

Catholic Churches of Barber County, Kansas

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January 28th, 2024

The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Holy Rosary, Medicine Lodge

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Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Deuteronomy 18:15-20 I will raise up a prophet, and I will put my words into his mouth.

Reading 2: 1st Corinthians 7:32-35 A virgin is anxious about the things of the Lord that she may be holy.

Gospel: Mark 1:21-28 He taught them as one having authority.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	27	5:00 p.m.	ML	Ruth Ann Simon	✠	The 4 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	28	8:30 a.m.	KW	Parishioners		The 4 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	28	10:30 a.m.	SH	Zailynn Glen		The 4 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday	30	8:30 a.m.	ML	Harold & Mary Hartley	✠	Tuesday of the 4 th Week in Ordinary Time
Wednesday	31	6:00 p.m.	ML	Ruth Ann Simon	✠	Wednesday of the 4 th Week in Ordinary Time
Thursday	01	8:30 a.m.	KW	Sandy Blick	✠	Thursday of the 4 th Week in Ordinary Time
Friday	02	8:30 a.m.	SH	John Dohm	✠	Friday of the 4 th Week in Ordinary Time
Saturday	03	5:00 p.m.	ML	Bill Nittler	✠	The 5 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	04	8:30 a.m.	KW	Parishioners		The 5 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	04	10:30 a.m.	SH	KaSondra Hern Mantey	✠	The 5 th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation available 30 Minutes Before Each Mass

Last weekend we celebrated the Called by Name Sunday, and we were called upon to respond positively to the invitation of God to be priests and religious sisters. Today, the word of God comes to us strongly saying, ***"I will raise up for you prophets / priests from among you and will put my word into their mouths; they shall tell you all that I command them. Whoever will not listen to my words which they will speak in my name, I myself will make them answer for it."*** God is ready to fulfill this promise made to us in the Diocese of Dodge City. We are, therefore, once again appealed to help make the fulfillment of this promise a reality. As we embark on this journey of responding to God's call, let us pray that the Spirit of God will direct us in our vocation drive so that those who will eventually respond to this call, especially to the call of priestly vocation, will be credible people whose service in the ministry will bring the blessings of God upon us instead of doom; for God says, ***"If a prophet (priest) presumes to speak in my name an oracle that I have not commanded him to speak, or speaks in the name of other gods, he shall die."*** (Deut. 18: 20) So, as we pray for vocation to the priesthood, we also pray for our bishop John and all priests working in the Diocese of Dodge City to be good and faithful priests who will lead the people of God to the desired destination. The power of Jesus is still at work in the Church through his ministers. Jesus continues his teaching and healing ministries in the Church today. He still has power over unclean spirits. If under the guidance of the Holy Spirit we are able to get faithful and dedicated priests and religious sisters, then we are certain that the Spirit of God which was at work in Jesus will be with them to continue the salvific work began by Jesus in order to bring glory to God. May this be done for us in our diocese so that it may be said of us that, ***"The people who sit in darkness have seen a great light; on those dwelling in a land overshadowed by death, light has arisen."*** (Mt. 4:16) – Father Emmanuel

CHURCH NEWS

- **Attention to all Parishioners:** The Knights of Columbus is hosting their free throw contest this Sunday, January 28th, for all boys and girls ages 9 to 14 at the Medicine Lodge High School. Doors open at 12, noon; competition starts at 1:00 pm.
- **Adoration during Lent:** There appears to be an interest at Holy Rosary to attend regular Adoration during the Lenten season. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is an opportunity to spend uninterrupted time in the presence of Jesus. While there are some prayers and brief scripture readings, most of the time we'll sit in silence with Jesus. If you are interested in participating, please contact Brian Withrow (620-213-0301 or brianwithrow@rocketmail.com). We'll schedule these sessions based on requests of the parishioners that call and will announce the schedule in the church bulletin.
- **Attention to all Parishioners:** Wanted--Part-time church secretary for 4 to 5 hours per week. Responsibilities include the church bulletin, record keeping, correspondence and similar basic office tasks. Some computer skills and familiarity with Microsoft Word are important. Working from home is allowed, but two regular office hours per week assisting Father Emmanuel is required. \$20 per hour. To learn more or to apply, please email Diane Seiler at ldseiler@sctelcom.net or call or text (620) 886-0412. You may also call Bev Miller at (620) 825-4382 to inquire or apply.
- **Attention to all Parishioners:** Please remember that Mass Intentions are always welcome! You can offer Mass for both the deceased and the living, whether that be for a birthday, anniversary, etc. The suggested donation for each Mass offered is \$10/per Mass. Your Mass Intentions can be dropped off at the church anytime, placed in the donation basket, or given to Father Emmanuel personally. Please remember to list who the Mass Intention is for and whether they are deceased. Thank you!

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick and Shut-Ins:

Edna Swayden, Karma Redgate, Isaac Venters, Theo Miller, Rayann Rucker, Ken Ricke, Jim Pulliam, Kelli Young, 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:

Bill Nittler, Beatrice Ricke, Ruth Blick, John Dohm, Ruth Ann Simon, Randy Ricke, Roger Ringer, Helen Eck, Shirley LeClair, Norman Fischer, Peyton Theis, Sandy Blick, Herbie Landwehr, 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.

WEEKLY CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays: Brandon Warner (January 29th), Madisyn Schmidt (January 31st), Cole Fischer (February 1st), Heather Rankin (February 3rd)

Anniversaries: Herb & Myriam Landwehr (January 31st), Ed & Kay Koger (February 1st)

Ministry Schedule for February 3rd – February 4th

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	Lane Crenner/John Hern	Rick Hitchcock	Volunteer
Eucharistic Ministers	Dean Eck Sheila Ricke	Delores Moreno Glenna Reif Melvin Reif	Brenda Wright Kay Koger Nathan Honas
Servers	Lane Crenner Sidney Swingle Ashtyn Schmidt	Volunteer	Volunteer
Musician	Kathy Dohm	Nikki Brattin	Kathy Dohm
Greeters			Volunteer
Sacristan	Sheila Ricke	Danny Archuleta	Brenda Wright
Rosary	Lawrence Smith		Brenda Wright

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