



## PASTOR MESSAGE

Dear Friends in Christ,

*“A tip of the graduation cap to you!  
I am proud of your accomplishment!”*

This is a quote from the card that I send out at graduation time to the graduates who send me invitations to their respective gatherings.

With several schools in our parish cluster, it is difficult to make all the gatherings, especially with the schedules in our parishes and my priestly schedule, so I do apologize. However, I want all of our graduates to know that I am proud of your accomplishments.

When I visited with the First Communion students, I was asked how long it took to be a priest. The years of priestly study vary, but like I told the students, from Kindergarten to Ordination, I was in school for 22 years.

Throughout those years, I experienced 8<sup>th</sup> Grade graduation, high school graduation, college graduation, and Theology graduation. Those are definitely momentous occasions but as time goes on, you start counting the years, and those go up as well.

That thought really hits home because this year is my 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of graduating from high school. It is amazing to think that much time has elapsed, but time keeps going faster and faster.

Of course, we are never done learning. We always need to grow in our faith and even our respective vocations and occupations are a learning experience.

As our graduates close one chapter and prepare to begin another, I pray that the Holy Spirit will guide you in all you do. Know that my thoughts and prayers go with you!!!

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](mailto: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-[stedward6810@nckcn.com](mailto:stedward6810@nckcn.com)

DRE-Tynan Dowell-[tynandowell@gmail.com](mailto: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](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.**

Discover Camp, June 13-15, 2019 at Nazareth Motherhouse, Concordia, KS. Mark your calendar now then go to the website: [www.csjkansas.org](http://www.csjkansas.org)-to Menu, click on Discover Camp, and another click will get you to the application form. It is for girls going into the 6th, 7th, and 8th grade. We have limited capacity of 36. First come, first served. For further information: Sr. Anna Marie Broxterman, [annacsj@csjkansas.org](mailto:annacsj@csjkansas.org) or 785-554-3829.

The Blessing of the new Manhattan Catholic Charities office (212 S. 4th, Ste 120) is scheduled for **Wednesday, June 5th.**

The 14th Annual Catholic Charities Annual Fundraiser will be **July 21, from 5:00-7:30pm** at the Salina Country Club.

**The 2019 RURAL LIFE DAY** will be held in the West Deanery this year. It will be on Sunday afternoon, August 11, 2019. We will meet at St. Frances Cabrini parish in Hoxie, KS. Rural Life Day features the presenting of the Msgr. John George Weber Century Farm Awards for families owning or farming their farm for more than 100 years. Application forms and instructions are found on the Diocesan Web Site ([www.salinadiocese.org](http://www.salinadiocese.org)) under "Offices" and then under "Rural Life."

Human Traffickers prey on people who are hoping for a better life, lack employment opportunities, have an unstable home life, or have a history of sexual or physical abuse. Learn more about this evil. **US Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking. VISIT: [sistersagainstrafficking.org](http://sistersagainstrafficking.org).**

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 19, 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: \$3,130.00**

**MASSES:**

Monday May 20-NO MASS    7:45am: ADORATION

Tuesday May 21-7:15am:+Dorothy Tremblay

Wednesday May 22-7:15am:+Marie Dochow

Thursday May 23-NO MASS

Friday May 24-7:15am:+Norman Tholstrup

Saturday May 25-6:00pm:+Irene Barton

Sunday May 26-7:00am:For Our Parish  
 9:00am:+Jerome Letourneau

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

May 19-CHS Graduation/Recognition & Brunch  
 Wild Goose Program 7pm/RE Ctr.

May 21-Staff Meeting 9am/P. Hall  
 Mass at Sunset 11am

May 25-Springfield/Collette Wedding 2pm

May 26-Wild Goose Program 7pm/RE Ctr.

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS:  
 Saturday, May 25, 6:00pm**

**Servers:** Baylor & Reece Knox

**Reader:** Laura Jo Meyer

**Cantor:**

**Musician:** Judy Reedy

**EMHC:** Marge W., Tammy M., Loren C.

**Greeter:** Charlene L., Deanna L.

**Ushers:** Rex H., John S., Kenneth S.

**Sunday, May 26, 7:00am**

Ivon & Dalton Owen

Bob Steimel

NO MUSIC

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Lorene S., Mary Jane H.

Larry & Janet Eubanks

Dave Demars, Joe Demars

**Sunday, May 26, 9:00am**

Rush LeDuc & Drake Blochlinger

Ted Lillie

Folk Choir

Marcia Mauch

Maria L., Norlene L., Tony M.

Brent & Wonda Phillips

Bill & Sondra Ramsey

**Please pray for:** Sr. Therese Blecha, Russ Budreau, Jesse Copple, Leland Cote, Mary Dibbell, Lydia Feldhauser, Louise Forman, Alice Jaster, Joe Jaster, Dr. Paul Jaster, Kolbie Kalivoda, JoAnn Kempton, Richard Loeffler, Barbara Longenecker, Aubrey Kay Lott, Judy Miles, 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 91% of our targeted goal of \$35,000.00. We have had 88 individuals or families pledge \$32,105.00. 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.

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

**Eucharistic Ministers Needed:** We are in need of some Eucharistic Ministers to take communion to the hospital and nursing homes. If you would like to volunteer for this ministry please call Rose Maginness at 243-2006 or the parish office at 243-1099.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR GRADUATES!**

**Volunteers needed: We will be displaying the flags at the St. Concordia Cemetery on Memorial Day, Monday May 27. If you would like to volunteer to help with the flags please contact Loren Cote at 275-1355.**

Fr. Steve will be having Mass at 9:30am on Memorial Day at the St. Joseph Church in St. Joe. He will have a prayer at the cemetery afterward and the honor guard from Clyde will have a service at 10:30am. There will be a barbecue from 11:00am to 1:00pm with a free will offering.

**We extend our Christian Sympathy** to the families of Barbara Mansfield, James Blazek, and Kenneth and Marilyn Jacquot (parents of Julie Smith).

## St. George

**Monthly Contributions: \$**

**MASSES:**

Saturday May 18-St. G.-4:00pm:+Eleanor Blecha

Monday May 20-NO MASS

Tuesday May 21-8:00am:+Pauline Baxa

Wednesday May 22-6:30pm:-Phillip Caito

Thursday May 23-8:00am:-Charles Homoloc

**Adoration 8:00am-1:00pm**

Friday May 24-8:00am:Parishioners

Saturday May 25-St. I.-4:00pm:+Edward Pachta

Sunday May 26-11:00am:+John & Pauline Vishnefske

## St. Edward

**Weekly Contributions: \$1,985.00**

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS:**

**Saturday, May 25, 4:00pm St. Isidore**

**Servers:** Volunteer

**Reader:** Karl Baxa

**Cantor:** Raymond Baxa

**Musician:** Gladys Baxa

**EMHC:** Wayne Pachta

**Greeters:** Paul & Kelly Kieffer

**Ushers:** Paul & Kelly Kieffer

**Please pray for:** Rylan Angell, Ruth Barry, Fred Baxa, Gladys Baxa, Sr. Therese Blecha, Larry Bowman, June Boyer, Lance Crowder, Ken Hammerbacher, Melba Hansen, Ruth Heyka, Steve Husband, Pam Lahodny, Gary Lapo, Celine Larson, Gary Lightfoot, Mary McConniel, Jenna Pachta, Ellie Pachta, Frankie Sis, 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:** Don Bechard    **Family of the Month:** Robert & Lesley Popelka

**Next meeting** is the 1st Wednesday, June 5th.

**Wednesday prolife rosary at 6pm.**

**The Bishop Thill 4th Degree Assembly will meet in Belleville in the St. Edward's Church basement at 7:30pm on Tuesday May 21, 2019.**

**K of C Annual Baby Bottle Campaign** begins on Mother's Day. Fill the baby bottle and return it on Father's Day. Proceeds will go to Kansans for Life.

**Congratulations** to Grand Knight Chris Pachta and the pro-life team for winning the State Evangelium Vitae Award at the State K of C Convention this last weekend. See the plaque which will be displayed for 1 year in St. Edward Church.

**Birthday Blessings:** May 19-Roger Lahodney, Austin Pachta; May 20-Kolby Hansen; May 21-Kim Bombardier, Josh Bowen, Brody Boyer, Berkley Brzon; May 22- Benedict Baxa, Grace Rieke; May 23-Paul Levendofsky; May 24-Emily Hansen; May 26-Sawyer Coonrod, Raymond Raney.

**Anniversaries:** May 19-Fr. Brian Lager; May 20-Paul & Kelly Kieffer; May 26-Fr. Henry Baxa.

<b>Call to Share:</b> St. Edward—Goal: \$17,200.00	Amount Pledged: \$18,180.00
St. George—Goal: 4,000.00	Amount Pledged: 4,620.00
St. Isidore—Goal: 5,200.00	Amount Pledged: 3,400.00

**Bible Study** will take the summer off and will return in September.

The Diocese of Salina is sponsoring the Eighth Annual Diocesan Men's Conference on Saturday, August 10th at Immaculate Heart of Mary in Hays. Please attend and bring your sons who are in Junior High, High School or College. Our speakers this year will be **Pete Burak** and **Peter Herbeck**. To register online or for more information go to [salinadiocese.org](http://salinadiocese.org) or call 785-827-8746.