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Fifth Sunday of Easter Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

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Mass Schedule and Intentions

1 Saturday	1	5:00 p.m.	SH	Jerry Ricke	† Fifth Sunday of Easter
2 Sunday	2	8:30 a.m.	KW	No Mass	Fifth Sunday of Easter
3 Sunday	2	10:30 a.m.	ML	No Mass	Fifth Sunday of Easter
4 Tuesday	4	9:00 a.m.	ML	No Mass	5th Tuesday of Easter
5 Wednesday	5	5:30 p.m.	ML	No Mass	5th Wednesday of Easter
6 Thursday	6	8:30 a.m.	KW	No Mass	5th Thursday of Easter
7 Friday	7	8:30 a.m.	SH	No Mass	5th Friday of Easter
8 Saturday	8	5:00 p.m.	SH	Parishioners	Sixth Sunday of Easter
9 Sunday	9	8:30 a.m.	KW	Barbara Wilhelm	† Sixth Sunday of Easter
10 Sunday	9	10:30 a.m.	ML	No Mass	Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment

Reflection: Fruit of the Vine It often seems to me that religion has been hijacked by moralists. Sermons seem more like moral exhortation than the proclamation of good news. Even the general intercessions are often mutated into unsubtle hints that we or others pull up our moral socks. I have nothing against moral teaching in moderate amounts, but when it begins to dominate, it forces us to choose between denial and despair. We can either close our eyes to our shortcomings or allow our failures to rob us of hope.

A perfect moral life is not the foundation of Christianity, although it may be its ultimate goal—reached about ten minutes before we die. The essence of Christian religion is our being grafted into Christ, allowing the true vine's energizing sap to circulate through our veins so that all our thoughts, words, and deeds are progressively upgraded, and we become more Christlike. It is a slow process but eventually it yields fruit, and continues to do so for as long as we remain on the vine. We are not the source of our own virtue; it is all gift.

And what about our sins? Like the poor, they are always with us. These are the shadows that tend to deepen as the light within us burns more brightly. Meanwhile, our inevitable moral failures don't seem to make much difference to God's attitude toward us. "Even though our hearts condemn us," writes St. John, "God is greater than our hearts. And knows the whole story."

Fr. Michael Casey

Dispensation Announcement !

Apostolic Administrator Gerald Vincke has announced the dispensation from attending Mass will be lifted on Pentecost weekend, which is May 22 to 23, in the Diocese of Dodge City.

The dispensation will still be in place for the elderly, those who are immune-compromised, those who are sick, etc. Apostolic Administrator Vincke is writing a pastoral letter on the importance of attending Sunday Mass. This pastoral letter will be distributed throughout the diocese.

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

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick and Shut-Ins:

The Ringer Family, Earl Kuhn, Cortlyn Hill, Ella Rundle, Eileen Schmidt, Jerome Ricke, John Eck, Herb Landwehr, Jaunita Ricke, John Harding, Mike Lynch, Pete Eck, Hugh Rankin, Corona Hoch, Charlie Jo Warner, Mary Eck, Helen Eck, Sandy Ricke, Ruth Blick, Miles Sheldon

For the Faithful Departed:

Amari Allen, William “Bud” Becker, 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:

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

Church News

Weekend Mass Locations

Over the next several weeks, weekend Mass locations may change. For example, next week’s times are in this weekend’s bulletin but they MAY change. While we will try to get the word out, the latest information will be on our website.

NCYC Youth Fundraiser

The St Boniface NCYC Youth are holding a corn hole tournament fundraiser on Saturday, May 22, 2021 at the Sharon City Park. To pre-register contact Michelle Eck at 620-294-5258 (evenings). Registration the day of the event from 9:00 am to 10:00 am. Start time is 10:00 am. Cost is \$30 per team. Prizes for top two teams will be awarded. Concessions will be available.

Knights of Columbus Mother’s Day Celebration – St. John

KOC will provide coffee and donuts in honor of Mother’s day on May 9th after mass in Kiowa. Monetary donations will be collected for Emma Tharp, daughter of Tom & Chris Tharp, who experienced an apartment fire. Donations may also be sent to Emma Tharp, c/o Tharp's at 515 Holmes, Kiowa.

Scholarship Opportunity

Scholarship applications are available for seniors in high school that belong to St Boniface parish. Contact Dan Hrencher at 620-930-8092. Must be returned by May 9th.

Ministry Schedule May 8th – May 9th

Week 2	St. Boniface	St. John the Apostle	Holy Rosary
Lector 1	Karin Traffas	Chris Tharp	Brian Withrow
Cantor	Choir	Choir	Hannah Schmidt
Lector 2	John Hern	Tom Tharp	Brian Withrow
General Intercessions	Brayden Schmidt	Tom Tharp	Julie Thompson
Eucharistic Ministers	Eileen Schmidt Carol Ricke Robin Inslee Marilyn Traffas Michelle Eck	Linda Forester John Forester Delores Moreno	Norman Clouse Frances Land Lisa Withrow Brian Withrow Julie Thompson
Servers	Brayden Schmidt Vondie Landwehr Lane Crenner	Volunteer	Volunteers
Musician	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm	Nikki Brattin	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm
Greeters			Norman and Becky Clouse
Sacristan	Eileen Schmidt	Linda Pulliam	Brian Withrow
Rosary	John Hern		Leroy and Diane Seiler