

Catholic Churches of Barber County, Kansas

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April 7th, 2024

Sunday of Divine Mercy

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Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Acts 4:32-35 "They were of one heart and mind."

Reading 2: 1 John 5:1-6 "Whoever is begotten by God conquers the world."

Gospel: John 20:19-31 "Eight days later Jesus came and stood in their midst."

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	06	5:00 p.m.	ML	Charles Adobe	✠	Sunday of Divine Mercy
Sunday	07	8:30 a.m.	KW	For an Increase in Religious Vocations in the Diocese of Dodge City		Sunday of Divine Mercy
Sunday	07	10:30 a.m.	SH	Toni Novotoneg		Sunday of Divine Mercy
Tuesday	09	8:30 a.m.	ML	Beatrice Ricke	✠	Tuesday of the Second Week of Easter
Wednesday	10	6:00 p.m.	ML	Dean Martin	✠	Wednesday of the Second Week of Easter
Thursday	11	8:30 a.m.	KW	Norbert Greiving	✠	Thursday of the Second Week of Easter
Friday	12	8:30 a.m.	SH	John Dohm	✠	Friday of the Second Week of Easter
Saturday	13	5:00 p.m.	ML	Bill Nittler	✠	Third Sunday of Easter
Sunday	14	8:30 a.m.	KW	Boyd & Sally Forester	✠	Third Sunday of Easter
Sunday	14	10:30 a.m.	SH	Sandy Ricke	✠	Third Sunday of Easter

Sacrament of Reconciliation available 30 Minutes Before Each Mass

Today we celebrate the second Sunday of Easter. This Sunday is also called Sunday of Divine Mercy. It is called so, because it focuses on the gift of mercy and love given through Christ's death, burial and resurrection. According to Pope John Paul II, "Divine Mercy reaches human beings through the Heart Crucified." The liturgical celebration of Sunday of Divine Mercy reflects the devotional elements of its purpose, indicating Jesus is alive and becomes the Lord of life. The spiritual meaning of Divine Mercy is an extension of devotion to the Sacred Heart, the place where blood and water flowed out for the salvation of humanity, which in turn, points us to the eternal loving mercy of the Father. The origin of Divine Mercy was proposed by St. Faustina.

As we celebrate Sunday of Divine Mercy, the church draws our attention to Jesus, who out of love, shows himself to his disciples, giving them the assurance that he has risen indeed and is living among them, as promised (Mt. 28:20). Jesus kept appearing to his disciple in order to strengthen them in their faith. The reason for his continuous appearing to them after his death was because they were living in fear. To strengthen them, he gave the blessings of peace, the Holy Spirit, and the ability to forgive or retain sins. Our first reading gives us the character of the early church. They lived together and shared everything in common. Can we learn from them as a parish? We can do so if we live in love for each other.

CHURCH NEWS

- **First Communion** for Holy Rosary Parish will be on Saturday, April 13th, at 5 pm Mass. A cake and punch reception will be held for our kiddos after Mass -- everyone is invited!
- **St. Boniface Altar Society:** Ladies of the parish, come join us on Monday April 8th at 7pm. Roll call is to bring a donation for the food bank.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick and Shut-Ins:

Edna Swayden, Karma Redgate, Isaac Venters, Theo Miller, Rayann Rucker, Ken Ricke, Jim Pulliam, Kelli Young, Lennes Rankin, Adalynn Amerin, Ralph & Myra Dick, Eileen Schmidt, John Eck, Juanita Ricke, Hugh Rankin, Mary Eck.

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, Sandy Ricke 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, Michael Castaneda.

THIS WEEK'S CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays: Beckyn Hitner (April 9th), Shelon Schmidt (April 13th), Todd Fischer (April 13th)

Anniversaries: Ron & Rhonda Landwehr (April 9th)

Ministry Schedule for April 13th –14th

Week 2	St. Boniface	St. John the Apostle	Holy Rosary
Lector 1	Mason Eck	Chris Tharp	Brian Withrow
Cantor	Choir	Choir	Volunteer
Lector 2	John Hern	Tom Tharp	Brian Withrow
General Intercessions	Mason Eck/John Hern	Tom Tharp	Julie Thompson
Eucharistic Ministers	Paul/Jacque Totty Michelle Eck	Linda Forester John Forester Delores Moreno	Norman Clouse Brian Withrow Julie Thompson
Servers	Drake Schmidt Ashtyn Schmidt	Volunteer	Volunteer
Musician	Kathy Dohm	Nikki Brattin	Kathy Dohm
Greeters			Norman and Becky Clouse
Sacristan	Karin Traffas	Linda Pulliam	Brian Withrow
Rosary	John Hern		Leroy and Diane Seiler

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