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Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: 1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21 Then Elisha left and followed Elijah as his attendant.
Reading 2: Galatians 5:1, 13-18 You were called for freedom.
Gospel: Luke 9:51-62 He resolutely determined to journey to Jerusalem. I will follow you wherever you go.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	29	5:00 p.m.	SH	Parishioners		Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	30	8:30 a.m.	ML	Bob and Pat Graves	✠	Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	30	10:30 a.m.	KW	Parishioners	✠	Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday	02	9:00 a.m.	ML	Herb Durant	✠	Tuesday of the Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wednesday	03	8:30 a.m.	SH	Betty Ricke	✠	Feast of Saint Thomas
Thursday	04	8:30 a.m.	KW	Independence Day		Thursday of the Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Friday	05	8:30 a.m.	SH	Mary Traffas	✠	Friday of the Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Saturday	06	5:00 p.m.	SH	Sue Smith	✠	Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	07	8:30 a.m.	ML	Bob and Pat Graves	✠	Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	07	10:30 a.m.	KW	Parishioners		Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation 30 minutes prior to Mass or by appointment

Reflection: Courage for the Journey When the threats from loggers, ranchers, and their hired gunmen were coming more frequently, some urged Sr. Dorothy Stang, SND, to leave or to desist her relentless outcry against the devastation of the Brazilian rainforest. But she would not leave the poor farmers whose homes and livelihoods were in peril. She forged on through almost impassable muddy roads to reach them, to read the Scriptures and pray together, to bolster their courage to stand up against injustice. Her resolute journey ended when she was gunned down on February 12, 2005. In today's gospel we see the same resolute determination on the part of Jesus not to deviate from the path on which he had set out, to advocate for life for the most vulnerable. The opposition against him is mounting, and he knows it. He chooses not to turn back. In one encounter along the way, a potential disciple expresses a desire to follow Jesus, asking to bid farewell first to his family, as did Elisha when called by Elijah. Jesus warns that any who come with him will not be able to return to what was before. They are forever changed and must proclaim the reign of God. Just as Dorothy Stang could not leave the people she had come to love in her forty years of ministry in the Amazon rainforest, so disciples must follow the path of Jesus until their own moment of being "taken up" in death and resurrection. If the conditions Jesus sets forth seem daunting, Paul reminds us that this is not a yoke of slavery we take up, but a freeing power to live by the Spirit. Just as Elijah clothed Elisha with the mantle of his prophetic power, so anyone who accepts Jesus' invitation to become a disciple is wrapped in the protective cloak of his spirit, enabling such a one to love even the neighbor whose hatred tries to block the spread of the good news. ~Sr. Barbara Reid, adapted from *Abiding Word*

Word of Life

"The purpose of freedom is that we might be servants of one another. Life in the Spirit is always oriented toward love and service for others." United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Religious Freedom Week 2019

****PLEASE EMAIL BULLETIN ITEMS TO WALINDA BY NOON TUESDAY TO** secretary@barbercountycatholic.org******

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick and Shut-Ins:

Charlie Jo Warner, Mary Eck, Kenny Larkin, June Terwert, Wanda Harding, Carl Schield, Steve Eck, Helen Eck, Betty Schmidt, Sandy Ricke, Ruth Blick, Gladys Christensen, Deven Leis, Lawrence Rausch, Laurie Hiltner, Miles Sheldon, Sammy Flyingout, Norman Fischer, Edna Swayden, Cindy Archuleta

For the Faithful Departed:

Anita Patterson, Sue Smith, Mary Traffas, Betty Ricke, Walter Sedlak, Herb Durant, Bishop Gerber, Sister Philamenia Hrencher and all the souls in Purgatory. May they rest in perfect peace.

For the Military:

Captain Rebecca Wright Lopez, Christopher Coggins, Nicholas Noland, Dylan Allison, Sheldon Hart, Bianca Lewis

Church News

Save the Date for the Stewardship Conference

The annual stewardship conference will be held Thursday, August 1st at the Cathedral in Dodge City. The times and details will follow.

Priest Shortage

The diocese has tasked Father Mark to provide emergency calls and funerals for the parishes in Ashland and Coldwater for the foreseeable future. This may affect daily Mass times and other parish events with little notice. Please be patient, Father Mark will try to minimize the impact on the Barber County Parishes.

Change in E-Mail Addresses

Effective June 30th, the parish e-mail addresses will change to pastor@barbercountycatholic.org for Father Mark and secretary@barbercountycatholic.org for Walinda. The old e-mail addresses will be checked frequently until the publication of the new diocesan directory in October.

Around the Diocese

Women's ACTS Retreat at Heartland Center for Spirituality

An ACTS retreat for women will be held October 17-20 at the Heartland Center for Spirituality in Great Bend. Registration forms are on the Diocesan website under "Retreats" or at greatbendcatholic.com. ACTS retreats are active, busy and community-building meant to bring us more fully into our faith and parish life. Many witness that their attendance at an ACTS retreat has been instrumental in changing their lives and leading them to become better friends, parents and spouses. These retreats are for adults of all ages. For more information, contact Paula Brozek at 620-703-8172 or Dan Thompson at 620-797-4685.

ACTS Retreat for Men at Heartland Center for Spirituality

An ACTS retreat for men will be held November 21-24 at the Heartland Center for Spirituality in Great Bend. Registration forms are on the Diocesan website under "Retreats" or at greatbendcatholic.com. Many witness that their attendance at an ACTS retreat has been instrumental in changing their lives and leading them to become better friends, parents and spouses. These retreats are for adults of all ages. For more information, contact Paula Brozek at 620-703-8172 or Dan Thompson at 620-797-4685.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat in Kansas City

Are you or a loved one suffering from abortion? Find hope and allow God to heal your heart by attending a Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat. The second of three 2019 retreats to be held in the Kansas City area will be on July 26-28. For more information or to register, please call Teresa O'Donnell at (816) 679-4973 or email rvkcmo@gmail.com (please note: you might have to check your Spam folder for the guaranteed email reply) or visit www.rachelsvineyardkc.org.

Ministry Schedule July 6th – 7th

Week 1	St. Boniface	St. John the Apostle	Holy Rosary
Lector 1	Briana Stephenson	John Miller	Kay Koger
Cantor	Choir	Choir	Volunteer
Lector 2	Steve Eck	Rick Hitchcock	Volunteer
General Intercessions	Jacob Eck	Rick Hitchcock	Linda Sheldon
Eucharistic Ministers	Dean Eck Jacque Totty Paul Totty Lawrence Smith Sheila Ricke	Delores Moreno Glenna Reif Melvin Reif	Michael Lynch Myra Dick Julie Warner Marge Wright Volunteer
Servers	Jack Schreiner Mindy Wells Drake Schmidt	Allie Hoch	Volunteers
Musician	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm	Nikki Brattin	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm
Greeters		Graves Family	Miles and Linda Sheldon
Sacristan	Sheila Ricke	Danny Archuleta	Marge Wright
Rosary	Lawrence Smith		Brenda Wright