



PASTOR MESSAGE

+ JOURNEY WITH CHRIST +

Dear Friends in Christ,

I am writing on the eve of our Diocesan Chrism Mass, which occurs on the Thursday before Holy Week.

My first encounter with the Chrism Mass occurred when I was in the high school seminary. The Archdiocese of Kansas City held their Chrism Mass on the Tuesday of Holy Week in the seminary chapel. One year, I volunteered to help fill the oil containers that went back to each parish following the Mass. Needless to say, it could be a messy job, trying to get the oils from the large containers into the different size containers that the priests brought from their respective parishes.

As a priest, my first Chrism Mass was in 1998 at Saint Boniface in Tipton. That was a special time because it was normal for one of the newly ordained priests to carry the Oil of Chrism in procession. Since I was the only one ordained the year before, it was my honor to fulfill that task.

The Chrism Mass is a very beautiful liturgy for any diocesan church. Not only are the oils blessed at that special Mass for the coming year, but the priests have the blessed duty of renewing their priestly promises.

You will read this message after the Chrism Mass has occurred, but on Holy Thursday, we can revisit the oils and the ordination of priests. Please pray for all priests, especially in the Diocese of Salina. We all know the recent journey has been tough because of the clergy abuse issues, but pray for us that we may remain faithful and dedicated to living the Gospel and serving God's people.

God Bless, Father 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.

Any allegation of the abuse of a minor, may be reported to the **Kansas Protection Report Center (1-800-922-5330)**, the **KBI Crime Hotline (1-800-KSCRIME)** or **Clergy-Abuse@kbi.ks.gov**. The Diocese of Salina fully participates in all criminal investigations related to abuse perpetrated by a member of the clergy or other church official. For the safety of children and the healing of those who have suffered abuse, the Diocese of Salina provides an **Abuse Response Hotline (1-785-825-0865)**; an **Abuse Response Email (reportabuse@salinadiocese.org)**; and an **Abuse Response Online Submission Form (www.salinadiocese.org/safety-security)**. Reports will be responded to promptly by the Diocesan Assistance Coordinator. All reports are confidential with the exception of those involving the abuse of minors, which will be immediately reported by the Diocese to the proper authorities, 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

Bookkeeper/Liturgy-Glenda Schreiber-music@olphconcordia.org

DRE/Family Life/Fertility Care-Lindy Meyer-relig-ioused@olphconcordia.org



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-stedward6810@nckcn.com

DRE-Tynan Dowell-tynandowell@gmail.com

Parish Council: Nick Hansen, Chairman

Knights of Columbus-Chris Pachta, Grand Knight

K of C Field Agent, Adam B. Bruna-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. Confidential.**

“Unplanned” is a powerful movie that tells the story of Abby Johnson, former Planned Parenthood Director and employee of the year who is now a strong pro-life witness. Abby is the founder and director of And Then There Were None, an organization that helps individuals leave the abortion industry and find new jobs. “Unplanned” is playing at the Solomon Valley Cinema in Beloit each night through April 7 and will play at the AMC Theater in Salina. We encourage everyone to go see this movie. For more information visit www.unplannedfilm.com. There is much to process and talk about after seeing “Unplanned”. Come share your thoughts and feelings, ask questions, and get information about life issues at our open discussion Sunday, April 14 at 2pm in the RE Center. Whether you've been active in the pro-life movement for years, been affected by abortion, or this is all new to you we want to visit.

The East Central Vicariate meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 1, 2019 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, 307 E. 5th Street in Concordia, KS. Coffee and Registration begins at 9:30am and the meeting will start at 10:00. We will adjourn to the Church at approximately 11:15 for the Rosary and/or Holy Mass, followed by a noon luncheon (Free Will Offering). Following lunch, we will resume with the business meeting and program. **Karen Carter will present the program as she shares her experiences in stories and photos of her travel to Jalisco, Mexico on a mission trip.** The meeting should conclude by 3:00pm. We will continue our special project for the year—so please bring disposable diapers and/or new baby clothing, which will be donated to Catholic Charities. Please let Karen know if you will be coming to the meeting: 785-527-2690 (h) or 785-527-1440 (c) or email kjsplichal@yahoo.com.

Do you know your state laws to combat human trafficking? Are local law enforcement personnel knowledgeable about human trafficking so that they can be effective resources? **U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking. Website: sistersagainsttrafficking.org.**

PALM SUNDAY

APRIL 14, 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: \$4,518.06

MASSSES:

Monday Apr. 15-NO MASS 7:45am: ADORATION

Tuesday Apr. 16-7:15am:+Dorothy Tremblay

Wednesday Apr. 17-7:15am:+Wig & Eda Letourneau

Thursday Apr. 18-5:30pm:+Leonard Reedy

Friday Apr. 19-5:30pm:

Saturday Apr. 20-8:30pm:+Raymond Cailteux

Sunday Apr. 21-7:00am:For Our Parish
 9:00am:+Jerome Letourneau

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

Saturday, April 20, 8:30pm

Servers: Keely & Braxton Kindel

Reader: Wonda Phillips

Cantor: Glenda Schreiber

Musician: Vicki Demars

EMHC: Ivan W., Jolene H., Laura Jo M.

Greeters: Diane & Todd Leif

Ushers: Don Deneault, Duane Michaud

Sunday, April 21, 7:00am

ADULTS

Mary Jane Hurley

NO MUSIC

NO MUSIC

Bill & Marvene Gieber

Kimberly & Jacob Kohn

ANYONE

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Apr. 14-"Unplanned" Discussion 2pm/RE Ctr.
 Wild Goose Lenten Program 7pm/RE Ctr.
 Apr. 15-Fr. Kaupan Men's Grp. 7-8:30pm/RE Ctr.

Apr. 16-Staff meeting/9am
 Mass at Sunset/11am
 Apr. 17-RE CLASSES/7pm Confessions 7-8pm
 Adult Choir Practice/7pm
 Apr. 19-Stations of the Cross/12 noon
 Holy Land Collection
 Parish Office & Thrift Shop Closed

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

Call to Share: Here is an update on the campaign. We have reached 82% if our targeted goal of \$35,000.00. We have had 74 individuals or families pledge \$28,870.00. 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.

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.

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.

The recent crisis within the Church has caused pain and heartache for all people. To anyone who has ever been a victim of abuse, I offer my deepest apologies. I pray that you and your family may experience healing and peace. If you, or someone you know, has *ever* been abused by a member of the clergy, *please* report the abuse. I strongly encourage you to reach out to law enforcement and the Diocese of Salina to report any incident of abuse. Bishop Vincke

Celebrate Holy Week and Easter with EWTN! Learn more about your Faith during the holiest time of the year with EWTN's movies, documentaries, concerts, children's programs, and much more! Join in the celebration of Mass from Rome and Washington D.C. Get program details at ewtn.com.

THANK YOU to Susan Hubert and Delores Blochlinger for sponsoring our Wednesday Night Dinners and feeding *The Deep* this year. Your generosity was not only a tangible Work of Mercy but it provided for wonderful fellowship. Your hospitality is much appreciated. God Bless, Lindy and all the teachers, students, and families from CCD and *The Deep!*

The Office of Family Life will be hosting a Memorial Mass for those who have lost a child at any age, either before or after birth on Thursday, May 9th, at 10:30am at St. Mary Queen of Angels Parish, Russell, KS. If you would like to participate in this Mass, please call the office at 785-827-8746 #24. If you would like to submit 1 or 2 photos of your child please scan and email them to wendy.backes@salinadiocese.org (please include their name, birthday and year of death). If you have any questions, please contact the office at 785-827-8746.

The Knights of Columbus will be praying the Rosary at 5:30pm before the Saturday night Mass through the month of May.

St. George

Monthly Contributions: \$

MASSSES:

Saturday Apr. 13:St. I.-4:00pm:-Eddie Popelka

Monday Apr. 15-NO MASS

Tuesday Apr.16-8:00am:+Don Mathy

Wednesday Apr. 17-6:30pm:-Theresa Waite

Thursday Apr. 18-7:30pm:+John & PaulineVishnefske

Adoration after Mass

Friday Apr. 19-12:00pm:

Saturday Apr. 20-NO MASS at St. George

Sunday Apr. 21-11:00am:+Deacon Thomas Carter

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

Sunday, April 21, 11:00am St. Edward

Servers: Connor & Emily Martin, Austin Scrivner

Reader: Bob Morris

Cantor: Jacob Wilber, Jaycie Stindt

Musician: Marcia Hansen

EMHC: Rosemary Burt, Morris Wilber

Greeters: Loren & Michelle Pachta, Vince & Judy Pachta

Ushers: Loren & Michelle Pachta, Vince & Judy Pachta

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, Melba Hansen, Ruth Heyka, Steve Husband, Jerry Kopsa, Pam Lahodny, Gary Lapo, Celine Larson, Mary McConniel, Jenna Pachta, Ellie 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, Cliff Caron, Rusty Jeardoe, Dr. Jeff Lewis, Lee Loy, James McMullen, Brandy Moravek, Chris Spafford, and Chris Splichal.

K of C #2609: Knight of the month: Adam Bruna **Family of the Month:** James & Wendy Popelka

Next meeting is the 1st Wednesday, May 1st.

April 17th, 3rd Wednesday Adoration 7-10pm.

Wednesday prolife rosary at 6pm.

Scholarship Applications for St. Edward & the Knights of Columbus are in the entrance to the Church. Please return them by April 30.

Birthday Blessings: Apr. 17-Reed Kohmetscher; Apr. 18-Eric Isaacson; Apr. 19-Tynan Dowell; Apr. 20-Taylor Hartner, Karen Henke; Apr. 21-Butch Gieber, Lisa Isaacson, Jerome Kieffer.
Anniversaries: Apr. 20-Andrew & Dixie 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.

Call to Share: St. Edward—Goal: \$17,200.00	Amount Pledged: \$15,460.00
St. George—Goal: 4,000.00	Amount Pledged: 4,420.00
St. Isidore—Goal: 5,200.00	Amount Pledged: 3,100.00

Pope Francis has asked our parishes to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. **PLEASE BE GENEROUS!**

ST. ISIDORE'S DAY will be observed on May 15, 2019, at Sacred Heart Parish in Plainville, KS. Plan to join us for Mass, Blessing of the Fields and Flocks, lunch, and a tour of an agricultural activity in the area.