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Sixth Sunday of Easter

Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Apostles 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 The gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out on the Gentiles also.

Reading 2: 1 John 4:7-10 God is love.

Gospel: John 15:9-17 No one has greater love than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	8	5:00 p.m.	SH	Parishioners	Sixth Sunday of Easter
Sunday	9	8:30 a.m.	KW	Barbara Wilhelm	† Sixth Sunday of Easter
Sunday	9	10:30 a.m.	ML	Communion Service	Sixth Sunday of Easter
Tuesday	11	9:00 a.m.	ML	No Mass	6th Tuesday of Easter
Wednesday	12	5:30 p.m.	ML	No Mass	6th Wednesday of Easter
Thursday	13	8:30 a.m.	KW	No Mass	Ascension of the Lord
Friday	14	8:30 a.m.	SH	No Mass	Feast of St. Matthias
Saturday	15	5:00 p.m.	SH	Parishioners	7th Sunday of Easter
Sunday	16	8:30 a.m.	KW	Communion Service	7th Sunday of Easter
Sunday	16	10:30 a.m.	ML	Evan Withrow	† 7th Sunday of Easter

Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment

Reflection: Fearfully and Gloriously Concrete [T]he gospel adds something striking to the law: Love your sisters and brothers as Jesus has loved you (Jn 15:12). In your situation and mine the command no longer lives in glorious abstraction. It is splendidly, fearfully, gloriously concrete. How do we love as Jesus loved?

We share his incarnate *mission*. Preaching the Just Word, living the Just Word, is our loving role in Jesus' programmatic declaration of his mission in Nazareth's synagogue: "The Spirit of the Lord . . . has anointed me to bring good news to the poor, . . . to let the oppressed go free" (Lk 4:18).

We share Jesus' mission as *servants*, "slaves" if you prefer the stronger translation. If "the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve" (Mt 20:28), then we dare not imitate the rulers Jesus experienced, the rulers we experience, those who "lord it" over their people, are "tyrants over them" (v. 25). . . . If I may add a phrase to the prophet Micah, we need to "walk humbly" not only "with [our] God" (Mic 6:8); we must walk humbly with our people.

We share Jesus' mission as *suffering* servants. . . . That greatest of all loves which Jesus lauded, to lay down life itself for those we love, is rarely a single act: St. Sebastian a dart board for pagan arrows, Archbishop Romero dead from an assassin's single bullet. It is even more difficult to lay down your *whole* life for those you love. Such is our gethsemane, and it forces from us time and again Jesus' own cry from bloody sweat: Please, please, God, "remove this cup from me" (Lk 22:42). . . .

Go forth, then, with fresh confidence, aware with St. Paul that you "can do all things," but only "through [the Lord] who strengthens" you. And the Lord will strengthen you, if . . . if you cast all your hope on him. Fr. Walter Burghardt

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 see our website for the complete announcement.

***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

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.

Knights of Columbus Father’s Day Meal – Holy Rosary

The KOC of Medicine Lodge will be hosting a Father’s Day meal after mass June 20th at Holy Rosary to honor all of the Father’s of the parish! Please join us after Mass for food and fellowship!

Schedule Changes !

Please check our website for changes in Mass times and location.

Ministry Schedule May 15th – May 16th

Week 3	St. Boniface	St. John the Apostle	Holy Rosary
Lector 1	Marilyn Traffas	Pam Malone	John Hagood
Cantor	Choir	Choir	Cheri Dohrmann
Lector 2	Sandy Ricke	Danny Archuleta	Brandon Warner
General Intercessions	Sandy Ricke	Danny Archuleta	Kyla Alojacin
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	Volunteers	Jhayla Alojacin
Musician	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm	Nikki Brattin	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm
Greeters			Roger and Twila Angell
Sacristan	John & Kathy Dohm	Bev Miller	Brandon Warner
Rosary	Shirley Ditgen		Jerome Ricke