

Catholic Churches of Barber County, Kansas
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September 1st, 2024
Twenty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

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Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8 "You shall not add to what I command you...keep the commands of the Lord."

Reading 2: James 1:17-18, 21b-22,27 "Be doers of the world."

Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 "You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition."

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	31	5:00 p.m.	ML	Bob & Pat Graves 71 st Anniversary	✠	Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	01	8:30 a.m.	KW	For an increase in religious vocations in Diocese of Dodge City		Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	01	10:30 a.m.	SH	Casey Eck (Birthday)		Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday	03	8:30 a.m.	ML	Bill Nittler	✠	Tuesday of the Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time
Wednesday	04	6:00 p.m.	ML	Ruth Ann Simon	✠	Wednesday of the Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time
Thursday	05	8:30 a.m.	KW	Seth & Martina Thomas		Thursday of the Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time
Friday	06	8:30 a.m.	SH	John Dohm	✠	Friday of the Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time
Saturday	07	5:00 p.m.	ML	Evan Withrow		Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	08	8:30 a.m.	KW	Floyd Spade	✠	Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	08	10:30 a.m.	SH	Herbie Landwehr	✠	Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation is available 30 Minutes Before Each Mass

In the gospel of the day, the reaction of Jesus to the Pharisees and the Scribes who accused his disciples of not keeping to the tradition of external purification of themselves and objects, demonstrates to us clearly that what matters most is an interior cleansing of ourselves instead of external ritual cleansing that we put out for people to see and think of us as being righteous. What brings about the inner cleansing is the word of God that purifies the heart and makes them conducive temples for the Spirit of God to dwell in us. We are therefore cautioned today to be wary of holding on rigidly to external rituals and traditions to the neglect of the commandments of God. God frowns on such behaviors. With such attitudes, we become hypocrites in the sight of God, and He says about us: **"This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines human precepts. You disregard God's commandments but cling to human traditions."** (Mk.7:6b-8)

St. Paul calls on us today to submit ourselves to the word of God, which purifies our hearts and thoughts and to get rid of all evil thoughts and deeds in us: unchastity, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, licentiousness, envy, blasphemy, arrogance and folly. All these make our inner selves dirty. We are to embrace Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father, which we demonstrate through the care we give to orphans and widows and all the underprivileged in their affliction. This will keep us always united with the Lord; for **the one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.** (Prov. 15:1-2) -Fr. Emmanuel

CHURCH NEWS

- **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 or phone at 314-681-0255.
- **Sacristan Training:** Sister Janice Grochowsky will be at **St. Boniface Church at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 10** to provide Sacristan Training to anyone from our surrounding parishes. This will be a good learning experience for anyone that simply wants to know more or for someone who might want to serve as the sacristan. *The sacristan undertakes the overall preparation for liturgical celebrations under the general direction of the clergy.*
- **St. Boniface Altar Society:** Come join us for our first meeting of the 2024-2025 year! On Sept. 9th we will have a Mass for our intentions at 6 p.m. followed by our meeting and a potluck dinner. We the women of St. Boniface really need your input for our church!
- **Fr. Emmanuel's Trip to Ghana:** Attention all Parishioners: Fr. Emmanuel will be leaving for Ghana on September 13th and returning October 22nd. If there is anything that needs to be brought to Fr. Emmanuel's attention please do so soon, before he leaves for his trip.
- **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
- **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:

Marcia Gerard, Londa Fischer, Kenny Larkin, Dennis Boor, Ronald Ringer, Helen Eck, Shirley LeClair, Norman Fischer, Peyton Theis, Sandy Blick, George Holder, Bill Nittler, Beatrice Ricke, 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 September 7th-8th

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	John Hern	Tom Tharp	Julie Thompson
Eucharistic Ministers	Paul/Jacque Totty Daryl Eck Todd Fischer	Linda Forester John Forester Delores Moreno	Norman Clouse Brian Withrow Julie Thompson
Servers	Dexton Schmidt Ashtyn Schmidt	Volunteer	Volunteer
Musician	Kathy Dohm	Nikki Brattin	Kathy Dohm
Greeters			Norman and Becky Clouse
Sacristan	Jacque Totty	Linda Pulliam	Brian Withrow
Rosary	John Hern		Leroy and Diane Seiler

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