



SACRED HEART BEAT

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POWER OF PRAYER



Some years ago, I was asked by Fr. Warren, to talk to you about something that made a difference in my life and my relationship with God. Before I get to that though let me tell you a little bit about myself. I am a cradle Catholic, grew up with Catholic parents and grandparents that took me to Saturday afternoon confession and Sunday morning Mass, along with my 9 siblings, every week of the year, without fail, even braving mid-western snowstorms in western Nebraska. We were at Mass! I had the great fortune to attend Catholic school from grade one to grade twelve. I had the blessing of Ursuline Sisters' as my teachers for many of those years and an Ursuline aunt too.

Life was good. I went to college, earned a teaching degree, married a great husband and raised two wonderful kids of my own.

Going home for the Holidays to my parents' home in Nebraska was always the norm. All my brothers and sisters, nieces and nephews, we all continued to gather there for many years to spend time with mom & dad. We all have so many wonderful memories of those good times. Then one evening thirty-five years ago, I received a phone call from one of my younger sisters that lived in my hometown. She had gone with mom to the doctor's office that day, as mom was having trouble remembering things and being able to put her thoughts into words. We were devastated to find that mom had been diagnosed with Pick's Disease, a form of Alzheimer's that strikes at a young age. Mom was just 64 years young.

So totally unfair! How could God allow this to happen to this beautiful woman that had raised 10 kids. Mom was always there for each of us, whether we were playing volleyball, football, wrestling, baseball or softball, or participating in music events, she took us to 4-H meetings, hauled us out to the County fairgrounds everyday so we could take care of 4-H livestock for a week. She managed to see to it that each of us did our Saturday morning chores before we got to go play. She mediated all the arguments and fights. She fixed wonderful meals, saw to it that we all pulled weeds in the huge garden that Dad planted and she harvested. She taught us and saw to it, that we each learned to say our prayers when we were 6/7 years old, before going to bed at night.

We were all so angry at God. What good were prayers that we knew would not be answered. We would not have our mother back. We thought God existed to take care of all of us. Any of you that have ever been faced with challenges in life can probably relate to these feelings. Why was God allowing this to happen to my mom?

We spent the first couple of years after mom's diagnosis angry and fighting with one another and our dad, on how to best take care of mom. **Meanwhile mom was content to sit in the living room and watch EWTN Eternal Word Television Network and say the rosary during the Fatima hour right after lunch every day.** When I would be home for a visit I would hang out in the kitchen with my dad after lunch, cleaning up dirty dishes and **trying**

to do anything but sit down in the Living Room beside my mom and say a Rosary. I would not do it!

Back to the question "why God is this happening to my mom??"

About two years after mom's diagnosis, I brought mom home with me to Kansas to stay with us for a week. She would be able to enjoy watching her ninth-grade granddaughter swim in a high school swim meet and get to hear her fifth-grade grandson give his first speech in a school contest.

We had dropped the kids off at school that morning and I had just parked the car over in front of St Patrick's Church in Great Bend. We were sitting in the car with the windows down, listening to the birds singing and waiting for the kids to walk over from school to Church for early morning Mass.

Then my mom asked me a question. It came out of the blue. "Do you remember the first prayer I taught you when you were a little girl???"

I smiled to myself, looking out at the birds and the green grass, and replied **"Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love, comes with you here. Ever this day be at my side, to light and to guard me, to rule and to guide me. Amen."**

I was feeling proud of myself for remembering how to say this prayer. After all, I probably had not said it, since teaching it to my own children some years earlier.

When I turned to look at my mom, she had tears streaming down her face. She looked right at me and said, **"I am so afraid that I am forgetting how to say my prayers."**

I was ashamed of myself. My mother, whom I was seeing as someone who was losing her dignity to do things for herself in so many ways, was worried about not being able to pray for her husband and kids.

At that moment I had my answer as to why God was allowing this to happen to my mom. I have heard the words **"redemptive suffering"** applied before to individuals struggling with terminal illnesses, but never quite understood them. **That is how God's grace works in wonderful and unexpected ways. I just didn't expect to be a recipient in such a way.**

That morning I assured my mom that I would say my prayers and that when she forgot I would continue to say her prayers for her.

Mom spent the last two years of her life in a nursing home care. At her funeral some of the caretakers that came told us that she was never a difficult patient. **That she always had a smile for them.**

I choose to believe that was God's gift to her, her remaining dignity, her smile.

It was the last thing she shared with me, my dad, sisters, and my aunt, the moment before she died. It was an awesome

smile. Prayer does work, but it doesn't eliminate the pain, suffering, or sorrow!

We placed the phrase "Angel of God" on Mom's tombstone.

Pick a simple prayer and make it your daily prayer!

Adult Religious Formation Commission - Cathy Grover

JUNE BIRTHDAY / ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS



Saturday, June 13th
with Sacred Heart Celebration
Parish Center



CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

On Sunday, June 7th at the end of Mass there will be a procession from the Church around a few blocks for the Solemnity of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

We invite the First Communion Class to wear your First Communion attire and other children of the parish to join in the procession to scatter flowers. There will be a trailer to ride on if you aren't able to walk the entire procession.

Sacred Heart Altar Society Garage Sale

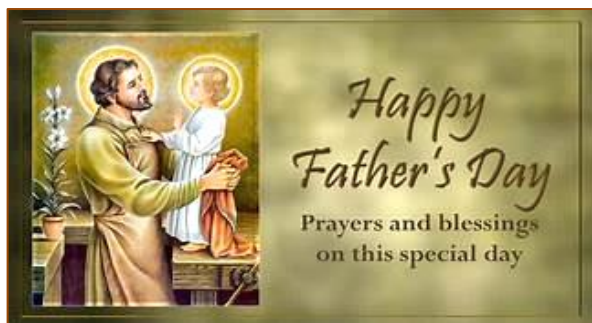


Friday, June 5th
8:00 am to 6:00 pm

Saturday, June 6th
8:00 am to 12:00 noon

Sacred Heart Parish Center

Items can be brought to the parish center on Wednesday, June 3rd from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm and Thursday, June 4th from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Winter coats, stocking hats, mittens/gloves, scarves, and snow boots accepted. **PLEASE NO OTHER CLOTHING OR SHOES.** If you would like to help with the Garage Sale, a sign-up sheet is in the Church vestibule. All help is greatly appreciated!!



JUNE AT A GLANCE

- June 2 ~ Choir Practice, 6:30 PM
- June 2 ~ Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM
- June 4 ~ Holy Hour, 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM
- June 4 ~ Benedictine Oblates Gathering, 11:00 AM
- June 5 ~ Altar Society Garage Sale, 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM
- June 6 ~ Altar Society Garage Sale, 8:00 AM to 12:00 Noon
- June 7 ~ Corpus Christi Procession, 11:30 AM
- June 9 ~ Choir Practice, 6:30 PM
- June 12 ~ Larned Community Blood Drive, 12:00 to 6:00 PM
- June 13 ~ Mass @ 4:00 PM with Sacred Heart Celebration following in the Sacred Heart Parish Center
- June 13 ~ June Birthday / Anniversary Blessings @ Sacred Heart Celebration
- June 16 ~ Choir Practice, 6:30 PM
- June 18 ~ Finance/Property Meeting, 6:30 PM
- June 23 ~ Choir Practice, 6:30 PM
- June 30 ~ Choir Practice, 6:30 PM



Totus Tuus
Sacred Heart, Larned
is hosting the
Summer Catechetical Program
for Grades 1-12
July 12 - 17
at the Sacred Heart Parish Education Center

Totus Tuus, Latin for "Totally Yours," is a Catholic youth program sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic Faith through Evangelization, Christian Witness, and Eucharistic Worship. Totus Tuus strives to help young people understand their Faith through catechesis which is taught in a way that is both instructive and FUN!! **1st-6th Grade Program runs Monday, July 13th through Friday July 17th from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.** **7th-12th Grade Program runs Sunday evening, July 12th through Thursday, July 16th from 7:30 to 9:45 pm.** Registration forms are available at the parish center or in the Church vestibule.

WE INVITE YOU TO CELEBRATE
WITH US
FOR
THE FEAST OF THE MOST
SACRED HEART OF JESUS



SATURDAY — JUNE 13TH
4:00 PM MASS

WITH MEAL AND GAMES FOLLOWING
(MEAT AND POTATOES WILL BE
PROVIDED, WE ASK THAT YOU BRING A
SIDE DISH TO SHARE)

COME ENJOY AN EVENING FULL OF
FOOD — FELLOWSHIP — FUN!!

JUNE BIRTHDAYS



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| (01) Adaeze Udaku
Chris Ryan | (16) Summer Denning
Sofia Gonzalez |
| (02) Skyler Denning | (17) Levi Couchman |
| (04) Jessi Phelan | Robert Hammeke |
| (05) Rick Carlson | (18) Pat Birzer |
| Doreen Jekirui | Jacques Molleker |
| (06) Madelyn Hammeke | (20) Ron Quimby |
| Phil Martin | Addison Townsend |
| Pat Quimby | (23) Danette Unruh |
| Vera Schmidt | Dylan Weiszbrod |
| (08) Stacie Kozlowski | (25) Eli Kelty |
| (11) Georgia Bauer | (26) Evelyn Smith |
| Joe Garcia | (27) Brock Skelton |
| Clayton Kelty | (29) Emerson Sullivan |
| (12) Mallorie Ceniceris | (30) TaWanna Callahan |
| Bode Dooley | Trevyn Morris |
| (14) Onyinye Udaku | Drew Smith |
| Kade Scott | |
| (15) Mike Burdett | |
| Sam Sullivan | |

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

- (01) Elmer and Faye Hogan
Phillip and Susan Perez
(02) Joe and Ashley Garcia
(03) Robert and Jan Alford
(04) Mike and Jana Schartz
Stephen and Kay Schartz
(06) Ron and Pat Quimby
(09) Tony and Linda Lemuz
(13) Bob and Sue Haymaker
(16) Jeremy and Liz McDonald
(18) Matthew and Megan Fitzsimmons
Richard and Barbara VonFeldt
(21) Matt and Elizabeth Fisher
(24) Matt and Kathy Stucker
John and Jacque Wasinger
(25) Karl and Cathy Grover
(28) Dennis and Joan Wilson
(29) Rick and Colleen Carlson

NET INCOME/EXPENSES BEGINNING JULY 1, 2025

	APRIL	YTD
INCOME:		
Collections	19,020.32	179,709.14
Special Donations	4,740.00	13,043.00
Endowment		28,632.76
Interest	10.90	133.38
Farm		12,153.29
PSR		19,872.00
Fundraisers		998.57
Miscellaneous	<u>7,041.40</u>	<u>21,289.88</u>
TOTAL	\$30,812.62	\$275,832.02
EXPENSES:		
Stewardship	1,864.34	19,698.85
Salaries	15,504.59	143,282.85
Insurance	3,939.00	29,446.00
Utilities	2,143.55	28,277.79
Maintenance	591.87	16,649.92
Improvement	9,860.90	9,860.90
Office	948.23	17,676.78
PSR	40.85	17,513.63
Farm		961.89
Miscellaneous	<u>549.86</u>	<u>13,134.31</u>
TOTAL	\$35,443.19	\$296,502.92
YTD:		(\$20,670.90)



CONGRATULATIONS!

Elmer & Faye Hogan ~ Married 73 years
Bob & Sue Haymaker ~ Married 67 years
Tony & Linda Lemuz ~ Married 64 years
Dennis & Joan Wilson ~ Married 57 years
Karl & Cathy Grover ~ Married 52 years
Phillip & Susan Perez ~ Married 52 years



Holy
Baptism

BAPTIZED IN CHRIST

Harper Magdalena, the daughter of
Brooks & Meghann Hanson on May 2, 2026

Remember with Prayer

Joe Simmons
Richard Wolf
Rita O'Gwin
Bert Schartz
Darlene Befort
Brenda Martin
Michele Collins
Stan Durler
Lindsey (Johnson) Gaylord
Shauna Nwachukwu-Udaku
Pam Theis
Darlene Orth



Tammy Orth
Karla Graham
Leon Sanders
Ryan Shelton
Clayton Kelty
Sue Haymaker
Trenton Welsch
Kevin Simmons
Bud Johnson
Lee Durler
Denis Gilcris
Ben Kelty

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



Larned Knights of Columbus
"Friday Fry Night"

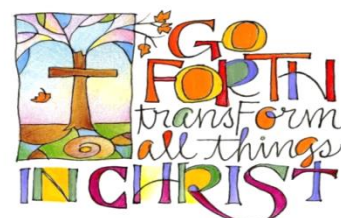
Steak Fingers • Chicken Fingers
Mountain Oysters

Friday – June 19th

5:00 to 7:00 PM • \$15 per meal

Dine In or Carry Out

K of C Hall on Scenic Drive – 1216 M Road



June 2026 ~ MINISTRIES ~ Saturday @ 5:00 PM

Saturday, June 6 – The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

Lector – Ray Colglazier

Eucharistic Ministers

Cindy Perez (major) / Tony Sanders (minor)

Servers – Harleigh Ehrlich / Camille Steffen

Ushers – Richard Wolf / Kraig Froetschner

Gifts – Cindy Perez / Usher

Musicians – Alvin Hutfles / Karen McAllister

Sacristan – Jim & Judy Damm

Sanctuary Cleaning – Kathy Hammeke

Please Note: Mass is at 4:00 PM

Saturday, June 13 – 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lector – Jackie Ehrlich

Eucharistic Ministers

Toni Novotny (major) / Richard Wolf (minor)

Servers – Eli Ramsey / Ryan Ramsey

Ushers – Jim Damm / Larry Skelton

Gifts – Tonya Sanders / Usher

Musicians – Alvin Hutfles / Maurice Schaller

Sacristan – Tonya Sanders

Sanctuary Cleaning – Shauna Nwachukwu-Udaku

Saturday, June 20 – 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lector – Kathy Kazmaier

Eucharistic Ministers

Norman Dreiling (major) / Becky Martin (minor)

Servers – Harleigh Ehrlich / Camille Steffen

Ushers – Dennis Theis / Mike Schartz

Gifts – Ben Ramsey Family

Musicians – Alvin Hutfles / Karen McAllister

Sacristan – Kathy Kazmaier

Sanctuary Cleaning – Cindy Perez

Saturday, June 27 – 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lector – Regis Lopata

Eucharistic Ministers

Dennis Wilson (major) / Joan Wilson (minor)

Servers – Eli Ramsey / Ryan Ramsey

Ushers – Norman Dreiling / John Wasinger

Gifts – Matt & Kathy Stucker

Musicians – Alvin Hutfles / Maurice Schaller

Sacristan – Steve Ehrlich

Sanctuary Cleaning – Doug & Mary Smith

June 2026 ~ MINISTRIES ~ Sunday @ 10:30 AM

Sunday, June 7 – The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

Lectors – Amy Simmons / John Kelty

Eucharistic Ministers

Clayton Kelty (major) / Amanda Clark (minor)

Servers – Eli Kelty / Faith Kelty / Grace Kelty

Ushers – Jason Hammeke / Nolan Dreiling

Gifts – Doug & Mary Smith

Musicians – Choir

Sacristan – Kathy Couchman

Collection Counters: Kayla Lang / Craig Schartz

Sanctuary Cleaning – Kathy Hammeke

Sunday, June 14 – 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lectors – Okey Nwachukwu-Udaku / Berny Unruh

Eucharistic Ministers

Kristy Hagerman (major) / Amy Simmons (minor)

Servers – Adaeze / Onyinye / Amara Udaku

Ushers – Tony Lemuz / Daniel Kelty

Gifts – Dale & Berny Unruh

Musicians – Choir

Sacristan – Kathy Hammeke

Collection Counters: Kristy Hagerman / David O'Gwin

Sanctuary Cleaning – Shauna Nwachukwu-Udaku

Sunday, June 21 – 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lectors – Kristy Hagerman / Kathy Couchman

Eucharistic Ministers

David O'Gwin (major) / Pam Hutfles (minor)

Servers – Emmet / Grace / Sarah Fisher

Ushers – Stephen Schartz / David Schartz

Gifts – Amanda Clark / Vicki Perez

Musicians – Choir

Sacristan – Jane Kelty

Collection Counters: Kathy Couchman / Debbie Steinert

Sanctuary Cleaning – Cindy Perez

Sunday, June 28 – 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lectors – Sr. Rebecca Otter / Karl Grover

Eucharistic Ministers

Cathy Grover (major) / Kathy Hammeke (minor)

Servers – William Hammeke / Maddy Mull / Emerson Sullivan

Ushers – David Hammeke / Bruce Kozlowski

Gifts – Kathy, Cason, Levi Couchman

Musicians – Choir

Sacristan – Emily Dreiling

Collection Counters: Jenny Ramsey / Jack Molleker

Sanctuary Cleaning – Doug & Mary Smith