISTmas carols throughout the play. A parish dinner followed the performance with the church providing ham and potatoes and everyone else bringing a side dish of some kind. A BIG THANK YOU to Mary Jean Miller, Laura Nittler, Mary Ohl, Linda Sheldon, Janet Shields, and everyone else who helped prepare and serve the delicious meal, and to the Holy Rosary Knights of Columbus men for the treat bags. Vickie Hutfles is the Pre-K PSR teacher, Patricia Cargill and Becki Clouse work with the 1st through 3rd-grade students, JD and Julie Thompson instruct the 4th, 5th, and 6th graders, and Cheri Dohrmann leads the junior high and high school students.

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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>

Called and Gifted Workshop

The Called and Gifted Workshop will guide you to recognize gifts given to you by the Holy Spirit through baptism and confirmation. These gifts enable you to accomplish things for God above and beyond your natural abilities. The workshop will be, Saturday, Jan. 12, 2019 at the Heartland Center for Spirituality 3600 Broadway in Great Bend, Kansas. The cost is \$25.00 and the registration deadline is January 3rd. To register contact Coleen Stein at 620-227-1538 or cstein@dcdioocese.org.