



## PASTOR MESSAGE

+ JOURNEY WITH CHRIST +

Dear Friends in Christ,

The phrase at the top of the message is the theme that I would like to introduce for this Season of Lent.

Over the years, I have looked at our liturgical seasons, like Lent and Advent, as a time of retreat. Even though I may not be able to go to a retreat center and spend a week away from duties and commitments, I can still set aside time in the midst of my schedule for more prayer and spiritual reading.

Along that line, I have tried to come up with a theme for myself. A theme to help me focus on this holy and special time. Thanks to a recent mailing, from the James A. Dougherty Company in Pennsylvania, the theme was handed to me in an envelope, "Journey With Christ."

The mailing contained an order form for a small package that contained a rubber bracelet that reads, + Journey With Christ +, and a prayer card that has a daily prayer that coincides with the bracelet and pictures of the Stations of the Cross.

I purchased those packages myself, so it is my gift to you! I would encourage you to take a packet for yourself and please take more to hand out to family and friends. All of us are called to be followers of Jesus and this time is a wonderful time to renew our efforts.

May God Bless Us as we begin the Season of Lent! May it be a meaningful time for all of us as we "+ Journey With Christ +"!

God Bless, Fr. David

## SACRAMENTS

**Baptism**-Parents who wish to have their child baptized please contact the Parish Office for information and appointment.

**Matrimony**-A six month preparation process is required. Please contact the Parish priest for information regarding scheduling and preparation.

**Anointing of the Sick**-Please contact the Parish Office to inform them of anyone in the hospital or homebound in need of communion or anointing.

**Holy Orders**-Contact the office of Vocations in the Chancery, 785-827-8746.

For the safety and the healing of children the Diocese of Salina provides an **Abuse of Minors Pastoral Response Hotline. 785-825-0865** along with an [emailreportabuse@salinadiocese.org](mailto:emailreportabuse@salinadiocese.org). Calls/emails will be answered by the Diocesan Assistance Coordinator. All calls/emails are confidential with the following exception: Any allegation of child abuse concerning those who currently are minors, must be reported to the Kansas Protection Report Center(1-800-922-5330) as required by Kansas State Law and Diocesan Policy.

## CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF NORTH CENTRAL KANSAS

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### OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

#### MASSES:

Sat. Eve.: 6:00 pm

Sun. Morn.: 7:00 am & 9:00 am

Tues., Wed., Fri.: 7:15 am

#### CONFESSIONS:

Sat.: 2:00 – 3:00 pm or by appointment

Staff:

Secretary-Lori [Adam-olph@olphconcordia.org](mailto:Adam-olph@olphconcordia.org)

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### SAINT GEORGE

#### MASSES:

First & Third Sat. Eve.: 4:00 pm



### SAINT EDWARD

#### MASSES:

Fifth Sat. Eve.: 4:00 pm

Sun. Morn.: 11:00 am

Tues., Thurs., Fri.: 8:00 am

Wed.: 6:30 pm

Father Henry Baxa: Retired in residence

Deacon Steve [Heiman-steward6810@nckcn.com](mailto:Heiman-steward6810@nckcn.com)

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Parish Council: Nick Hansen, Chairman

Knights of Columbus-Chris Pachta, Grand Knight

K of C Field Agent, Adam B. Bruna-[adam.bruna@kofc.org](mailto:adam.bruna@kofc.org)



### SAINT ISIDORE

#### MASSES:

Second & Fourth Sat. Eve.: 4:00 pm

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**Rachel's Vineyard Retreats:** When we remember and mourn our losses, we free our souls to move beyond the pain. Come to a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat and remember, mourn, and be set free. **Rachel's Vineyard Retreats: Healing the pain of abortion one weekend at a time. Next retreat: May 17-19, 2019. 1-877-1-GRIEVE (1-877-447-4383) [rachelsvineyard@salinadiocese.org](mailto:rachelsvineyard@salinadiocese.org). Confidential.**

**Lent Program:** We will meet Sunday evenings of Lent at 7pm in the RE Center going through the Wild Goose program which uses video presentation and small group discussion. Wild Goose is a work of the Holy Spirit, which is awakening in the hearts of all those participating God's love and transforming power. This is a love that has been revealed to us by Jesus Christ and that leads us to our Heavenly Father. As you walk through this series, pray for the Spirit to breathe life into your heart. This program is great for teens and adults. Contact Lindy Meyer at 614-0831 or [familylife@olphconcordia.org](mailto:familylife@olphconcordia.org) for more information.

The **Community Foundation for Cloud County (CFCC)** is holding the **2019 MATCH MADNESS** on March 12, 2019 and has pledged \$35,000 toward matching any endowed monies raised for the participating CFCC Funds. Applicable OLPH parish funds participating in the 2019 Match Madness include the **Our Lady of Perpetual Help Endowed Memorial Fund**, the **St. Concordia Cemetery Fund** and the **Catholic Youth Education Fund**. Donations can be made on-line all 24 hours at [www.matchmadnesscloudcounty.org](http://www.matchmadnesscloudcounty.org) or at the CFCC office, 201 W. 6th, Concordia from 7am to 7pm on March 12, 2019. You make your gift(s) and CFCC will make it **BIGGER**.

**ST. JOHN'S SCHOOL AUCTION**-The St. John's School Auction is next week, Saturday, March 16! Remember, your tickets must be purchased in advance. Tickets can be purchased until Friday, March 15 at 5:00pm. Stop by 622 E. Main St., Beloit, give us a call at 785-738-2851, or purchase online. Tickets are \$40 each-which includes the buffet and refreshments. The evening begins with Mass at 4:30pm and the Silent Auction begins at 5:30pm, Oral Auction at 7 pm.

## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 10, 2019

**Parish Mission: Catholic Communities of North Central Kansas: "To recognize that we are ALL one Body in Christ and to help one another get to heaven by serving God in ALL we do."**

## Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Parish Council: Amy Jackson, Chairperson    Knights of Columbus: Joe Reedy, Grand Knight    K of C Field Agent, Adam Bruna  
 Finance Council: John Strait, Chairperson    Altar Society: Sue Peltier, President

**Weekly Contributions: \$3,296.00**

**MASSES:**

Monday Mar. 11-NO MASS    7:45am: ADORATION

Tuesday Mar. 12-7:15am:+Michelle Kinnick

Wednesday Mar. 13-7:15am:-Judy Miles

Thursday Mar. 14-NO MASS

Friday Mar. 15-7:15am:+Irene Barton

Saturday Mar. 16-6:00pm:+Marie Weber

Sunday Mar. 17-7:00am:For Our Parish  
 9:00am:+Norman Tholstrup

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS:**

**Saturday, March 16, 6:00pm**

**Servers:** Anastaysa Schreiber, Belle Stuber

**Readers:** Wonda Phillips

**Cantor:** Sr. Betty Suther

**Musician:** Judy Reedy

**EMHC:** Ivan W., Joan F., Laura Jo M.

**Greeters:** Rita Collette, Mary Schmitt

**Ushers:** Don Deneault, Duane Michaud

**Please pray for:** Sr. Therese Blecha, Alice Boschek, Jesse Copple, Leland Cote, Mary Dibbell, Lydia Feldhauser, Louise Forman, Joe Jaster, Dr. Paul Jaster, Kolbie Kalivoda, Hanna Kircher, Richard Loeffler, Barbara Longenecker, Judy Miles, Ingrid Nelson, Knox Ngo, Virginia Schmitt, Debra Rupert Sjolander, Leo Strunk, Debbie Thoman, all who are ill, lonely, disabled, in homes and hospitals; and **service personnel serving overseas:** Cliff Caron.

**News:**  
**Call to Share:** Here is an update on the campaign. We have reached 32% if our targeted goal of \$35,000.00. We have had 17 individuals or families pledge \$11,390.00. At some point in your life, one of these ministries will serve you, or someone you love, so please consider making a gift or pledge.

**THANK YOU:** The Mardi Gras committee would like to thank Rex for removing the snow to get the garden area ready.

**Knights of Columbus:** The Knights of Columbus council 1142, Concordia are once again promoting ‘**40 CANS FOR LENT**’. Please join with us and help support the needy in our parish. All items received will be donated to Helping Hands at the Manna House of Prayer to assist them in providing food and other items to the needy. Thank you for participating with the Knights.

**K of C:** The Knights of Columbus will once again be having their Fish Fry during Lent. The first one will be March 8 from 5:30-7pm in the Parish Hall and they will be every Friday through Lent. Hope to see you there.

**Cemetery tractor:** I want to begin by thanking Pete Breault for his many years of service to the cemetery and board. Pete generously took care of cemetery needs with his own tractor by donating his time and resources. Now that Pete has retired, the cemetery board has decided to purchase their own tractor. The tractor will have a pull behind mower and bucket for varied uses. The total cost of the tractor is \$23,860. If you would like to make a donation please contact the parish office.

**Cemetery mowing bid:** The cemetery board has decided to open up mowing bids for any interested persons. The bid will consist of mowing, trimming, spraying as needed, and any other maintenance needs. If you would like to submit a bid please have it to the parish office by March 15.

**Annual Rosary Rally for Marriage-**March 23, 2019– 12 noon– City Park on 11th Street in Concordia-East Shelter House.

OLPH Altar Society met February26. Our January 2019 meeting was cancelled due to weather. Many Thank-yous received for Christmas gifts given. Donation made to Mardi Gras Committee. Information given out about CFCC’s Match Madness March 12, which includes several OLPH related organizations. Donations made to CFCC for the Notre Dame Scholarship Trust Fund and the Cloud County Food Bank. Altar Society will lead Stations of the Cross March 22. Members were encouraged to bring items for “40 Cans for Lent” during the K of C Fish Fries. Refreshments served by Circle #9. Next meeting March 26, hosts Circle #10, Mary Schmitt and Shirley Gropp. MaryJane Hurley, secretary

## St. George

**Monthly Contributions: \$**

**MASSES:**

Saturday Mar. 9-St. I.-4:00pm:+Pauline Baxa

Monday Mar. 11-NO MASS

Tuesday Mar. 12-8:00am:+Jo Daniels

Wednesday Mar. 13-6:30pm:-Jerry Kopsa

Thursday Mar. 14-8:00am:-Karen Splichal

Friday Mar. 15-8:00am:+Ilene Milner

Saturday Mar. 16: St. G.-4:00pm:+Francis & Lyla Hammerbacher

Sunday Mar. 17-11:00am:-Confirmandi

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS:**

**Saturday, March 16, 4:00pm St. George**

Servers: Ellyn Feight

Readers: Paul Chopp

Cantor: Sally Splichal

Musician: Joelle Feight

EMHC: David & Retha Blecha

Greeters: Darell & Barb Janasek

Ushers: Darell & Barb Janasek

**Please pray for:** Rylan Angell, Ruth Barry, Fred Baxa, Gladys Baxa, Sr. Therese Blecha, Larry Bowman, June Boyer, Lance Crowder, Elwin Danielson, Tammy (Vizner) Freisen, Ken Hammerbacher, Brandon Hansen, Melba Hansen, Ruth Heyka, Steve Husband, Jerry Kopsa, Pam Lahodny, Gary Lapo, Celine Larson, Mary McConniel, Jenna Pachta, Ellie Pachta, Joe Pachta, Roger Rizek, Wanda Schuler, Calvin Seybold, Karen Splichal, Garrett Splichal, Isabella Voelker, Theresa Waite, Marti Wilber, and all who are ill, lonely, disabled, in rest homes and hospitals; and **service personnel serving overseas:** Lennie Baxa, Matt Cole, Rusty Jeardoe, Dr. Jeff Lewis, Lee Loy, James McMullen, Brandy Moravek, Chris Spafford, and Chris Splichal.

**K of C #2609: Knight of the month:** Daryl Rieke **Family of the Month:** Nick & Julie Hansen

**K of C Bishop Thill Assembly 4th Degree** will meet on Tuesday, March 19 at 7:30pm.

**3rd Wednesday Adoration:** March 20, 7-10pm.

**K of C Fish Fry:** March 22-Contact James Popelka to help with this project.

**Next meeting** is the **1st** Wednesday, April 3rd.

**Many Thanks** to the K of C and the individuals who donated money to the orphanage in Jalisco, Mexico. I ask for your prayers for the children and for all of those young people and adults who will be traveling on this mission trip. —Karen Carter

**Birthday Blessings:** Mar. 10-Juanita Frybarger; Mar. 11-Drew Mahin, Luke Mahin, Westin Pachta, Linda Sis; Mar.12-Cody Jensen, James Popelka; Mar. 13-Ruth Heyka; Mar. 14-Amanda Baxa, Paul Chopp; Mar. 17-Campbell Brzon, Nick Gieber, Wayne Pachta.

Are you ready for Lenten Study? Wednesday night Bible study group will be watching lessons from the RCIA class. Come and learn more about your Catholic faith. Wednesday night at 7pm in the parish rectory. Call Chris Wilber for more information at 785-527-2041.

**LENTEN RETREAT-ENCOUNTERING CHRIST: A JOURNEY OF HOPE:** The Offices of New Evangelization & Family Life will be sponsoring a retreat Saturday, March 16, 2019, 9:00am-4:30pm at St. Edward Church, in Belleville, KS. Please register with the forms provided, ONLINE at salinadiocese.org or calling 785-527-8746 extension 24.

**SPECIAL THANKS** to our snow removal team! Deacon Steve, Don Bechard, Mike Baxa, Austin Scrivner, and Benedict Baxa.

## St. Edward

**Weekly Contributions: \$1,696.00**

**Adoration: 8am-1pm**

## St. Isidore

**Monthly Contributions: \$**

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Mar. 13-Stations of the Cross Munden/7pm

Mar. 15-Stations of the Cross Belleville/7pm

Mar. 16-Lenten Retreat/9am-4:30pm SHC

Mar. 17-Confirmation/11am

Mar. 18-Julie Gottschalk/SHC

Mar. 22-K of C Fish Fry/SHC

Mar. 25-St. Edward Parish Council

**Sunday, March 17, 11:00am Belleville**

Emma Morris, Alexis Hansen, Daniel Rieke

Tim Gottschalk

Annette Coonrod

Marcia Blecha

Bishop Vincke, Fr. David, Fr. Henry, Deacon Steve

Dan & Mary Reynolds, Dan & Kathy Kuhn

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