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Feast of the Holy Family

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Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Isaiah 60:1-6 "The Glory of the Lord shines upon you."

Reading 2: Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-18 "God destined us for adoption to himself through Jesus Christ."

Gospel: John 1:1-18 "The word became flesh and made his dwelling among us."

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	28	5:00 p.m.	SH	Rayann Rucker	†	Feast of the Holy Innocents
Sunday	29	8:30 a.m.	KW	Parishioners		Feast of the Holy Family
Sunday	29	10:30 a.m.	ML	Jaqueline Wood	†	Feast of the Holy Family
Tuesday	31	4:00 p.m.	SH	Herbie Landwehr	†	Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God (Vigil)
Tuesday	31	6:00 p.m.	ML	Ruth Ann Simon	†	Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God (Vigil)
Wednesday	01	9:30 a.m.	KW	Sally & Boyd Forester		Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
Thursday	02	8:30 a.m.	KW	Lois Becker	†	Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen
Friday	03	8:30 a.m.	SH	Norman Fischer	†	Christmas Weekday
Saturday	04	5:00 p.m.	SH	Jeanette Timmons	†	The Epiphany of the Lord
Sunday	05	8:30 a.m.	KW	Sally & Boyd Forester		The Epiphany of the Lord
Sunday	05	10:30 a.m.	ML	Parishioners		The Epiphany of the Lord

Sacrament of Reconciliation is available 30 Minutes Before Each Mass

Feast of the Holy Family

In the gospel of the day, Luke gave us a clear picture of how every member of the Holy Family performed their responsibilities. As the fulfilment of their Jewish custom and religious tradition, the parents of Jesus went to Jerusalem for the Feast of Passover. As part of their responsibilities, they took Jesus along with them at age twelve in order to introduce him to the custom of the festival. Proverbs 22:6 says "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it." During the course of the celebration, Jesus felt in his spirit what he was called to do and immediately, he began his duty which was to be completed in his public ministry. Mary and Joseph did not limit themselves to the fulfilment of their religious responsibility alone but also fulfilled their parental and social responsibilities towards Jesus. Having lost him, they searched for him with anxiety until they found him at his duty. They also displayed the patience that parents need to have for their children even if their children seem recalcitrant. "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety." And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" That response of Jesus didn't sound good enough but his parents were patient with him and took him home. Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man. Today, we are to use the Holy Family as a mirror to see the state of our families. What are our family aspirations? What are we called to do as a family? Are we ready to fulfil our respective family responsibilities? Are we ready to look up to God and wait patiently on him to help us fulfil our responsibilities? As we aspire to do the will of God as a family, we are called upon to be holy for the God we serve is a holy God. "Be holy for I am holy." (1Pet.1:16)-*Father Emmanuel*

CHURCH NEWS

Holy Day Mass Schedule for Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God:

- **Vigil Mass on December 31st** – St. Boniface at 4:00 pm and Holy Rosary at 6:00 pm
- **New Years Day Mass on January 1st** – St. John at 9:30 am

All Parishioners:

- **Bishop John Brungardt will visit all three parishes for the Feast of the Epiphany, January 4-5.**
- **“Tuesdays with the Diocese”** is an adult formation opportunity offered through the Diocese of Dodge City. Join other adults from the Dodge City and Salina dioceses to enrich your faith by attending one or all of these Zoom meetings on the following Tuesdays from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.:
 “The Lord’s Day” – Fr. Ted Skalsky offers reflections on how to keep the Lord’s Day holy.
 “The Synod is Done – Are We Done with Synodality?” – Fr. Robert Schremmer and Guests
 “Second Vatican Council – The Universal Call to Holiness” – Fr. Frank Coady on how the laity can live out this call in prayer and practice.
 To sign-up and receive the link to attend one or all of these meetings, go to dcdiocese.org/af

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 January 4th – 5th

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