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The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab A woman clothed with the sun, with the moon beneath her feet.

Reading 2: 1 Corinthians 15:20-27 Christ, the firstfruits; then those who belong to him.

Gospel: Luke 1:39-56 The Almighty has done great things for me; he has raised up the lowly.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	14	5:00 p.m.	SH	Jerry Ricke	✠	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Sunday	15	8:30 a.m.	KW	Fr. Ultan Murphy	✠	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Sunday	15	10:30 a.m.	ML	Evan Withrow	✠	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Tuesday	17	9:00 a.m.	ML	No Mass		20 th Tuesday in Ordinary Time
Wednesday	18	5:30 p.m.	ML	No Mass		20 th Wednesday in Ordinary Time
Thursday	19	8:30 a.m.	KW	No Mass		20 th Thursday in Ordinary Time
Friday	20	8:30 a.m.	SH	No Mass		Memorial of St. Bernard
Saturday	21	5:00 p.m.	SH	Marilyn Eck	✠	21 st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	22	8:30 a.m.	KW	Eugene & Adela M. Becker	✠	21 st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	22	10:30 a.m.	ML	Gwen Tuer	✠	21 st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment

Reflection: A Heart So Great Mary, by uniting herself to God, does not distance herself from us. She does not go to an unknown galaxy, but whoever approaches God comes closer, for God is close to us all; and Mary, united to God, shares in the presence of God, is so close to us, to each one of us.

There is a beautiful passage from St. Gregory the Great on St. Benedict that we can apply to Mary too. St. Gregory the Great says that the heart of St. Benedict expanded so much that all creation could enter it. This is even truer of Mary: Mary, totally united to God, has a heart so big that all creation can enter this heart . . . she has a heart as great as the heart of God.

But there is also another aspect. In God not only is there room for humankind; in humankind there is room for God. This too we see in Mary, the Holy Ark who bears the presence of God. In us there is space for God, and this presence of God in us is so important for bringing light to the world with all its sadness, with all its problems. . . .

What is there to say then? A great heart, the presence of God in the world, room for God within us and room for us in God . . . this is the symphony of this Feast, the instruction that meditating on this Solemnity gives us. Mary is the dawn and the splendor of the Church triumphant; she is the consolation and the hope of people still on the journey. *Pope Benedict XVI*

Word of Life

“Although we may feel unsure how best to comfort those who mourn, we must stand with them in their time of suffering. Miscarriage touches the lives of many people, yet all too often this tragedy remains unaddressed. This lack of response not only often leads to unresolved grief, but also fails to clearly manifest our belief that each person, from conception onward, is precious and unique.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities “Solace and Strength in the Sorrow of Miscarriage”

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

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick and Shut-Ins:

Adalynn Amerin, Myra Dick, John Dohm, 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:

Jeanine Rinke, Phillip Simpson, Joyce Ditgen, KaSondra Mantey, Mabel Boor, 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, Christopher Coggins, Dylan Allison, Sheldon Hart, Bianca Lewis, Luke Fisher

Church News

Interactive Television (ITV) Classes

This Fall, ITV will transition to a Zoom teleconference system. You will be able to take classes at home. There’s a good article in the August 8th edition of the *Southwest Kansas Catholic* newspaper.

St. Boniface PSR

St. Boniface is currently looking for an additional PSR teacher. Please contact Shelon Schmidt if interested at 620-886-0265

Schedule Changes

It is imperative for you to check the website for the latest changes. We will do our best to get the word out. Update: Medicine Lodge’s new A/C’s *should* be installed late next week.

Tuesday Morning Rosary

Please join us at Holy Rosary on Tuesday Mornings at 9:00 am. We will pray the rosary then enjoy fellowship over a light breakfast.

Tacos in the Park Make the park in Kiowa your lunch destination on August 6th. St John the Apostle will be having their annual fund raiser on Labor day. Please come down to the park for food and fellowship.

Ministry Schedule August 21st– August 22th

Week 4	St. Boniface	St. John the Apostle	Holy Rosary
Lector 1	Carol Ricke	Chris Tharp	Loretta Boor
Cantor	Choir	Choir	Rodney Ringer
Lector 2	Daryl Eck	Danny Archuleta	Daryl Honas
General Intercessions	Jacob Eck	Danny Archuleta	Diane Seiler
Eucharistic Ministers	Daryl Eck Ann Schreiner	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