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The Scrutinies



During the past Lenten season, you will have noticed special liturgical rites taking place during Mass for 2 young men. These rites are called the Scrutinies and are celebrated for those who are unbaptized, called "The Elect". Those wishing to receive the three sacraments of Christian Initiation: Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation.

We always celebrate the Scrutinies on the third, fourth, and fifth weeks of the Lenten season. It is a period of repentance and enlightenment for the elect.

The purpose of the Scrutinies is **"to uncover, then heal all that is weak, defective, or sinful"** in the hearts of the Elect and to **"strengthen all that is upright, strong, and good."** (Quotes from Ritual Text for Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, paragraph #141)

To scrutinize something means to see clearly. It's about seeing sin in its right aspect and coming to understand the way we fall victim to it. It's about recognizing the transformative healing power possible through Christ. With God's grace we can reject sin and step into the light by believing in the redemptive sacrifice of Christ. We study three specific Gospel stories on the third, fourth, and fifth Sundays of Lent where Jesus interacts with three different individuals, and they are changed forever.

Third Sunday of Lent, The First Scrutiny: Jesus Encounters the Samaritan Woman at the Well (John 4:5-42). As the woman speaks with Jesus, her life is revealed to her. But Jesus does not scorn her instead offers her healing, forgiveness and new life. Offers her living water, saying "Whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become a spring of water welling up to eternal life." You should thirst for this living water.

Fourth Sunday of Lent, Second Scrutiny: Jesus Heals a Man Born Blind Since Birth (John 9:1-41). The key idea in this Gospel is Jesus calling this man from darkness to light. So that God's glory may be revealed. Jesus tells him "I am the light of the world". You should examine your conscience and try to discover what God wants of you, having nothing to do with sin. Live in the Light of the World.

Fifth Sunday of Lent, Third Scrutiny: Jesus Raises Lazarus from the Dead (John 11:1-45). Lazarus has been dead and in tomb for four days when Jesus arrives to meet his sisters. Martha has faith in God and tells Jesus she knows her brother will rise again in resurrection at the last day. She believes that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God. He tells her that whoever believes in Him will never die but have eternal life. You should recognize that Jesus has the authority to give life to whom he will. Open your heart to Him and believe in Him.

The Scrutinies are celebrated for the unbaptized but just because the rest of us at these liturgical rites are already baptized does not mean that we no longer need Jesus to scrutinize us and heal us. With God's grace, we can turn away from the darkness of sin, and step into the light.

"May we all thirst for the Living Water Christ offered the Samaritan Woman at the well, have our spiritual sight restored by Him who is the Light of the World, and bear witness to new life in Christ like Lazarus, who received the Resurrection and the Life."

[The Scrutinies - What They Are and Why They Are Important](#) Apr 01, 2022 by [Cheryl Hadley](#)

Adult Religious Formation Commission: Cathy Grover



Parish Mission "60 Minutes for Jesus"

April 8-10, 2024

with Fr. Jim Sichko

7:00 PM each evening
at Sacred Heart Church

General themes are Kindness, Trust, and Leadership. Fr. Jim is a priest of the Diocese of Lexington, storyteller, Papal Missionary of Mercy.

Each night of the mission is a stand-alone talk. Plan to attend all three nights. You'll laugh, you'll cry, you'll sing, you'll be inspired!



FINANCE/PROPERTY COMMISSION

- ❖ Met March 20, 2024
- ❖ Members present: Dennis Wilson, Jim Damm, Tom Giessel, Jenny Ramsey, Kathy Couchman, Pam Hutfles, Fr. Anselm. Unable to attend: Jacques Molleker.
- ❖ Minutes of the February 21, 2024 meeting were approved.
- ❖ The group reviewed the financial reports for February 2024 which showed income of \$16,291.27 and expenses of \$25,159.29 for a monthly loss of \$8,868.02. The February 2024 balance sheet showed cash of \$501,611.14 compared to \$465,905.24 at the end of February 2023.
- ❖ Approved adding curtains to the windows in the Annex and some of the windows in the Rectory.
- ❖ The roof replacement for Church, Rectory, Annex & Parish Center will begin the first week in April.
- ❖ Next meeting: April 24, 2024 @ 12:00 Noon

PASTORAL COUNCIL

- ❖ Met March 21, 2024
- ❖ Members present: Stephen Schartz, Larry Skelton, Judy Solko, Lee Gilcris, Fr. Anselm. Unable to attend: Steve Ehrlich, Doug McNett, Tama Hanson. Council/Commission Representatives: Judy Damm, LeAnne Hammeke, Kathy Kazmaier.
- ❖ Stephen opened the meeting with the Pastoral Council Prayer.
- ❖ The minutes from the last meeting were approved following corrections.
- ❖ The Parish Mission will be April 6-10, 2024 at 7:00 pm.
- ❖ The first Liturgy training for Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist was held. An additional training for those who weren't able to attend the first training will be held on April 27th.
- ❖ The Dodge City Diocese is presenting a Eucharistic Congress September 13-15, 2024, in Dodge City. Fr. Anselm highly encourages participation and suggests that we attend as a group from Sacred Heart Parish.
- ❖ Sr. Rebecca will be celebrating 65 years of consecrated life in June. The council approved having a celebration for her that would coincide with the Feast of the Sacred Heart. A celebration will be held on June 9th. Fr. Anselm suggested having games, a bounce house, bingo, etc. and to change the Mass time to 5:00 pm on that date instead of 10:30 am. A motion was made and approved. Stephen appointed LeAnne, Hammeke, Lee Gilcris, and Judy Damm to this committee.
- ❖ Discussed Parish elections for councils and commissions. Fr. Anselm recommended that all members stay in place for the next year. He informed the council that the members of Pastoral Council and Finance Commission should be appointed by the Pastor and have 3-year terms. All other councils/commissions should not have elections to encourage member to be enthusiastic about their involvement.
- ❖ Council/Commission reports were shared under new business.
- ❖ The meeting closed with prayer.
- ❖ Next meeting: May 23, 2024 @ 6:00 PM



GAME MORNING

Tuesday, April 9th ~ 9:30 to 11:30 am

Sacred Heart Parish Education Center

APRIL AT A GLANCE

- April 1 ~ Adult Faith Formation Group, 6:00 PM
- April 2 ~ Choir Practice, 6:30 PM
- April 2 ~ Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM
- April 3 ~ Adoration, 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM
- April 3 ~ RCIA, 6:30 PM
- April 4 ~ Benedictine Oblates Gathering, 11:00 AM
- April 4 ~ Adult Religious Formation Meeting, 6:00 PM
- April 7 ~ Refreshments after Mass / Blessing of April Birthdays and Anniversaries
- **April 8 ~ Parish Mission, "60 Minutes for Jesus", 7:00 PM**
- April 9 ~ Game Morning, 9:30 – 11:30 AM
- **April 9 ~ Parish Mission, "60 Minutes for Jesus", 7:00 PM**
- April 10 ~ Adoration, 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM
- April 10 ~ RCIA, 6:30 PM
- **April 10 ~ Parish Mission, "60 Minutes for Jesus", 7:00 PM**
- April 15 ~ Adult Faith Formation Group, 6:00 PM
- April 15 ~ Heart to Heart Ministry Meeting, 6:30 PM
- April 16 ~ "Lunch with Friends", 12:00 Noon
- April 16 ~ Stewardship Council Meeting, 5:30 PM
- April 16 ~ Choir Practice, 6:30 PM
- April 17 ~ Finance/Property Meeting, 12:00 Noon
- April 17 ~ Endowment Board Meeting, 5:00 PM
- April 17 ~ Holy Hour in Holy Rosary Chapel, 5:00 to 6:00 PM
Mass following Holy Hour, 6:00 PM
- April 17 ~ RCIA, 6:30 PM
- April 22 ~ Adult Faith Formation Group, 6:00 PM
- April 23 ~ Choir Practice, 6:30 PM
- April 24 ~ Adoration, 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM
- April 24 ~ RCIA, 6:30 PM
- April 27 ~ Liturgy Workshop for Eucharistic Ministers, 10 AM to 12 PM
- April 28 ~ "Uplift Your Priest" Pot-Luck Luncheon, 11:30 AM
- April 29 ~ Adult Faith Formation Group, 6:00 PM
- April 30 ~ Choir Practice, 6:30 PM

APRIL PSR SCHEDULE

- April 3 – Regular Classes
- April 10 – Regular Classes / Attend Parish Mission, 7:00 PM
- April 17 – Regular Classes
- April 20/21 – Youth Group Trip
- April 24 – Regular Classes / First Communion Retreat @ 6:00 PM
- April 28 – First Reconciliation, 4:00 PM

ALL ARE INVITED to come to the parish center following the 10:30 am Mass on **Sunday, April 7th** for refreshments where Fr. Anselm will give a special blessing to parishioners celebrating their **Birthday and/or Anniversary in April**.



**Lunch
Time**

"Lunch with Friends" will be Tuesday, April 16th at 12:00 noon in the Parish Center. All are invited to come enjoy lunch and visit.

Please call Pam at 285-2035, by April 12th if you plan to attend. See you for lunch!

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

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| (01) Charlie Befort | (16) Denis Gilcris |
| Jena Josefiak | Robert Keller |
| (02) Sue Haymaker | Raymond Perez |
| Larry Trujillo | (17) Duskin Bowman |
| (03) Lisa Schartz | Lynn Hanson |
| (04) Janice Heit | (18) Kim Smith |
| (05) Gabe Mull | (19) Vicki Gillett |
| Susan Perez | Barbara Penka |
| (07) Tina DiMarzo | Ed Ummel |
| (08) Cathy DeMond | (20) Ali Zook |
| (09) Sharon McGinness | (21) James Burdett |
| Pete Schartz | (22) Jimmy Gardner |
| Amy Simmons | Patrick Lamon |
| (10) Michelle Kelty | Maria Martinez |
| Maurice Schaller | (23) Kimi Bowman |
| (11) Mia Munden | Mike Martel |
| Eli Ramsey | Marilyn McClendon |
| Tisha Skelton | Rob Munden |
| (12) Natally Gonzalez | Levi Sanders |
| (13) Jayden Ramirez | Kree Smith |
| Jean Tanner | (24) Bert Schartz |
| (14) Lee Durler | Matt Watkins |
| Ryland Henderson | (26) Kevin Davis |
| Ty Josefiak | Reed McNett |
| Emma McNett | Shane Sundahl |
| Jenny Rector | Dale Unruh |
| (15) Amanda Clark | (28) Laurie Josefiak |
| Cory Johnson | (29) Alvie Axman |
| Emmalyn Ramirez | (30) David Burdett |
| | Amanda Johnson |
| | Jeanne McDonald |



APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

- (02) Jason and LeAnne Hammeke
 (06) Robert and Libby Keller
 (12) Okey and Shauna Nwachukwu-Udaku
 (16) Todd & Tami Keenan
 (19) Pete and Lisa Schartz
 (20) Duskin and Lacy Bowman
 (22) Stephen and Janice Heit
 Maurice and Rita Schaller
 (25) Ben and Jenny Ramsey
 (27) Alvie and Melinda Axman
 (28) Joe and Margaret Garcia
 (29) Shane and Stacy Parr
 (30) Brooks and Meghann Hanson



CONGRATULATIONS!

Joe & Margaret Garcia ~ Married 62 years
 Alvie & Melinda Axman ~ Married 50 years



DIED IN CHRIST

Elmer Bronson ~ March 13, 2024
 Jim Mitchell ~ March 17, 2024

Remember with Prayer

Joe Simmons		Sherry Lemuz
Richard Wolf		Doris Schaller
Rita O'Gwin		Leon Sanders
Bert Schartz		Ryan Shelton
Marie Welden		Clayton Kelty
Brenda Martin		Sue Haymaker
Fr. Charles Mazouch		Trenton Welsch
Stan Durler		Kevin Simmons
Shauna Nwachukwu-Udaku		Lee Durler
Lindsey (Johnson) Gaylord		Kathy Hammeke

All of our men and women serving in the
 United States Military, our homebound parishioners
 and those in care homes.

UPLIFT YOUR PRIEST POTLUCK

Sunday, April 28th



The Vocation Ministry would like to invite you to a
 potluck luncheon immediately following Mass on **Sunday,
 April 28th**. We will gather in celebration of both “Uplift
 Your Priest” week to inspire the laity to support and
 encourage their priests and “**World Day of Prayer for
 Vocations**” to pray for vocations from our local Parish and
 Diocese. Please come with your family, friends, and
 favorite shareable dish to help us **UPLIFT Father
 Anselm & Pray for Vocations!**

NET INCOME/EXPENSES BEGINNING JULY 1, 2023

	FEBRUARY	YTD
INCOME:		
Collections	14,501.00	146,544.87
Special Donations		13,395.00
Endowment		8,000.00
Interest	24.59	204.82
Farm		6,863.49
PSR	179.00	23,109.00
Fundraisers	612.68	1,887.50
Miscellaneous	<u>974.00</u>	<u>94,696.83</u>
TOTAL	\$16,291.27	\$294,701.51
EXPENSES:		
Stewardship	1,316.60	15,583.56
Salaries	12,442.86	115,531.83
Insurance	2,732.00	16,289.00
Utilities	3,188.20	20,007.63
Maintenance	1,810.79	7,778.92
Improvement		
Office	555.27	7,961.36
PSR	456.00	21,061.52
Farm		1,385.33
Miscellaneous	<u>2,657.57</u>	<u>13,634.25</u>
TOTAL	\$25,159.29	\$219,233.40
		YTD: \$75,468.11



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