



# SACRED HEART BEAT

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NEWSLETTER OF SACRED HEART PARISH

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## “When Does Life Begin?”

*(Ideas taken from “Conscience and its Enemies” by Robert George, a Harvard and Princeton professor of law, 2013)*

Even from a purely biological perspective, scientists can identify the point at which a human life begins.

Your life began when an egg and sperm fused producing a new, complete, living organism.

You were never an ovum or a sperm cell –

Those were parts of other human beings, namely your parents.

But you were once an embryo which developed through fetal, infant, adolescent, and adult stages of development.

You are the same human being who was once an embryo.

In the embryonic and fetal stages of development, you were dependent on your mother, but you were not maternal body parts of your mother...dependent but distinct.

Why can't we come to a consensus about abortion and embryo-destructive research?

Is it because the debate over when life begins has not been about the biological facts

but

is about the *value ascribed to human beings at the dawn of their lives?*

What is at issue is:

Ought we to respect and defend human beings in the earliest stages of their lives?

Human beings in the embryonic stage are indeed human beings, and not just a mass of cells.

Hence, the question is not about the scientific fact about *when* life begins, but is about the *nature of human dignity and the equality of human beings in all stages of development.*

*Will we commit to honor the equal worth and dignity of all human beings – even the smallest, youngest, weakest, most vulnerable?*

## Lenten Prayer

Almighty and Everlasting God,  
You have given the human race  
Jesus Christ our Savior as a model of humility.  
He fulfilled Your will by becoming Man  
And giving His life on the Cross.  
Help us to bear witness to You  
By following His example of suffering  
And make us worthy to share in His Resurrection.  
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son.

Amen.



## MARCH AT A GLANCE

March 1 ~ Children's Dismissal @ 10:30 AM Mass  
March 3 ~ Adult Religious Formation Team Meeting, 7:00 PM  
March 3 ~ Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM  
March 3 ~ Choir Practice, 7:00 PM, Choir Loft  
March 4 ~ PSR Classes (Gr. K-8), 6:30 to 7:30 PM  
March 4 ~ PSR Class (Gr. 9-12), 7:00 to 8:00 PM  
March 4 ~ RCIA, 7:00 PM  
March 6 ~ Ecumenical Prayer Service, 12:00 Noon, Church  
March 6 ~ Stations of the Cross, 7:00 PM  
March 7 ~ 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Retreat, Wright, KS  
March 8 ~ Daylight Savings Time Begins  
March 8 ~ Children's Dismissal @ 10:30 AM Mass  
March 8 ~ Parish Outreach Meeting, 11:30 AM  
March 10 ~ Choir Practice, 7:00 PM, Choir Loft  
March 11 ~ PSR Classes (Gr. K-8), 6:30 to 7:30 PM  
March 11 ~ First Communion Parent Meeting, 6:30 PM, Gym  
March 11 ~ PSR Class (Gr. 9-12), 7:00 to 8:00 PM  
March 11 ~ RCIA, 7:00 PM  
March 12 ~ Stewardship Council Meeting, 6:30 PM  
March 13 ~ Ecumenical Prayer Service, 12:00 Noon, Church  
March 13 ~ K of C All-You-Can-Eat Fish Fry, 5:00 to 7:00 PM  
March 13 ~ Stations of the Cross, 7:00 PM  
March 15 ~ Children's Dismissal @ 10:30 AM Mass  
March 17 ~ Finance/Property Meeting, 12:00 Noon  
March 17 ~ Choir Practice, 7:00 PM, Choir Loft  
March 18 ~ Adoration, 5:00 to 6:00 PM  
March 18 ~ No PSR Classes (Gr. K-12) – Spring Break  
March 18 ~ RCIA, 7:00 PM  
March 19 ~ Pastoral Council Meeting, 6:30 PM  
March 20 ~ Ecumenical Prayer Service, 12:00 Noon, Church  
March 20 ~ Stations of the Cross, 7:00 PM  
March 22 ~ Children's Dismissal @ 10:30 AM Mass  
March 24 ~ Choir Practice, 7:00 PM, Choir Loft  
March 25 ~ Lenten Penance Service, 6:45 PM  
March 25 ~ PSR Classes (Gr. K-2), 6:30 to 7:30 PM  
March 25 ~ PSR Class (Gr. 3-12), attend Lenten Penance Service  
March 25 ~ RCIA, 7:00 PM  
March 26 ~ Chrism Mass, 11:00 AM, Cathedral in Dodge City  
March 27 ~ Ecumenical Prayer Service, 12:00 Noon, Church  
March 27 ~ K of C All-You-Can-Eat Fish Fry, 5:00 to 7:00 PM  
March 27 ~ Stations of the Cross, 7:00 PM  
March 29 ~ Children's Dismissal @ 10:30 AM Mass  
March 29 ~ 6-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Youth Rally, Dodge City  
March 31 ~ Choir Practice, 7:00 PM, Choir Loft  
April 1 ~ Confirmation Parent Meeting, 6:30 PM, Gym



**Wednesday**  
**March 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**6:45 p.m.**

## **FINANCE/PROPERTY COMMISSION**

- ❖ Met February 17<sup>th</sup>
- ❖ Members present: G.L. VonFeldt, Dennis Wilson, Jim Damm, Don Jensen, Jack Molleker, Kathy Couchman, Pam Hutfles & Fr. Warren. Unable to attend: Bob Haymaker & Leon Sanders.
- ❖ Minutes of the January 20, 2015 meeting were approved as presented.
- ❖ The group reviewed the financial report for January reflecting \$27,576.53 in income and \$43,427.10 in expenses for a net loss of \$15,850.57. The balance sheet showed assets of \$577,149.96 compared to \$532,483.66 at the end of January 2014.
- ❖ Justin Nienhaus from Walsh & Associates gave the group an update on the progress of the capital campaign. He stated that a kick-off celebration for the campaign will be in mid-March. Pledge packets will include documents and a DVD will be available for parishioners to view.
- ❖ A new contract has been drafted to present to Tri-County Special Services/USD 495. It provides them the opportunity to continue to lease the school building at a reduced rate for the 2015-2016 school year with the agreement that a new building could be under construction on the west side of the school building. USD 495 would be responsible for all repairs to the school building. The utility sharing would remain the same.
- ❖ Next meeting: March 17, 2015 @ 12:00 Noon.

## **PASTORAL COUNCIL**

- ❖ Met February 19<sup>th</sup>
- ❖ Members present: Philip Hammeke, John Kelty, Michael Klemens, Berny Unruh, Mary Perez, Sr. Rebecca & Fr. Warren. Unable to attend: Matt Stucker & Dennis Theis.
- ❖ Minutes of the January 2015 meeting were approved as presented.
- ❖ Berny Unruh was welcomed to the council replacing Nicki Roof for the rest of her term.
- ❖ Scheduled the calling list for servers.
- ❖ Fr. Warren gave an update on the progress of our capital campaign.
- ❖ Elections for parish councils/committees will be held either the weekend of May 9 or 16.
- ❖ Next meeting: March 19, 2015 @ 6:30 PM.

## **PARISH OUTREACH COMMISSION**

- ❖ Met February 1<sup>st</sup>
- ❖ Members present: Ann Ellis, Toni Novotny, Connie Mauney, & Fr. Warren. Unable to attend: Brian Haberman, Lisa Burgess, Gretchen Whittington.
- ❖ Arranged to have gifts delivered to our newly baptized in the parish.
- ❖ Arranged for set up of the Bingo party on February 8<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ Discussed ideas for Mother's Day and Father's Day gifts.
- ❖ Next meeting: March 8, 2015 @ 11:30 AM

## **STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL**

- ❖ Met February 12<sup>th</sup>
- ❖ Members present: Mary Klinge, Don Kazmaier, Sheryl Giessel, Brenda Langdon, Mary Mitchell, Elaine Coulson, Sr. Rebecca Otter.
- ❖ The minutes of the January meeting were approved as presented.
- ❖ Reviewed the stewardship report to be placed in the newsletter.
- ❖ Discussed how non-formal ministries need to be organized.
- ❖ Reviewed current stewardship form and made suggestions/additions to include in 2015 form.
- ❖ Next meeting: March 12, 2015 @ 6:30 PM

## **ADULT RELIGIOUS FORMATION COMMISSION**

- ❖ Met February 3<sup>rd</sup>
- ❖ Members: Sr. Irene, Sr. Rebecca, Diane Dodez, Mary Mitchell, & Regis Lopata.
- ❖ The minutes of Jan. 6, 2015 meeting were approved with corrections.
- ❖ Lynne Eck has resigned from the commission, but indicated she will continue to maintain the Book Nook in church.
- ❖ Training sessions for church ministries were scheduled.
- ❖ Discussed the upcoming Lenten faith-sharing groups to be held.
- ❖ Next meeting: March 3, 2015 @ 7:00 PM

## ***PSR NEWS***

Parents of 7/8<sup>th</sup> graders- Completed Confirmation Retreat forms due March 4<sup>th</sup>.

Parents of 2<sup>nd</sup> graders-Parent mtg., 6:30, March 11<sup>th</sup>, in the school gym.

Parents of 6-8<sup>th</sup> graders-Jr. High Youth Rally registration form due March 11<sup>th</sup>.

Parents of 8<sup>th</sup> graders-Letters to the Bishop are due to me March 11<sup>th</sup>.

Parents of ALL PSR grades-*NO PSR*, March 18<sup>th</sup> (Spring Break)

Parents of K-2 & 3-12 graders-Regular class for K-2. Gr. 3-8 check in w/teacher then together will go to Penance Mass @ 6:45 PM.

Parents of 6-8<sup>th</sup> graders-Youth Rally, March 29<sup>th</sup>, at Cathedral.

Parents of 8<sup>th</sup> graders-Parent mtg., 6:30, April 1<sup>st</sup>, in the school gym.

...Whew!!

A note to 2<sup>nd</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders and their parents...the Act of Contrition should be known by all 2<sup>nd</sup> graders by March 25<sup>th</sup>. For 8<sup>th</sup> graders to get confirmed homework and attendance are *VITAL!*



Watch notes home for other announcements. Thank you and God Bless! Brenda Johnson, DRE

## **Results of Stewardship Survey**

The Stewardship Council wishes to thank each and every one who took time to complete the Stewardship form in November, 2014. Initially, we mailed out 343 stewardship packets to the families of our parish. We had 197 individual forms completed and returned. Included in the mailing were forms for our youth, ages 10-17 for them to complete as well. As the information was compiled, we found that of the 197 individuals who completed the forms, those wishing to continue in the ministries in which they are currently involved totaled 574. This figure represents those who participate in one or several ministry opportunities. Those who checked the column of "wishing to be involved" totaled 219. This again included those who wanted to be involved in one or more new ministry opportunities. There were a total of 27 who have opted out of one or more of the ministries in which they are currently involved. To these parishioners, we appreciate your past service. Training sessions for those signing up for new ministries as well as for those who are continuing to serve have already occurred for Sacristans, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ministers of Hospitality and Ushers. Servers are trained by Fr. Warren. We thank all of you who have taken the opportunity to serve our parish and know that your dedication is much appreciated.

*Sacred Heart Stewardship Council*

## March Birthdays

- |                        |                        |
|------------------------|------------------------|
| (01) Brady Carlson     | (16) Colleen Carlson   |
| Berny Unruh            | Ella McNett            |
| (02) Karen Bidne       | Shelly Stanton         |
| Don Kazmaier           | Tammy Stout            |
| Koby Lang              | (17) Amanda Cenicerros |
| (03) Jace Holopirek    | Katie Hammeke          |
| (04) Susan Aistrup     | Michael Mauney         |
| Alicia Bixby           | (18) Joel Kelty        |
| Diane Dodez            | (19) Sarah Connelly    |
| Debbie Steinert        | Maci Perez             |
| (05) Tama Hanson       | Ben Ramsey             |
| (06) Dorothy Edmonds   | Tricia Smith           |
| (07) Rita O'Gwin       | Adrian Tucker          |
| Brooke Simmons         | (21) Bob Murdie        |
| (08) Aspyn Whittington | Reese Watkins          |
| Charlie Wonsetler      | (22) Janet Adams       |
| (09) Amelia Wright     | Morgan Koch            |
| (10) Preston Burgess   | (24) Drake Harding     |
| Mary Ellen Schinstock  | Sonia Mabugat          |
| (11) Linda Garcia      | Bill Schartz           |
| (12) Kelton Barrett    | (25) Lana Bauer        |
| Damian Garcia          | (26) Ellen Jones       |
| Cathy Grover           | Barbara VonFeldt       |
| Jacque Johnson         | (27) Joyce Greathouse  |
| Mason Perez            | Alvin Hutfles          |
| (13) Anthony Lemuz     | Mike Tanner            |
| Kathy Lopata           | (28) Leann Simmons     |
| Dolores Martin         | (29) Sr. Rebecca Otter |
| Anna Simmons           | Dennis Wilson          |
| Lane Snodgrass         | (31) Joe Haberman      |
| (15) Elizabeth Fisher  | Janice McDonald        |
| Gage Skelton           | Shawn Smyth            |



## March Anniversaries

- (02) Bill and Pat Schartz  
Rob and Julie Munden  
(10) Bert and Karla Schartz  
(14) Eric and Tammy Hammond  
(17) Michael and Marissa Klemens  
(22) Don and Grethe Jensen  
(29) Chris and Gretchen Whittington

If your birthday or anniversary is not listed,  
Call 285-2035. We want to include everyone.



### CONGRATULATIONS!

Bill & Pat Schartz ~ Married 58 years  
Don & Grethe Jensen ~ Married 55 years



### BAPTIZED IN CHRIST

**Xavier David**, the son of  
Philip & Katie Hammeke  
February 15, 2015



### DIED IN CHRIST

Mary Beth Herrmann ~ February 18, 2015



### KNIGHTS MARCH EVENTS

March 3 . . . . . Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM  
March 7 . . . . . Wedding Reception/Dance (G)  
March 13 . . . . . All-You-Can-Eat Fish Fry (R)  
March 18 . . . . . Pawnee County Co-op Dinner (G)  
March 21 . . . . . Prairie Arts Dinner Theatre (R)  
March 27 . . . . . All-You-Can-Eat Fish Fry (G)

### Remember with Prayer

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|----------------------|----------------------|
| Coletta Meier        | Elora Robinson       |
| Mary Schartz         | Grace Sloan          |
| Fheno Perez          | Pat Thompson         |
| Maxine Ackerman      | Elsie Jones          |
| Grace Perez          | Mickey Perez         |
| Phyllis Neidig       | Mary Ann Schartz     |
| Kindra Perez         | Clayton Kelty        |
| Jayden Waller        | Amy Herter           |
| John Harmon          | Catherine Orth       |
| Sharon Larsen        | Joyce Greathouse     |
| Betty Tauscher       | Susan Colglazier     |
| Fr. Warren Stecklein | Sr. Clara Ann Fluech |
| Fr. Charles Mazouch  | Ryan Shelton         |

All of our men and women serving in the  
United States military

### JANUARY 2015 FINANCES

#### INCOME:

|                   |                    |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| Collections       | 15,703.36          |
| Special Donations |                    |
| Endowment         |                    |
| Interest          | 5.62               |
| Farm              |                    |
| PSR               | 9,686.34           |
| Fundraisers       | 652.01             |
| Miscellaneous     | <u>1,529.20</u>    |
| <b>TOTAL</b>      | <b>\$27,576.53</b> |

#### EXPENSES:

|               |                    |
|---------------|--------------------|
| Stewardship   | 2,821.11           |
| Salaries      | 13,150.10          |
| Insurance     | 1,680.00           |
| Utilities     | 4,127.57           |
| Maintenance   | 1,058.94           |
| Improvement   |                    |
| Office        | 810.08             |
| PSR           | 8,593.55           |
| Farm          |                    |
| Miscellaneous | <u>11,185.75</u>   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>\$43,427.10</b> |

### † Lenten Devotions †

Stations of the Cross and Benediction  
each Friday during Lent at 7:00 PM



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**ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT**



**Friday – March 13 – 5:00 to 7:00 PM**  
**Friday – March 27 – 5:00 to 7:00 PM**

**Adults: \$9.00      Under 12: \$5.00**  
**Preschool: Free**

**K of C Hall on Scenic Drive**  
**1216 M Road**

**Proceeds go toward charitable causes**