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Baptism of the Lord Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7 Behold my servant with whom I am well pleased.

Reading 2: Apostles 10:34-38 God anointed him with the Holy Spirit.

Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17 After Jesus was baptized, he saw the spirit of God coming upon him.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	11	5:00 p.m.	ML	Parishioners		Baptism of the Lord
Sunday	12	8:30 a.m.	KW	Anita Patterson	✠	Baptism of the Lord
Sunday	12	10:30 a.m.	SH	Raymond Schmidt	✠	Baptism of the Lord
Tuesday	14	9:00 a.m.	ML	Jim Ricke	✠	Tuesday of the First Week in Ordinary Time
Wednesday	15	5:30 p.m.	ML	Hugh Rankin		Wednesday of the First Week in Ordinary Time
Thursday	16	8:30 a.m.	KW	Vocations		Thursday of the First Week in Ordinary Time
Friday	17	8:30 a.m.	SH	Mary Traffis	✠	Memorial of Saint Anthony
Saturday	18	5:00 p.m.	ML	Art Junger	✠	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	19	8:30 a.m.	KW	Special Intentions		Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	19	10:30 a.m.	SH	Parishioners		Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation 30 minutes prior to Mass or by appointment

Reflection: Lovers of Life The voice from Heaven acclaims not only to Jesus but to the onlookers that in him there is a new creation: "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We who are baptized into Christ have the same assurance; we are beloved sons and daughters of God, not because of any good works we have done or may do in the future, but simply because God's gift of union with his Son. Nowhere is God's generous graciousness more obvious than in infant baptism (and especially when this is by immersion). The small, vulnerable child who is plunged into the font has offered God no obedience---except that of being born. The assembly claps and smiles, and wonders what this naked and dripping child will be, what joy will flood her or his life, what chaos may threaten. Yet we believe that in the water the child has been reborn as a descendant of Jesus, a survivor of death, a lover of life. To live as such, to say "yes" to this identity in the years ahead, is the baptismal challenge. In the liturgical calendar, today is both the last Sunday of the season of Christmas and the first Sunday of Ordinary Time. The church does not want us to forget our joy at the birth of Jesus but reminds us that to be true to this we need to be reborn and renewed every day in the spirit of Jesus ---that we need to go forward through the weeks of the year as women and men on whom the baptismal water is never dry, as those who will work for justice, for right relationships with God and with one another, as people who will be impartial in our love and gently generous in our service.

~~Sr. Verna Holyhead, adapted from *Welcoming the Word*

Word of Life

"An unexpected pregnancy can be a difficult and frightening time, and it's important that your friend knows you are thinking of her and supporting her. ... don't forget the most important thing is to pray. Even if it's just a quick two-second prayer, prayer is the most effective way we can help. Pray for her, for her child, and for guidance in how you can give her the best possible support."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "10 Ways to Support Her When She's Unexpectedly Expecting"

PLEASE EMAIL BULLETIN ITEMS TO JULIE BY NOON WEDNESDAY TO secretary@barbercountycatholic.org

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick and Shut-Ins:

Ronald Ringer, Ted Hauser, Pete Eck, Chuck Hobson, Hugh Rankin, Corona Hoch, Charlie Jo Warner, Mary Eck, Helen Eck, Sandy Ricke, Ruth Blick, Gladys Christensen, Deven Leis, Lawrence Rausch, Miles Sheldon

For the Faithful Departed:

Art Junger, Jim Ricke, Laura Seiler, Anita Patterson, Sue Smith, Mary Traffas, Betty Ricke, Walter Sedlak and all the souls in Purgatory. May they rest in perfect peace.

For the Military:

Captain Rebecca Wright Lopez, Christopher Coggins, Nicholas Noland, Dylan Allison, Sheldon Hart, Bianca Lewis

Church News

Saint Boniface Altar Society Meeting

The Saint Boniface Altar Society will meet Monday, January 13th at 6:00 p.m. Shirley Ditgen will be hosting. The “roll call” is book exchange.

Save the Date

The Catholic churches of Barber County are hosting a Lenten Retreat March 2 – 4. The three evenings run from 6:30 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. Additional details to follow in the coming weeks.

Holy Rosary Parish Council

The Council will meet on January 15 at 6:00 p.m.

Around the Diocese

March for Life Topeka

Stand up for life in our state and join us on the 47th anniversary of Roe vs. Wade Pro-Life Pilgrimage to Topeka. The bus will depart from the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe parking lot at 5pm on January 21 and travel to

Prince of Peace in Great Bend to pick up additional passengers and then arrive in Topeka for an overnight stay. On January 22, the day begins with the Ignite Event at the Topeka Performing Arts Center. There will be a dinner stop in Salina and the group should arrive back in Dodge City around 10pm. Cost is \$65 and does not include the dinner stop or additional snacks. Please go online: <https://www.dcdiocese.org/respect-life> and fill out the registration form. Deadline is January 13. For more information call Gayla Kirmer, Respect Life Ministry, at 620-227-1525 or gkirmer@dcdiocese.org.

Abby Johnson Pilgrimage to Wichita

Join the Catholic Diocese of Dodge City on a pilgrimage to Wichita to hear Abby Johnson speak at the Knights of Columbus State Convention on May 2. Abby is the former Planned Parenthood director and accomplished author who inspired the movie *Unplanned*.

The bus will depart at 6:30am from the parking lot at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe with a stop in Stafford for additional passengers. The group will spend a time of prayer at Planned Parenthood and Trust Women Abortion Clinic followed by lunch at Larkspur prior to heading to Century II Convention Center to hear Abby's testimony. The group will then have time for reflection, Mass and dinner at the Spiritual Life Center before heading back to Dodge City.

Cost is \$25 for 12 and under and \$35 for 12 and up. Cost includes transportation, meals and the ticket to Abby Johnson. Seating is limited. Go to: <https://www.dcdiocese.org/respect-life> for more information and registration forms. Contact Gayla Kirmer, Respect Life/Social Justice ministry at (620) 227-1525 for additional information. The pilgrimage is open to all ages. 18 and under must be accompanied by a parent, guardian or a youth sponsor who has been certified in Protecting God's Children training.

Ministry Schedule January 18th – 19th

Week 3	St. Boniface	St. John the Apostle	Holy Rosary
Lector 1	Marilyn Traffas	Pam Malone	John Hagood
Cantor	Choir	Choir	Mike Rogers
Lector 2	Sandy Ricke	Danny Archuleta	Brandon Warner
General Intercessions	Sandy Ricke	Danny Archuleta	Kyla Alojacin
Eucharistic Ministers	Scott Dohm Heather Rankin Darrin Hern Sandy Ricke Karin Traffas	Marlene Kruckenberg Rick Hitchcock Cindy Summers	Brandon Warner Barbara Hagood Susan Ricke Jerome Ricke Kathleen Pennock
Servers	Rachel Fischer Jacob Eck Branden Fischer	Takira Blick	Jhayla Alojacin
Musician	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm	Nikki Brattin	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm
Greeters		Archuleta Family	Roger and Twila Angell
Sacristan	John Dohm	Bev Miller	Brandon Warner
Rosary	Shirley Ditgen		Jerome Ricke

