

Catholic Churches of Barber County, Kansas

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October 29th, 2023

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Exodus 22:20-26 If you wrong the widow and the orphan, my wrath will flare up against you.

Reading 2: 1st Thessalonians 1:5c-10 You turned from idols to serve the living and true God and to await his Son from heaven.

Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40 You shall love the Lord your God and your neighbor as yourself.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	28	5:00 p.m.	SH	Norman Fischer	✠	The 30 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	29	8:30 a.m.	ML	Parishioners		The 30 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	29	10:30 a.m.	KW	Farmers & Ranchers		The 30 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday	31	8:30 a.m.	ML	Phillip Simpson	✠	Tuesday of the 30 th Week in Ordinary Time
Wednesday	01	6:00 p.m.	ML	Earnest Young	✠	All Saints Day
Thursday	02	8:30 a.m.	KW	Farmers & Ranchers		All Souls Day
Friday	03	8:30 a.m.	SH	Stan Marcotte	✠	Friday of the 30 th Week in Ordinary Time
Saturday	04	5:00 p.m.	SH	Helen Eck	✠	The 31 st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	05	8:30 a.m.	ML	Roger Ringer	✠	The 31 st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	06	10:30 a.m.	KW	Parishioners		The 31 st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation available 30 Minutes Before Each Mass

All Saints' Day Mass Schedule

October 31st (Vigil Mass) – St. John the Apostle at 5:30 p.m.

November 1st – St. Boniface at 8:30 a.m. and Holy Rosary at 6:00 p.m.

The encounter between the Scholar of the Law and Jesus in today's gospel sums up the essence of our call to Christianity and the essence of our discipleship in Jesus Christ. The bottom line of our call to faith in Jesus is attainment of eternal life. Hence, the question put to Jesus by the scholar intrinsically means for us Christians what we can do in order to achieve our ultimate goal of serving God as disciples of Christ and eventually attain eternal life. Jesus makes it clear to us through his response given to the scholar that there is the need for us to observe the commandment of God which is summed up in the love of God and the love of our neighbors. This two-fold love is symbolized by the Cross of Christ, and more essentially, by the crucifix. The vertical pole represents the love that exists between us and God, which we receive through Jesus Christ, and the horizontal pole symbolizes the love that we are to express to our neighbors. Many of us think that our neighbors are only our close relations; members of our families, communities, states and nation. This myth of limiting our neighborhood to our immediate relations, in the expression of our love and concern for them, especially in times of need, is what God addresses through the Prophet Isaiah today in our first reading. God demonstrates to us clearly that he is the father of all humanity and if we Christians claim to share in the sonship of Christ, through whom we have been created and also invited in a special way to share in the love of God, then our hand of love should reach out to all, especially the vulnerable: the alien, the widow, the orphan and all those who are in a special need. – Father Emmanuel

CHURCH NEWS

- **Attention St. John the Apostle Parishioners:** There will be a Parish Dinner at St. John the Apostle on November 12th following mass. Please bring a salad or dessert to share.
- **Attention to all Parishioners:** The Diocese of Dodge City Youth Summit will be held on November 4th at the Dodge City Middle School. The day will consist of a Junior High Rally in the afternoon from 2-4 p.m. and a High School Leadership Retreat in the morning. As part of the Leadership Retreat, high schoolers will help prepare for and implement the junior high portion of the day. When registering, they are asked to select which portion(s) of the day they will be able to attend and help with. More information, a schedule of events, and registration can be found at dcdiocese.org/youth-events

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick and Shut-Ins:

Theo Miller, Rayann Rucker, Ken Ricke, The Ringer Family, Jim Pulliam, Kelli Young, Vonda Landwehr, Kathy Dohm, Lennes Rankin, Adalynn Amerin, Ralph & Myra Dick, Eileen Schmidt, John Eck, Juanita Ricke, Hugh Rankin, Mary Eck, Sandy Ricke.

For the Faithful Departed:

Ruth Blick, John Dohm, Ruth Ann Simon, Randy Ricke, Mabel Boor, Roger Ringer, Helen Eck, Shirley LeClair, Norman Fischer, Peyton Theis, Sandy Blick, George Holder, Herbie Landwehr, Dennis Boor, Kenny Larkin, Londa Fischer, 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, Luke Fisher.

THIS WEEK'S CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays: Lennes Rankin (November 3rd), Ryan Fischer (November 3rd), Dennie Lundsford (November 4th), Kendra Nelson (November 5th), Sandy Ricke (November 5th)

Anniversaries: Merle & Rayann Rucker (November 3rd), Kelly & Chris Hrencher (November 4th)

Ministry Schedule for November 4th – November 5th

Week 1	St. Boniface	St. John the Apostle	Holy Rosary
Lector 1	Elaine Trantham	John Miller	Kay Koger
Cantor	Choir	Choir	Volunteer
Lector 2	Steve Eck	Rick Hitchcock	Kay Koger
General Intercessions	Jacob Eck	Rick Hitchcock	Linda Sheldon
Eucharistic Ministers	Dean Eck Lawrence Smith Sheila Ricke	Delores Moreno Glenna Reif Melvin Reif	Brenda Wright Kay Koger Nathan Honas
Servers	Lane Crenner Sidney Swingle Drake Schmidt	Volunteer	Volunteer
Musician	Kathy Dohm	Nikki Brattin	Kathy Dohm
Greeters			Miles and Linda Sheldon
Sacristan	Sheila Ricke	Danny Archuleta	Brenda Wright
Rosary	Lawrence Smith		Brenda Wright