

Catholic Churches of Barber County, Kansas

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May 17, 2026

The Ascension of the Lord

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Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Acts 1:1-11 "As the Apostles were looking on, Jesus was lifted up."

Reading 2: Eph 1:17-23 "Christ has entered into heaven itself."

Gospel: Mt 28:16-20 "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me."

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	16	5:00 p.m.	ML	Leibst Family, Living, and deceased		The Ascension of the Lord
Sunday	17	8:30 a.m.	SH	Mr. & Mrs. Louis Dohm	✠	The Ascension of the Lord
Sunday	17	10:30 a.m.	KW	Parishioners		The Ascension of the Lord
Tuesday	19	8:30 a.m.	ML	NO MASS		Tuesday of the Seventh Week of Easter
Wednesday	20	6:00 p.m.	ML	NO MASS		Wednesday of the Seventh Week of Easter
Thursday	21	9:00 a.m.	KW	NO MASS		Thursday of the Seventh Week of Easter
Friday	22	8:30 a.m.	SH	NO MASS		Friday of the Seventh Week of Easter
Saturday	23	5:00 p.m.	ML	Bill & Laura Nittler & family		Pentecost Sunday
Sunday	24	8:30 a.m.	SH	Eileen Schmidt	✠	Pentecost Sunday
Sunday	24	10:30 a.m.	KW	Rose Baier		Pentecost Sunday

Sacrament of Reconciliation is available 30 Minutes Before Each Mass

Please consider having a Mass said for a loved one.

The Ascension is the event, where Jesus arose into heaven, at the end of his time on earth.

DIOCESAN NEWS

All are invited to the **Priesthood Ordination Mass!** Bishop John B. Brungardt will ordain Deacon Carson Haupt, Deacon Eric Frieb, and Deacon Esteban Hernández-Mejía to the Order of Presbyter at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 30, 2026, at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Dodge City.

The Heartland Center for Spirituality is hosting the following two events. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact the Director Ann Axman at Ann.Axman@heartlandspirituality.org, or call 620-792-1232.

- Experience a **FREE coffee house night** filled with refreshment, community and heartfelt music and reflection with Victor Velez on June 5th from 7:00 – 8:30 at the Heartland Center for Spirituality at 3600 Broadway Great Bend.
- The Heartland Center for Spirituality will trade contemplation for intrigue this summer as it hosts "**Mystery at the Motherhouse: A Downton Abbey Whodunit**" on July 18, 2026, from 6–9 p.m.

Check out the **Office of Youth Ministry** page on the web to find summer mission opportunities including **Camp Cristo Rey, Totus Tuus, Prayer and Action**, and some bonus events.

<https://www.dcdiocese.org/summer-missions-youth> & <https://www.dcdiocese.org/youth>

PARISH NEWS

Save the Date: The 26th annual **Midwest Catholic Family Conference** will be held July 31-Aug 2, 2026 at the Century II Convention Center in downtown Wichita. The conference is entitled "**Be Still and Know That I Am God**". The Midwest Catholic Family Conference exists to form God's family as disciples of Jesus Christ through speakers, sacraments, and prayer cultivating a community of faith inspired by the Holy Spirit.

Father Emmanuel Kosikumah's address: Catholic Secretariat, P.O. Box JA64, Jasikan, Ghana.

St. Boniface **Graduation Mass and Reception** will be on May 24. Altar Society members, please consider bringing cookie donations for the reception.

You are invited to attend a Mass of Thanksgiving celebrating Father John Strasser's 50th Anniversary to the Priesthood on Sunday, May 31 @ 10:30 a.m. at St. Dominic Church in Garden City. Please call 620-276-2024 by May 23rd for reservations for the FREE dinner.

Our **annual rummage sale** will take place on 6/12 & 6/13 at St. Boniface Parish Center. Donations will be accepted starting on 6/8. We cannot accept large items unless you are willing to take them home afterward if they are not sold.

St. Boniface Altar Society is accepting **donations for the local food bank**. Please bring non-perishable food items to church.

OTHER NEWS

Are you or anyone you know looking for a career opportunity? One where you can help Catholic families enjoy economic security when they need it most. If you are interested in a flexible rewarding career with Knights of Columbus Insurance, please reach out to General Agent, Darin Reed @ 785-726-4899.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick and Shut-Ins: Ronald Smith, Kay Dohm, Hugh Rankin (son of Kay Rankin), Joyce Noland, Angel Mondragon's mother, Patricia Cargill, 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.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Week 4 – 5/23-5/24	St. Boniface	St. John the Apostle	Holy Rosary
Lector 1	Carol Ricke	Amanda Ricke	Darryl Honas
Cantor	Choir	Choir	Rodney Ringer
Lector 2	Daryl Eck	Danny Archuleta	Darryl Honas
General Intercessions	John Hern/Mason Eck	Danny Archuleta	Diane Seiler
Eucharistic Ministers	Anne Schreiner Doug Schmidt	Deb Helfrich Carl Helfrich Tammy Graves	Daryl Honas Cheri Dohrmann Leroy Seiler
Servers	Volunteers	Volunteer	Volunteer
Musician	Kathy Dohm	Nikki Brattin	Kathy Dohm
Greeters			Volunteers
Sacristan	Doug Schmidt	Deb Helfrich	Darryl Honas
Rosary	Steve Eck		Volunteer
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