

Catholic Churches of Barber County, Kansas

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November 3rd, 2024

Thirty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time

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Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Deuteronomy 6:2-6 "Hear, O Israel! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart."

Reading 2: Hebrews 7:23-28 "Because he remains forever, he has a priesthood that does not pass away."

Gospel: Mark 12:28b-34 "Love the Lord your God. Love your neighbor."

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	02	5:00 p.m.	ML	Charlotte Ringer	✠	Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	03	8:30 a.m.	KW	Parishioners		Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	03	10:30 a.m.	SH	Helen Eck	✠	Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday	05	8:30 a.m.	ML	Ruth Ann Simon	✠	Tuesday of the Thirty-First Week in Ordinary Time
Wednesday	06	6:00 p.m.	ML	Rayann Rucker	✠	Wednesday of the Thirty-First Week in Ordinary Time
Thursday	07	8:30 a.m.	KW	Helen Eck	✠	Thursday of the Thirty-First Week in Ordinary Time
Friday	08	8:30 a.m.	SH	John Dohm	✠	Friday of the Thirty-First Week in Ordinary Time
Saturday	09	5:00 p.m.	ML	Jacqueline Wood	✠	Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	10	8:30 a.m.	KW	Norman Fischer	✠	Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	10	10:30 a.m.	SH	Sandy Ricke	✠	Thirty- Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation is available 30 Minutes Before Each Mass

Love is a matter of relationship. If we want to relate well with God and thereby share in the life of His glory one day, then the love of God and the love of our neighbors are the legs on which we should walk into the kingdom of God. Our neighborhood is not limited to our immediate environment and our close relations alone. Our neighborhood embraces the whole of humanity, even total strangers. Let us not forget the story of the Good Samaritan. He had to risk his life to save a total stranger, who is described as his enemy.

It is the love of God that has brought us together to serve Him and to justify our salvation through His Son Jesus Christ. But, does it end there? Church attendance, giving of offering, reception of the Holy Eucharist, prayer sessions and other devotions we carry out: are these all that we need in order to merit a share in the love of God? No! It goes beyond that and embraces reaching out to others in love. If we limit our efforts of righteousness to love of God alone, then we are only hopping on one leg on our journey into salvation. We cannot be steady on such a journey. We have to balance our steps with the love of our neighbors as we express our love for God. Let us remember that learning begins from the concrete to the abstract. Let us therefore begin to love God through the love we demonstrate to one another.

CHURCH NEWS

- **Attention to all Parishioners:** Wanted--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 are 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.
- **Catholic Diocese of Dodge City Vocations Day:** The Catholic Diocese of Dodge City Vocations Office graciously invites you to attend the 5th and 6th Grade Vocations Day on Friday, November 8th at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Dodge City. The day will consist of discussing and praying with our school children about God's call for their life. The time of this event is from 9:30 a.m.-1:45 p.m., it is open to private, public, and homeschool students (all students must be supervised by an accompanying adult). RSVP to Monica Del Real at (620)-227-1530 or by email at executivesecretary@dcdiocese.org. Deadline to RSVP is November 4th.
- **Seminary Visit:** All high school juniors through college age men are invited to attend Encounter with God's Call at Conception Seminary College November 15-17th, returning on November 18th. It will be a time of prayer and to meet seminarians who are discerning the priesthood. If you are interested or know a young man who would be a good candidate or you are an adult (over 21) who would like to attend as a chaperone (see qualifications below), please email Fr. John. From Fr. John- I have a new email and an office number at the Chancery. For all vocation related inquiries, please email me at vocationpromotion@dcdiocese.org or call my office phone at the Chancery at 620-227-1535. I plan to be in the Chancery on Thursdays.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick and Shut-Ins:

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

For the Faithful Departed:

Charlotte Ringer, Rayann Rucker, Jacqueline Woods, Alicia J. Widdows, Kelly Capansky, Sandy Ricke, Bill Nittler, Londa Fischer, Beatrice Ricke, Ruth Blick, 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 November 10th-11th

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	Carol Ricke Marilyn Traffas Darrin Hern		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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