



ST. MARY

CATHOLIC CHURCH

St. Mary Mission Statement:
To be companions with Christ
our Savior

February 21, 2021

First Sunday
of Lent

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil -5:30pm
Lord's Day -8:30am & 10:30am

Sacrament of Forgiveness
(Confession)

Sat. 4-5pm or by appointment
Sun. 8:00-8:25 am

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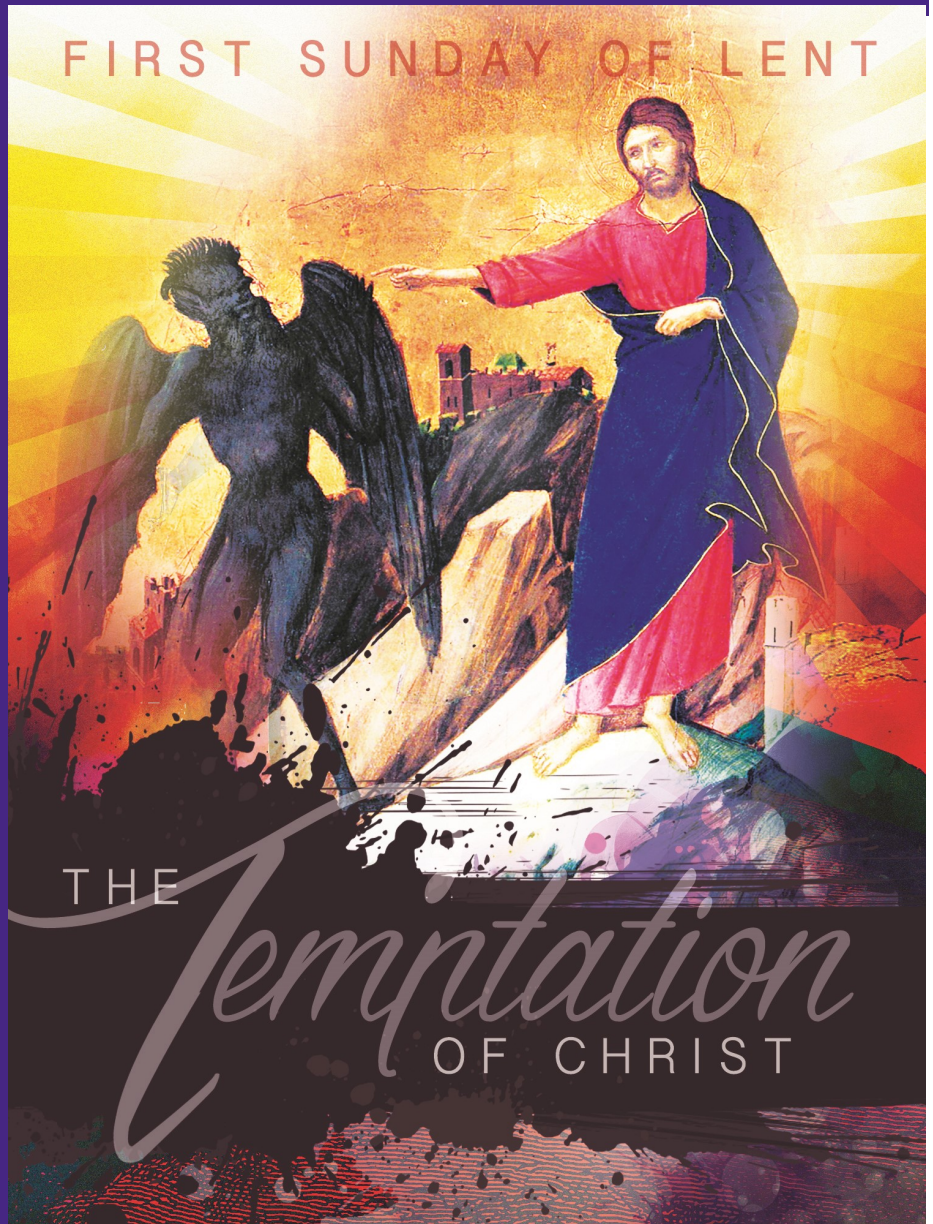
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Knights of Columbus
Dave Englestad-316-804-8632

Catechism Class (Formerly PSR)
Mandy Casey-(620) 200-7278



STATIONS OF THE
CROSS ARE FRI-
DAYS OF LENT AT
5:30PM. KofC WILL
HAVE A FISH FRY
ON FEB. 26,
MARCH 19th & 26th

Office Hours:
Monday-Thursday: 9:00am--
4:30pm; Friday: 9am—12:30pm
WEEKDAY MASS:
No Mass Tuesday, Wednesday &
Friday. Thursday 8:00am
STATIONS: FRIDAY AT 5:30PM

doration Hours:



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday	Feb. 23, St. Polycarp
5:30pm	No Mass
Wednesday	Feb. 24
8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Thursday	Feb. 25
8:00am	Margaret Montano
Friday	Feb. 26
8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Saturday	Feb. 27
8:00am	✠John Meirowsky
5:30pm	✠Mary O'Brien
Sunday	Feb. 28, Second Sunday of Lent
8:30am	People of the Parish
10:30am	✠Art & Atie Borst

Please Pray For our Sick, Home Bound & Care Home Parishioners:

Elesa Garcia ♦ Bryan Sahlfeld ♦ Nancy Budde
Walt & Lois Silvernale ♦ Karen Mosqueda ♦ Brett Roufs
Virginia Holub ♦ Evelyn Stabler ♦ Norman Salmans

Stewardship Message— Surrender

Gen 9:8-15 / 1 Pet 3:18-22 / Mk 1:12-15

This week we entered the season of Lent. Some people view this as a time of depravation and temptation, which is somewhat negative. Let us, instead, view this season as a time for *fiat* and sanctification. This is a time to turn away from our own sinful ways and turn toward God! In the reading from Genesis, we see Noah, who has just come out of the ark. Noah put aside his situation, built a boat, climbed aboard with his family and a bunch of animals, and he drifted for forty days. He waited for God's signal that all was well. There is nothing logical about this! Noah acted in faith; he surrendered his will to God's. Psalm 25:9 tells us that "[God] shows sinners the way. He guides the humble to justice..." God wants to help us grow, but we have to let Him do so, even if it defies logic. This is *fiat!* So take a moment today, if you have not already done so, to ask God to help you grow as a disciple and as a steward. Ask Him to reveal His plan for your life. Ask Him to help you be humble enough to listen. Ask Him to help you surrender your own will to His.

COVID-19 SCHEDULE & INFO

We are committed to taking every precaution for our parishioners and their safety.

- Social distancing is practiced in the church.
- Hand sanitizer is available in the vestibule.
- New hardbound Journey Hymnals are available to purchase through the office for \$20.
- The church is cleaned & sanitized twice a week.
- There is a safety screen between parishioner and priest/extraordinary minister for distribution of communion.
- There is no offertory at this time, so please place your envelope/offering in the box in the vestibule on the right side. Thanks!

eGiving

is now available online at www.stmarynewton.org
e-giving is another way to give using a debit or credit card. You may make a one time gift or recurring.

SAFE HAVEN SUNDAY

Today is Safe Haven Sunday. To quote Bishop Kemme, "As a consequence of COVID, **we have seen massive spikes in porn use, kids are online more now than ever, and parents have not taken the precautionary steps to protect them from explicit sites, images, and videos.** COVID has not only brought the world a contagious and debilitating virus; it has also brought isolation and loneliness for families worldwide. With this loneliness, despair, and anxiety, pornography use is on the rise. Therefore, even though it's difficult to reach families due to shutdowns and closings, **we must nevertheless make an effort.**" We will have promotional material in the back of church, as well as information regarding the 7-Day Safe Digital Challenge, which will help people learn how to set up tools like Google Safe Search, YouTube Safety mode, etc.

Our Gifts to God & Parish

Fiscal Year: July 2020-June 2021

Collections for: Feb. 14, 2021

*Regular Collection	\$ 15,100.50
Children's Collection	\$ -
	\$ 15,100.50
Other:	
*Building Fund.....	\$ 700.00
Budget per week is.....	\$ 14,584.60

Collections year-to-date compared to budget
Through February 14, 2021 \$ (54,527.10**)

****Your contributions are greatly appreciated and very important to the operation of the parish and school. If you are behind, please make every effort to catch up and do your part. Thank you! —Father Voelker**

DOCTRINAL SECTION

The Church is born of the evangelizing activity of Jesus and the Twelve. She is the normal, desired, most immediate and most visible fruit of this activity: "Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations." Now, "they accepted what he said and were baptized. That very day about three thousand were added to their number.... Day by day the Lord added to their community those destined to be saved."- Having been born consequently out of being sent, the Church in her turn is sent by Jesus. The Church remains in the world when the Lord of glory returns to the Father. She remains as a sign - simultaneously obscure and luminous - of a new presence of Jesus, of His departure and of His permanent presence. She prolongs and continues Him. And it is above all His mission and His condition of being an evangelizer that she is called upon to continue. For the Christian community is never closed in upon itself. The intimate life of this community - the life of listening to the Word and the apostles' teaching, charity lived in a fraternal way, the sharing of bread this intimate life only acquires its full meaning when it becomes a witness, when it evokes admiration and conversion, and when it becomes the preaching and proclamation of the Good News. Thus it is the whole Church that receives the mission to evangelize, and the work of each individual member is important for the whole.

~St. Paul VI

St. Joseph Pilgrimage Bus Trip

The Diocese Marriage and Family Life Council is offering a pilgrimage on March 18 to five St Joseph churches in the west part of the diocese to all adult parishioners. We will begin with Mass at 8 am at St Joseph parish, 132 S Millwood in Wichita. After Mass we will board a Village Travel bus and visit churches in Conway Springs, Andale, and Ost before stopping at Carriage Crossing in Yoder for lunch. Afterwards we will stop in McPherson and be back to Wichita by 4 pm. To sign up, send a check no later than March 1 for \$30 made out to the Catholic Diocese of Wichita and mail to The Office of Marriage and Family Life, 424 N Broadway, Wichita, KS 67202. The cost of lunch is not included nor a \$1-2 gratuity for the bus driver.

Readings for the week of February 21, 2021

Sunday: Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 10]/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15
Monday: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6 [1]/Mt 16:13-19
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19 [18b]/Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 [19b]/Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [3a]/Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8 [3]/Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 [1b]/Mt 5:43-48
Next Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 [9]/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

Parish Information

Communion to the Sick

If you are unable to attend Mass due to age, illness, or are recovering from surgery, call the parish office so that Communion may be brought to you.

Bulletin Deadline

Must be submitted in writing no later than 10am on Tue.

Catechism Class (Formerly PSR)

Grades 1st- 8th - Wednesday: TBD Mandy Casey (620) 200-7278

Catholic Youth Ministry (CYM)

Wednesday: 7pm; Grades 9-12 Greg & Resa Davenport/Bill & Carrie Weber.

Perpetual Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

Chapel is located at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, 415 S. Ash. If interested in a permanent hour call coordinator, call Laurie Kimere at (417)531-8904.

Rosary Prayer Line

To activate, call Mickey Stump at 620-386-0421 or if she is not available call Barbara Fayette at 283-6467 to activate the line.

Welcome/Registering

Welcome to St. Mary's Catholic Parish. Please register by calling or dropping by the parish office. Please keep us informed of changes of names, addresses, numbers, etc.

Interested in the Catholic Faith

A warm invitation is extended to non-Catholics to attend any of our religious services. They are particularly invited to learn more about the beliefs and practices of the Catholic Church. For more information, call the parish office at 316-282-0459.

Information About Sacraments

**PLEASE CALL FR. VOELKER AT 316-282-0459 EXT. 2

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents are required to be registered in the parish. Call the parish office to make arrangements.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

In an emergency of serious illness, if sick and confined to a home, entering a hospital or local nursing home - please notify the rectory.

Sacrament of Forgiveness (Confession)

Saturday 4:00 -5:00 p.m. Sunday at 8:00-8:25 a.m. Any time by appointment.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples intending to enter into Christian Marriage are asked to call the parish office for an appointment. The first appointment must be scheduled at least nine months prior to the proposed date of marriage.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

During Lent, the Knights of Columbus will serve a Friday Evening Carry Out Fish Fry Meal. (Feb. 19, Feb. 26, Mar. 19, Mar. 26) from 5pm to 7pm at St. Mary's Gym (101 E. 9th, Newton). The Menu: 2 pieces of fish (choice-fried catfish and/or baked tilapia), cole slaw, cottage fried potatoes, garlic bread and dessert. The cost—\$8.00 per meal. (for \$1.00 more a third piece of fish, your choice, can be added to your order). Masking and social distancing will be observed. Please, enter the gym through north end double glass doors (the East 9th street entry), after receiving your meals, exit the gym by the East side double steel doors. This will prevent customers from crossing each other's path. Thank you for your support and cooperation.

SENIOR MINISTRY LENTEN DAY OF REFLECTION

The Office of Marriage and Family Life invites all adults to a Lenten Day of Reflection, 9:00am – 1:30pm, February 25th at the Spiritual Life Center. Father Isaac Coulter and Father Hien Nguyen will give the reflections. Following their talks, there will be a celebration of Mass, a luncheon, recitation of the rosary, and opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Cost is \$15
Spiritual Life Center Programs; Advance Registration requested. For more information and to register, please visit: www.slw Wichita.org or call (316) 744-0167

RESPECT LIFE & SOCIAL JUSTICE

Our parish has been invited to participate in the recitation of the Holy Rosary to defend the unborn on 1st Saturday, March 6th at Trust Women Abortion facility 5107 E. Kellogg Dr. The Rosary begins at 9:00 a.m. Let us use prayer to change hearts. Questions contact the Respect Life Social Justice Office at 316 269-3935.

New to the Parish?

Welcome to St. Mary's Parish, we are pleased to have you join us in worship. If you would like to join the parish please complete the information below and return it to us in the collection basket, or by mail. We will send you registration information or you may come by the parish office and register. Welcome and God Bless!

Name _____

Address _____

Zip _____ Home Phone _____

E-mail Address _____

Liturgical Role

Altar Servers (two servers, no cross bearer)

- Fri. 02/26 5:30pm Stations: TBD
- Sat. 02/27 5:30pm Allison Weber & Leah Littlejohn
- Sun. 02/28 8:30am Wilson & J.D. Eustace
- Sun. 02/28 10:30am Ryan & Evan Antle *Dominic

Cantor/Accompanist

- Sat. 02/27 5:30pm M. Frazier, L. Curiel
- Sun. 02/28 8:30am M. Eustace, S. Koerner
- Sun. 02/28 10:30am A. Cox, TBD

Lector

- Sat. 02/27 5:30pm Sylvia Yoder
- Sun. 02/28 8:30am Monica Davis
- Sun. 02/28 10:30am Philip Blaufuss

Sacristans

- Weekday Feb. 23-27—Dixie Pomeroy
- Sat. 02/27 5:30pm Mary Russell
- Sun. 02/28 8:30am Shari McCall
- Sun. 02/28 10:30am Lisa Schmidt

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

- Sat. 02/27 5:30pm Rita Sadowski
- Sun. 02/28 8:30am Sue Schmidt
- Sun. 02/28 10:30am Ben Mabry

Nursing Homes & Shut Ins/EMHC-Hospital—suspended Ushers

- Sat. 02/27 5:30pm Trent Shepherd, Robert TenEyck
- Sun. 02/28 8:30am Warren Wiens, Phil Blann
- Sun. 02/28 10:30am Don Hageman, Benjamin Holguin

Church Cleaners—Feb. 26—

Matt & Sarah Alexander, Amber Anderson & Katie Haag

Wash Server Albs—Feb. 1—Mary Heinemann, Pam Sims

THANK YOU, SNOW REMOVAL CREW

A HUGE Thank You to all of our parishioners who have helped with snow removal & putting salt down to make the St. Mary campus safe & clear of ice and snow. Thank you to: Mike & Ryan Ruggiero, Trent Shepherd, Jeremy Kaufman, Ray Salas, Fred Becker, Doug, Davis & Christopher Mick, Bill & Tyson Weber and Joshua Bargdill.

Readings for the Second of Lent in the new Journey Hymnal: #887; The Order of the Mass: 140—165

Our advertiser of the week is
Cottonwood Pediatrics
Healthcare for Tots, 'Tweens & Teens
Please check their ad in
the back of the bulletin.

