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CRITICAL NEWS

Until further notice, Bishop John has dispensed the faithful of the Catholic Diocese of Dodge City from the obligation to attend Sunday Holy Mass. Despite the suspension of the obligation to attend Sunday Holy Mass, all regularly scheduled Holy Masses will remain open to the public for those who wish to attend.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	14	5:00 p.m.	ML	Parishioners		Third Sunday of Lent
Sunday	15	8:30 a.m.	KW	Boyd and Sally Forester	✠	Third Sunday of Lent
Sunday	15	10:30 a.m.	SH	Sue Smith	✠	Third Sunday of Lent
Tuesday	17	5:30 p.m.	ML	Christina Hagood	✠	Memorial of Saint Patrick
Wednesday	18	5:30 p.m.	ML	Betty Ricke	✠	Wednesday of the third week of Lent
Thursday	19	5:30 p.m.	KW	All Fathers		Solemnity of St. Joseph
Friday	20	5:30 p.m.	SH	Sue Smith	✠	Friday of the third week of Lent
Saturday	21	5:00 p.m.	ML	Parishioners		Fourth Sunday of Lent
Sunday	22	8:30 a.m.	KW	Boyd and Sally Forester	✠	Fourth Sunday of Lent
Sunday	22	10:30 a.m.	SH	Mary Traffas	✠	Fourth Sunday of Lent

Sacrament of Reconciliation 30 minutes prior to Mass or by appointment

Reflection: Fountain of Life The woman at the well models for all disciples what must happen to us again and again: we must be faced with the truth during an encounter with Jesus and the Spirit, confess our sinfulness, come to a fuller awareness of who Jesus is and so who God truly is. Then we must acknowledge who Jesus is and leave our water jar at the well, now that we have the fountain of life leaping up within us, and return to our homes and confess who we are—sinners and believers in Jesus—and convert our neighbors by telling them the good news of Jesus.

Jesus challenges the disciples and the woman in the same way—opening with a theological statement to make them think. (The woman seems to do much better with Jesus on a theological and wisdom level than the disciples do. They are a bit slow.) With the woman it is water; with the disciples it is food. Jesus' food is his work. Now the woman sets about the same work after meeting Jesus. Jesus wants the disciples to look and see, as the woman has learned to look and see. The fields ripe for the harvest are the work of the Spirit. The disciples are called to reap the first fruits of the Spirit's labor. The villagers who heard the woman's testimony believe because of her faith and the conversion of her life first, but then they go deeper into Jesus, hearing his words and seeing the truth of his person, and they themselves continue the process of harvesting what has been sown by the Spirit. This is the story of the church community, making new believers by the power of the Spirit, the witness of believers, and the conversion of all to a deeper immersion in the waters of life, baptism. It is about initiation into the life of the Spirit. Megan McKenna

Word of Life

“To celebrate the Gospel of life means to celebrate the God of life, the God who gives life... In every child which is born and in every person who lives or dies we see the image of God's glory. We celebrate this glory in every human being, a sign of the living God, an icon of Jesus Christ” (The Gospel of Life 84).

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PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick and Shut-Ins:

John Harding, Mike Lynch, Ronald Ringer, Pete Eck, Chuck Hobson, Hugh Rankin, Corona Hoch, Charlie Jo Warner, Mary Eck, Helen Eck, Sandy Ricke, Ruth Blick, Gladys Christensen, Lawrence Rausch, Miles Sheldon

For the Faithful Departed:

Deven Leis, Art Junger, Ted Hauser, 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, Luke Fisher

Church News

St. Boniface Religion Class & Holy Rosary PSR

There will be no religion class March 18th due to the recent school closings regarding the outbreak of the coronavirus. Additional updates will be communicated once school is back in session.

Save the Date – Totus Tuus

St. Boniface will be hosting Totus Tuus again this year June 7-12, 2020. Additional information to come. Please plan to have your children attend this educational week!

Chrism Mass

The Chrism Mass will be in the Dodge City Cathedral at 11:00 am on April 2nd. Please make plans to attend. Signup sheets are in the back of the church.

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

The Knights of Columbus annual Lenten fish fries are up and running! They take place every Friday from 5:30-7:30 p.m. during Lent, located in the Knights of Columbus hall in Sharon. All are welcome!

St. John the Apostle

St. John the Apostle will host a Lenten Video series on “Jesus and the End Times: A Catholic View of the Last Days” by Dr. Brant Pitre. It will include 4 Wednesdays starting March 11, 18, 25 and April 1st. We will begin at 6:30 and each of the 4 videos will last approximately an hour and a half. “Have you ever wondered what the Bible teaches about what will happen at the End of Time? Dr. Pitre brings clarity and precision to the confusion that frequently surrounds the doctrine of the end times.”

Women’s Lenten Retreat

The Methodist Church in Kiowa is hosting a women's retreat at their church on April 4. There is no charge and it is open to all women. It is from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. with a light breakfast and lunch provided.

The Medicine Lodge community Lenten meals are CANCELLED.

Ministry Schedule March 21st – 22nd

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	Rachel Fischer	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 Jace Cox	Allie Hoch	Derrek Randels Emma Randels Kassidy Rambat
Musician	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm	Nikki Brattin	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm
Greeters		McMoran Family	Mark and Loretta Boor
Sacristan	Doug Schmidt	Deb Helfrich	Daryl Honas
Rosary	Volunteer		Charlotte Ringer