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First Sunday of Lent

Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: The story of temptation and fall of Adam and Eve

Reading 2: The inheritance of death has been conquered by the grace of redemption

Gospel: Jesus was tempted in the desert

Theme: Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned

Sacrament of Reconciliation 30 minutes before Mass or by appointment

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Sat.	4	5:00 p.m.	SH	Agnes Eck	✠	First Sunday of Lent
Sun	5	8:30 a.m.	KW	Parishioners		First Sunday of Lent
Sun	5	10:30 a.m.	ML	Albert Blahut	✠	First Sunday of Lent
Mon	6	6:00 p.m.	ML	Art & Omaha Tatera	✠	Stations of the Cross then Mass
Tue	7	9:00 a.m.	ML	David Rausch	✠	
Wed	8	6:30 p.m.	SH	Larry Traffas	✠	Special: Stations then Mass
Thur.	9	6:00 p.m.	KW	Deceased Women of St John	✠	Stations of the Cross then Mass
Fri.	10	5:30 p.m.	SH	Karol Ricke	✠	Stations of the Cross then Mass
Sat.	11	5:00 p.m.	SH	John Ditgen	✠	Second Sunday of Lent
Sun	12	8:30 a.m.	KW	Robert Loewenstein	✠	Second Sunday of Lent
Sun	12	10:30 a.m.	ML	Parishioners		Second Sunday of Lent

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

March 11/12 – 2nd Sunday

Second Sunday of Lent

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March 18/19 – 3rd Sunday

Third Sunday of Lent

SHARON 5:00 p.m.	KIOWA 8:30 a.m.	Medicine Lodge 10:30 a.m.
Karin Traffas	Chris Tharp	Brian Withrow
Choir	Choir	Cheri Dohrman
John Hern	Tom Tharp	Brian Withrow
Brayden Schmidt	Tom Tharp	Julie Thompson
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
Brayden Schmidt Cali Scripsick Cauy Scripsick Ruth/Kathy	Bailey Roberts	Dasik Clouse Grady Clouse
	Donita Ragan	Ruth /Kathy
	Hoch Family	Norman and Becki Clouse
Eileen Schmidt	Linda Pulliam	Brian Withrow
John Hern		Leroy or Diane Seiler
	Chris Tharp	

	SHARON 5:00 p.m.	KIOWA 8:30 a.m.	Medicine Lodge 10:30 a.m.
Lector	Marilyn Traffas	Lou Leone	John Hagood
CANTOR	Choir	Choir	Mike Rogers
Lector	Sandy Ricke	Danny Archuleta	John Hagood
GEN INT	Sandy Ricke	Danny Archuleta	Kyla Alojacin
OEM	Scott Dohm Heather Rankin Sandy Ricke Doug Schmidt Eileen Schmidt	Marlene K Rich Hitchcock Cindy Summers	Brandon Warner Barbara Hagood Susan Ricke Jerome Ricke Kathleen Pennok
SERVERS	Rachel Fischer Jacob Eck Brandon Fischer	Takira Blick	Karllyle Alojacin Jhayla Alojacin
MUSIC	Ruth/Kathy	Donita Ragan	Ruth Schmidt Kathy Dohm
GREETER		Archuleta Family	Roger/Twila Angell
Sacristan	John Dohm	Bev Miller	Brandon Warner
ROSARY	Shirley Ditgen		Jerome Ricke
Collection		Jim Pulliam/Carl Helfrich	

Reflection: The key to understanding the meaning of Lent is simple: Baptism. Preparation for Baptism and for renewing baptismal commitment lies at the heart of the season. Since the Second Vatican Council, the church has emphasized the baptismal character of Lent by restoration of the catechumenate and its Lenten rituals. We are not privileged to have anyone in the RCIA process this year so it is a greater challenge and is even more imperative for us to renew our understanding of this season of the church year and to see how we can integrate our personal practices into this perspective. We will renew our baptismal commitment at Easter. Will we be ready?

“For us men and for our salvation, the Son of God became incarnate in the womb of the Virgin Mary by the power of the Holy Spirit. He did so to reconcile us sinners with God, to have us learn of God’s infinite love, to be our model of holiness and to make us ‘partakers of the divine nature’ (2 Peter 1:4)” Statement-from the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

Prayer Intentions for the Sick and Shut-Ins: Ella Rundle, Alice Burenheide, Edna Swayden, John Dohm, Elizabeth Terry, Lori (Hughes) Wilcox, Gary Noland, Raymond Schmidt, Cindy Archuleta, Carol Iron

Prayer Intentions: for the members of our parish family who are serving our country in the armed forces.

For the Faithful Departed: Pete Swingle, Robert Loewenstein, Tom Doherty, Dennis Hammersmith, Dwayne Kruckenberg, Luke Hendricks, Fern Beckerman, Omaha Tatera, Agnes Eck, Larry Traffas, William (Bill) Hitchcock, John Ditgen, Dave Rausch, Albert Blahut, Richard Jaso, Gene Garrett, Max Rynerson, Floyd Spade, Elizabeth Schreiner and the souls in Purgatory. May they rest in perfect peace, Amen

Parish News:

REMINDER --LENTEN PRACTICE: *Abstinence requires Catholics fourteen and older to abstain from eating meat on all Fridays during Lent. (Meat includes both mammals and fowl, such as chicken).*

K OF C FISH FRY: 5:30-7:30 p.m. Each Friday of Lent at 412 N Main, Sharon

ST. BONIFACE SENIORS - ALTAR SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS. Contact Marilyn Traffas for application form and return to Marilyn or Ruth Schmidt by April 2nd.

ST. BONIFACE ALTAR SOCIETY - MARCH MEETING - pizza supper - Monday, March 13, 6:00 p.m. at Parish Center. RSVP to Rayann Rucker by Sunday, March 12. Bring beverage of your choice - coffee & tea provided. Hostesses: Shirley Ditgen & Ruby Gieswein. Roll call- bring a white elephant for exchange.

HARPER – St Patrick’s dinner- Sunday, March 12, 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. - Fried chicken, ham & more (*flyer posted*)

KINGMAN – St Patrick’s Dinner – Sunday, March 12, 3:00 p.m.–6:30 p.m. Fried Chicken, country sausage & more (*flyer posted*)

POTATO BAR: March 19 – Fundraiser at Leisure Center in Medicine Lodge --11:00a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Potato & fixings, salad, dessert- all for a free will offering.

Young men - high school juniors, seniors, and college age Join Fr. Ted Stoecklein for Encounter With God’s Call on April 1-3 at Conception Seminary College – experience seminary life; learn about the priesthood. Visit is free; transportation is provided by the Diocese of Dodge City. call Fr. Wesley Schawe at 620.227.1533 or register online by March 26th <http://www.dcdiocese.org/vocations/discernment-events>

VOCATION VIEWS: During this time of fasting we may be tempted to go astray. Pray for the grace to follow the way that leads to life. (*Matthew 4:1-11*). If you think God is calling you to priesthood or to consecrated life, visit our website at www.dcdiocese.org/vocations.

Southwest Kansas Young Adult Conference! SKYAC (*second annual*) All young adults (18-40)-- March 25th -Dodge City- Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe-a great opportunity to grow in prayer and community this Lent; will cover topics relevant to young adults. (*Relationships, our role in the Church, etc.*) Registration- additional info on the "Young Adult" page of our diocesan website: dcdiocese.org.

STEWARDSHIP: What temptations lure us from the path of discipleship? Possessions? Pride? Power? Oh Lord, create for us a clean heart and renew a steadfast spirit within us!

Meat-less in Penance and Solidarity : Our desire is that Friday be a day of Penance and that we have in it some experience of solidarity with the truly hungry of the earth. First of all, we want to remember that we are keeping these Fridays special because this is that day our Lord gave himself for us - selflessly and completely. This is the day that commemorates the Friday that approaches, which we call "***Good.***" This commemoration is not intended to be sad or artificially gloomy. These Fridays are to be days that touch us deeply, because we remember that we are incredibly loved and we have been redeemed from the victory sin and death might have had over our lives. These are days to look upon a crucifix and feel the gratitude in our hearts, but also to feel the freedom - freedom from our sin and death, and freed to love and give of ourselves more generously. All of our experience tells us that we can't or won't be self-sacrificing without this experience of gratitude and without spiritual freedom. The Fridays of Lent are a spiritual exercise to offer us both of these graces.

Secondly, we desire to make our Lenten journey one that places us not only with Jesus, but with the poor of the world. What does gratitude do, if not help us to be mindful of and assist us in having affection for our sisters and brothers who have so much less than we do? One way we can intentionally place ourselves with the poor of the earth is to prepare our meals on these Fridays in ways that lets us share a communion with them. Then, our penance and solidarity come together - and that can be a very wonderful religious experience. (*And the money we save can be placed in our “Rice Bowl” -- returned on Holy Thursday*)