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Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Wisdom 6:12-16 Wisdom is found by those who seek her.

Reading 2: Thessalonians 4:13-18 God, through Jesus, will bring with him those who have fallen asleep.

Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13 Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	7	5:00 p.m.	ML	Parishioners		32 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	8	8:30 a.m.	KW	Sally & Boyd Forester	✠	32 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	8	10:30 a.m.	SH	Steve Eck	✠	32 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday	10	9:00 a.m.	ML	Special Intentions		Memorial of St. Leo the Great
Wednesday	11	5:30 p.m.	ML	Gladys Christensen	✠	Memorial of St. Martin of Tours
Thursday	12	8:30 a.m.	KW	Anita Patterson	✠	Memorial of St. Josaphat
Friday	13	8:30 a.m.	SH	Butch Criser	✠	Memorial of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini
Saturday	14	5:00 p.m.	ML	Ernie Young	✠	33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	15	8:30 a.m.	KW	Sally and Boyd Forester	✠	33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	15	10:30 a.m.	SH	Parishioners		33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment

Reflection: Only the First Step Turning forty brought me face-to-face with my many failures. I'd destroyed my marriage, put my kids in an untenable situation, and hurt people I loved. So when the faith I'd rejected as a teenager started wending its way back into my soul, it was a relief. Nobody else had been able to straighten me out—maybe the Church could do the job. I went to confession, devoured books about the virtues, and became a daily Mass-goer. Life had never felt so focused.

Then my friend Tom asked me to coffee. I knew he was a recovering alcoholic, but it had been decades since he had a drink, and he seemed content. However, he told me that he'd recently made his first retreat and was so shaken by a revelation he'd had that he didn't know what to do next. "God showed me that just stopping drinking isn't enough." What he'd realized is that simply "being good" is only the beginning.

All the virgins in today's parable, both foolish and wise, behave appropriately. But the vision of the wise is more penetrating: they understand their need to be spiritually prepared for whatever comes next. Following the rules is only the first step on a long journey, one that will require all the love and courage they can muster.

My moral conversion was important—just as important as Tom's—but neither of us could stop there. God had plans for us, the likes of which we could not imagine. Paula Huston

Word of Life

"We know earthly death is not the end, but rather the door through which we must pass to gain eternal life. Because of our belief and hope in the Resurrection, we can face death not with fear, but with preparation... We prepare for eternal life by choosing to love and follow God now, in our daily lives and decisions.

"USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Catholic Considerations for Our Earthly Passing" respectlife.org/end-of-life-considerations

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PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick and Shut-Ins:

Ella Rundle, Eileen Schmidt, Joe Hrencher, Jerome Ricke, Charlotte A. Ringer, John Eck, Herb Landwehr, Jaunita Ricke, John Harding, Mike Lynch, Ronald Ringer, Pete Eck, Hugh Rankin, Corona Hoch, Charlie Jo Warner, Mary Eck, Helen Eck, Sandy Ricke, Ruth Blick, Miles Sheldon

For the Faithful Departed:

Gerald Ricke, Evan Withrow, Gladys Christensen, Victor Blick, Roman Blick Jr, Eulanda(Butch) Criser, Steve Eck, Ernest Young, 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:

Jackson Petit, Captain Rebecca Wright Lopez, Christopher Coggins, Dylan Allison, Sheldon Hart, Bianca Lewis, Luke Fisher

Church News

Priestly Vocation?

God made you for a unique purpose. Even before you were born, he knew your vocation, your mission in life. And if you are a faithful Catholic man, God may be calling you for a higher purpose - to become a Catholic priest. See Fr Mark for more details.

Adult Education – The Search

Understand, Live and Share your Faith. We continue our 7 week journey. We gather on Tuesdays in Medicine Lodge and Wednesdays in Kiowa at 7 pm. Join us. You won't be disappointed.

Weekend Mass Times Change Is Coming!

Mass time changes are effective on the first Sunday of Advent (November 28/29). The Mass times will be: Saturday 5 pm – St Boniface, Sunday 8:30 am St John the Apostle, Sunday 10:30 am Holy Rosary.

Help from Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities staff members want to help if you are in need as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Call our helpline at 620-272-0010 or send us an email at COVID19help@CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org. We can help with food assistance, non-food pantry items, tracking down your stimulus check, health insurance paperwork, basic taxes, housing, counseling and other basic living needs.

Ministry Schedule November 14th – November 15th

Week 3	St. Boniface	St. John the Apostle	Holy Rosary
Lector 1	Marilyn Traffas	Pam Malone	John Hagood
Cantor	Choir	Choir	Volunteer
Lector 2	Sandy Ricke	Danny Archuleta	Brandon Warner
General Intercessions	Sandy Ricke	Danny Archuleta	Volunteer
Eucharistic Ministers	Scott Dohm Heather Rankin Sandy Ricke Doug Schmidt Karin Traffas	Marlene Kruckenberg Rick Hitchcock Cindy Summers	Brandon Warner Barbara Hagood Susan Ricke Jerome Ricke Kathleen Pennock
Servers	Rachel Fischer Cole Fischer 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 & Kathy Dohm	Bev Miller	Brandon Warner
Rosary	Shirley Ditgen		Jerome Ricke