

Catholic Churches of Barber County, Kansas

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February 8, 2026

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Is 58:7-10 "Your light shall break forth like the dawn."

Reading 2: 1 Cor 2:1-5 "I have announced to you the mystery of Christ Crucified."

Gospel: Mt 5:13-16 "You are the light of the world."

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	7	5:00 p.m.	ML	Prayer Chain Members		Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	8	8:30 a.m.	SH	Parishioners		Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	8	10:30 a.m.	KW	Bob & Pat Zrubek	✠	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday	10	8:30 a.m.	ML	Nathan Honas		Tuesday of the Fifth Week in Ordinary Time
Wednesday	11	6:00 p.m.	ML	God's guidance for Pope Leo & his church		Wednesday of the Fifth Week in Ordinary Time
Thursday	12	9:00 a.m.	KW	No Mass		Thursday of the Fifth Week in Ordinary Time
Friday	13	8:30 a.m.	SH	Ruth & Pauline Cekosky	✠	Friday of the Fifth Week in Ordinary Time
Saturday	14	5:00 p.m.	ML	Tom Strohl	✠	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	15	8:30 a.m.	SH	John Dohm	✠	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	15	10:30 a.m.	KW	Parishioners		Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation is available 30 Minutes Before Each Mass

Please consider having a Mass said for a loved one.

MASS TIMES for Ash Wednesday – Feb. 18

8:00 a.m. at St. Boniface • 5:00 p.m. at St. John • 7:00 p.m. at Holy Rosary

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The strong imageries of salt and light are used for us in the gospel today to show how essential we are in contributing to the salvific mission of Christ in the world. According to St. Paul, our ability in fulfilling our duties creditably does not depend on our human wisdom. Rather, our performance depends on God who empowers us with his grace. Paul demonstrates the power of God that is at work in us by his own example when he spoke to the Corinthians: **"When I came to you...proclaiming the mystery of God, I did not come with sublimity of words or wisdom. I came to you in weakness and fear and much trembling, and my message and my proclamation were not with persuasive words of wisdom, but with demonstration of the Spirit and power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God."** (1Cor. 2:1-5)

My assurance to you today is that, if you say yes to God, he will use you in whatever form you are to demonstrate his glory to the world. **"It is not by might nor by power, but my spirit," says the Lord Almighty. (Zech. 4:1)** It is God who has the transforming spirit and power. He will use you to demonstrate his glory to the world. We are worthy instruments in the hands of God. Let us allow him to use us to the glory of his name.

St. John First Communion and lunch will be on Feb. 8 after Mass in the Parish Hall. Everyone is invited.

Join the **St. Boniface Altar Society** meeting Monday, February 9th at 6:30pm. We will be having our annual pizza party. Roll call is: If you could travel anywhere in the world, where would that be? Come join us and be a part of our church!

Please pray for our young members of **Holy Rosary** who will be making their **First Reconciliation** on Wednesday, February 11th, before 6 p.m. mass - Kroy Dohrmann-son of Jay & Dakota Dohrmann, Huxley Fischer-son of Chris and Brianna Fischer, Mila Fischer-daughter of Ryan and Lexie Fischer, Abel Hauser-son of Robert Hauser & Kenzi Colborn, Jesus Hernandez-son of Sarah Hernandez, Cora Schmidt-daughter of Nick & Hanna Schmidt, and Charlie Jo Warner-daughter of Julie & Brandon Warner. They will receive their sacrament of **First Holy Communion** on Saturday evening, April 18th. Miranda Lopez will also receive her First Communion that evening.

St. John annual Marsi Gras celebration will be on Feb. 15 after Mass in the Parish Hall. Everyone is invited to celebrate before Lent begins.

Holy Rosary. As part of our parish Lenten activities this year, we are asking parishioners to consider spending a **Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration** in the Holy Rosary chapel on Wednesday evenings beginning on Ash Wednesday, February 18th. The world is clearly in need of our prayers, so we ask at least one individual per hour to commit to Adoration during the period 7:00 p.m. to Midnight. Sign-up sheets are available in the narthex.

"The only time our Lord asked the apostles for anything was the night He went into agony. Not for activity did He plead but for an hour of companionship."—*Archbishop Fulton Sheen*

A **Lenten book study** will be offered, using the book: Making a Holy Lent by Fr. William Casey, on Wednesday nights at 6:00 pm in the St. Boniface Parish Center, starting the Wednesday after Ash Wednesday. The book lists at \$11.66. There will be a sign-up sheet in the back of church until February 8th or call Kathy Dohm at 620-930-8068.

Fr. Vittorio Boria, a capuchin friar from Denver, will be at all three parishes on the weekend of Feb. 21-22 representing **UNBOUND** Ministries. He will be saying Mass, listening to confessions for 30 minutes prior to Mass, and he will have information displayed for the faithful to respond to the invitation to sponsor candidates. For more information, visit <http://www.Unbound.org>

Congratulations to **Bishop John Brungardt**, who celebrated his **15th anniversary** of ordination as Bishop of the Diocese of Dodge City on Monday, February 2nd.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick and Shut-Ins:

Harold Curtis, Nathan Honas, Delmar Ricke, Susan Ricke, Ellen Young, Bob Randels, 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:

JoAnn Rinke, Dick Austin, Brad Mantooth, Bob and Lori Schrock, Eileen Schmidt, Charlotte Ringer, Rayann Rucker, Jacqueline Woods, Alicia J. Widdows, Kelly Capansky, Sandy Ricke, Bill Nittler, 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.

Week 3 – 2/14 & 2/15	St. Boniface	St. John the Apostle	Holy Rosary
Lector 1	Marilyn Traffas	Bev Miller	John Hagood
Cantor	Choir	Choir	Cheri Dohrmann
Lector 2	Randie Landwehr	Danny Archuleta	John Hagood
General Intercessions	John Hern/Mason Eck	Danny Archuleta	Volunteer
Eucharistic Ministers	Lawrence Smith Scott Dohm	Marlene Kruckenberg Rick Hitchcock Cindy Summers	Brandon Warner Barbara Hagood Jerome Ricke
Servers	Volunteers	Volunteer	Jhayla Alojacin
Musician	Kathy Dohm	Nikki Brattin	Kathy Dohm
Greeters			Roger and Twila Angell
Sacristan	Lawrence Smith	Bev Miller	Brandon Warner/Volunteer
Rosary	Shirley Ditgen		Jerome Ricke
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