

Catholic Churches of Barber County, Kansas

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June 16th, 2024

Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

Holy Rosary, Medicine Lodge

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Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Ezekiel 17:22-24 "I have lifted high the lowly tree."

Reading 2: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 "Whether we are at home or away, we aspire to please the Lord."

Gospel: Mark 4:26-35 "It is the smallest of all seeds, and becomes the largest of plants."

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	15	5:00 p.m.	ML	Ruth Ann Simon	✠	Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	16	8:30 a.m.	KW	Londa Fischer	✠	Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	16	10:30 a.m.	SH	Robert Thieme	✠	Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday	18	8:30 a.m.	ML	Ruth Ann Simon	✠	Tuesday of Eleventh the Week of Ordinary Time
Wednesday	19	6:00 p.m.	ML	Sandy Ricke	✠	Wednesday of the Eleventh Week of Ordinary Time
Thursday	20	8:30 a.m.	KW	Conrad & Hilda Fischer	✠	Thursday of the Eleventh Week of Ordinary Time
Friday	21	8:30 a.m.	SH	John Dohm	✠	Friday of the Eleventh Week of Ordinary Time
Saturday	22	5:00 p.m.	ML	Parishoners		Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	23	8:30 a.m.	KW	Boyd & Sally Forester	✠	Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	23	10:30 a.m.	SH	Stephen Eck	✠	Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation is available 30 Minutes Before Each Mass

In the gospel, Jesus assures us that it does not so much depend on our personal efforts for our faith to grow. Rather, it is by the power of God working through him, his son, equipping us with his grace. Jesus likens the growth of our faith to the work of a farmer who sows seeds and the process of growth through which the seed undergoes. No farmer goes to pull up the grain of wheat before it sprouts and grows. But on its own accord, the land yields fruits. So, it is with us. What we need to do is to behave like the fertile land and allow the seed of faith to be planted in our hearts and the grace of God will help it grow.

Jesus again says to us, that it is not necessary that we demonstrate our faith in any dramatic way because the process of its growth does not depend on us, but on God. He therefore compares our faith, which leads us into sharing in the kingdom of God, to a mustard seed, the smallest of all seeds on earth, but it grows to become the largest tree which gives shade to the birds of the sky. **Have you distanced yourself from God through the weakness of the flesh that has led you into sin? Do you believe that God can bring you back to himself and make you flourish by his grace through Christ? Are you willing to allow your heart to be that land on which the seed of faith will once again be planted? The growth of your faith and you sharing in the kingdom of God does not depend on you. Just trust in God and give yourself to him once again through Christ and he will fulfil the promise he has made for you.** -Father Emmanuel

CHURCH NEWS

- **St. Boniface Cemetery Notice:** All items that impede mowing and trimming must be moved from the cemetery for the summer mowing season.
- **Dechant Foundation Golf Classic for Priest Retirement:** Join us at Mariah Hills Golf Course in Dodge City. This 4-person scramble will be Friday September 6, with shotgun start at 10:30 am. Not a golfer? There are sponsorship opportunities, learn more at dcdiocese.org/dechant or email ehaselhorst@dcdiocese.org
- **Totus Tuus:** Totus Tuus, the parish summer catechetical program, will return to Sharon this summer. Plans are being made for the session at St. Boniface to be held on July 7-12. Students from all three parishes who are entering grades 1st through 12th are invited to attend. Mark your calendars and save those dates. Join us for some summer catechetical fun!!! Further information to follow!!!
- **Diocesan Eucharistic Congress:** All are invited to attend the Diocesan Eucharistic Congress (bilingual) September 13-15, 2024 at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Dodge City. The weekend will include prayer, adoration, witness talks, the Holy Mass, an outdoor Eucharistic Procession and more. There will be a special youth event as well. For more information or to register, please visit <https://www.dcdiocese.org/40hours>

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, and Mary Eck.

For the Faithful Departed:

Bill Nittler, Beatrice Ricke, Ruth Blick, John Dohm, Ruth Ann Simon, Randy Ricke, Roger Ringer, Helen Eck, Sandy Ricke, Kelly Capansky 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.

Ministry Schedule for June 22nd-23rd

Week 4	St. Boniface	St. John the Apostle	Holy Rosary
Lector 1	Carol Ricke	Amanda Ricke	Darryl Honas
Cantor	Choir	Choir	Rodney Ringer
Lector 2	Daryl Eck	Danny Archuleta	Darryl Honas
General Intercessions	John Hern/Mason Eck	Danny Archuleta	Diane Seiler
Eucharistic Ministers	Anne Schreiner Doug Schmidt	Deb Helfrich Carl Helfrich Tammy Graves	Daryl Honas Cheri Dohrmann Leroy Seiler
Servers	Ashtyn Schmidt Lane Crenner Dexton Schmidt	Volunteer	Derrek Randels
Musician	Kathy Dohm	Nikki Brattin	Kathy Dohm
Greeters			Volunteers
Sacristan	Doug Schmidt	Deb Helfrich	Darryl Honas
Rosary	Steve Eck		Charlotte Ringer

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