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Fifth Sunday of Lent Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Jeremiah 31:31-34 I will make a new covenant and remember their sin no more.

Reading 2: Hebrews 5:7-9 Christ learned obedience and became the source of eternal salvation.

Gospel: John 12:20-33 If a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it produces much fruit.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	20	5:00 p.m.	SH	Jerry Ricke	✠ 5 th Sunday of Lent
Sunday	21	8:30 a.m.	KW	Barbara Wilhelm	✠ 5 th Sunday of Lent
Sunday	21	10:30 a.m.	ML	Parishioners	5 th Sunday of Lent
Tuesday	23	9:00 a.m.	ML	Ernie Young	✠ Tuesday of the 5 th week of Lent
Wednesday	24	6:30 p.m.	ML	Confirmandi	✠ Wednesday of the 5 th week of Lent
Thursday	25	8:30 a.m.	KW	Roman Blick	✠ Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord
Friday	26	5:00 p.m.	SH	Barbara Mueller	✠ Friday of the 5 th week of Lent
Saturday	27	5:00 p.m.	SH	Parishioners	Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
Sunday	28	8:30 a.m.	KW	Bishop Brungardt	Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
Sunday	28	10:30 a.m.	ML	Gwen Spade	✠ Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment

Reflection: Letting Go [In] the final analysis, our participation in the paschal mystery—in the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus—brings a certain *freedom*: the freedom to let go, to surrender ourselves to the living God, to place ourselves completely in his hands, knowing that ultimately he will win out! The more we cling to ourselves and others, the more we try to control our destiny—the more we lose the true sense of our lives, the more we are impacted by the futility of it all. It's precisely in letting go, in entering into complete union with the Lord, in letting him take over, that we discover our true selves. It's in the act of abandonment that we experience redemption, that we find life, peace, and joy in the midst of physical, emotional, and spiritual suffering.

This is the lesson we must first learn from Jesus before we can teach it to others. We must let the mystery, the tranquility, and the purposefulness of Jesus' suffering become part of our own life before we can become effective instruments in the hands of the Lord for the sake of others.

As Christians, if we are to love as Jesus loved, we must first come to terms with suffering. Like Jesus, we simply cannot be cool and detached from our fellow human beings. Our years of living as Christians will be years of suffering for and with other people. Like Jesus, we will love others only if we walk with them in the valley of darkness—the dark valley of sickness, the dark valley of moral dilemmas, the dark valley of oppressive structures and diminished rights.

Joseph Cardinal Bernardin, *The Gift of Peace*

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:

Roger Ringer, Earl Kuhn, Cortlyn Hill, Ella Rundle, Eileen Schmidt, 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:

Gwen Spade, Vernon Rinke, Joe Hrencher, Gerard 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:

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

Church News

Stations of the Cross and Mass Times

St Boniface – 5:30 pm Following the 5:00PM Mass St John the Apostle – 9:00 am Following the 8:30 am Mass
Holy Rosary – 6:00 pm Following the 5:30 Mass. This schedule is valid through March 26th.

Holy Rosary Confirmation Mass

Holy Rosary will have the Sacrament of Confirmation mass on Wednesday evening, March 24th, at 6:30 p.m. Father Mark will celebrate the mass. There will be a reception for the kids after mass.

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday, April 1: 7:00 p.m. at Holy Rosary
Good Friday, April 2: 1:00 p.m. at St. Boniface; 5:00 p.m. at St. John; 7:00 p.m. at Holy Rosary
Easter Vigil, April 3: 8:00 p.m. at Holy Rosary
Easter Sunday, April 4: 8:30 a.m. at St. John; 10:30 a.m. at St. Boniface

Divine Mercy Prayer Service

The Divine Mercy Prayer Service will be held at **3 p.m., Sunday, April 11**, at St. Rose Church in Great Bend. The hour will include Eucharistic Exposition, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy in song, litany of prayers and meditation. Everyone is encouraged to pray the novena to the Divine Mercy, which begins on Good Friday. Leaflets on this novena are in the brochure rack of the church. **CONFESSIONS WILL BE HEARD THROUGHOUT THE PRAYER SERVICE.** This prayer service is sponsored by Divine Mercy Radio, KRTT, 88.1.

Ministry Schedule March 27th – March 28th

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	Danny Archuleta	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	Volunteers	Derrek Randels
Musician	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm	Nikki Brattin	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm
Greeters			Mark and Loretta Boor
Sacristan	Doug Schmidt	Deb Helfrich	Daryl Honas
Rosary	Volunteer		Charlotte Ringer