

Catholic Churches of Barber County, Kansas

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August 31st, 2025

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 "Humble yourself and you will find favor with God."

Reading 2: Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a "You have approached Mount Zion and the city of the living God."

Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14 "Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, everyone who humbles himself will be exalted."

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	30	5:00 p.m.	SH	Rayann Rucker	✠	Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	31	8:30 a.m.	KW	Sally and Boyd Forester	✠	Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	31	10:30 a.m.	ML	Atheists & Agnostics to believe in God		Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday	02	8:30 a.m.	ML	Charlotte Ringer	✠	Tuesday of the Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time
Wednesday	03	6:00 p.m.	ML	Charlotte Ringer	✠	Wednesday of the Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time
Thursday	04	8:30 a.m.	KW	Londa Fischer	✠	Thursday of the Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time
Friday	05	8:30 a.m.	SH	Betty Schmidt		Friday of the Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time
Saturday	06	5:00 p.m.	SH	Parishioners		Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	07	8:30 a.m.	KW	Bob & Lori Schrock	✠	Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	07	10:30 a.m.	ML	Charlotte Ringer	✠	Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation is available 30 Minutes Before Each Mass

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sirach shares his wisdom with us in the first reading of the day. He speaks to us individually and says, **we should conduct our affairs with humility, and we will be loved more than a giver of gifts. When we humble ourselves the more, the greater we become, and we will find favor with God.** The humility demanded of us should be inherent and not faked out, just to attract the attention and praise from others. **We are therefore cautioned not to seek what is too sublime for us, neither should we search into things beyond your strength. (Sir. 3: 17-18,20)**

The essence of Jesus's discourse with the invitees, of the leading Pharisee, at the dinner, as we heard in the gospel, is to warn us against the spirit of self-exaltation. Sometimes, self-exaltation brings about embarrassment. Jesus made it clear to us that, **"Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."** (Lk.14:11) Jesus's admonition to those of us who are wealthy in society and those who have the wherewithal is not to limit our kindness only to our relatives or our wealthy neighbors, expecting invitation back from them as a form of repayment. Rather, our wealth should afford as the opportunity to open our doors to the vulnerable in society: the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind. In return, we will be blessed by God since the less privileged will not be able to repay us. For us Christians, which reward will be worth more than sharing in the resurrection of Christ? This is what Jesus promised the rich and all who allow the vulnerable to share in their kindness that, **they will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous. (Lk. 14: 14b).** These are the direct words of Jesus. -*Father Emmanuel*

CHURCH NEWS

- **Holy Rosary** – We will be reimplementing the use of the collection baskets during mass. We ask that the Greeters be responsible for distributing baskets during the offertory.
- **Attention all women of St. Boniface Altar Society** - There will be a meeting on September 8 at 6:00 p.m., starting with Mass and then followed by a covered dish dinner. Please join us and help us start the 2025-2026 year off!
- **10th annual Golf Classic:** Join us **Friday, Sept 5**, at the beautiful **Mariah Hills Golf Club** in Dodge City, for a fantastic day of golf and giving back – supporting our Priest Retirement! Register a team or sponsor by emailing communications@dcdiocese.org

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick and Shut-Ins:

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

For the Faithful Departed:

Brad Mantooth, Bob and Lori Schrock, Eileen Schmidt, 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, Michael Castaneda.

Ministry Schedule for September 6th – 7th

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 Lawrence Smith	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