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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Numbers 11:25-29 Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the people of the Lord were prophets!

Reading 2: James 5:1-6 Your wealth has rotted away.

Gospel: Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48 Whoever is not against us is for us. If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	25	5:00 p.m.	SH	KaSondra Mantey	✠	26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	26	8:30 a.m.	KW	Special Intentions		26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	26	10:30 a.m.	ML	Jeanine Rinke	✠	26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday	28	9:00 a.m.	ML	No Mass		26 th Tuesday in Ordinary Time
Wednesday	29	5:30 p.m.	ML	No Mass		Feasts of St. Michael, Gabriel, Raphael, Archangels
Thursday	30	8:30 a.m.	KW	No Mass		Memorial of St. Jerome
Friday	1	8:30 a.m.	SH	No Mass		Memorial of St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus
Saturday	2	5:00 p.m.	SH	Joyce Ditgen	✠	27 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	3	8:30 a.m.	KW	Barbara Wilhelm	✠	27 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	3	10:30 a.m.	ML	Gary Miller	✠	27 th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment

Reflection: A Common Purpose *Whoever is not against us is for us.*

The process of allowing things to coalesce differs fundamentally from corralling or controlling. Coalescence speaks of natural affinities, a movement toward meeting and merging that we recognize when people fall in love, when political groundswells become apparent, when families reconvene around a loss, recognizing a level of relationship that underlies the fissures and divergences of adult life. We gather, but in a deeper sense, we are gathered. Something draws us together for at least the one brief shining moment that reminds us we were put on the planet for a common purpose. And the calling continues.

The ecumenical vision is one of coalescence. If a divided church is to come together after centuries of theological opposition, it will surely be a result not only of the efforts and intentions of those who organize conferences and write books, but of the force that summons us all toward the final unity we proclaim when we sing “We are one in the Spirit,” and pray “that our unity may one day be restored.”

The movement toward the center is happening as surely as entropy. What has scattered will be gathered, in due time. Maybe not in our lifetimes; we are here only for a short part of a long process. But to see history and our own lives in terms of a deep dynamic of coalescence is to recognize how “centering” godly work is, how “centering prayer” opens us to coalescence, and how much of our best participation may not be paddling madly, but floating on the currents that take us all home.

Marilyn McEntyre, *Word by Word: A Daily Spiritual Practice*

Word of Life

“Suicidal individuals—with or without a terminal illness—typically do not want to die... The patient requesting assisted suicide is often asking, ‘Does anyone want me to be alive, or care enough to talk me out of this request and support me through this difficult time?’” USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities “Every Suicide is Tragic”

***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, Pete Eck, Hugh Rankin, Corona Hoch, Charlie Jo Warner, Mary Eck, Helen Eck, Sandy Ricke, Ruth Blick, Miles Sheldon

For the Faithful Departed:

Phillip Simpson, Mike Lynch, Dennis Larkin, 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

Anointing of the Sick

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is administered by appointment. Please call the rectory to make arrangements. For extended needs for communion at home please call the rectory.

Offering the Precious Blood

The Precious Blood is offered in all three parishes this weekend. You are under no obligation to consume the Precious Blood. As always, it's your option.

St. Boniface PSR

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

ACTS Retreats

Women's Retreat October 21-24; Men's Retreat November 18-21, both in Great Bend. Brochures can be picked up in the parish , or check out www.actsdcd.org for registration and more information.

PSR Reminder

Holy Rosary has kicked off their Wednesday evening PSR classes. Please contact Cheri Dohrmann at 620-886-1786 to enroll your child!

Ministry Schedule October 3rd – 4th

Week 1	St. Boniface	St. John the Apostle	Holy Rosary
Lector 1	Briana Stephenson	John Miller	Kay Koger
Cantor	Choir	Choir	Volunteer
Lector 2	Steve Eck	Rick Hitchcock	Volunteer
General Intercessions	Jacob Eck	Rick Hitchcock	Linda Sheldon
Eucharistic Ministers	Dean Eck Lawrence Smith	Delores Moreno Glenna Reif Melvin Reif	Michael Lynch Myra Dick Kayla Zerr Marge Wright Nathan Honas
Servers	Jack Schreiner Mindy Wells Drake Schmidt	Volunteers	Volunteers
Musician	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm	Nikki Brattin	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm
Greeters			Miles and Linda Sheldon
Sacristan	Sheila Ricke	Danny Archuleta	
Rosary	Lawrence Smith		Brenda Wright