

# Catholic Churches of Barber County, Kansas

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July 28th, 2024

Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

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## Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

**Reading 1:** 2 Kings 4:42-44 "They shall eat and there shall be some left over."

**Reading 2:** Ephesians 4:1-6 "One body, one Lord, one faith, one baptism."

**Gospel:** John 6:1-15 "He distributed as much as they wanted to those who were reclining."

## Mass Schedule and Intentions

|           |    |            |    |                                                                     |   |                                                    |
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| Saturday  | 27 | 5:00 p.m.  | ML | Walter Gruenbacher                                                  | ✠ | Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time                |
| Sunday    | 28 | 8:30 a.m.  | KW | Londa Fischer                                                       | ✠ | Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time                |
| Sunday    | 28 | 10:30 a.m. | SH | Ron Noland                                                          | ✠ | Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time                |
| Tuesday   | 30 | 8:30 a.m.  | ML | Ruth Ann Simon                                                      | ✠ | Tuesday of the Seventeenth Week of Ordinary Time   |
| Wednesday | 31 | 6:00 p.m.  | ML | Mary Winter & Family                                                |   | Wednesday of the Seventeenth Week of Ordinary Time |
| Thursday  | 01 | 8:30 a.m.  | KW | Norman Fischer                                                      | ✠ | Thursday of the Seventeenth Week of Ordinary Time  |
| Friday    | 02 | 8:30 a.m.  | SH | Herbie Landwher                                                     | ✠ | Friday of the Seventeenth Week of Ordinary Time    |
| Saturday  | 03 | 5:00 p.m.  | ML | Adam & Crystal Jones                                                |   | Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time                 |
| Sunday    | 04 | 8:30 a.m.  | KW | For an Increase in Religious Vocations in the Diocese of Dodge City |   | Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time                 |
| Sunday    | 04 | 10:30 a.m. | SH | John Dohm                                                           | ✠ | Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time                 |

## Sacrament of Reconciliation is available 30 Minutes Before Each Mass

The courage to let go what you have, and allowing it to be used to serve the need of others, comes from the grace we receive as true followers of Christ and the trust we have in him, knowing that there is something more precious that we can gain from him than what we have. In the sight of humans, what you have may not be enough but in the sight of God, the little that you offer is sufficient to serve as a key to open the generous heart of God who multiplies the little you give to be sufficient for many. The attitudes of the servants of Prophet Elishia and the disciples of Jesus did not prevent God from serving the needs of his people. What God needed in order to reach out to the people is, the willingness of those individuals who will let go part of their sustenance in order to serve the needs of many.

There is also an assurance given to us by the scriptures today that we may not have all that we need before we decide to give ourselves to God through Christ. Once we decide to follow Christ, he turns to us and identifies our needs and devices the best available means to provide them for us. Let us take note of the fact that when Jesus asked Philip: "**Where can we buy enough food for them to eat?**" He only said that to test him, because he himself knew what he was going to do. Before our needs arise, God already devices the means of providing them. Sometimes, we find it difficult to get what we need because we dissociate ourselves from the people God will use to meet us at the point of our needs. There is a reason for which God has called us together to be the followers of Christ. He intends to use us in serving the needs of one another. That is the essence of the communal life we are called to live in Christ. St. Paul therefore urges us to live in a manner worthy of the call we received because we are one body and one Spirit in Christ.

As a follower of Christ, we need to identify our special gifts and offer them for the service of others? If we freely put our gifts at the service of others, Christ receives and blesses them for the benefit of many. God is ready to use each one of us, as a blessing to others.

**The providence of God rises before the dawn.** -Father Emmanuel

## CHURCH NEWS

- **Catholic Family Conference:** We have programs and speakers for all ages at the Midwest Catholic Family Conference August 2-4, in Wichita, KS. Help your child explore how to bring the light of Christ into their hearts and their future in the children's, middle school, and high school programs. Registration available on-site or online at [www.catholicfamilyconference.org](http://www.catholicfamilyconference.org) or call 316-618-9787. Email questions to [info@catholicfamilyconference.org](mailto:info@catholicfamilyconference.org).
- **Seeking PSR DRE:** St. Boniface PSR program is seeking a PSR DRE for the 2024-2025 school year. If anyone is interested, please reach out to Mary Pat Eck the parish secretary by email at [secretary@barbercountycatholic.org](mailto:secretary@barbercountycatholic.org) or phone at 314-681-0255.
- **Totus Tuus:** The success of Totus Tuus was made possible by the efforts of many volunteers. Fr. Emmanuel, thank you for your presence and for the Masses, confessions and adoration; you are greatly appreciated! Thank you to all those who provided lunches for the team and Fr. Emmanuel. Daryl and Margie, thank you for housing Jorge. To all those who provided the delicious evening dinners, thank you. A BIG thank you to Shirley Ditgen and Kathy Dohm for their daily help with the elementary students. Thank you also to Aaron Schreiner for the water tank and Dave & Carol Scripsick for the fire truck for the closing activities. Thank you to the students and their parents who gave support to the program. To those parents who were unable to bring their children: we hope you are able to join in on the opportunity to learn and share our faith next year! It was a joyful week!
- **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](http://dcdiocese.org/dechant) or email [ehaselhorst@dcdiocese.org](mailto:ehaselhorst@dcdiocese.org)
- **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, Ken Ricke, Jim Pulliam, Kelli Young, Lennes Rankin, Adalynn Amerin, Ralph & Myra Dick, Eileen Schmidt, John Eck, Juanita Ricke, Hugh Rankin, Mary Eck and Herbie Landwehr.

### For the Faithful Departed:

Bill Nittler, Beatrice Ricke, Dennis & Mabel Boor, Ruth Blick, John Dohm, Ruth Ann Simon, Randy Ricke, Roger Ringer, Helen Eck, Sandy Ricke, Alicia J. Widdows, Jacqueline Woods, Kelly Capansky, Rayann Rucker 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 August 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>**

| Week 1                       | St. Boniface                                     | St. John the Apostle                         | Holy Rosary                                |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| <b>Lector 1</b>              | Elaine Trantham                                  | John Miller                                  | Kay Koger                                  |
| <b>Cantor</b>                | Choir                                            | Choir                                        | Volunteer                                  |
| <b>Lector 2</b>              | Steve Eck                                        | Rick Hitchcock                               | Kay Koger                                  |
| <b>General Intercessions</b> | Lane Crenner/John Hern                           | Rick Hitchcock                               | Volunteer                                  |
| <b>Eucharistic Ministers</b> | Dean Eck<br>Sheila Ricke                         | Delores Moreno<br>Glenna Reif<br>Melvin Reif | Brenda Wright<br>Kay Koger<br>Nathan Honas |
| <b>Servers</b>               | Lane Crenner<br>Sidney Swingle<br>Ashtyn Schmidt | Volunteer                                    | Volunteer                                  |
| <b>Musician</b>              | Kathy Dohm                                       | Nikki Brattin                                | Kathy Dohm                                 |
| <b>Greeters</b>              |                                                  |                                              | Volunteer                                  |
| <b>Sacristan</b>             | Sheila Ricke                                     | Danny Archuleta                              | Brenda Wright                              |
| <b>Rosary</b>                | Lawrence Smith                                   |                                              | Brenda Wright                              |

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